

# North River Communities

## Neighborhood Plan

CMAP Land Use Committee

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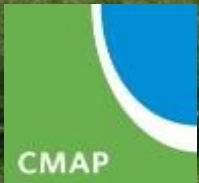
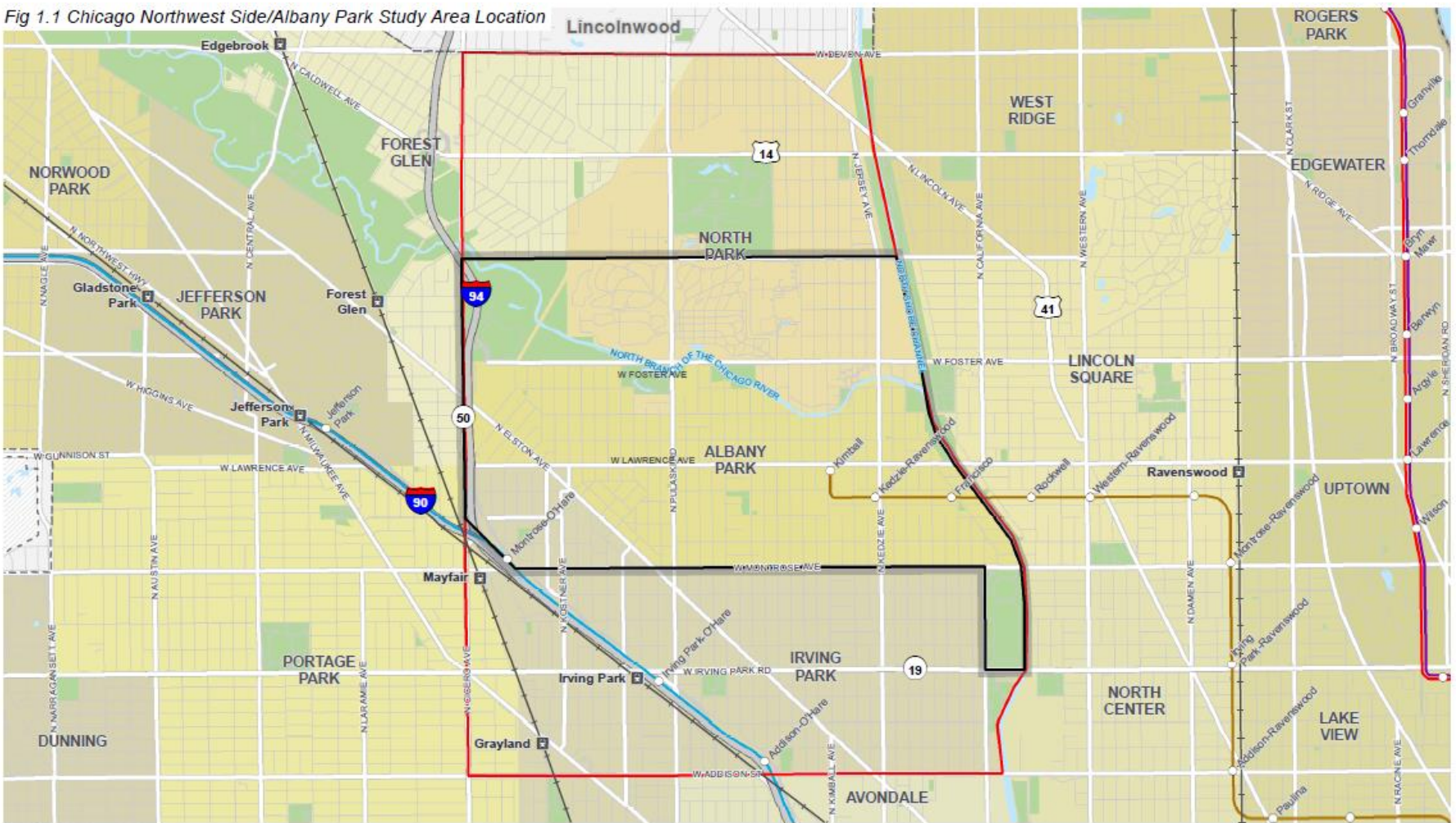


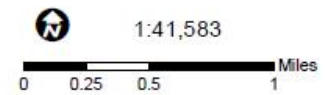


Fig 1.1 Chicago Northwest Side/Albany Park Study Area Location



- Project's Location
- North River Communities Study Area Limits
- Project Outreach Area/NRC Service Area
- Municipal Limits
- Unincorporated Areas
- Open Space
- Water
- Chicago Community Areas

- CTA Rail Lines
- Blue Line (O'Hare)
- Brown Line
- Red, Purple Line
- Metra Rail Lines
- Metra Stations



Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, 2015.

# Project Study Area

## Public Participation

- 366 Metroquest responses (904 visitors)
- 50 hardcopy survey responses
- 150 attendees at public workshop
- 4 Steering Committee meetings

## Outreach Appearances

- 2 NEIU classes
- 5 neighborhood/block group meetings
- CTA Kimball/Kedzie development visioning meeting
- Territory Albany Park (After School Matters)
- North River Commission “Environment Night”
- Albany Park Worldfest

Process + Outreach





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Sylvia Asllani | **Peterson Park IA**

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Inchul Choi | **Korean American Comm. Svc.**

Kompha Seth | **Cambodian Association**

Jenise Celestin | **Swedish Covenant**

Marilyn Winters | **Heartland Health Ctr.**

**Steering Committee**

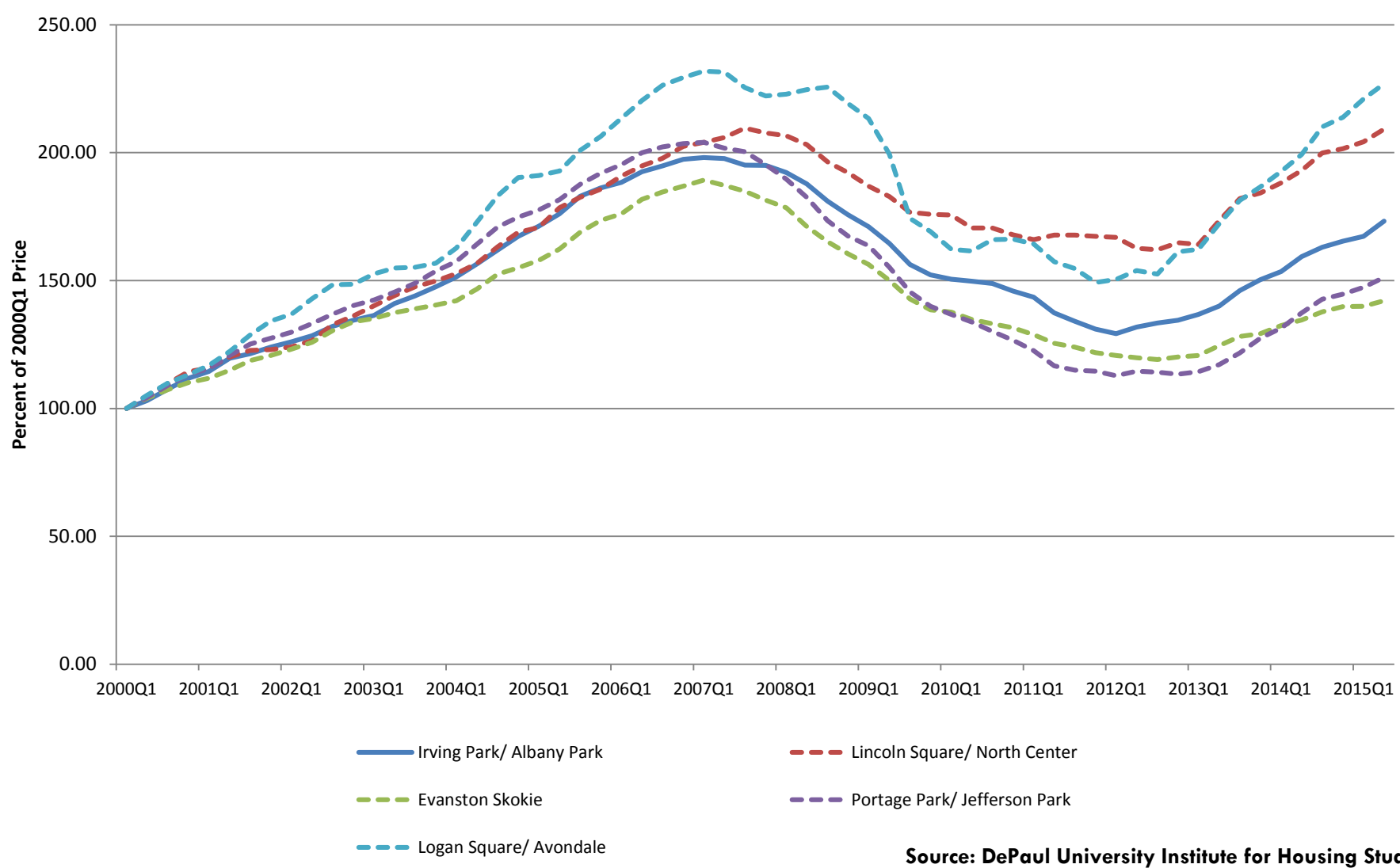
- Issue: Community safety
- Opportunity: Neighborhood Diversity
- Issue: Perception and potential of Lawrence Avenue
- Opportunity: Transit oriented development
- Issue: Threats to housing affordability, diversity, and quality
- Issue: Stormwater and flooding
- Opportunity: Rivers, parks, and trails

Issues + Opportunities

- Build on past accomplishments and current efforts of NRC, community organizations, local businesses, residents, and institutions
- Preserve affordability and diversity
- Activate and enhance existing assets
- Provide safe and healthy places to live
- Promote clean, accessible rivers
- Cultivate and communicate a distinct sense of place

## Guiding Principles

# Housing Price Index, 2000-2015



Source: DePaul University Institute for Housing Studies

# Priority | Housing Affordability



## Key Strategies

- Convene collaborative network of community partners
- **Preserve affordable family housing**
- Create new affordable units near transit

Priority | **Housing Affordability**





# Priority | Lawrence Avenue Experience



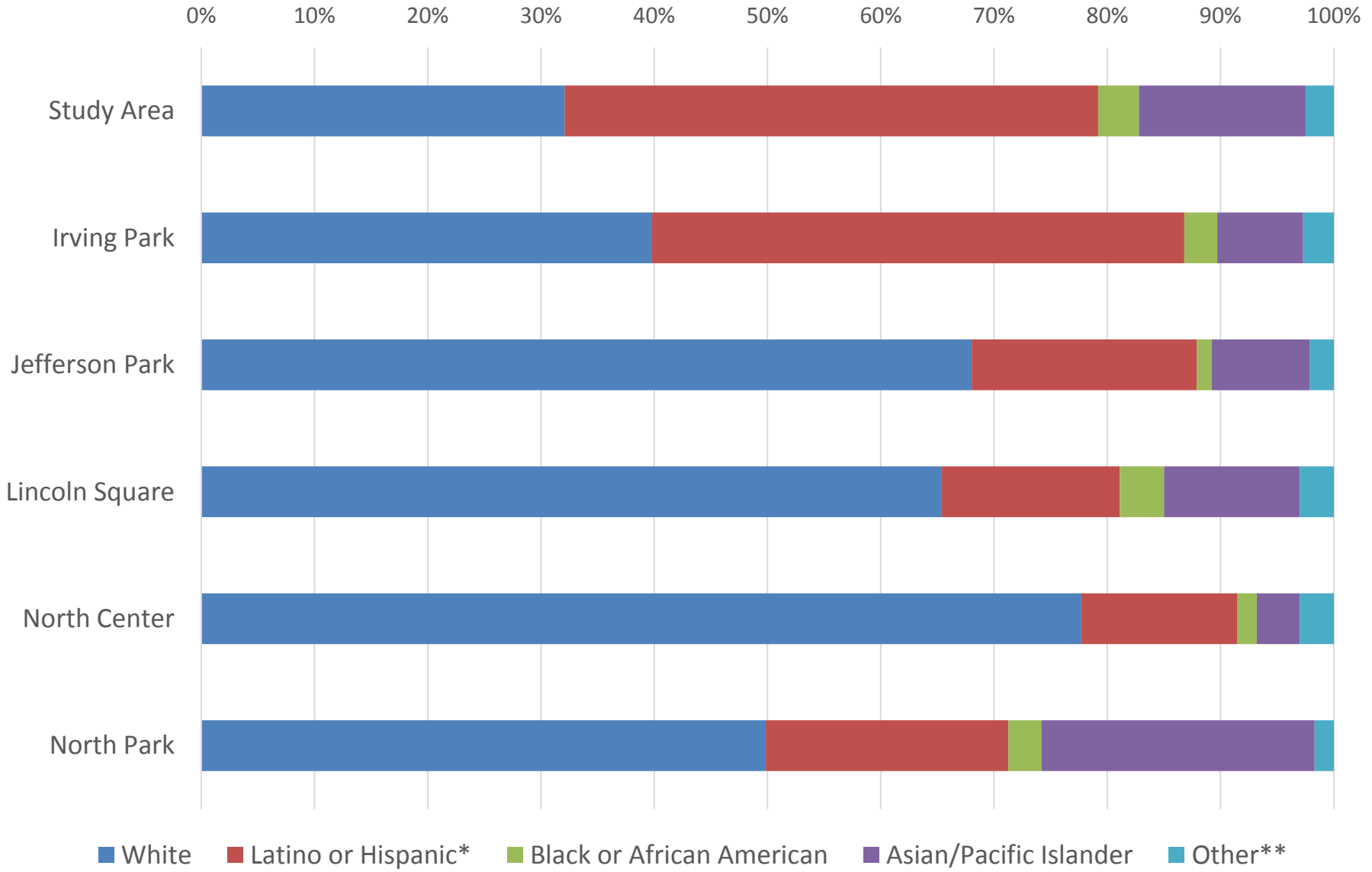
## Key Strategies

- Consider expanding SSA
- Create plazas and gathering places
- Enhance streetscaping
- Focus on key nodes
- Develop diversity-focused branding campaign
- Leverage historic buildings and landmarks

Priority | **Lawrence Avenue Experience**

# Race and Ethnicity, 2010

Source: 2000 and 2010 U.S. Census



# Priority | Promoting Diversity



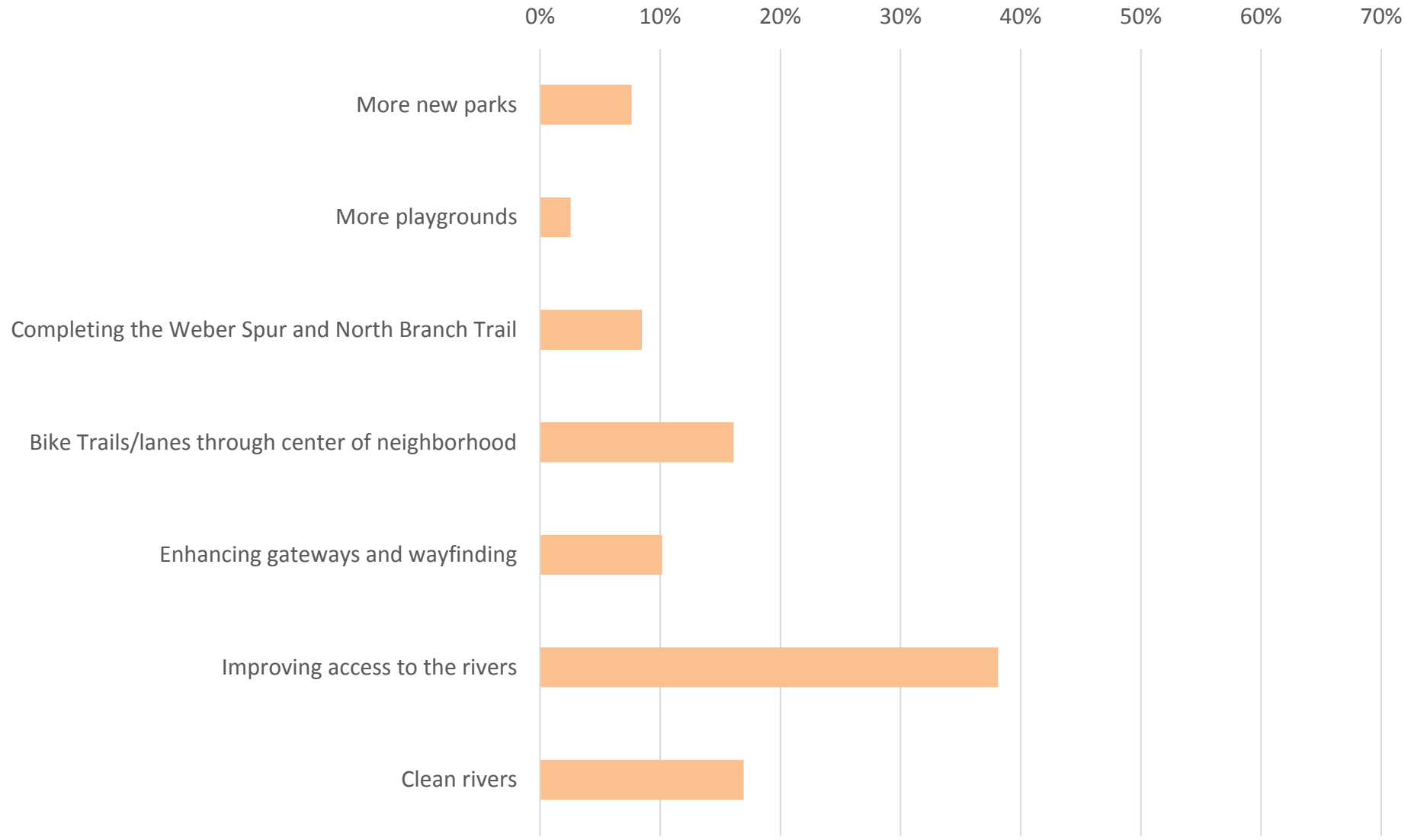


## Key Strategies

- Support and strengthen local businesses
- Develop stronger inclusion of Latino community within NRC
- Market the neighborhood's diversity
- Preserve housing choices

Priority | Promoting Diversity

# What is the most important need for recreation in the neighborhood?



Priority | **Park and River Connections**



## Key Strategies

- Advocate for completion of Weber Spur
- Enhance gateways and wayfinding
- Connect and improve neighborhood bikeways
- Open parks and preserves to rivers

Priority | **Park and River Connections**





Each weekday, **64,000** people ride the Brown Line.

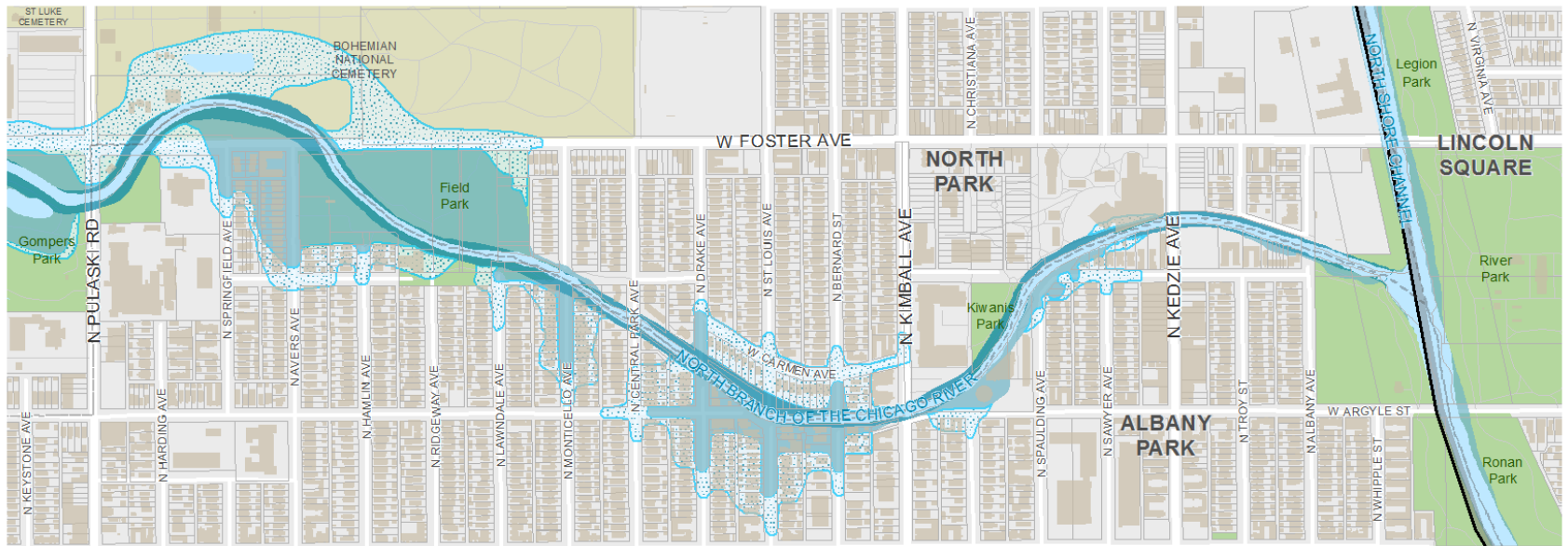
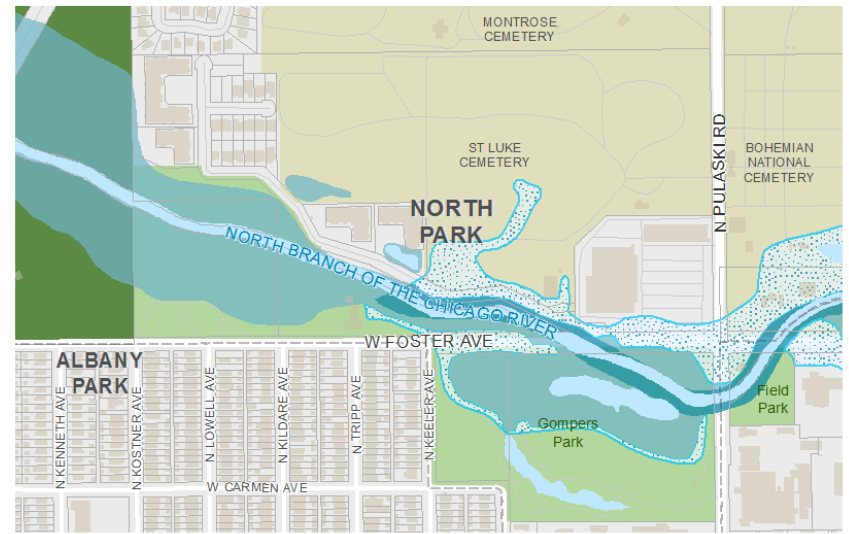
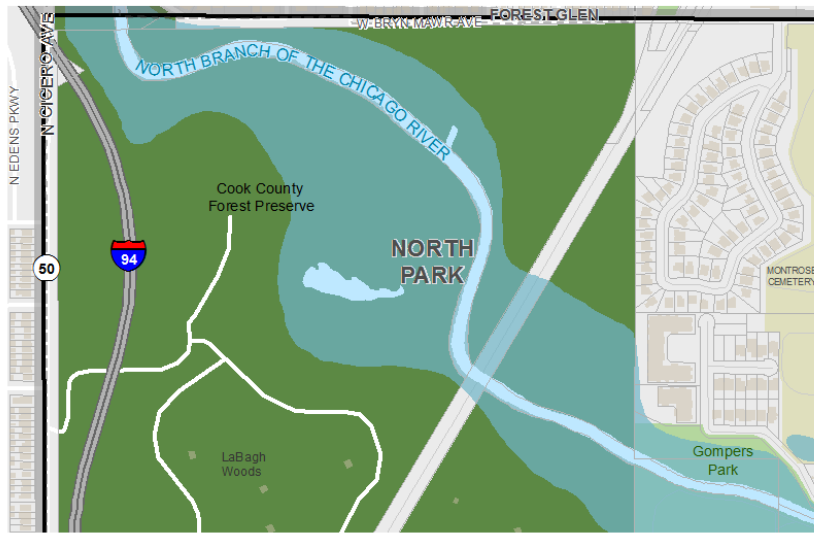
Almost **8,000** of them board at Kimball, Kedzie, or Francisco.

Priority | **TOD**



## Key Strategies

- Pursue equitable TOD through cross-sector partnership
- Encourage new housing for seniors and small households
- Advocate for location of ARO units on site
- Promote reduced parking
- Coordinate with CTA



Northwest Side/Albany Park Study Area Limits	Floodway	Cook County Forest Preserve
Chicago Community Areas	100-yr Floodplain (1% Annual Chance Flood Hazard)	Local Parks
Metra Rail Lines	500-yr Floodplain (0.2% Annual Chance Flood Hazard)	Water
Metra Stations	Building Footprints	

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# Priority | Stormwater Solutions





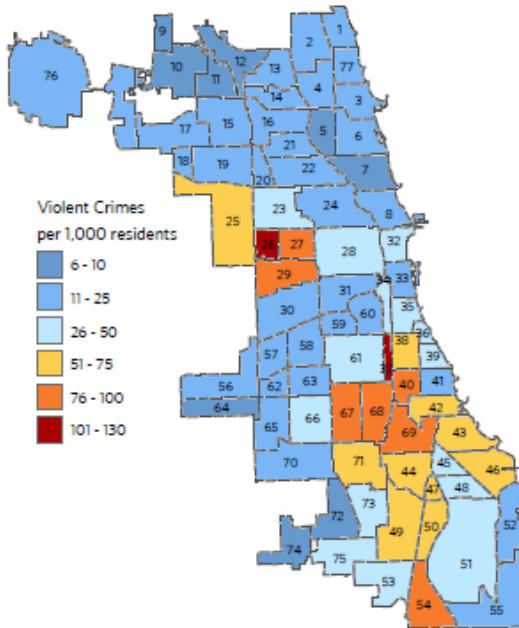
## Key Strategies

- **Monitor implementation of stormwater diversion tunnel**
- **Advocate expansion of green stormwater infrastructure**
- **Create new affordable units near transit**
- **Pursue partnerships**

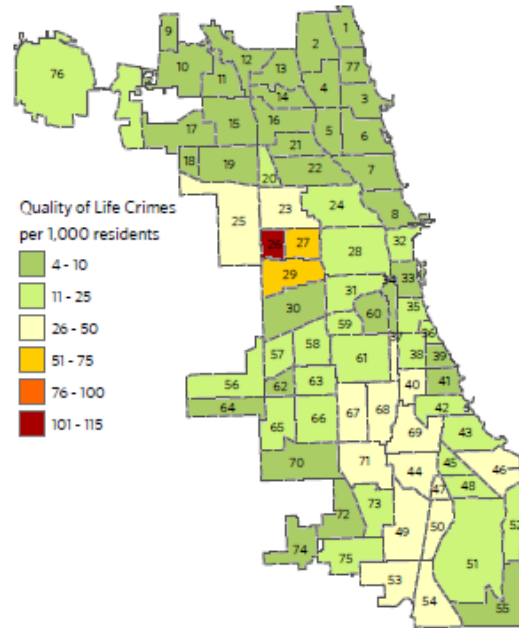
Priority | **Stormwater Solutions**

# CITY OF CHICAGO - 2016 PRIMARY CRIME TYPES BY COMMUNITY AREAS PER 1,000 RESIDENTS

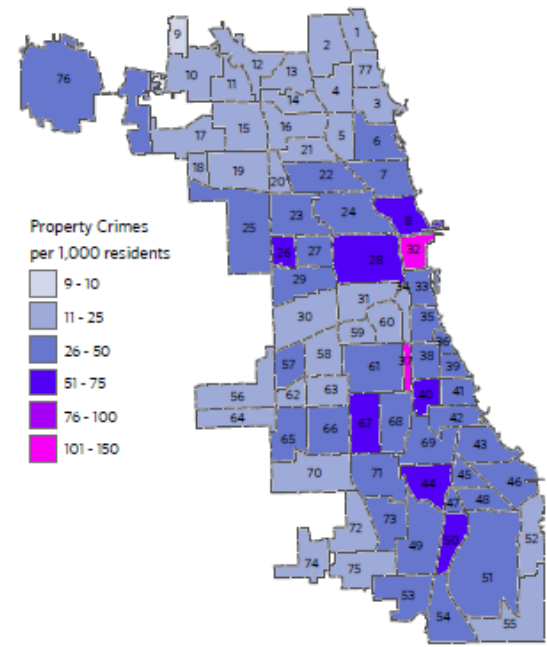
**VIOLENT CRIMES**  
(ASSAULT, BATTERY, SEXUAL ASSAULT, HOMICIDE)



**QUALITY OF LIFE CRIMES**  
(NARCOTICS, PROSTITUTION, CRIMINAL DAMAGE)



**PROPERTY CRIMES**  
(BURGLARY, THEFT, MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT, ARSON)



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|--------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. ROGERS PARK     | 14. ALBANY PARK        | 27. EAST GARFIELD PARK | 40. WASHINGTON PARK | 53. WEST PULLMAN   | 66. CHICAGO LAWN           |
| 2. WEST RIDGE      | 15. PORTAGE PARK       | 28. NEAR WEST SIDE     | 41. HYDE PARK       | 54. RIVERDALE      | 67. WEST ENGLEWOOD         |
| 3. UPTOWN          | 16. IRVING PARK        | 29. NORTH LAWNDALE     | 42. WOODLAWN        | 55. HEGEWISCH      | 68. ENGLEWOOD              |
| 4. LINCOLN SQUARE  | 17. DUNNING            | 30. SOUTH LAWNDALE     | 43. SOUTH SHORE     | 56. GARFIELD RIDGE | 69. GREATER GRAND CROSSING |
| 5. NORTH CENTER    | 18. MONTCLARE          | 31. LOWER WEST SIDE    | 44. CHATHAM         | 57. ARCHER HEIGHTS | 70. ASHBURN                |
| 6. LAKE VIEW       | 19. BELMONT CRAGIN     | 32. LOOP               | 45. AVALON PARK     | 58. BRIGHTON PARK  | 71. AUBURN GRESHAM         |
| 7. LINCOLN PARK    | 20. HERMOSA            | 33. NEAR SOUTH SIDE    | 46. SOUTH CHICAGO   | 59. MCKINLEY PARK  | 72. BEVERLY                |
| 8. NEAR NORTH SIDE | 21. AVONDALE           | 34. ARMOUR SQUARE      | 47. BURNSIDE        | 60. BRIDGEPORT     | 73. WASHINGTON HEIGHTS     |
| 9. EDISON PARK     | 22. LOGAN SQUARE       | 35. DOUGLAS            | 48. CALUMET HEIGHTS | 61. NEW CITY       | 74. MOUNT GREENWOOD        |
| 10. NORWOOD PARK   | 23. HUMBOLDT PARK      | 36. OAKLAND            | 49. ROSELAND        | 62. WEST ELSDON    | 75. MORGAN PARK            |
| 11. JEFFERSON PARK | 24. WEST TOWN          | 37. FULLER PARK        | 50. PULLMAN         | 63. GAGE PARK      | 76. OHARE                  |
| 12. FOREST GLEN    | 25. AUSTIN             | 38. GRAND BOULEVARD    | 51. SOUTH DEERING   | 64. CLEARING       | 77. EDGEWATER              |
| 13. NORTH PARK     | 26. WEST GARFIELD PARK | 39. KENWOOD            | 52. EAST SIDE       | 65. WEST LAWN      |                            |

Data Source: CMAP analysis of Chicago Police Department's CLEAR (Citizen Law Enforcement Analysis and Reporting) records published on City of Chicago Data Portal.

Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, 2017.

Priority | Community Safety





## Key Strategies

- Pursue design improvements in commercial corridors
- Pursue design improvements in public parks
- Enhance the pedestrian experience
- Partner with existing programs

Priority | **Community Safety**



- Coordinate public input event with ULI
- Continue participating in CTA Kimball/Kedzie study
- Complete draft plan
- Incorporate input from DPD, CTA, Steering Committee, and other groups
- Public open house

**Next Steps**