



Summary of applications for the Call for Projects March 25, 2024

The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP), in partnership with the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA), hosted a call for communities to apply for technical assistance and help them prosper in the years ahead. While CMAP and RTA have separate technical assistance programs, both agencies offered the same online application for applicants to use during the agencies' joint Call for Projects.

The purpose of the CMAP Technical Assistance and RTA Community Planning programs is to support communities by offering planning and implementation assistance, providing interagency expertise, leverage the region's transit network, and building local government capacity. This work will align with the comprehensive plan for the region, ON TO 2050, and the recently updated regional transit strategic plan, Transit is the Answer.

Application breakdown by type of assistance, community cohort, and county.

122 applications were received from 96 different applicants. Below is a breakdown of applications by type of assistance. The type of technical assistance is based on the initial review of the application, but this may change throughout the course of the evaluation process. Please note that each agency evaluates initial applications for projects that they will manage.

Type of assistance	Number of applications
ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan (CMAP)	20
Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan (CMAP)	17
Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) (CMAP)	7
Corridor Plan (CMAP/ RTA)	10
Curb Management Study (RTA)	0
Housing and Jobs Study – AHPAA (CMAP)	2
Developer Dialogue (RTA)	2
Equitable Transit-Oriented Development Plan (RTA)	6
Grant Readiness (CMAP)	8
Neighborhood Mobility Improvement and Mobility Hub Plan (RTA)	3
NEXT (CMAP)	8
Pavement Management Plan (CMAP)	9
Site Planning (pilot project) (CMAP)	5
Special Financing District Study (RTA)	2
Transit Station Activation Project (pilot program) (RTA)	17
Transportation Safety Plan (CMAP)	5
Zoning Code Update (RTA)	1

All communities were welcome to apply for the call, but this year, CMAP and the RTA will

- Consider the following thematic priorities:
- Achieve the goals associated with the sought-after type of assistance
- Strengthen planning capacity in communities with disadvantaged populations
- Provide assistance on emerging topics, challenges, and innovations to achieve RTA's strategic plan vision of a safe, reliable, accessible public transportation that connects people with opportunity, advances equity, and combats climate change
- Increase community empowerment and equitable engagement
- Implement previously developed local plans
- Facilitate collaboration across jurisdictions

All communities were welcome to apply for the call, but this year, communities in certain cohorts will receive priority consideration when evaluating applications for certain types of assistance. Below is a breakdown of applications from municipalities or Chicago Community Areas (CCAs) by community cohort. For applications spanning multiple jurisdictions, the cohorts from each jurisdiction were averaged to create a combined cohort for that application.

Community Cohort	Number of applications
Cohort 1	34
Cohort 2	43
Cohort 3	12
Cohort 4	33

CMAP and RTA received applications from local governments in all seven counties of Northeastern Illinois. Below is a breakdown of applications by county. Applications that span multiple counties are counted multiple times, for each county that they're located in.

County	Number of applications
Cook	67
DuPage	16
Kane	12
Kendall	2
Lake	19
McHenry	11
Will	8

Timeline

Date	Action
February 26, 2024	Application period opened
March 22, 2024	Application period closed at noon
April – May, 2024	CMAP and RTA review applications and contact applicants with
	additional questions
Early June 2024	Awardees announced

Applications received

All applications received are attached below.

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

If yes, will the proposed project:	Build off an existing plan
Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	Yes
If yes, what year was it last updated?	2019

	-Provide background information concerning how the Village will incorporate and implement the requirements for accessibility as required in the ADA and IACLayout a schedule to conduct ongoing accessibility self-assessments of Village-Owned properties and to inventory current accessibility needsDevelop priorities, plans, and a budget for the next five (5) years for curb ramp, public walk, and Village - Owned public building compliance improvements.
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	Yes
If yes, provide their name, email, and phone number:	Donald Pinson, DPinson@addison-il.org, (630) 543-4100
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	Yes
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	Yes
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	The pertinent data gathered at intersection corners will be recorded on Field Evaluation Forms in the transition plan that will be used to compile a database and inputted into the Village GIS.
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	The Village is implementing a program to survey and inventory existing intersection corners to determine the presence or non-presence of curb ramps and gather curb ramp condition and geometric data. Because there are different types of curb ramps built at different times within the Village, and there is no reliable record of such available, the Engineering Division determined that it would be best to start a new curb ramp self-evaluation for all intersections shown in the ADA Self Evaluation map in the transition plan.
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Training Technical support developing the documents
What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 1 Funding = 3 Time = 2

The purpose of the plan is to:

If yes, how do you use your ADA

self-evaluation and transition plan?

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Neither easy nor difficult

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For which project type are you	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan
applying? (Choose one – You may	
apply for more than one type of	
assistance by completing a separate	
application form.)	

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The proposed study area would include the jurisdictional boundaries of the Village of Addison. Within the village there are existing bike paths established, however they are disjointed. It would be our intention to explore connections between these paths and possibly consider connections at our boundaries that meet other communities path termini.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)	Connect to the regional trail system Identify strategies for pedestrian crossings Study problematic intersections
Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?	Yes
If yes, please describe:	While it is our understanding that the study will identify a best option for a bike path. Of particular concern is providing a connection for some of our historically disadvantaged residents on the west portion of the village. With amenities on the eastern side of the village.
Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community:	It is our intention for this study to become a catalyst for this type of initiative.
Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?	Yes
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?	Safe routes to School project plans are currently being finalized and future projects will be pursued.
What data are available to your community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning?	We have traffic studies and other data that may be of use in the planning phase.
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Planning liaison

What resources did you find helpful as Web page FAQ you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Pavement Management Plan
Pavement Management Plan	
Are you seeking assistance with:	A new plan

Please describe previous pavement management activities that you have made. Describe any actions you have taken to implement previous pavement management plans and whether your efforts were successful or not:

The Village has recently had a pavement analysis completed on its entire road network in order to determine the pavement condition and various attributes for each roadway segment. The data is currently static and not implemented into a pavement management system. There is a corresponding pavement management report, although it provides minimal content regarding recommendations for pavement maintenance going forward.

Addison had a similar pavement analysis completed for the entire Village road network in 2004 with a management report. Although, it did not get incorporated into pavement management software nor were the recommended measures implemented.

Does the community currently maintain and update data in an established pavement management system?

Which municipal department(s) and/or staff will oversee the Pavement Management Plan assigned?

Engineering

Does the community currently have an engineer on staff?

Yes

What is the approximate number of center-line miles in your local street network (maintained by your agency)? 80 miles

Does the community currently prioritize No pavement maintenance and/or preservation projects?

How are roadway improvement projects prioritized (i.e. worst first, minimize lifecycle costs {pavement /asset management system), advisory board selection, or other approach)?

Roadway projects are typically prioritized by worst first and also on a 20-year cycle period.

What is your annual budget for local roadway maintenance and rehabilitation projects? What are the sources of that funding (i.e., Motor Fuel Tax, general revenue, CDBG, etc.)?

\$2 million Motor Fuel Tax

Are staff interested in PAVER software training?

Yes

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?

Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the Yes contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated: Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements: **Closing Questions** How did you find out about the call for Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison projects? (Select all that apply) What resources did you find helpful as Web page FAQ you apply for the call? (Select all that Technical assistance flow chart apply)

Neither easy nor difficult

How difficult was it to fill out this

application?

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Transportation Safety Plan

Transportation Safety Plans

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The study area includes all streets and roads within the Village of Addison limits. This encompasses major thoroughfares such as Lake Street, Army Trail Road, and North Avenue, as well as local streets and residential neighborhoods. While the primary focus is on the Village of Addison, the study area may extend beyond its boundaries if necessary to address transportation safety concerns that have regional implications including coordinating with neighboring municipalities and counties.

The study area encompasses existing public transit services that operate within the Village of Addison. This includes routes served by Pace buses. Greenways and trails within the Village of Addison are included within the study area boundaries. This encompasses recreational trails such as as the Salt Creek Greenway Trail, which provides pedestrian and bicycle connections within the village and beyond.

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three) Identify strategies for pedestrian, bicycle, and ADA compliant crossings
Redesign problematic intersections
Identify and propose solutions for gaps in the bicycle network
Identify priority corridors for 'complete streets' improvements which support
safe use by all modes

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?

Yes

If yes, please describe:

The Village of Addison is seeking the expertise of CMAP to improve the transportation safety in the Village. Improving transportation safety enhances public safety and reduces traffic related injuries and fatalities but also promotes equity, accessibility, and inclusion by addressing the unique needs and challenges faced by historically disadvantaged groups and residents with limited proficiency in English. Enhancements to transportation safety can expand access to essential services, employment opportunities, education, healthcare, and recreational facilities.

Historically disadvantaged groups, such as low-income communities and minorities, often face transportation barriers that limit their ability to access these resources. Improving safety measures, such as adding crosswalks, improving sidewalks, and enhancing public transit options, can help bridge these gaps and provide greater access to opportunities for these groups

For individuals with limited proficiency in English or those who may face communication barriers, safe and reliable transportation options are essential for maintaining mobility and independence. By improving transportation safety, the Village can ensure that residents from diverse linguistic backgrounds can navigate the Village with confidence and access the services they need without undue difficulty or safety concerns. .

Are there existing projects within the study area that might affect traffic, mobility, or safety? (i.e., transportation or mobility studies, redevelopment plans/projects, road re/construction projects, storm water management, economic development plans, etc.)

no

How well is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?

The existing bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure in the Village of Addison is being utilized effectively by the community, providing essential avenues for active transportation and recreational activities. The presence of sidewalks, bike lanes, and pedestrian pathways facilitates active transportation among residents. Greenways, trails, and pedestrian-friendly areas offer opportunities for recreational activities. Bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure contribute to community connectivity by linking neighborhoods and providing safe routes for residents to interact with each other.

However, there are areas where improvements could enhance its effectiveness and accessibility. Some bicycle lanes and pedestrian pathways may lack adequate safety features, such as proper signage, lighting, or separation from vehicular traffic. Implementing safety enhancements like better lighting, marked crosswalks, and protected bike lanes can improve safety for all users.

Certain areas may have accessibility barriers, such as uneven sidewalks, lack of curb ramps, or obstacles obstructing pedestrian pathways. Enhancing accessibility features ensures that all residents, including those with disabilities or mobility changes, can comfortably and safely navigate the Village.

While the existing infrastructure provides a foundation, there may be gaps in the network that limit connectivity or accessibility to certain areas. Expanding the network with additional sidewalks, bike lanes, and multi-use paths can create a more comprehensive and interconnected system that serves a broader range of destinations and users.

If not, why? (Select all that apply)

Inadequate facilities Unsafe conditions / major barriers Perceived lack of safety Lack of connectivity Pavement quality Lighting

Are you able to provide CMAP staff with Yes local crash reports?

Awareness

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?

Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:

Yes

Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements:

Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What recourses did you find helpful as	Instructional videos

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Instructional videos

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Neither easy nor difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?

No

producing an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	significantly impeded progress. This has constrained our ability to dedicate the necessary time and resources required for thorough assessment and planning, thereby delaying the completion of the project. Addressing these constraints is imperative to ensure timely and comprehensive compliance with ADA regulations.
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	Yes
If yes, provide their name, email, and phone number:	Todd Walker; toddwalker@algonquin.org; 847-658-2700
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	Yes
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	Yes
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	GIS; standard specifications; as-built drawings
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	Bunker Hill Rehab (repair & replace sidewalk & bike path crossings to meet ADA stand.); Rolls Dr Rehab, Tunbridge Sub. Rehab & Willoughby Farms Rehab (repair & replace sidewalk crossings to meet ADA stand.); Holder Park Recon (ADA accessible playground), Eastgate Dr Ped. & Road Improve. (Sidewalk replacement, ADA crossing upgrades, narrow crossing distance, improve signage & visibility; project adj. to public library & mult. schools), Downtown Streetscape (ADA crossing upgrades & add. 10-ft bike path connection to regional path)
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Technical support developing the documents
What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 3 Funding = 2 Time = 1
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes

Insufficient resources in terms of manpower and financial allocation have

If no, what is the biggest barrier to

Please tell us if you have reviewed the Yes contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated: Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements: **Closing Questions** How did you find out about the call for Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison projects? (Select all that apply) What resources did you find helpful as Web page FAQ you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Neither easy nor difficult

How difficult was it to fill out this

application?

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	NEXT

NEXT

Please identify any community organizations, staff, and/or elected officials who will be involved in this plan implementation technical assistance project:

Austin Coming Together
Ethan Ramsay - Planning & Investment Manager
Darnell Shields - Executive Director
Andrew Born - Senior Director of Community Impact
Mia Almond - Project Coordinator

The current draft of the plan names a number of City of Chicago agencies as lead implementers. This list includes Chicago's Department of Transportation, Transit Authority, Department of Planning and Development, Park District, Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events, and Department of Housing.

Community organizations including Westside Health Authority, BUILD, block clubs, and the Austin Chamber of Commerce are also well positioned to implement recommendations within the corridor plan.

What is the name of the plan that you would like assistance implementing through NEXT?

Austin Central Avenue Corridor Plan - Creating Austin's Main Street

Was the plan adopted by your municipality and codified within an ordinance within the past 5 years?

No

What is the goal of this plan / What are you looking to accomplish?

For the past year, Austin Coming Together has been working with CMAP to develop the Austin Central Avenue Corridor Plan. This plan is a blueprint for the community's vision for the corridor, as stated in the quality of life plan: "A healthy Central Avenue Corridor consistently branded from the north to the south and that will serve as a unifying presence, both supporting and illustrating a thriving and united Austin." This plan primarily focuses on using the corridor to connect all the sub-neighborhoods and serve as the spine of Austin.

The plan is broken down into three sets of recommendations: Public Realm, Development, and Implementation. The Public Realm section is focused on building visual cohesion and identity along Central Avenue with coordinated wayfinding and signage to draw in people driving east-west through the neighborhood or visiting specific destinations such as Columbus Park. The Development section centers development that enhances residents' quality-of-life and increases opportunities without spurring displacement. Lastly, the Implementation section is about building community support and partnerships, identifying funding sources, and other resources to advance the community priorities.

As we near completion of the planning process, the next stage is mobilizing and implementing the Austin Central Avenue Corridor Plan. Through our experience developing and implementing Austin's quality of life plan, we know the importance of developing a thoughtful structure and implementation strategy to ensure the plan doesn't end up underutilized. We have already begun prioritizing certain recommendations based on a number of criteria such as cost and length of time to implement. We have also been engaging with potential lead partners about the draft plan and their role in supporting some of the recommendations. Next, we want to work with CMAP to develop a financial and project operating model for plan implementation. This could entail creating meeting cadences among key stakeholders, developing collaborative action plans for prioritized recommendations, identifying and securing funding opportunities, and/or hosting design charrettes for specific commercial nodes along Central Avenue. We want to build off the momentum of the past year and believe CMAP's technical expertise and understanding of how the City of Chicago works can be instrumental in advancing the vision of Austin's Central Avenue Corridor plan.

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?

Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:

Yes

Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements:

Closing Questions

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How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Planning liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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NEXT

Please identify any community organizations, staff, and/or elected officials who will be involved in this plan implementation technical assistance project:

Avondale Neighborhood Assoc people Liz Muscare, President, Melissa Toops VP, Gavin Hamilton, Treasurer, Eric Bloomberg, Director, Nikki Frisinger and Helaine Krysik, Arts and Culture Committee, Ben van Loon and Nicholas Katsafados, Business and Economic Development Committee Brian Castro and Sean MacMullan Safer Streets committee

Jaime Andrade Illinois State Rep, Alderman Carlos Rosa 35th ward and Alderwoman Rossana Rodriguez 33rd ward

What is the name of the plan that you would like assistance implementing through NEXT?

Avondale Neighborhood Plan.

We won a CMAP grant in 2019 for this plan. The plan was completed September 2023.

Yes

What is the goal of this plan / What are you looking to accomplish?

Our 1st goal is to Preserve Neighborhood Diversity and to preserve the affordability of housing choices. Our 2nd goal is to promote and educate the community about eTOD development.

Our 3rd goal is to balance Economic growth with preservation in mind. Our 4th goal is to Improve transportation for all of Avondale.

We have recommendations for how to accomplish these goals through the plan.

We want to accomplish the implementation of the Goals. We have taken the 1st steps to form some of the committees recommended from the plan. We could use guidance on how to guide the committees so they can achieve the recommendations and goals.

As well as get the community involved and aligned with these goals. We also need help transitioning our chamber with our neighboring community's chamber. There have been 2 attempts to get an individual chamber for just our

Avondale but both have failed. We feel it is very important that businesses are connected with a chamber so that goal 3 can be accomplished. The other community chamber is well established and on board with this merger.

We feel this grant would be very helpful in guiding us on how to achieve our goals.

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?

Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:

Yes

Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements:

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Instructional videos

Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Neither easy nor difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Pavement Management Plan

Pavement Management Plan

Are you seeking assistance with:	A new plan
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Please describe previous pavement management activities that you have made. Describe any actions you have taken to implement previous pavement management plans and whether your efforts were successful or not:

Annually, the Village Board reviews the dates that roads were previously paved and estimates when the next resurfacing will need to be completed based upon the number of years that have passed since the last resurfacing. The Village engineer will determine if patching or crack sealing is needed and a budget amount is estimated. A formal comprehensive pavement analysis has not been conducted. A pavement management plan would be a proactive approach and a helpful guide for staff in preparing a capital improvement plan which would include resurfacing and maintenance of Village streets for current and future years.

Does the community currently maintain and update data in an established pavement management system?	No
Which municipal department(s) and/or staff will oversee the Pavement Management Plan assigned?	The Village Manager and Police Chief/Public Works Director.
Does the community currently have an engineer on staff?	No
What is the approximate number of center-line miles in your local street network (maintained by your agency)?	18.6 miles
Does the community currently prioritize pavement maintenance and/or preservation projects?	Yes
How are roadway improvement projects prioritized (i.e. worst first, minimize lifecycle costs {pavement /asset management system}, advisory board selection, or other approach)?	Worst first
What is your annual budget for local roadway maintenance and rehabilitation projects? What are the sources of that funding (i.e., Motor Fuel Tax, general revenue, CDBG, etc.)?	\$30,000 General Fund for this fiscal year. The Village is aware that, in future years, the amounts will be substantially more and needs assistance in determining the condition of the roads so amounts may be budgeted for major repairs and resurfacing in future years.
Are staff interested in PAVER software training?	No
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Website

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Technical assistance flow chart

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?

No

transition plan?	to do but don't have the staff or expertise to do on our own.
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	Yes
If yes, provide their name, email, and phone number:	Ron Herff Deputy Director, Community & Economic Development Fire Marshal, Village of Bensenville 630-594-1009 rherff@bensenville.il.us
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	Yes
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	Yes
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	Not sure what I'm supposed to put here. We have access to a variety of data that should be helpful for both the self-evaluation and transition planning.
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	A new senior services facility in the lower level of Village Hall. New roadways throughout town and our complete streets policy. New Village Hall parking lot/downtown park improvements. New playground equipment at Redmond Park. The potential redevelopment of the Water's Edge Aquatic Center. The renovation of the Bensenville Center Theatre.
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Training Technical support developing the documents
What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 2 Funding = 1 Time = 3
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes

Staff time. When CMAP was originally testing the idea of helping with these

plans, we reached out showing interest. We know it's something we need

If no, what is the biggest barrier to

producing an ADA self-evaluation and

Please tell us if you have reviewed the Yes contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated: Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements: **Closing Questions** How did you find out about the call for Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison projects? (Select all that apply) Other: Meeting with CMAP staff What resources did you find helpful as None you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Somewhat easy

How difficult was it to fill out this

application?

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Implement a recommendation from an existing plan

If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:	CMAP Prairie Path and Taft Ave Corridor Plan adopted in 2022 recommended the Village of Berkeley develop an ADA transition plan to identify barriers to equitable access.
	https://www.berkeley.il.us/vertical/sites/%7BB4877CC9-5533-47FA-94DE-B3C09F1665AB%7D/uploads/Prairie_Path_Taft_Ave_Adopted.pdf
Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	No
If no, what is the biggest barrier to producing an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	The Village of Berkeley wishes to create an ADA transition plan, as recommended in the CMAP Prairie Path and Taft Ave Corridor Plan. However, we don't know where to start and could use some expertise in creating and implementing this plan.
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	No
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	No
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	No
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	Not really sure what data is needed, but Berkeley would try it's best efforts to obtain that data, if we don't have it already. Could really use a place to start and that is why we are seeking CMAP assistance.
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	Most of the east side of Berkeley (east of Wolf Road) does not have sidewalks. The Village would consider implementing sidewalks, but it is at a cost of \$1.4 million. Before we spend money to implement sidewalks, it would be good to understand if this would help accessibility for persons with disabilities. If we had a better understanding of this, I think the Village Board would then be more supportive of implementing sidewalks on the east side and make this a priority. Should the Village make this a priority? The ADA transition plan could help us answer that question.
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Training Technical support developing the documents
What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 3 Funding = 2 Time = 1

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison CMAP newsletter RTA newsletter
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ Technical assistance flow chart
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

Corridor Plan

study area:

Please upload a map of the proposed

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Corridor Plan

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Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify who has roadway jurisdiction and if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include existing public transit services, greenways, or trails.

The proposed corridor for study extends along South Western Avenue from Evergreen Park at 83rd Street to Vermont Street in Blue Island. The project crosses multiple jurisdictions including Evergreen Park, City of Chicago, and Blue Island. Illinois Department of Transportation may also have jurisdiction on certain sections of South Western Avenue through the project area.

Pace and CTA both operate within the study area:

- CTA Route 95 (95th to 91st)
- Pace bus 349, 385 (127th south)
- CTA cross street routes 87, 103, 112, 119
- Pace bus cross street routes 381 (95th Street)

Beginning at 83rd Street, the project would allow for improved connection to the Major Taylor Trail on the north end and the Cal-Sag Trail on the south end of the project limits at Vermont Street. Opportunities also exist to provide improved accessibility to the on-street bike route network along many of the east-west streets including 87th Street, 99th Street, 103rd Street, 111th Street, 115th Street, and 119th Street, connecting to additional bike routes along Longwood Drive and South Vincennes Avenue.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

If yes, will the proposed project:

Update an existing plan

here and provide a link:

If yes, please list the name of the plan(s) There have not been any holistic plans developed for this section of Western Avenue in the last five years. Both Blue Island and City of Chicago have investigated the South Western Avenue Corridor in different contexts in 2011 and 2013, respectively. Some elements of these plans were implemented, but a holistic, cohesive effort has not been completed for the full proposed project area.

What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?

The goal of this study is to identify opportunities to improve safety, mobility, and economic vitality along the corridor, with special attention to non-motorized access and mobility and transit improvements. The South Western Avenue corridor is extensively developed with retail, but the roadway is designed to maximize vehicular throughput. There is a significant crash history throughout the corridor, highlighting the conflicts between land use and current roadway design. An equitable and multimodal implementation plan is the end goal for the corridor plan that matches the overarching themes of CMAP's ON TO 2050 Plan: Inclusive Growth: Growing our economy through opportunity for all; Resilience: Preparing for rapid changes, both known and unknown. Prioritized Investment: Carefully target resources to maximize benefit. The holistic approach taken for this corridor study will include the following: upgrade ADA requirements throughout the corridor; look to improve pedestrian and non-motorized user safety and mobility; consolidate vehicular access and improve access patterns to big box retail; review traffic control options including signal timing timing and phasing; improve access for all modes to jobs, education, and healthcare; improve the overall reliability of transit through the corridor; subsurface utility replacement and/or upgrades as necessary to improve and expand telecommunications, improve drainage/water/wastewater infrastructure, replace any lead service lines remaining in the corridor; look to bury overhead utility lines to improve resiliency.

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three) Increase transportation resilience
Attract investment and development
Encourage transit-oriented development

What are the priority traffic safety challenges that need to be addressed in the area? (Select all that apply)

ADA accessibility
Bicycle and pedestrian facilities
Crashes
Pedestrian crossings
Problematic intersections

Describe your coordination when developing this application with the roadway agency and other municipalities located along the corridor:

The Beverly Area Planning Association (BAPA) and Morgan Park Beverly Hills Business Association (MPBHBA) have met in person or are currently coordinating with the following agencies and municipalities:

Kelly Burke - Mayor, Village of Evergreen Park - In person coordination; confirmed support

Matthew O'Shea - 19th Ward Alderman, City of Chicago - In person coordination; confirmed support

Erika Sellke - Chicago Department of Planning and Development (Far South Planning Region) - On-going email coordination

Thomas Wogan - City Administrator, City of Blue Island - On-going coordination with interest in combining efforts currently underway in Blue Island

What are your priority economic development outcomes in creating the proposed corridor plan? (Select all that apply)

Attract new retail development Attract new jobs Retain businesses

Are there flooding challenges in the proposed study area?

No

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?

Yes

If yes, please describe:

The largest Evergreen Park racial/ethnic groups are White (non-Hispanic) (55.4%), Black (Non-Hispanic) (24.5%), Hispanic or Latino (of Any Race) (14.7%), Asian (non-Hispanic) (2.1%), and Other/Multiple Races (Non-Hispanic) (3.3%). Total non-English spoken at home was 14.5% (10.9% Spanish) with 3.5% responding speaking English Less than "Very Well".

The Beverly neighborhood area's racial composition in 2021 was 55.3% white, 32.4% Black, 1.3% Asian and 3.7% other racial categories. Hispanics or Latinos of any race made up 7.2% of the population.

The Morgan Park neighborhood area's racial composition in 2021 was 33.1% white, 28.8% Black, 6.8% Asian and 2.7% other racial categories. Hispanics or Latinos of any race made up 28.7% of the population.

Blue Island's racial composition in 2023 was Hispanic or Latino (of Any Race) (45.9%), Black (Non-Hispanic) (31.4%), White (non-Hispanic) (21.1%), Asian (non-Hispanic) (0.05%), and Other/Multiple Races (Non-Hispanic) (1.1%). Total non-English spoken at home was 40.1% (38.3% Spanish) with 15.4% responding speaking English Less than "Very Well".

Please identify any community organizations or other key partners who 1. Illinois Department of Transportation will be involved in the planning process: a. State ROW 87th - 99th (1.5 miles)

Government Stakeholders/Jurisdiction

- 2. Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways
- a. County ROW 74th 87th and 99th 115th (2 miles)
- b. 2023 Cook County Bike Plan recommends improvements to "high stress" bike crossings at 83rd and Western and new routes that would cross western at 91st and 99th.
- 3. City of Chicago Department of Transportation
- a. Traffic impacts
- b. May be able to act on behalf of IDOT due to 2023 MOU with IDOT to collaborate on traffic safety infrastructure.
- 4. City of Chicago Department of Planning and Development
- a. Far south region
- 5. CMAP (technical assistance)
- 6. CTA
- a. Route 95 starts at 87th, runs to 95th/Dan Ryan
- b. Western bus runs along corridor. Upcoming better streets for buses plan may designate this corridor as a priority corridor for BRT.
- 7. PACE
- a. Route 349
- 8. Village of Evergreen Park
- 9. City of Blue Island

Community Organizations

- 8. Friends of the Cal-Sag Trail
- 9. Active Transportation Alliance
- 10. Beverly Area Planning Association (BAPA)
- Morgan Park Beverly Hills Business Association (MPBHA)
- 12. ComEd
- 13. Western/Rock Island TIF

The RTA and CMAP strive to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA or CMAP to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and policy?

Yes

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

The Beverly Area Planning Association (BAPA) and the Morgan Park Beverly Hills Business Association (MPBHBA) have been looking to improve the safety and mobility of South Western Avenue Corridor for over a decade. Partnering with Evergreen Park and Blue Island provides an opportunity to develop a comprehensive and holistic plan for this project area. Developing this plan will also allow for opportunities to pursue additional funding through both the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)/Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) and the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Program (both Supplemental Planning and Demonstration Activities Grants and Implementation Grants) to make a sigificant difference in the future of the corridor, improving safety and mobility for generations to come!

Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:

Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:

Yes

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Website

Planning liaison

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Instructional videos

Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Site Planning (pilot project)

Site Planning

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

There are multiple locations that may be a candidate for the site planning program being offered. The Village would like to discuss the potential for each location and likely identify others suitable for the program.

Is the site(s) publicly or privately owned? If privately owned, are there multiple owners or one owner?

Private and single owner.

Is this a developed site(s)?	Yes
If yes, what is the current use?	Commercial.
If no, what was the previous use?	N/A
When did the site become inactive, and why?	Business entities closing. This occurred and various times in the last 15 years.
Do any current plans show a redevelopment vision for this site(s)?	No
Have you conducted any public engagement, visioning, or resident surveying on potential reuse/redevelopment of this site?	No
In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the site/subarea to address?	Attract market feasible investment and development Attract new/diverse housing options Attract new jobs Increase local tax base
Does the local zoning match the community's vision for the site(s), or are you prepared to update the zoning?	Yes
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Instructional videos Web page FAQ
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Update an existing plan

If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:	To some degree, yes. The 2022 Energize Ogden plan touches on some pedestrian improvements but not entirely specific to ADA: https://cms2.revize.com/revize/brookfield/Energize%20Ogden_Full%20combined%20files.pdf
Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	No
If no, what is the biggest barrier to producing an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	Competing municipal priorities and numerous capital improvement projects
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	Yes
If yes, provide their name, email, and phone number:	Brad Mitchell, 708.485.1360
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	Yes
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	Yes
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	We generally have flexibility during the month of May
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	Streetscape improvements and parks improvements, i.e. fully inclusive and accessible improvements at Ehlert Park https://brookfieldil.civicweb.net/document/161977/Consideration%20of%20 an%20Ordinance%20Approving%20a%20Contr.pdf?handle=36A855038B9 3429C91ED83F55A2E681B
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Training Technical support developing the documents
What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 3 Funding = 2 Time = 1
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:

Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

CMAP newsletter

LinkedIn

Planning liaison

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
Meeting with call for projects team to discuss a project

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Neither easy nor difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

With the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) No assistance, CMAP works with communities to build their capacity to identify, prioritize and program for design and construction of capital projects. Does your community already have a multi-year CIP?

Communities receiving CIP technical assistance may have certain information available at the start of the project. Which of the following information does your community have readily available? (Select all that apply)	List of previously approved capital projects and their current status.
Does your community currently have an asset inventory and conditions assessment of all capital infrastructure?	
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Other: Cook county Relationship mgr Cindy Cambray
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	None
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

If yes, will the proposed project:	Update an existing plan
If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:	N/A
Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	No

If no, what is the biggest barrier to producing an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	Production of an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan faced budgetary and staffing barriers previously.
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	No
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	No
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	No
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	We have completed an inventory of sidewalk curb ramps with existing slopes and have inputted that data into our GIS system.
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	Our annual MFT roadway resurfacing program will address ADA curb ramp locations on streets which are scheduled for resurfacing. Additionally, for 2024 we are doing our first ADA sidewalk improvement program along Ford Rd and Bluff Rd which are Will County DOT jurisdiction however sidewalk maintenance is Village of Channahon.
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Training Technical support developing the documents
What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 2 Funding = 3 Time = 3
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	None
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of	Corridor Plan
assistance by completing a separate application form.)	

Corridor Plan

Please upload a map of the proposed	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16105611096
study area:	

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify who has roadway jurisdiction and if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include existing public transit services, greenways, or trails.

South Archer Avenue from Halsted Avenue on the East to Cicero Avenue on the Western boundary. We will evaluate land use, zoning and development opportunities with focus areas around the orange line stations as the key transit asset in the area. We will need to collaborate with other city departments such as CTA and CDOT as well as community organizations and elected officials.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?	No
What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?	Archer avenue is a key connector in SW Chicago and with the Connected Communities ordinance and ETOD we will use this plan to identify key development opportunities along the corridor, align vision for the corridor with land use and zoning recommendations, and create a strategic implementation plan for the Archer ave corridor. We also will include CDOT to understand opportunities for enhanced pedestrian mobility and safety, bike lanes and mobility hubs, and leveraging public transit assets with CTA.
In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)	Increase transportation resilience Attract investment and development Encourage transit-oriented development
What are the priority traffic safety challenges that need to be addressed in the area? (Select all that apply)	Bicycle and pedestrian facilities Pedestrian crossings Problematic intersections
Describe your coordination when developing this application with the roadway agency and other municipalities located along the corridor:	DPD has had preliminary discussions with CDOT about the study and they will be a partner moving forward in the study. We have not had discussions with CTA or IDOT however we want to have them as key partners as well.
What are your priority economic development outcomes in creating the proposed corridor plan? (Select all that apply)	Attract new retail development Attract new jobs Retain businesses Retain existing uses
Are there flooding challenges in the proposed study area?	No
Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?	Yes
If yes, please describe:	The corridor contains predominantly hispanic communities of McKinley Park, Brighton Park and Archer Heights which are the major community areas for this study. Per capita income for each communities are lower than the CMAP region and City of Chicago.

Please identify any community will be involved in the planning process: and Brighton Park neighborhood council.

We have had discussions with SW Collective and are connected to many of organizations or other key partners who the organizations in the area doing like Mckinley park development council

The RTA and CMAP strive to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA or CMAP to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and policy?

Yes

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

Absolutely. DPD focuses on equitable engagement and outreach for all communities.

Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:

Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:

Yes

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Planning liaison

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Web page FAQ

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Somewhat easy

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Transit Station Activation Project (pilot program)

Transit Station Activation Project

For which project type are you

application form.)

applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate

Describe your proposed activation project:

In March of 2023, Chicago Film Archives (CFA) installed a projection system in the street-level mezzanine at the Cicero Green line station to exhibit 20th century Chicago home movies. This filmic exhibition is called "we love" and opens with an edited piece created by curator Romi Crawford and filmmaker John O'Hagan. This six-minute film is followed by a sampling from a variety of home movies from CFA's archive. The movies are projected on the 9' x 12' lobby wall and they run 24 hours a day. CFA periodically changes the footage to portray a variety of families and imagery. What we found when building this exhibit is that home movies from communities of various backgrounds all resonate with the feelings of love, belonging, and safety.

CFA's request is two-pronged. 1) CFA would like to install a second projection system at the Howard Red line station where folks who travel through the northern neighborhoods of Chicago will find home movie imagery that reflects the diverse communities and ridership that emanate from that widely used CTA station. This second CTA site (in addition to the Cicero Green Line station) can begin to grow the idea that the RTA considers its ridership an intrinsic element of Chicago's legacy and brilliance. 2) CFA would also like to research and identify families with home movies who specifically live in the West Garfield Park community today. We believe the projection of home movies that portray local families will encourage travel and bring excitement and acknowledgement to the lives of people in the neighborhood. With the help of neighborhood community centers. CFA will actively search out these families on Chicago's west side; digitize their home movies, and project them as part of the exhibition at the Cicero Green line station.

the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the also note the name of the property

Where will the project take place? (State Howard Street Red Line station, 7519 N. Paulina St., Chicago - images will be projected upon the wall that faces north where the escalators run between the ground lobby and the second floor. (Please see map and site) activation project will take place. Please Cicero Green Line station, 4800 W. Lake St., Chicago - in the northwest corner of the street-level lobby. The doors to Cicero Avenue face the wall owner if not on Service Board property.) that exhibits "we love", a beautiful sequence of Chicago home movies.

Please detail the expenses (estimates are fine).

How much funding are you requesting? HOWARD RED LIE STATION INSTALLATION OF PROJECTOR AND OTHER EQUIPMENT AND CREATION OF CONTENT

Projector	16,000
Lens - zoom	2,000
Projector Enclosure	7,000
Playback Deck	1,000
Shipping	2,100
Electrical Install	1,500
Misc. Supplies	1,000
Project Tech	7,000
Maintenance	1,000
Media Content Curator	5,000
Content Editor and preparation	5,000
Project Mgr./Coordinator	2,500

RESEARCH, DIGITIZATION AND EDIT OF HOME MOVIES FROM CHICAGO'S WEST SIDE FOR CICERO GREEN LINE STATION

51,100

Total Estimate 10,000

Total

Grand Total 61,100 What is the timeline for this activation? (i.e. What is your thinking about the time of day, day of the week, month, for your proposal)

At both sites, the exhibitions will run 24 hours a day.

CICERO GREEN LINE STATION (when funded)

CFA research and identify home movies within the community. One to two months,

CFA will immediately begin digitizing home movies found in the Garfield Park neighborhoods. Organizing, digitizing, curating and edit of two hours of material will take two to three weeks. The films then can then be incorporated into the installation.

HOWARD RED LINE STATION (Preparation and installation begin when funded)

October - November, 2024 Site inspection and plan with CTA personnel

November 2024 - January 2025

Order equipment. Allow for supply chain interruptions (over seas)

Projectors w/ lens

System Enclosures

Playback decks

Begin Curating/post production of home movie content for projection at site and online access

January - February 2025

Check in and test projection equipment

Continue creating home movie content for projection site

Create content, text and credits for QR online access to installation

Create exhibition placards for site

March 2025

Install and launch exhibitions

Installation runs until March 2026 (or longer if CTA and CFA agree). Content will be replaced every six months.

Will the project process include activities in which the general public will be invited to participate? If so, please describe: We will invite people from Chicago's west side and north side communities to share their home movies with CFA so that we can digitize them and incorporate them into the RTA film exhibition at both the Cicero Green Line Station and the Howard Red Line Station.

Is your organization currently in We are in communication with Elizab communication with the relevant transit agency and/or property owner? Do you anticipate needing assistance in making contact?

We are in communication with Elizab with CFA in the installation and exhib She supports and will collaborate with the Howard Red Line station as well.

We are in communication with Elizabeth Karpowicz, who has collaborated with CFA in the installation and exhibition of the Cicero Green Line station. She supports and will collaborate with CFA on the "we love" installation at the Howard Red Line station as well.

Describe any experience you have with implementing something similar to your proposal:	CFA has already installed a 45-minute loop of home movies at the Cicero Green Line station, which is currently being exhibited on a wall in the street-level lobby. The equipment and its installation was well-researched and executed without incident (with the assistance of CTA engineers). CFA has been able to maintain the installation and the filmic components of the exhibition over the past year without incident or inconvenience to the CTA or its ridership.
What resident or community support do you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation?	We expect that this CFA project will bring an immediate and strong connection with the everyday people of Chicago who travel public transportation to the city for work and for fun. It is easy to recognize ourselves in these films. This exhibition brings with it an intrinsic understanding that each of our individual lives are notable components of Chicago's legacy.
Is there any additional information you want us to know?	You can view the current Cicero station installation on CFA's website at "Digital Exhibitions" or at the station itself.
Please upload a map of where specifically the activation will take place:	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16093093999
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Planning liaison Other: Garfield Park Community Center forwarded the application to CFA
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Technical assistance flow chart
How difficult was it to fill out this	Very easy

application?

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Corridor Plan

Corridor Plan

Please upload	a	map	of	the	proposed	
study area:						

https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16072086986

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify who has roadway jurisdiction and if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include existing public transit services, greenways, or trails.

The project is along Berkshire Drive from McHenry Avenue to Main Street. Berkshire Drive is owned and maintained by the City of Crystal Lake. It is classified as a major east-west collector roadway connecting residential neighborhoods both north and south of Berkshire Drive to McHenry Avenue a minor arterial north-south roadway and Main Street a minor arterial north-south roadway. Sidewalk exists on both sides of Berkshire Drive.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?

Berkshire Drive, from McHenry Avenue to Virginia Road, is currently one lane of traffic in each direction with a very wide pavement width of 40 feet back of curb to back or curb. Parking is allowed on this section of Berkshire Drive and various intersections are unwarranted 4-way stop controlled. The City receives constant speeding complaints due to the wide pavement width and the perceived lose of time due to the unwarranted stop controlled intersections. The goal of the plan is to create a complete streets/road diet plan which narrows the pavement to create more green space, allows for a designated pedestrian route to connect these residents with the regional north-south McHenry County Conservation District Prairie Trail along Main Street while allowing for parking. Ideally the plan utilizes mechanisms to encourage reduced speeds within the corridor. The section of Berkshire Drive from Virginia Road to Main Street would only be evaluated to include the pedestrian component. This section is currently one lane in each direction with a center bi-directional turn lane. This cross section doesn't need to be changed.

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)

Increase transportation resilience Retain existing character

What are the priority traffic safety challenges that need to be addressed in the area? (Select all that apply)

Bicycle and pedestrian facilities Pedestrian crossings Problematic intersections

Describe your coordination when developing this application with the roadway agency and other municipalities located along the corridor:

The project is located entirely within the City of Crystal Lake on City roadways. Virginia Road is owned and maintained by the McHenry County Division of Transportation. The City has an excellent working relationship with the County should any of the suggested improvements include modifications to the Berkshire Drive and Virginia Road intersection.

What are your priority economic development outcomes in creating the proposed corridor plan? (Select all that apply)

Retain existing uses
Retain existing character

Are there flooding challenges in the proposed study area?

No

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?	No
Please identify any community organizations or other key partners who will be involved in the planning process:	None
The RTA and CMAP strive to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA or CMAP to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and policy?	
Is there any additional information you want us to know?	None
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Technical assistance flow chart
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Neither easy nor difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

A non-motorized route along Cuba Road between Quentin and Route 59 - From east to west the jurisdictions include, Village of Kildeer, Village of Lake Zurich, Village of Deer Park and Lake County Forest Preserve District. No non-motorized routes exist in this area.

A non-motorized route along Ela Road starting at E Hillside Rd continuing north to Cuba Road. From south to north the jurisdictions include, Palatine Township, Village of Deer Park & Lake County Forest Preserve District. No non-motorized routes exist in this area.

No public transit exist.

(i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?	Yes
If yes, will the proposed project:	Build off an existing plan
If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:	Village of Deer Park Biking/Walking Path Concept Connectivity Map
In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)	Connect to the regional trail system Identify strategies for pedestrian crossings Identify potential funding sources to implement recommendations
Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?	No
Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community:	The Village requires walking paths in any of its new development plans. This includes bike racks and gathering spaces for bikers and walkers
Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?	Yes
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?	The Village was just awarded \$600,000 from OSLAD Program. The funds will help transform the Town Center Park into a destination Park for all ages. One of the 6 amenities includes a walking loop with seating. The Village requires that all our PUD Ordinances include accessible walking/biking trails that promote connectivity.
What data are available to your community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning?	The high volume of bikers and walkers that travel along Ela and Cuba Road without designated non-motorized routes. Bike groups from Barrington Hills to Long Grove travel along Cuba Road. A great number of our residents that live off of these roads are unable to access the Cuba Marsh Forest Preserve by walking or biking. The only means to access the Cuba Marsh is by car. Also, Isaac Fox Elementary and Lake Zurich Middle School are located on Cuba Road in Lake Zurich that do not have designated non-motorized routes along Cuba Road.
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes

Have there been any long-range plans

Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the Yes contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated: Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements: **Closing Questions** How did you find out about the call for Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison projects? (Select all that apply) What resources did you find helpful as Instructional videos you apply for the call? (Select all that Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff apply)

Somewhat easy

How difficult was it to fill out this

application?

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Housing and Jobs Study - AHPAA

Housing and Jobs Study - AHPAA

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Update an existing plan

If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:

The 2019 Comprehensive Plan Housing Chapter,

https://www.desplaines.org/home/showpublisheddocument/162/637612522 934400000. The CDBG Consolidated Plan includes information about how Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding is to be allocated within the City over a 5 year period,

https://www.desplaines.org/home/showpublisheddocument/432/637589247812430000.

What is the goal of this study / what are you looking to accomplish?

The city is currently in need of a study on housing trends and demands within the community, either as a separate study or as an update to the Housing chapter of the 2019 Comprehensive Plan. This study will aim to address community questions regarding an overabundance or scarcity of specific types of housing in Des Plaines. In addition, the deliverable is envisioned to include the necessary components to satisfy "Affirmatively Further Fair Housing" (AFFH) requirements of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, focused on equity of housing and identifying barriers to fair housing.

Has your community prepared an Affordable Housing Planning and Appeals Act (AHPAA) plan or affordable housing plan in the past? If so, please include a link to the plan:

No.

If yes, has your community submitted the plan to the Illinois Housing Development Authority?

No

What are the priority affordable housing challenges that need to be addressed? (Select all that apply)

Lack of diverse housing types

Housing stock does not reflect market demands

Community education

Zoning does not support the local vision

What are the most contentious land use issues in your community?

There have been numerous proposals for denser residential developments. A challenge in approval of entitlements for these projects is the belief that there is not a demand for this type of development, and perception there has been an excessive amount of denser residential developments in recent years. A negative perception of rental residential developments has been expressed by community members and leaders during entitlement processes. Another land use issue within Des Plaines is the prevalence of properties within the floodplain, which leads to unique redevelopment constraints.

Are there proposed housing developments in the community?

Yes

If yes, please describe:

There are several multi-family and townhouse residential developments either in the entitlement phase or the building permitting and construction phases. Large proposed developments include: the redevelopment of the Contour Saws properties into townhouses and multi-family, a mixed-use development at the intersections of Graceland and Webford, a proposed mixed-use development at 414 E. Golf Rd (Cumberland Crossings), a townhouse development at 180 North East River Rd, and a proposed mixed-use development at the intersections of Prairie and Lee.

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?

Yes

If yes, please describe:

The study is envisioned to include the necessary components to satisfy "Affirmatively Further Fair Housing" (AFFH) requirements of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. As a direct CDBG recipient, Des Plaines will have to comply with rules currently being considered by U.S. Housing & Urban Development (HUD) regarding AFFH. The proposed rule requires an assessment of fair housing within the city, involving analysis of patterns of segregation, disparities in access to opportunities, and identifying barrier to fair housing choice.

Please identify any community organizations or other key partners that will be involved in the planning process: regulations related to the AFFH requirements.

Usona, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) consultant currently retained by the City will provide guidance on fulfilling HUD

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?

Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:

Yes

Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements:

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Technical assistance flow chart

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Grant Readiness

Grant Readiness

Please identify any staff, elected officials and/or community organizations that will likely be involved in a technical assistance project focused on improving your organizations processes to apply for and manage external funding:

Charles Collins - Assistant to the Economic Development Director Quandra Craig - Mayor's Administrative Assistant

CMAP works with communities to build their capacity to apply for and manage grants. Who currently applies for and manages grants and external funding at your municipality? (select all that apply) **Economic Development Director** Administrative staff

Is there a specific infrastructure project Yes or grant opportunity you have in mind?

If yes, please give a short description:

DCEO funding

Cook County funding

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate	Transit Station Activation Project (pilot program)

Transit Station Activation Project

application form.)

Describe your proposed activation project:

We would like to install an art installation in partnership with local youth at the intersection of 16th street and Sawyer Ave. in North Lawndale. We are currently developing a new commercial building at this address, which will be a new neighborhood amenity offering a cafe and other local programming. The intersection is located two blocks away from a 16th street bus stop, two blocks away from the Kedzie bus stop, and a 10 minute walk away from a pink line train stop. Our project aims to bring awareness of all of these modes of transportation in relation to the new building. Working with youth at local high schools, we would like to paint markers from the intersection to the three stops to encourage the public to use those modes of transit. Once the building opens in September of 2024, we would like to pass out flyers and information to residents of North Lawndale about how they can get to these stops and ideally, use color coded diagrams that relate to the site activations painted on the sidewalk for them to follow. We would like to install colorful benches at each stop, with QR codes that people can follow to get more information about transit in the city.

In short, we would create a small sculpture at the intersection of 16th and sawyer - and then paint a trail on the sidewalk going to each of the three transit stops stated above where people will find a bench with a QR code to learn more about the benefits of transit. We believe using this type of friendly activation will encourage more people to walk and use transit, which will also foster a sense of presence and safety in the neighborhood. The colorful activations will also create a more appealing path to walk on than the edge of empty lots which can be intimidating and dark.

the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the activation project will take place. Please also note the name of the property owner if not on Service Board property.)

Where will the project take place? (State The activation will take place at the intersection of the address at 3243 W. 16th St. and the paths going to the following transit stops (1) 16th St. and Spaulding (Stop ID: 6748) (2) Kedzie and 16th St. (Stop ID: 15301) (3) Kedzie Metra Pink line stop

How much funding are you requesting? Please detail the expenses (estimates are fine).

We are are requesting \$20,000 to cover the cost of engaging the public, developing marketing materials for the activation (printed flyers, and digital ads), covering the cost of a small sculpture at the intersection requested (16th and Sawyer), and covering the cost of paint, labor, and permit fees that will take to paint on the sidewalks reaching each stop. We also want to compensate the youth participating in co-designing this intervention. We estimate a team of 5-10 individuals form local high schools.

What is the timeline for this activation? (i.e. What is your thinking about the time of day, day of the week, month, for your proposal)

We aim to start the work upon the announcement of this grant in the summer of 2024, we would start working with youth on the design of the activation in July of 2024 and complete the design by September of 2024. We expect implementing the activation will be complete and available for the public in September or October of 2024. We plan on having a community event at the new building built on 16th and Sawyer in October of 2024.

Will the project process include activities in which the general public will be invited to participate? If so, please describe:

yes. the youth will be invited to co-design the activation following the general plan outlined above. We will also have a community event in october of 2024 where we will invite the comunity to celebrate the new sculpture and learn about the activation. We want to create an opportunity for the youth to present the work and develop skills in the fields of design and community outreach. We would guide the youth participating on how to gather feedback from community and provide them a stipend for their participation.

Is your organization currently in communication with the relevant transit agency and/or property owner? Do you anticipate needing assistance in making contact?

I run the organization that is the property owner. I forsee needing assistance reaching out to the appropriate city organization to obtain permits to paint the sidewalks and install public benches.

Describe any experience you have with implementing something similar to your proposal:

Duo is one of Chicago's lead innovation studios. We have designed and implemented projects ranging from objects, to art installations and buildings. We are currently developing the anticipated building located at the above mentioned intersection which is becoming one of the go-to examples of how to involve communities in the design process and how tocreate spaces that promote health, safety, and bring a sense of beauty to a neighborhood.

What resident or community support do you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation?

We have over 6 years of community input gathered about general needs in North Lawndale that align with the Quality of Life plan. We plan on gathering further feedback and gathering stories from residents specific to the design and installation of this intervention. Furthermore, we expect to go further by co-designing with local youth and bringing their ideas and vision of their neighborhood to life.

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

not at this time.

Please upload a map of where specifically the activation will take place:

https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16021043427

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison Other: email from a partner resource What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Instructional videos

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Somewhat difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Corridor Plan

Corridor Plan

Please upload a map of the proposed study area:

https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16101803438

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify who has roadway jurisdiction and if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include existing public transit services, greenways, or trails.

The proposed, multi-jurisdictional study area encompasses the Route 83 Corridor, from 79th Street on the north and extending down to the Des Plaines River/southern tip of DuPage County, with a width of approximately 1.5 miles east (to County Line Road) and 1.5 miles west (to Cass Avenue - not including Argonne National Laboratory). Involved jurisdictions for the Route 83 Corridor Plan application consist of the Village of Burr Ridge, Village of Willowbrook, City of Darien, Village of Lemont, DuPage County, and DuPage County Division of Transportation.

Roadway jurisdiction for Route 83 falls under the management of the Illinois Department of Transportation, all other roadways in the study area fall under the management of DuPage County Division of Transportation, Downers Grove Township Highway, and the respective municipalities participating in the study.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Build off an existing plan

If yes, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:

- If yes, please list the name of the plan(s) 1. Willowbrook Corners Service Plan (2022):
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 - 2. DuPage County Mobility Plan (early 2024): chrome-extension://efaidnbmnnnibpcajpcglclefindmkaj/https://cms5.revize.com/revize/dupage/Transportation/Documents/DuPage%20Mobility%20Framework/DuPage%20County%20Mobility%20Framework%20Plan_FINAL.pdf
 - 3. Illinois Safe Routes to School Grant (application submitted late 2023)

What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?

DuPage County is seeking to update the official unincorporated land use plan for the Illinois Route 83 Corridor to provide a land use plan that includes current land use and transportation trends, and to combine the development goals of unincorporated DuPage County with those of the stakeholder municipalities. This effort will bring together all impacted municipalities, the DuPage County Development Committee, the full DuPage County Board, and the general public, to develop a plan that implements the immediate and long term land use goals for these important regional corridors. As the County approaches maximum build-out, this plan will fulfill a need to update a 30 year old land use plan within this particular corridor that no longer addresses the current planning and development trends along the corridor.

In addition, the goal of this plan is to support the ON TO 2050 Principles of Inclusive Growth, Resiliency, and Prioritized Investment. By prioritizing equity and inclusivity, the objective is to cultivate a community that is resilient and equitable, fostering opportunities for all residents and workers within the Route 83 Corridor, regardless of racial or ethnic background, socioeconomic status, or personal history. By prioritizing fairness and accessibility in decision-making processes and resource allocation, this plan aims to create an environment where every individual can thrive and contribute to the corridor's collective prosperity.

Furthermore, the Goals and Objectives of the Route 83 Corridor Plan include:

- 1. Promote collaboration between the County and all stakeholders in the planning process.
- 2. Incorporate local and regional needs, with a specific emphasis on integrating land use and transportation trends to enhance access to living wage jobs and promote employment retention.
- 3. Identify redevelopment opportunities, focusing on improving access to essential resources, such as fresh food, for residents, employees, and students in the Willowbrook Corners area and along the Route 83 Corridor.
- 4. Identify and facilitate enhanced pedestrian and bicycle pathways to improve accessibility, including establishing connections for residents, employees, and students within the Willowbrook Corners area and along the Route 83 Corridor.
- 5. To the greatest extent possible, preserve and improve County open space policy and ensure residents' accessibility to open space.
- 6. Focus on energy and natural resources conservation.
- 7. Establish a sustainable local and regional growth objective.

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three) Broaden diversity in housing choices Increase transportation resilience Attract investment and development What are the priority traffic safety ADA accessibility challenges that need to be addressed in Bicycle and pedestrian facilities the area? (Select all that apply) Crashes Pedestrian crossings Problematic intersections Sidewalk gaps Describe your coordination when The proposed Route 83 Corridor Plan is a multi-jurisdictional application developing this application with the with the Village of Burr Ridge, Village of Willowbrook, City of Darien, Village roadway agency and other of Lemont, DuPage County, and DuPage County Division of Transportation municipalities located along the (DuDOT). Moreover, the DuPage County Division of Transportation has corridor: been very involved with improving transportation advancements within the Route 83 Corridor, specifically for Willowbrook Corners. Additionally DuDOT has recently been working on the Willowbrook Corners Service Plan and in late 2023 submitted a application for the Illinois Safe Routes to School Grant. What are your priority economic Attract new retail development development outcomes in creating the Attract new jobs proposed corridor plan? (Select all that apply) Are there flooding challenges in the Yes proposed study area? Does the proposed project benefit Yes groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?

If yes, please describe:

The proposed Route 83 corridor plan would benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, particularly for the Willowbrook Corners community, through several key strategies:

- 1. Equitable Access to Resources: The plan will focus on enhancing access to essential resources such as healthcare, education, and fresh food within the Willowbrook Corners area. By identifying land use patterns, redevelopment opportunities, and improving transportation infrastructure, residents in historically disadvantaged areas will have easier access to these resources, thereby reducing disparities in access to necessities.
- 2. Pedestrian and Bicycle Pathways: By prioritizing the development of pedestrian and bicycle pathways, the plan aims to improve mobility options for residents who may not have access to private transportation. This initiative not only promotes physical activity but also offers a more affordable and sustainable mode of transportation for individuals in Willowbrook Corners and similar neighborhoods.
- 3. Employment Opportunities: The plan will seek to create connections to living wage jobs and employment centers within and around the Route 83 Corridor. This includes supporting local businesses, fostering economic development, and providing job training programs tailored to the needs of residents in historically disadvantaged areas like Willowbrook Corners.
- 4. Community Engagement and Inclusivity: The development of the Route 83 corridor plan will involve active participation from residents, community organizations, and local stakeholders, including those from Willowbrook Corners. By ensuring that their voices are heard and their needs are considered in the planning process, the plan can better address the unique challenges faced by historically disadvantaged communities.

Overall, the proposed Route 83 corridor plan seeks to rectify historical disparities by improving access to resources, enhancing transportation options, creating employment opportunities, and fostering inclusive community engagement, with a particular focus on benefiting residents of Willowbrook Corners.

Please identify any community organizations or other key partners who DuPage Habitat For Humanity will be involved in the planning process: DuPage Federation

DuPage United Way

DuPage United

DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference

Choose DuPage

The RTA and CMAP strive to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA or CMAP to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and policy?	Yes
Is there any additional information you want us to know?	Letters indicating support from the multijurisdictional entities (Village of Burr Ridge, Village of Willowbrook, City of Darien, Village of Lemont, DuPage County, and DuPage County Division of Transportation {DuDOT}), will be emailed to Jonathan Burch at jburch@cmap.illinois.gov.
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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Organization: City of Elgin Title: Engineer I **Pronouns:** he/him Telephone number: (224) 407-0018 heidgen_m@cityofelgin.org Email: 150 Dexter Ct Address: Elgin, IL 60120 Name: Mike Pubentz Organization: City of Elgin Title: **Public Services Director Pronouns:** he/him (847) 931-5968 Telephone number: Email: pubentz_m@cityofelgin.org Address: 150 Dexter Ct Elgin, IL 60120 ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan For which project type are you applying? (Choose one - You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Build off an existing plan

If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:	2024 Strategic Plan - https://www.cityofelgin.org/DocumentCenter/View/80770/2024-Elgin-Strate gic-Plan?bidId=
	2018 Comprehensive Plan - https://elgin.app.box.com/s/p08w3rt111hosust5e8ukz42kd3u4iqt
Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	No
If no, what is the biggest barrier to producing an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	The biggest barrier to producing an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan has been the City's limited staff resources and lack of education regarding an ADA Transition Plan.
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	No
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	No
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	No
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	The City of Elgin is currently working with Cyclomedia, a data collection company, to collect LiDAR images of City infrastructure assets in the right of way.
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	The City has contracted with Cyclomedia to begin the data extraction process on LiDAR imaging to quantify ADA ramp information and determine compliance with current ADA standards.
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Training Technical support developing the documents
What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 2 Funding = 1 Time = 3
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the Yes contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:

Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements:

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff

Wery easy application?

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Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

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Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The geographic scope of this plan is the City of Elgin planning area and should incorporate key regional connections beyond the City's jurisdictional boundaries. Existing public transit services include Pace Suburban Bus which operates 13 bus routes in Elgin (541, 542, 543, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 552, 554, 605, 607, and 801), ten of which utilize the Transportation Center in downtown Elgin as a central transfer and layover point. Elgin is currently served by three Milwaukee District-West Line Metra stations: Big Timber, Elgin (State and Chicago), and National Street, all of which provide access from Elgin to Chicago's Union Station. The Big Timber and National Street stations primarily serve park-and-ride users, while the State & Chicago station includes a park-and-ride facility, the Pace Transportation Center, and proximity to downtown Elgin. Trails within the study area include the Mid-County, Fox River, and Illinois Prairie Path regional trails, along with numerous existing city bikeways.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Build off an existing plan

If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:

24 Strat PI: https://cityofelgin.org/2515/Strategic-Plan

23 Parks&Rec

Mstr:https://www.cityofelgin.org/DocumentCenter/View/48919/Parks-Master

-Plan-2023?bidId=

21 LocGovt_Ops

GrnhouseGasEmissions:https://www.cityofelgin.org/2584/P

18 Comp

Plan:https://elqin.app.box.com/s/p08w3rt111hosust5e8ukz42kd3u4iqt

24 KaneCo Climate Actn Impl:

https://www.kanecountyil.gov/sustainability/Pages/Climate-Action-Planning.

aspx

23 KaneCo Bicyclist/Ped:

http://kdot.countyofkane.org/Pages/Bicycle-and-Pedestrian-Resources.asp

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23 CookCo Bike:

https://www.cookcountyil.gov/bikeplan#:~:text=The%20County's%20B

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three) Identify strategies for pedestrian crossings

Study problematic intersections

Implement recommendations from an existing plan

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?

Yes

If yes, please describe:

This plan will focus on working with City staff, Advisory Committees, City Council and the public, particularly historically marginalized and underrepresented groups, to draft the Plan vision, goals, objectives, and guiding policy framework. This should build on the applicable vision, goals, objectives, and policies adopted in the planning documents listed above. Specifically, the report will identify perceived barriers to active mobility for historically marginalized and underrepresented groups and analyze possible equity imbalances in our project prioritization framework.

Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community: The city has borrowed from the "complete streets" model when planning infrastructure improvements, and strives to improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities on a project by project basis. Current planning for two Fox River bridge replacements and a major renovation to the Dundee Ave./Center St./Villa Avenue corridor have all prioritized improved bicycle and pedestrian access and the removal of physical barriers to alternate transportation modes. Elgin's 2008 Bikeway Master Plan and 2011 Bike Map (https://cityofelgin.org/264/Bikeway-Master-Plan) also guide infrastructure planning and design.

Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?

Yes

What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?

The city recently completed construction of Bike Route 4 which begins at Bowes Creek Blvd/Bowes Rd. passing through the Elgin Community College campus and the Elgin Sports Complex, and ending at Sports Way/IL Rt. 31. The City has partnered with the IL Dept of Transportation to insure adequate bike lane widths on the pending IL Rt 31 over US Rt 20 bridge replacement, which will connect Bike Route 4 with existing city routes that lead to the Fox River trail and Illinois Prairie Path.

What data are available to your community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning?

2018 Comprehensive Plan

2014 Sidewalk Gap and Transit Stop Study

2008 Bikeway Master Plan

2011 Elgin Bike Map

2023 Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Pedestrian Safety webpage:

https://il-elgin4.civicplus.com/1727/Pedestrian-Safety

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?

Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:

Yes

Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements:

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison

CMAP newsletter

Website LinkedIn

Planning liaison

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Web page FAQ

Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff

Technical assistance flow chart

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Transit Station Activation Project (pilot program)

Transit Station Activation Project

Describe your proposed activation project:

Equiticity's proposed Transit Station Activation project is a community outreach event and exhibit where members of the community will have the opportunity to express their concerns through surveys, learn more about the current transportation system challenges, and be enlightened on community assets available to them.

Equiticity is a racial equity movement, operationalizing racial equity by harnessing our collective power through research, advocacy, programs, Community Mobility Rituals, and social enterprises, to improve the lives of Black, Brown, and Indigenous people in our society. Headquartered in Chicago, Equiticity offers direct-service programs and community initiatives on the West and South Sides of Chicago, while expanding our reach through national consultancy work. Equiticity serves approximately 1000 individuals annually through our programs and initiatives, including:

Mobility Justice Campaign: Advocacy initiatives and related research that seek to advance mobility justice, including reducing potentially risky police encounters, eliminating pretextual vehicle stops, and decriminalizing transit fare evasion. This campaign operates through a network of partner community-based organizations, with participants recruited from those organizations. We implement quantitative and qualitative data and research initiatives, conducted with university and local partners, that underpins our advocacy positions.

Mobility Opportunities Fund: Financial incentives program designed to help limited-income Black and Brown residents purchase climate-friendly transportation, including conventional bicycles, electric bicycles, electric cargo bicycles, and electric vehicles. Equiticity offers education programs to recipients of the stipends, as well as low- to no-cost repair services for bikes and e-bikes.

BikeForce E-Bike Technologies Workforce Development Program:
Apprenticeship program focused on high school students and out of school young adults, offering training around emerging transportation technologies, such as e-bikes, e-scooters, battery systems, and electric motors. Program participants gain the necessary skill sets leading to living wage and career-oriented job opportunities, as well as educational and/or entrepreneurial opportunities.

One Lawndale Bike Team: Bicycle team offered to high school students through a collaboration among Equiticity, Chicago Public Schools, and other community-based organizations. The Bike Team works with high school students to provide mentorship, leadership development, and advocacy training. The Bike Team teaches basic bicycle mechanics and ride safety and facilitates ride training through weekly community bicycle rides with program members. The Bike Team is Equiticity's contribution to the broader effort to connect predominantly Black neighborhoods and predominately Brown neighborhoods to reduce violence in and among communities.

Community Mobility Rituals (CMRs): Regularly scheduled, hyperlocal mobility events - bike rides, walking tours, public transit excursions, scooter rolls, and open streets festivals - engaging residents in active mobility that enhances fitness and well-being, while increasing social cohesion and safety, and promoting more vibrant streets. Equiticity delivers CMRs in partnership with a variety of organizations, which promote the events through their networks.

The Go Hub: Now in development, will provide a mobility hub custom-tailored to the needs of Black and Brown residents, offering climate-friendly, shared-use mobility, and transportation options.

Where will the project take place? (State the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the activation project will take place. Please also note the name of the property owner if not on Service Board property.)

Where will the project take place? (State CTA Central Park Pink Line Station 1906 Central Park Ave, Chicago, IL the name of the transit station or stop 60623

CTA Pulaski Pink Line Station 2016 S Pulaski Rd, Chicago, IL 60623

How much funding are you requesting? Please detail the expenses (estimates are fine). Equiticity is requesting \$20,000 to plan and implement a Transit Station Activation project. Our estimated expenses to implement the two-day project are:

Community Partner Outreach Stipends (2 orgs x \$2000/ea): 4,000

Food & Beverage (licensed and insured vendor): 2,000

Entertainment: 2,000

Marketing & Educational Materials - Printing: 2,000

Tables & Exhibit Setup: 2,000

Survey Development & Implementation (Consultant): 2,000

Giveaways: 1,000

Project Staff Planning & Implementation: 3,182 Indirect Costs (10% for Operations and Finance)

What is the timeline for this activation? (i.e. What is your thinking about the time of day, day of the week, month, for your proposal)

August 1st-2nd, 2024

12pm-4pm each day

Will the project process include activities in which the general public will be invited to participate? If so, please describe: Through our Transit Station Activation Project we will invite the general public to participate in activities such as data collection around their opinions of Chicago transit systems, health screenings, entertainment, community discussions and refreshments.

Is your organization currently in communication with the relevant transit agency and/or property owner? Do you anticipate needing assistance in making contact?

Yes, Equiticity is currently in partnership with RTA and CTA and will connect with our current contacts to collaborate on implementing the activation project. We would also appreciate any technical assistance available through this RTA pilot program to ensure we follow proper operational protocols.

Describe any experience you have with implementing something similar to your proposal:

Each year, Equiticity hosts a series of weekly events - Community Mobility Rituals (CMRs) from May to early November that include walking tours, bicycle rides, scooter rolls, transit excursions, and open street festivals. We design our CMRs to encourage mobility and multiple modes of transportation, increase social cohesion and collective trust in neighborhoods, encourage community storytelling, and uplift local businesses. Ultimately, Community Mobility Rituals strive to reduce violence in neighborhoods and increase positive community engagement.

What resident or community support do you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation?	Equitcity has great support from North Lawndale and surrounding communities and seeks to broaden our impact and increase participation from throughout Chicago's West and South Sides.
Is there any additional information you want us to know?	Equiticity has engaged hundreds of residents through our CMRs while partnering with community-based organizations to ensure the events reflect the character and culture of the host neighborhoods. These weekly mobility events have inspired people to explore our neighborhoods' assets and inequities, and experience how active, climate-friendly modes of travel (e.g. cycling, walking, public transit) advance healthy lifestyles and help transform communities.
Please upload a map of where specifically the activation will take place:	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16096076383
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison Planning liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ Meeting with call for projects team to discuss a project
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Neither easy nor difficult

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Equitable Transit-Oriented Development Plan

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc: In the West Pullman neighborhood, the project is bounded by 121st Street to the north between Halsted and Peoria; 122nd Street to the south between Halsted and Carpenter; Halsted Avenue to the east between 121st and 122nd Streets; And Peoria to the west between 121st and the Metra Electric line extending to Carpenter Avenue between the Metra Electric Line to 122nd Street. The area surrounds the West Pullman Stop on the Metric Electric Train line located on South Halsted Street, south of 120th Street.

Which existing transit services are in the study area? (Name rail station and/or bus routes) Currently the following transit lines exist within the proposed study area:

- 1. Chicago Transit Authority Routes 119, 108, 8A
- 2. Pace Pulse Route South Halsted
- 3. Metra Electric Line Blue Island Branch

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last 10 years that include the proposed study area? (Include link to plan)

Yes. The link to the plans can be found here:

https://farsouthcdc-my.sharepoint.com/:f:/g/personal/florence_farsouthcdc_org/EpVV8gmukNlMk-9Asy90zUsBuYglsLdURnzZWrlJ02LRVQ?e=WfR3x W and https://www.pacebus.com/pulse-halsted-planning-study-reports.

If yes, describe how the proposed project will build from, update, and/or implement recommendations from the previous plan:

The funds requested would be used to develop a full transportation plan for the project. Our new plan would build on the work started under the Major Taylor Trail Framework, which is a bike trail that connects to all of the aforementioned transit lines. This includes a ridership study regarding the Metra Electric-Blue Island Branch with a focus on understading what is necessary to increase ridership along the line. Additionally, this plan will implement the relevant recommendations identified in the Major Taylor Trail Framework to the extent that the implementation prepares the proposed site for add-on development.

What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?

This project seeks to create more than 300 units of mixed-income multifamily, single family and senior living homes with close proximity to the West Pullman station of the Metric Electric line. As the residential portion of this development will see an increase in population, the project will also include the development of complementary commercial and community spaces to house cafes, retail shops, and office space, along with the development of a community park with amphitheater, community welcome center and holistic health center. This initiative will focus on three goals:

- 1) building impact-driven community assets through equitable strategic real estate development projects that will provide new housing options to increase population density and improve commercial corridors
- 2) increase community wealth with targeted investments in minority contracting opportunities, homeownership, and grants to residents and businesses derived from profits gained from development and management activities
- 3) providing education and holistic support through Far South CDC's existing small business and housing support services

The RTA strives to advance community Yes empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation, housing and development and policy?

Describe what areas in the planning process and the types of recommendations you're looking for that need to be centered on equity:

All too often programs are developed for a specific constituency without consideration of that constituency's goals. As quoted from a resident, "often times projects are done to for us but not with us..." This project not only seeks to educate but requires direct participation from those who will benefit from the development projects. Further, participants will gain more than a cursory knowledge of the projects and programs while having access to grants and ownership opportunities in the residences and businesses that will be developed as a result of the initiative. These projects aim to place the emphasis on "people-first" by increasing the quality of life for the residents and businesses within the area. The budget includes funding to be used toward community service grants for homeowners and small businesses in the targeted neighborhoods.

This project will provide homeownership options for qualified buyers seeking to make the targeted neighborhoods a destination to raise their families, and renters - who may not qualify for a mortgage yet - but need a high quality, transit-friendly housing near amenities that will provide supportive wrap-around educational services to help them achieve their goals of building self-sufficient revenue stream(s) and single-family homeownership.

This project is structured such that each phase of the project is catalytic and necessary for each successive phase to begin. Additionally, Far South CDC understands the power and impact that the community can have when resources are appropriately allocated and residents are genuinely engaged. As such, Far South CDC has a robust community engagement plan which cycles in concert with the phases of this project. Specifically, Far South CDC's plan to engage the community is organized by sections to match the stages of development within each phase.

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

There is no additional information to provide.

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	RTA newsletter
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	None
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Neither easy nor difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Neighborhood Mobility Improvement and Mobility Hub Plan

Neighborhood Mobility Improvement and Mobility Hub Plan

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify who has roadway jurisdiction and where mobility improvements or a mobility hub are needed:

In the West Pullman neighborhood, the project is bounded by 121st Street to the north between Halsted and Peoria; 122nd Street to the south between Halsted and Carpenter; Halsted Avenue to the east between 121st and 122nd Streets; And Peoria to the west between 121st and the Metra Electric line extending to Carpenter Avenue between the Metra Electric Line to 122nd Street. The area surrounds the West Pullman Stop on the Metric Electric Train line located on South Halsted Street, south of 120th Street. The Illinois Department of Transportation has roadway jurisdiction.

What existing transportation services already exist in the study area? (Name rail stations, bus routes, bike share, car share, etc.)

Currently the following transit lines exist within the proposed study area:

- 1. Chicago Transit Authority Routes 119, 108, 8A
- 2. Pace Pulse Route South Halsted
- 3. Metra Electric Line Blue Island Branch
- 4. The Major Taylor Trail bike trail crosses through the intended site.

What existing plan, if applicable, will this plan build from or be an update to? (Include link to plan)

The link to the plans can be found here:

https://farsouthcdc-my.sharepoint.com/:f:/g/personal/florence_farsouthcdc_org/EpVV8gmukNlMk-9Asy90zUsBuYgIsLdURnzZWrIJ02LRVQ?e=WfR3x W and https://www.pacebus.com/pulse-halsted-planning-study-reports.

What is the goal of this plan? What mobility challenges are you looking to resolve?

This project seeks to create more than 300 units of mixed-income intergenerational community comprised of multifamily, single family and senior living homes with close proximity to the West Pullman station of the Metric Electric line. As the residential portion of this development will see an increase in population, the project will also include the development of complementary commercial and community spaces to house cafes, retail shops, and office space, along with the development of a community park with amphitheater, community welcome center and holistic health center. This initiative will focus on three goals:

- 1) building impact-driven community assets through equitable strategic real estate development projects that will provide new housing and commercial options to increase population density and improve commercial corridors
- 2) connect the existing transportation options through the creation of a mobility hub that supports the growth of the local residents and the community at large
- 3) increase and improve coordination among transportation modalities resulting in increased ridership of all lines

What are the primary mobility concerns to be addressed with this plan? (Select all that apply)

Bicycle storage near transit
Bicyclist access to transit (trails, paths, lanes, etc.)
Mobility Hub to facilitate multi-modal transfers
Pedestrian infrastructure (sidewalks, crossings, etc.)

The RTA strives to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and policy?

Yes

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

Far South Community Development Corporation (Far South CDC) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides strategic community-building services to residents and businesses in Chicago's Far South Side neighborhoods and across south suburban Cook County. Far South CDC is one of the largest comprehensive community development organizations in the Chicago region that provides direct residential support, business assistance, and equitable development and planning services. The organization is a voice and advocate for economic, environmental, and social justice for the region.

Our Mission

Far South CDC's mission is to alleviate low-income communities within Chicago's far south side and south suburban Cook County of poverty, blight, and economic distress through effective economic and community development.

Our Value Statement

Far South CDC's value to the community is to: 1) Preserve/Protect the region by being a voice and advocate for economic, environmental, and social justice for the residents and businesses; 2) Sustain the region's cultural dynamics by marketing and strengthening the existing assets and programs; and 3) Grow the region with local partnerships in the region through business development, community and housing services, and development and planning initiatives via equitable projects and programs.

Please upload a map of the proposed
study area:

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Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

CMAP newsletter

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

None

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Neither easy nor difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Implement a recommendation from an existing plan

If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:	Envision Ford Heights Strategic Plan Ford Heights Capital Improvement Plan
Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	No
If yes, what year was it last updated?	N/A
If yes, how do you use your ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	N/A
If no, what is the biggest barrier to producing an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	In the ongoing pursuit of ADA accommodation improvements, discussion with stakeholders and those impacted highlight the need to continue to support transition toward equitable stable environments. While these efforts are steadfast, the needed funding, and therefore its impact on our capacity have prevented an ADA self-evaluation plan and transition plan from being produced. Strategic improvement plans have highlighted the need for ongoing support, and thus recommendations may be derived from these key asset assessments. Ongoing projects have also incorporated ADA-compliance and considerations.
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	No
If yes, provide their name, email, and phone number:	N/A
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	Yes
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	Yes
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	-CMAP Sidewalk Inventory -Recent engineering plan sets for ADA-compliant projects - Village Hall Board Meetings, where public comments and grievances are available to be aired.
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	In recent years, the Access to Transit Project, awarded in 2022, is now nearing completion, with incorporation of ADA-compliant accessibility components accentuating local Pace Suburban Bus stops. These additions, along with the Village of Ford Heights' recent award to implement ADA-compliant sidewalks in 2024 have created the space for ADA considerations to gain visibility. In designing recent new improvements to Village Hall planned in 2024, an automatic door opener is to be installed and is planned to be used greatly - a feat that has motivated the continuation of efforts.

What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Technical support developing the documents
What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 1 Funding = 3 Time = 2
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Somewhat easy

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Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

There is Rollins Road (Lake County) Bike Path that the Village maintains that ties into Nippersink Blvd in the downtown Center. This bike path goes through Millenium Park, and Nippersink Blvd., which connects it to the Metra Station.

The on-road bike path on Nippersink ends at Oak St. and Nippersink, where there are walking paths/bike trails proposed in the new construction of the Lakefront Park project (estimated to be complete summer of 2024).

The bike path needs to be extended north of the lake, and the current bridge of IL Route 12 is not wide enough to provide access. It's the Village's intent to connect the bike path system across the lake, to the Chain O' Lake State Park, and ultimately north to the border at Wilmot Road where Kenosha County is expected to end their intra-state/regional bike path.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

If yes, will the proposed project:

Build off an existing plan

If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:

2013 Greenways and Bikeways Plan.

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)

Connect to the regional trail system Identify strategies for pedestrian crossings Study problematic intersections Identify potential funding sources to implement recommendations

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?

Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community:

Most recently our road projects (Washington Street, Nippersink) have included bike path and/or multi-use path accommodations in an effort to connect downtown, parks, and the regional trail on Rollins Road.

Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?

Yes

Nο

What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?

The community is working with McHenry County for the regional trail connection on Wilmot Road to the State Line, and extend the trail to Chain O' Lakes State Park. The community would like to be able to continue this trail south to the downtown area at Nippersink and Oak.

What data are available to your community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning?

Known existing trails, planning areas and boundaries are delineated, major destinations are available, roadway suitability has been evaluated, level of traffic stresses has been evaluated, and additional data is available in the Bikeways and Greenways Final Plan for the Village of Fox Lake.

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison CMAP newsletter
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

With the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) No assistance, CMAP works with communities to build their capacity to identify, prioritize and program for design and construction of capital projects. Does your community already have a multi-year CIP?

If yes, does your existing CIP work well No in your community?

If your existing CIP does not work well, please explain why:	There is no complete CIP evaluation to really identify and discuss the needs of the community, priority, and how the project can be implemented within the fiscal budget(s) of the Village.
Communities receiving CIP technical assistance may have certain information available at the start of the project. Which of the following information does your community have readily available? (Select all that apply)	Full or partial asset inventory (facilities, capital equipment, transportation infrastructure, sewer/water/stormwater infrastructure). Assets may be listed as part of insurance documentation. List of previously approved capital projects and their current status. Capital budget(s) for the past 3 years and budget forecasts for the next 5 years.
Does your community currently have an asset inventory and conditions assessment of all capital infrastructure?	
If yes, will the proposed project:	Build from one of the existing plans
If yes, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:	There are Water and Wastewater Systems have a 2014 Master Plan, there is a 2019 Roadway Condition Rating Report, and a Parks Master Plan was completed in 2016. There has been no overall Village Master Plan to date.
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Pavement Management Plan
Pavement Management Plan	
Are you seeking assistance with:	A new plan

Please describe previous pavement management activities that you have made. Describe any actions you have taken to implement previous pavement management plans and whether your efforts were successful or not: We have last had our roads rated in 2019 with the PASER rating system, as completed with Thomas Engineering. We have since repaved several miles of roads that have been rated as poor conditions, and repaved roads as part of underground utility improvements to minimize the overall impact to the General Funds and increase the miles paved per year. Additionally, the Village has a skip-patching program that yields roughly 800 Tons of asphalt patching annually to try to combat the degrading conditions of the roads. Unfortunately, there are too many roads in poor condition to properly provide a solution outside of replacement. The Village would like a pavement management of recently paved roads that could use preventative maintenance to reduce the degradation of the roads and maximize the impact of the repaving efforts to date.

Does the community currently maintain and update data in an established pavement management system?	No
Which municipal department(s) and/or staff will oversee the Pavement Management Plan assigned?	Public Works
Does the community currently have an engineer on staff?	Yes
What is the approximate number of center-line miles in your local street network (maintained by your agency)?	59
Does the community currently prioritize pavement maintenance and/or preservation projects?	No
How are roadway improvement projects prioritized (i.e. worst first, minimize lifecycle costs {pavement /asset management system}, advisory board selection, or other approach)?	Worst and/or most complaints.
What is your annual budget for local roadway maintenance and rehabilitation projects? What are the sources of that funding (i.e., Motor Fuel Tax, general revenue, CDBG, etc.)?	General Fund is roughly \$1.5M/year overall roadway capital projects, Street maintenance is \$40,000 out of General Funds, Annual accrual of MFT varies by year, but the \$2M currently in MFT funds are promised for Oak Street.
Are staff interested in PAVER software training?	Yes
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the Yes contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated: Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements: **Closing Questions** How did you find out about the call for Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison projects? (Select all that apply) What resources did you find helpful as Web page FAQ you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Somewhat easy

How difficult was it to fill out this

application?

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Transit Station Activation Project (pilot program)

Transit Station Activation Project

Describe your proposed activation project:

Our proposed project is to organize and execute a plant-based pop-up festival that aims to showcase the impact of plant-based foods, urban agriculture, biomaterials, and sustainability on individuals' health and the ecosystem.

The plant-based pop-up festival brings together organizations and individuals who are at the forefront of the plant-based movement to showcase their work in an engaging and interactive setting. Through a variety of activities, presentations, and demonstrations, the festival will educate and inspire attendees about the benefits of plant-based living and sustainable practices.

Festival Components:

Interact: Guests can join hands-on gardening sessions and explore urban agriculture practices.

Shop: A handpicked selection of plant-based products and local artisan

goods for sale.

Enjoy: Musical performances, food, and giveaways

Where will the project take place? (State the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the activation project will take place. Please also note the name of the property owner if not on Service Board property.)

We intend to host this activation at the 63rd/Cottage Grove Green Line in the vacant lot at 1000 E 63rd, a city owned vacant lot as listed by the Chicago Data Portal.

How much funding are you requesting? Please detail the expenses (estimates are fine). We are requesting \$18,000 for the following expenses-

DJ: \$750

Catering: \$4000

Live performances: \$3000

BACP Tier III Pop-up host license: \$330

Decor: \$1500

Gardening activity supplies: \$3000 Printed marketing materials: \$3500

Stipends for residents on planning team: \$1000

Miscellaneous: \$1000

What is the timeline for this activation? (i.e. What is your thinking about the time of day, day of the week, month, for your proposal)

We intend to host this activation at the end of September on a weekend to garner high attendance. Our tentative plan is September 28th 11am-4pm for the activation. Attendees will pass through at various times. The target total attendee count for the day is 75 people.

Will the project process include activities in which the general public will be invited to participate? If so, please describe:

Yes, this activation is free and open to the public. Activities include enjoying live musical performances, shopping with small businesses, eating food from local restaurants, and learning gardening skills.

Is your organization currently in communication with the relevant transit agency and/or property owner? Do you anticipate needing assistance in making contact?

We (Gardeneers and Chicago Grows Food) have added Lillian Augusta, a plant-based hair care company in Woodlawn, and Rudd Resources, a WBE communications firm in Bronzeville, to the planning team. Jannice Newson at Lillian Augusta is a member and staff of Elevated Chicago, a coalition advancing equitable transit oriented development. Elevated Chicago works with the CTA, RTA, PACE, and Metra through multiple segments of their coalition.

Rudd Resources is deeply embedded within various City of Chicago
Departments and has been the agency-of-record for Elevated Chicago
since its establishment in 2017. Rudd Resources' involvement
encompasses the complex concept of equitable transit-oriented
development (ETOD) at seven Chicago Transit Authority stations.
Additionally, Rudd Resources manages public communications for Ventra,
the transit pass system for CTA and Metra Pace. Moreover, the agency
played a pivotal role in assisting CTA in hosting the 95th Street takeover to
commemorate 10 years of transit advancements. We do not anticipate
needing assistance with making contact.

Describe any experience you have with implementing something similar to your proposal:

Rudd Resources' specialty is event planning, and their expertise will be valuable in setting expectations and guiding the work leading up to the day of the event and afterward.

What resident or community support do you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation?

Lillian Augusta is based in Woodlawn within the Park Station Lofts equitable transit-oriented development and will serve as a base for the event materials [storefront detail confidential until May 1st, 2024]. We seek to gain support from Blacks in Green, a nonprofit in Woodlawn focused on sustainable lifestyles in Black communities,

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

We are a committed team and look forward to the opportunity to host this activation event near the 63rd/Cottage Green Line. We believe collaboration is key in achieving our goal of an event that delights and highlights the possibilities near Chicago's transit assets.

Please upload a map of where specifically the activation will take place:

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Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

RTA newsletter

Other: Roberto Requejo

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Web page FAQ

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Very easy

Corridor Plan

study area:

Please upload a map of the proposed

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Corridor Plan

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Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify who has roadway jurisdiction and if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include existing public transit services, greenways, or trails.

Our study area is the Madison Street Corridor in the greater Garfield Park area. The Corridor runs from Madison and Rockwell on the east to Madison and Kenton on the west. This corridor cuts across East Garfield Park and West Garfield Park. These are all city streets. There are numerous public transit services within the area, with buses that run east-west along Madison, buses on north-south crossing streets (Pulaski, Cicero, California, Homan, and Kedzie) and the CTA Green Line and Blue Line just blocks away and serving both East Garfield Park and West Garfield Park.

The attached map shows the relevant Madison Street corridor in bright blue.

Note that we believe work on the Madison Street corridor will impact the whole neighborhood, including for example, the Pulaski and Jackson Street Corridors as well as side neighborhood streets.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Build off an existing plan

here and provide a link:

If yes, please list the name of the plan(s) In 2022, we completed the West Garfield Park Corridors Plan. https://acrobat.adobe.com/id/urn:aaid:sc:US:d09c6d0f-0eed-4fe0-b516-3b5 c40131bd8. We note that this plan focused only on the West Garfield Park area of Madison and Pulaski Streets. We would like to build off of this plan and incorporate it in a larger quality of life plan that will cover the full corridor and fully reflect the priorities of the community.

What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?

There has been a great deal of planning and discussion in the Garfield Park community over the last several years. We have done a corridor plan specifically for West Garfield Park, focusing largely (though not exclusively) on commercial elements. We are in the planning and early execution stage of the exciting Sankofa Wellness Village, which will bring a community health center, arts and advocacy center, and entrepreneurship hub to West Garfield Park. We are in the process of engaging community in asset-mapping and issue identification to create a full Quality of Life Plan (QLP) that encompasses all of East and West Garfield Park and all of the issues that concern our community. LISC is working with in partnership on the community engagement process.

We need technical assistance to take us from community engagement to creation of our QLP, specifically making sure that the existing Corridor Plan, Sankofa Wellness Village plans and the views of the community from our community engagement work are fully integrated into a final comprehensive QLP. Our goal is to complete the QLP by the end of 2024 so we can start raising funds and executing on the plan in 2025.

We are working collaboratively with many entities, are engaged in numerous intiatives, and have increasing interest from the City and private philanthropies. But we would benefit from your technical assistance to get a holistic and integrated QLP to the finish line so we can use it to make positive impact throughout our community in the years to come.

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three) Broaden diversity in housing choices Attract investment and development Encourage transit-oriented development

What are the priority traffic safety challenges that need to be addressed in the area? (Select all that apply)

ADA accessibility
Bicycle and pedestrian facilities
Sidewalk gaps

Describe your coordination when developing this application with the roadway agency and other municipalities located along the corridor:

Since inception, the Collaborative has worked closely with the City of Chicago as well as Alderman Ervin and Alderman Burnett to start addressing the decades of disinvestment and challenges of Garfield Park. Indeed, our first major initiative, turning an open-air drug market at Madison and Hamlin into a Community Plaza and Skate Park, was done in partnership with the City of Chicago. For the last two years, we have had an embedded staff person from the City's Community Safety Coordinating Center (CSCC), one of only a few communities to be part of this pilot program to address violence prevention at the block-by-block level. Recently, the Mayor chose our community as one of four to focus on for investment of resources to address violence and improve community safety. The City and Aldermen have supported our work with Sankofa Wellness Village as well. Our strong relationship with the City of Chicago will make our Quality of Life Planning project all the more impactful.

What are your priority economic
development outcomes in creating the
proposed corridor plan? (Select all that
apply)

Attract new retail development Attract new jobs Retain businesses Retain existing uses

Are there flooding challenges in the proposed study area?

Yes

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?

Yes

If yes, please describe:

Both East and West Garfield Park have been victim of decades of disinvestment and their populations are historically disadvantaged. Both community areas are majority Black -- 85% for East Garfield Park (EGP) and 92% for West Garfield Park (WGP). Education levels are low. 21% of EGP adults and 25% of WGP adults have no high school diploma, compared to 14% for the City overall. Only 18% of EGP adults and 10% of WGP adults have any kind of college degree (compared with 30% for the City). Income levels are low -- in EGP 52% of households have income under \$25,000 and 74% have income under \$50,000. In WGP, those figures are 46% and 70% respectively. This is compared to city wide figures of 23% under \$25,000 and 42% under \$50,000. Unemployment is high compared to the city overall. In EGP, 19% of labor force participants are unemployed and in WGP, 24% are unemployed, compared to a city wide figure of 8%. West Garfield Park is widely recognized as one of the communities suffering significant gun violence; substance abuse is rampant.

We are excited about the progress we've made but will need so much more help -- and many years -- to overcome the historic and systemic problems that plague East and West Garfield Park. Technical assistance to complete out Quality of Life Planning process is an important step toward what we anticipate will be many years of activism and action to achieve our vision of a safe and healthy community.

Please identify any community

GPRWC has many community organizations and key partners involved in organizations or other key partners who its work, including the Quality of Life Planning process. Our key partners will be involved in the planning process: are the following. Formal members of the Collaborative are indicated with asterisks:

Alderman Jason Ervin

Alderman Walter Burnett

Bethel New Life*

Bobby E. Wright CBHC*

City of Chicago Community Safety Coordination Center and other city of

Chicago agencies

The Community Builders*

Erie Family Health Centers

Fresh Supply

Garfield Park Community Council*

Garfield Park Conservatory Alliance

Habilitative Systems, Inc.*

The Hatchery

Institute for Nonviolence Chicago*

LISC

MAAFA Redemption Project*

Nation Builders Construction Group*

New Mount Pilgrim MBC*

Project Forward*

Rush University Medical Center*

United For Better Living*

West Side United*

YMCA of Metropolitan Chicago*

The RTA and CMAP strive to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA or CMAP to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and policy?

Yes

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

LISC is taking an important role in our Quality of Life Planning process, with a special focus around the community engagement portion of the work. If we are granted technical assistance through this program, your staff will work closely with LISC as well as GPRWC staff, to help us create a comprehensive, community-centered and actionable Quality of Life Plan.

^{*}Formal members of the Collaborative

Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Other: Sent to us by our partners at LISC.
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Build off an existing plan

If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:	2019 Complete Streets Policy (https://www.glenellyn.org/DocumentCenter/View/331/Resolution-19-03R esolution-Adopting-the-Village-of-Glen-Ellyn-Complete-Streets-Policy-PDF)
	2023 Comprehensive Plan Update https://www.glenellyn.org/828/2023-Comprehensive-Plan)
	In addition, the Village is developing a standard operating procedure to outline the process for sidewalk repairs and installation of new sidewalk. The policy is to be integrated with and help guide the existing annual sidewalk capital program. And would feed into an ADA Transition Plan.
Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	No
If yes, what year was it last updated?	N/A
If yes, how do you use your ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	N/A
If no, what is the biggest barrier to producing an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	Given the communication efforts by CMAP around ADA, and the recent adoption of PROWAG, there is a clear recognition of the need for an ADA Transition Plan. And Village staff have attended the ADA training sessions developed by CMAP over the past year.
	However, the Village is still struggling with how to begin the self-evaluation process and finding the match between Village resources and the highest value elements of a gold-standard, Evanston-style self-evaluation.
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	Yes
If yes, provide their name, email, and phone number:	Grant Paplauskas gpaplauskas@glenellyn.org (630) 547-5204
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	Yes
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	Yes

What data are available to your The Village is a member of the Municipal GIS Consortium and has been community that could be used for ADA steadily building its GIS. Preliminary GIS mapping of the Village's sidewalk self-evaluation and transition planning? network was just recently completed, but collection of additional attributes such as width and condition are still desired. The Village also uses Cartegraph, an operations management software. Integrated with the Village's GIS, the software allows for tracking public infrastructure condition and stakeholder requests. What projects have your community Downtown Streetscape Improvements - under construction - includes recently completed, or are currently widening of sidewalks, curb extensions at intersections, and general ADA working on, that are relevant to upgrades accessibility planning for persons with disabilities? Metra Station and Multimodal Access Improvements Project - under design - includes construction of grade-separated crossing of UP-West Line and other accessibility improvements Taylor Avenue Underpass - completed construction of grade-separated ped crossing of UP-West line proximate to Glenbard West Numerous sidewalk repairs and new sidewalk construction projects completed and in-progress What type of support does your Technical support developing the documents community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply) What is the biggest challenge for your Knowledge = 1community in ADA planning and Funding = 2implementation? Please rank the Time = 3following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once. Would your community be open to Yes pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project? Please tell us if you have reviewed the Yes contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated: Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements:

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison CMAP newsletter Planning liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Somewhat easy

Location:

Community Planning March 9, 2024 7:32 am

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Grant Readiness

Grant Readiness

Please identify any staff, elected officials and/or community organizations that will likely be involved in a technical assistance project focused on improving your organizations processes to apply for and manage external funding:

Village President, treasurer, Village board members and Godley Park District.

CMAP works with communities to build their capacity to apply for and manage grants. Who currently applies for and manages grants and external funding at your municipality? (select all that apply)	Administrative staff
Is there a specific infrastructure project or grant opportunity you have in mind?	Yes
If yes, please give a short description:	Broadband internet and road improvements. Also we have a mining museum that needs to be brought up to code.
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Neither easy nor difficult

Community Planning March 9, 2024 7:24 am Chrome Mobile 122.0.0.0 / Android

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Pavement Management Plan
Pavement Management Plan	
Are you seeking assistance with:	A new plan

Please describe previous pavement management activities that you have made. Describe any actions you have taken to implement previous pavement management plans and whether your efforts were successful or not: There has been no actual plan in place that anyone is aware of. Currently we have one part time maintenance worker who uses road mix and cold path to try to fix the roads. We have an agreement with the Godley Park District to plow our roads in the winter. Over a decade ago roads were tarred and chipped after water lines and storm drains were placed as part of settlement agreement with, at that time ComEd nuclear power plant. However the roads dip at the locations the lines cross under the roads and some drains not placed to drain storm water. So we have residents whose yards flood with each storm. However, our Godley Park District is willing to tar and chip a couple of road leading to the park as they have become mainly gravel duecto lack of proper maintenance.

Does the community currently maintain and update data in an established pavement management system?	No
Which municipal department(s) and/or staff will oversee the Pavement Management Plan assigned?	The Godley Village Board In partnership with the Godley Park District.
Does the community currently have an engineer on staff?	No
What is the approximate number of center-line miles in your local street network (maintained by your agency)?	Approximately 4 miles. We have quite a few dead end roads.
Does the community currently prioritize pavement maintenance and/or preservation projects?	Yes
How are roadway improvement projects prioritized (i.e. worst first, minimize lifecycle costs {pavement /asset management system}, advisory board selection, or other approach)?	The largest potholes get filled first. But again, road mix and cold patch is the method used. This is just a patch forcthe issues we have.
What is your annual budget for local roadway maintenance and rehabilitation projects? What are the sources of that funding (i.e., Motor Fuel Tax, general revenue, CDBG, etc.)?	We receive approximately \$30,000 a year in motor fuel tax.
Are staff interested in PAVER software training?	Yes
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the Yes contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated: Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements: **Closing Questions** How did you find out about the call for Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison projects? (Select all that apply) What resources did you find helpful as Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Somewhat difficult

How difficult was it to fill out this

application?

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Transit Station Activation Project (pilot program)

Transit Station Activation Project

For which project type are you

application form.)

applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate

Describe your proposed activation project:

The Argyle Mid-Autumn Moon Festival intends to add cultural value and meaning to the Asia on Argyle district in Uptown by celebrating the second-most important holiday behind the Lunar New Year from many different Asian countries. As music and performance will be the primary focus of this event, and as second-generation Vietnamese American community planners and organizers, we are in a unique position to include a diverse line-up of multi-generational, multicultural musicians and performers. The main purpose behind this proposed festival is not only to culturally share our stories, traditions, and heritage, but to create a lasting community impact. The Asia on Argyle community was first faced with 2 years of the shared streetscape project, where many businesses suffered financially, some even closing. The COVID-19 pandemic left an even harsher reality as many businesses faced a duality of challenges - the pandemic itself, and the anti-Asian hate stemming from the pandemic. As the CTA is starting the Red-Purple line modernization project beyond 2024, with Argyle Street at the heart of the construction, there will be even more barriers and roadblocks that these businesses face. We hope that this festival shines a spotlight on the area and reminds people to continue to support the 40+ year community built by immigrants and refugees trying to make a new home for themselves in a new land. To be able to carry on our family's legacy, and our community's legacy into the future is our true aim.

Where will the project take place? (State the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the activation project will take place. Please also note the name of the property owner if not on Service Board property.)

Where will the project take place? (State The proposed Mid-Autumn Moon Festival, to take place in September 2024, will take place on Argyle Street, from Broadway to Winthrop Ave. The and the specific location where the future Argyle Red Line station will reopen within this location.

How much funding are you requesting? Please detail the expenses (estimates are fine).

We are requesting \$20,000 to host this festival consisting of cultural performances, arts and crafts vendors, and multi-cultural, multi-generational programming in the heart of the Asia on Argyle District.

BUDGET

Licensing & Permit & Insurance - \$1,000 Equipment - \$5,500 Performances - \$8,500 Staffing - \$5,000

TOTAL = \$20,000

What is the timeline for this activation? (i.e. What is your thinking about the time of day, day of the week, month, for your proposal)

We plan for this event to take place on September 20th and 21st, 2024.

Will the project process include activities in which the general public will be invited to participate? If so, please describe:

This proposed project is open and free to the public to engage. We plan to not only have performances for audiences to take in but there will be participatory programming throughout the 2-day event. We aim to have opportunities for audiences to engage in learning experiences through the cultural arts. We aim to have cooking demos, cultural dance learning sessions, healing sessions, as well as participatory art boards for community members to engage in sharing their experiences.

Is your organization currently in communication with the relevant transit agency and/or property owner? Do you contact?

The main organizers of the event will be opening a brick-and-mortar at 1132 W Argyle Street within the coming months, just steps away from the future renovated Argyle Red Line station. Both organizers are connected to anticipate needing assistance in making the Uptown Chamber of Commerce, as staff and board members. Through our community leadership work in the community, we have connections to local property owners as well as CTA representatives.

Describe any experience you have with implementing something similar to your proposal:

HAIBAYO Cares has previously hosted two years of outdoor festivals in the Argyle community. In 2021, HAIBAYO hosted the Argyle Activation Walk in May and the Mid-Autumn Moon Festival in October. In 2022, we hosted the Mid-Autumn Moon Festival on September 10, 2022, and the Argyle Activation Walk on October 8, 2022. We took a year off in 2023 to work on the build-out of our brick-and-mortar cultural event space business at 1132 W Argyle and are resuming programming in 2024. We are hosting an event on the corridor on May 18th, in honor of AAPI month that will have programs activating the street. We are also in partnership with Uptown United to curate programming for 2 of the Argyle Night Markets in July and August of 2024. We have experience in organizing such events.

What resident or community support do you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation?

We already have established partnerships and support from the 48th Ward. local block clubs, supporting businesses, and also the Uptown Chamber of Commerce and Uptown United. We also work closely with Chinese Mutual Aid Association as they were our fiscal sponsors prior to obtaining 501(c)3 status. All of our events are in partnership and collaboration with local institutions that have a strong history and impact in the area. We will continue to maintain those partnerships in all events and activations moving forward.

Is there any additional information you want us to know?	We were previously grantees of the Chicago Presents Grant from DCASE. The DCASE Community Healing grant, and in partnership with Qideas, a local business at the DPD Chicago Recovery Grant to build out space on Argyle. Lastly, all three of the core organizers of this event have been part of Choose Chicago's Uptown documentary sharing history, culture, stories of the Argyle Area. Our aim is to continue the cultural preservation of the Asia on Argyle community through various facets.
Please upload a map of where specifically the activation will take place:	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16101816889
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Other: Word of Mouth
What resources did you find helpful as	Web page FAQ

Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff

Technical assistance flow chart

Somewhat easy

you apply for the call? (Select all that

How difficult was it to fill out this

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Corridor Plan

Corridor Plan

Please upload	a map	of the	proposed
study area:			

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Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify who has roadway jurisdiction and if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include existing public transit services, greenways, or trails.

The proposed study area is the Oak Knoll / IL-72 corridor located between Brier Hill Rd. to the east and State St. to west, including certain properties west of State St. The roadway is under the jurisdiction of IDOT.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?	No
What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?	The Village of Hampshire is seeing significant growth in its residential population with limited retail/commercial in the community to support the needs and wants of a growing suburban community. Oak Knoll (IL-72) is a major east-west corridor that runs through what will be the center of the municipality, as growth in the residential population is expected on both the north and south side of the corridor.
	The goal of the corridor plan is to develop a long range plan for a mostly greenfield land area. First, the corridor plan will identify gaps in the market that will allow the municipality to target specific retail, commercial, personal services, etc. uses for the corridor. Second, the corridor plan will identify or establish a proposed character for the corridor. Third, the corridor plan will address transportation issues related to increase daily motor vehicle, bicyclist, and pedestrian traffic, including creating accessible routes along the corridor.
In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)	Increase transportation resilience Attract investment and development Encourage transit-oriented development Manage parking
What are the priority traffic safety challenges that need to be addressed in the area? (Select all that apply)	ADA accessibility Bicycle and pedestrian facilities Pedestrian crossings Sidewalk gaps
Describe your coordination when developing this application with the roadway agency and other municipalities located along the corridor:	The Village has not had the opportunity to coordinate this application with IDOT due to limited staff resources available currently. The Village is seeking the assistance of CMAP/RTA through this LTA Grant to assist with coordination activities with IDOT.
What are your priority economic development outcomes in creating the proposed corridor plan? (Select all that apply)	Attract new retail development Attract new jobs
Are there flooding challenges in the proposed study area?	No
Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?	No

Please identify any community organizations or other key partners who will be involved in the planning process:

The Village expects the local Chamber of Commerce, local businesses, government agencies (Park District and Library District), residents to be involved in the planning process. Other government agencies, such as the Park District and Library District, may seek to provide services along the corridor. The Village's Planning & Zoning Commission and Business Development Commission will also be involved in the planning process.

The RTA and CMAP strive to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA or CMAP to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and policy?

Yes

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

The Village of Hampshire has limited staff and resources. Currently, the Village employs one staff person that partly oversees the development efforts of the community. Due to limited resources available, Village staff is unable to develop a corridor plan that will be sound and provide long-term goals and action steps. The awarding of the LTA Grant will allow the Village to establish a corridor plan that will best meet the needs and wants of a rapidly growing community. By partnering with CMAP and RTA, the Village can ensure that the local corridor plans include and embrace the principles and goals of ON TO 2050 Plan.

Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:

Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:

Yes

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison LinkedIn

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Web page FAQ Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Very easy

Community Planning February 29, 2024 3:52 pm Chrome 121.0.0.0 / Windows 47.225.218.74 1200001775 43.1791, -89.4569

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The City of Harvard does not have a formal plan for bike/walk paths. The goal is to develop a formal plan that can be implemented in phases along with the City's road construct plans. Of note, the City's voters have approved a 1% increase in sales tax to be used for road construction beginning in 2025.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?	No
In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)	Connect to the regional trail system Identify strategies for pedestrian crossings Identify potential funding sources to implement recommendations
Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?	Yes
If yes, please describe:	The City has a 66% LMI. The purpose of the project is to develop safe paths for families or groups of people to travel to/from the park system and to connect with the McHenry County bike path system.
Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community:	A bike/walk path plan was identified as a priority in the 2024 Strategic plan.
Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?	Yes
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?	The City is developing plans for road construction and a parks master plan.
What data are available to your community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning?	We do not have relevant data.
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff Meeting with call for projects team to discuss a project
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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Grant Readiness

Please identify any staff, elected officials and/or community organizations that will likely be involved City Administrator; Mayor Michael P Kelly. in a technical assistance project focused on improving your organizations processes to apply for and manage external funding:

Lou Leone, City Administrator; Donovan Day, Economic Development and Community Development Director; Debi Bejot, Finance Director/Assistant

CMAP works with communities to build their capacity to apply for and manage grants. Who currently applies for and manages grants and external funding at your municipality? (select all that apply)	Village Administrator / City Manager Economic Development Director Consultant
Is there a specific infrastructure project or grant opportunity you have in mind?	No
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
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What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff Meeting with call for projects team to discuss a project
How difficult was it to fill out this	Very easy

application?

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NEXT

Please identify any community organizations, staff, and/or elected officials who will be involved in this plan implementation technical assistance project:

The collaborators involved in this plan include Village Administrator, Corean Davis, designees and department-heads as necessary, and partners engaged quarterly in the Harvey Improvement Project. Example participant organizations in these meetings are South Suburban Mayors and Manager's Association (SSMMA), Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD) Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP), Regional Transit Authority (RTA), and Cook County (various departments).

What is the name of the plan that you would like assistance implementing through NEXT?	The City of Harvey is seeking assistance in implementing the recommendations outlined in the forthcoming City of Harvey Comprehensive Plan. Additionally, the City is interested in assistance in implementing the recommendations outlined in the Harvey TOD Plan. With significant investments in this area (e.g., the Harvey Transportation Center and Harvey Lofts) many of the recommendations are anticipated to overlap, further highlighting the significance of this area. While the Comprehensive Plan has not yet been adopted, the City anticipates adoption upon completion while the TOD Plan was adopted in 2022.
Was the plan adopted by your municipality and codified within an ordinance within the past 5 years?	Yes
What is the goal of this plan / What are you looking to accomplish?	The goal of these plans and the City's efforts are to achieve the shared vision for the future outlined in these plans. Through community and partner engagement, a range of priority initiatives related to housing, blight reduction, restoration of infrastructure, economic development, and more were identified. The assistance available through the NEXT Program would greatly support the City in "Building a Better Harvey".
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff

Somewhat easy

How difficult was it to fill out this

application?

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Equitable Transit-Oriented Development Plan

Equitable Transit-Oriented Development Plan

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc: The TOD would be generally located in the vicinity of the Hazel Crest Metra station, and bounded by the following streets:

- North 167th
- South 171st
- West Dixie Highway
- East Park Avenue/Metra right-of-way

Additionally, Wood Street is a major notht/south arterial road connecting to public schools and I-294 and UChicago Medicine, bi-secting the TOD area.

Which existing transit services are in the study area? (Name rail station and/or bus routes)

Metra - Metra Electric line - Hazel Crest station Pace - Route 356

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last 10 years that include the proposed study area? (Include link to plan)

No. The Village Comprehensive Plan was adopted in 2007.

If yes, describe how the proposed project will build from, update, and/or implement recommendations from the previous plan:

NA. Although the Comprehensive Plan is over 10 years old, the Village has benefited from the completion of one goal which is the rehabilitation of the Metra station.

What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?

The Village seeks to accomplish the classic TOD objectives of leveraging transportation assets in the area. To do so, it would use a new TOD plan to clearly identify various planning techniques to coordinate Village, County, state and federal resources through a major planning strategy document.

The area adjacent to the Hazel Crest Metra station has experienced disinvestment relative to the the rest of Hazel Crest. Thus, the TOD Plan would be an opportunity to balance investment and begin to deliver TOD benefits through greater pedestrian/bike/commuter activity and more density that can "activate" an area.

Additionally, having TOD related investment would further Village goals to create an Arts District, as established by a Village Board resolution in January 2023. The Arts District programming and related building improvements (the Village acquired a vacant building and intends to convert into an adaptive reuse as a Center for the Arts) would support TOD investments and vice-versa. As an example, pedestrian/bike safety improvements and better walkability would benefit artists and the overall residential and commuter base living near the Hazel Crest Metra station.

The RTA strives to advance community Yes empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation, housing and development and policy?

Describe what areas in the planning process and the types of recommendations you're looking for that need to be centered on equity:

The Village would bolster equity by using the process of TOD Plan development to reach an underserved part of the community. Further, the resulting strategy document would help driver further investment in the area. For example, higher density, high quality multi-family workforce housing would serve a number of workers that would need and stand to benefit from high quality housing that does not exist today near the Metra station, with quality amenities at a reasonable price point.

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

The TOD area would be largely coterminous with a proposed arts district, as designated by the Village Board in its vision statement (formally stated in a January 2023 resolution) of an arts district to cater to the artists and to activate the area and to create "placemaking" to enliven the area.

Please upload a map of the proposed study area:

https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16040546706

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison Website Planning liaison

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Web page FAQ

Meeting with call for projects team to discuss a project

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

With the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) No assistance, CMAP works with communities to build their capacity to identify, prioritize and program for design and construction of capital projects. Does your community already have a multi-year CIP?

Communities receiving CIP technical Full or partial asset inventory (facilities, capital equipment, transportation assistance may have certain infrastructure, sewer/water/stormwater infrastructure). Assets may be listed information available at the start of the as part of insurance documentation. project. Which of the following Condition assessment of assets and / or any rate studies (may not have information does your community have this for all assets). readily available? (Select all that apply) List of previously approved capital projects and their current status. Does your community currently have an No asset inventory and conditions assessment of all capital infrastructure? Would your community be open to Yes pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project? Please tell us if you have reviewed the Yes contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated: Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements: **Closing Questions** How did you find out about the call for Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison projects? (Select all that apply) What resources did you find helpful as Web page FAQ you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Very easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Transit Station Activation Project (pilot program)

Transit Station Activation Project

Describe your proposed activation project:

The City of Highland Park has two brand new community events happening later this summer / fall. We feel that either or both would be a good fit for this project.

Project 1 - Decades

Fantastic headlining music from the 70s, 80s, and 90s brings together decades of music fans. Travel back in time to experience the sounds, tastes, and trends from these three decades through a selection of live performances and food and beverage vendors. A "Decades of Music" interactive trail through downtown Highland Park businesses will round out this event.

Project 2 - Scarecrow Fest

Celebrate Fall with scarecrow-themed family fun, kids' actives, and seasonal decor. Take a stroll through downtown Highland Park's "Scarecrow Walk" to see festive scarecrows decorated by local businesses and cast your vote for best in show.

the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the activation project will take place. Please Transit Station also note the name of the property owner if not on Service Board property.) 1700 St Johns Ave.

Where will the project take place? (State Both of these projects will take place at the same location and will be served by the same transit station:

> Metra Highland Park Station Highland Park, IL 60035

Project Location The Lot 525 Central Ave. Highland Park, IL 6035

The Lot is a 4 minute walk (0.2 mi) from the Highland Park Metra station, and UP NW tracks run north to south along the west side of The Lot.

How much funding are you requesting? Please detail the expenses (estimates are fine). For both projects, funding requested is \$66,070. The estimated breakdown by project is below:

Project 1 - Decades: \$36,785 Live entertainment - \$15,500

Stage - \$2,400 Security - \$2,500 Restrooms - \$595

On-site event staffing - \$3,710

Marketing costs (including graphic design, banners/signage, print, and

digital ads) - \$9,145 Insurance - \$875

Supplies (includes can liners, table cloths, weights) - \$2,060

Project 2 - Scarecrow Fest: \$29,285

Live entertainment - \$8,000

Stage - \$2,400 Security - \$2,500 Restrooms - \$595

On-site event staffing - \$3,710

Marketing costs (including graphic design, banners/signage, print, and

digital ads) - \$9,145 Insurance - \$875

Supplies (includes can liners, table cloths, weights) - \$2,060

What is the timeline for this activation? (i.e. What is your thinking about the time of day, day of the week, month, for your proposal)

Project 1 - Decades

Saturday, September 14, 2024; 12 PM - 10 PM

Project 2 - Scarecrow Fest

Saturday, October 19, 2024; 12 PM - 5 PM

Will the project process include activities in which the general public will be invited to participate? If so, please describe:

Yes, both projects center around community participation.

Project 1 - Decades

In addition to live music and a variety of local food vendors at The Lot (event location) for the general public to enjoy, an interactive "Decades of Music" trail is planned throughout participating downtown Highland Park businesses. Each participant will receive a bingo card. As they make their way along the trail, they will receive a stamp or sticker on their cards from each participating business. Once a BINGO is achieved, that card can be redeemed at a food vendor booth for a discounted meal. The trail is within walking distance from both the event location and the Highland Park Metra station.

Project 2 - Scarecrow Fest

The public will enjoy live music, local food vendors, and family fall fun at The Lot. Additionally, local downtown businesses will participate in a Scarecrow Trail. Participating businesses will receive a bale of hay and scarecrow form which they will decorate in a way that represents their business. Event attendees will walk the trail and vote for categories, including best in show. The trail is within walking distance from both the event location and the Highland Park Metra station.

Is your organization currently in communication with the relevant transit agency and/or property owner? Do you anticipate needing assistance in making contact?

UP NW has been notified of the programming.

Describe any experience you have with implementing something similar to your proposal:

Programming at The Lot has welcomed more than 50,000 participants since it's premiere season in 2022, with tens of thousands more expected for 2024. 2024's programming is a mix of 5 established events (Taste of Highland Park, French Market, Vintage Car Show, Oktoberfest, and Stews & Brews) and two brand new events, which are the focus of this funding request: Decades and Scarecrow Fest.

The City has been producing mid and large scale events for many years, including Food Truck Nights, concert series, markets, and festivals.

you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation?

What resident or community support do The City of Highland Park introduced large-scale community engagement events at The Lot in 2022 as part of a post-Covid economic recovery plan. The Lot's first season was tragically interrupted by the July 4th 2022 mass shooting in downtown Highland Park. The remainder of the 2022 season, as well as the 2023 and 2024 season, have been instrumental in community healing and restoring vibrancy and resiliency to Highland Park and the North Shore community.

> As stated above, over 50,000 people have attending programming at The Lot since its inception in 2022. Business, resident, and community support is integral to event success. Resident and business feedback has consistently been positive. Residents enjoy family-friendly events and entertainment, businesses enjoy increased food traffic, and both have expressed their enthusiasm for community unity and healing in the wake of tragedy.

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

The City of Highland Park is requesting funding for one or both projects.

Please upload a map of where specifically the activation will take place:

https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16105305566

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

RTA newsletter

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

None

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Very easy

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Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

With the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) No assistance, CMAP works with communities to build their capacity to identify, prioritize and program for design and construction of capital projects. Does your community already have a multi-year CIP?

If yes, does your existing CIP work well No in your community?

If your existing CIP does not work well, please explain why:	Even though the first question was answered as "no" - IIPD request is for CMAP to help not only develop a CIP, but be able to message that to the Community since the IIPD has not been transparent with sustainable investments in the neighborhood in the past.	
Communities receiving CIP technical assistance may have certain information available at the start of the project. Which of the following information does your community have readily available? (Select all that apply)	Full or partial asset inventory (facilities, capital equipment, transportation infrastructure, sewer/water/stormwater infrastructure). Assets may be listed as part of insurance documentation. List of previously approved capital projects and their current status. Capital budget(s) for the past 3 years and budget forecasts for the next 5 years.	
Does your community currently have an asset inventory and conditions assessment of all capital infrastructure?		
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes	
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes	
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	e Yes	
Closing Questions		
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison CMAP newsletter Planning liaison Other: Heard from various CMAP Staff Members at various speaking engagements and outings.	
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff Technical assistance flow chart	
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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Grant Readiness

Grant Readiness

Please identify any staff, elected officials and/or community organizations that will likely be involved in a technical assistance project focused on improving your organizations processes to apply for and manage external funding:

Amy Jo Wittenberg - Village President; Gavin Morgan, Village Administrator; Andrez Beltran, Assistant to the Village Administrator

CMAP works with communities to build their capacity to apply for and manage grants. Who currently applies for and manages grants and external funding at your municipality? (select all that apply) Grant writer
Village Administrator / City Manager
Administrative staff

Is there a specific infrastructure project or grant opportunity you have in mind?	No
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
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Pavement Management Plan

Pavement Management Plan

Are you seeking assistance with:	A new plan
Please describe previous pavement management activities that you have made. Describe any actions you have taken to implement previous pavement management plans and whether your efforts were successful or not:	Yearly crack sealing as part of the annual Road Program. When spring starts, Public Works staff does a visual check of the road and makes decisions on what locations to crack seal.
Does the community currently maintain and update data in an established pavement management system?	No

Which municipal department(s) and/or staff will oversee the Pavement Management Plan assigned?	Public Works with support from the Village Administrator and Assistant to the Village Administrator.
Does the community currently have an engineer on staff?	No
What is the approximate number of center-line miles in your local street network (maintained by your agency)?	24
Does the community currently prioritize pavement maintenance and/or preservation projects?	No
How are roadway improvement projects prioritized (i.e. worst first, minimize lifecycle costs {pavement /asset management system}, advisory board selection, or other approach)?	Worst first.
What is your annual budget for local roadway maintenance and rehabilitation projects? What are the sources of that funding (i.e., Motor Fuel Tax, general revenue, CDBG, etc.)?	\$200k. MFT and General Revenue (Local Gas tax)
Are staff interested in PAVER software training?	Yes
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Instructional videos Web page FAQ

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Site Planning

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The area adjacent to I-294 to the north, at the intersection of Wolf and Joliet Roads, commonly known as the "Triangle Area", represents one of the Village of Indian Head Park's primary redevelopment opportunities.

Is the site(s) publicly or privately owned? If privately owned, are there multiple owners or one owner?

Privately - Multiple owners

Is this a developed site(s)?	Yes
If yes, what is the current use?	Business retail sales/services and commercial.
Do any current plans show a redevelopment vision for this site(s)?	Yes
If yes, please describe:	The Draft Triangle Area Redevelopment Concept Vision & Planned Unit Development Ordinance Plan's objective is to redevelop the site in its totality to not only increase sales tax for the Village but will also create a community gathering space and a place of pride for residents as well as visitors. The Triangle Area Redevelopment Concept and PUD Ordinance is designed to articulate the community's vision for the site and to provide property owners, the development community, and other key stakeholders flexibility and guidance in pursuing development plans.
Have you conducted any public engagement, visioning, or resident surveying on potential reuse/redevelopment of this site?	Yes
In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the site/subarea to address?	Attract market feasible investment and development Increase local tax base
Does the local zoning match the community's vision for the site(s), or are you prepared to update the zoning?	Yes
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
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What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Instructional videos Web page FAQ

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Special Financing District Study

Special Financing District Study

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc.: The study area encompasses the established Downtown North TIF District, which generally encompasses the parcels on the north side of Irving Park Road in Itasca from Interstate 290 in the west to Rush Street in the east. Some additional parcels to the north are included on Orchard and Walnut Streets. A map can be found here:

https://www.itasca.com/DocumentCenter/View/12284/Downtown-North-TIF -Boundary-Map

Which existing transit services are in the study area? (Name rail station and/or bus routes)	The Village's downtown area contains the Itasca station on the Milwaukee District - West commuter rail line operated by Metra. The Village also participates in the Pace VanGo vanpooling program. Prior to the pandemic, the Village was served by Pace bus route 616.
Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) that identify the need for additional local funds to implement the plan, and recommend establishing a special financing district, such as TIF, SSA, BID? (Include link to plan)	Yes, the Downtown Itasca Strategic Action Plan specifically supports financing investments and incentivizing new development. The relevant pages are found on pp. 84 and 92. rtams.org/sites/default/files/digital_documents/Itasca Downtown Strategic Action Plan March 2022.pdf
What financing districts already exist in your municipality?	While Itasca has Special Service areas to meet the infrastructure maintenance needs of the Spring Lake and Hamilton Lakes Business Parks, this is the Village's first TIF district, and as a result would appreciate additional resources in terms of establishing best practices.
What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?	The Village wants to ensure that it provides well thought out financial incentives to match regulatory updates and private investments that will help to bring the Downtown Itasca Strategic Action Plan into reality. In addition to a broader look at tools to facilitate economic development, the Village would appreciate assistance in crafting an effective TIF application and guidelines in addition to facade program guidelines.
If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and development policy?	Yes
Is there any additional information you want us to know?	The Village is at the outset of exploring more complex financial incentives for development, and this project would provide a strong foundation upon which future successes could occur.
Please upload a map of the proposed study area:	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16102051949
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison Website

What resources did you find helpful as Web page FAQ you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Zoning Code Update

Zoning Code Update

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. for which zoning code amendments are desired:

The main study area of concern is coterminous with that of the Downtown Itasca Strategic Action Plan, approved in 2022. These boundaries are generally from Itasca Country Club in the east to I-290 and Spring Brook Nature Center to the west. To the north, the study area is bordered by Center Street, and to the south it generally follows the southern boundary of Usher Park, and then eastward along the heading of Grove Street. However, ideally, this project can be leveraged to make improvements to the Village's regulatory documents that improve outcomes for the entirety of the jurisdiction.

Which existing transit services are in the study area? (Name rail station and/or bus routes) The Village's downtown area contains the Itasca station on the Milwaukee District - West commuter rail line operated by Metra. The Village also participates in the Pace VanGo vanpooling program. Prior to the pandemic, the Village was served by Pace bus route 616.

Describe how existing zoning does or does not support your vision for future land use?

Despite an update in 2012, there are opportunities for the Village's development regulations to be more user-friendly and in harmony with desired outcomes. The Zoning Ordinance is in need of general modernization including drafting of tables for dimensional standards and uses by zoning district, in addition to further refinements to support downtown development. Additionally, the Village's residential and commercial historic district guidelines are in need of significant attention to ensure that they align with best practices and desired outcomes in preserving the design character of central Itasca.

Describe municipal officials' interest and support in amending the zoning code to encourage transit-supportive land uses and development: Based on overwhelming community interest for a transit-supportive development pattern during the recent Downtown Itasca Strategic Plan drafting process, in addition to a desire to support local businesses through greater activation of the downtown core, Village officials have indicated a strong interest in transit-supportive land uses and development.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, TOD plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) that identify the need to update the zoning code in the study area? (Please include a link to plan and relevant page numbers)

Yes, the Downtown Itasca Strategic Action Plan specifically includes a several-page zoning strategy as the first topic discussed in the implementation section. The relevant portion is found on pp. 78-83.

rtams.org/sites/default/files/digital_documents/Itasca Downtown Strategic Action Plan March 2022.pdf

What types of code amendments are needed? (Select all that apply)

Update existing land use lists

Reduction or elimination of minimum parking requirements

New or improved design guidelines

Streamline development review process

Other: Specific areas of interest include review of parking ratios for mixed use developments and unified design guidelines for Downtown Itasca generally as well as specific guidelines for the Itasca Historic District

code? What are you looking to accomplish?

What is the goal of amending the zoning The Village is interested in assistance in updating development regulations in service of implementing the Downtown Itasca Strategic Action Plan. Specifically, the Village is seeking to align its regulatory documents (Zoning Ordinance, in addition to the historic district guidelines) with the future vision of a transit-oriented mixed use downtown that supports a vibrant Village center with successful businesses.

> In service of the above, the code update provides an opportunity to make the code more user-friendly for the entire Village through the use of features commonly found in modern zoning ordinances such as a dimensional table and table of permitted uses.

If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that code recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and land use?

Yes

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

Downtown economic development is a strong focus of our community, with supporting complimentary actions including the adoption of a recent TIF district, approval of a new mixed-use development, and direct investment in downtown properties. These proposed regulatory updates will strengthen our efforts to deliver on the Village's vision for an activated downtown area.

Please upload a map of the proposed study area:

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Please upload a statement of municipal support on applicant letterhead:

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Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison Website

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What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Web page FAQ

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Somewhat easy

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Corridor Plan

Please upload	a map of the	proposed
study area:		

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Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify who has roadway jurisdiction and if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include existing public transit services, greenways, or trails.

South La Grange Road (south of 47th Street to Village limits [Plainfield Rd]. La Grange Rd is an IDOT roadway. There is the Pace bus that provides access to O'Hare in the north. Sidewalk connectivity is minimal, and there are no bike lanes.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Build off an existing plan

here and provide a link:

If yes, please list the name of the plan(s) We are in the process of updating of our Comprehensive Plan, and while not adopted, intend to build upon it with this corridor plan. The Comp Plan is expected to be adopted by the end of the summer.

What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?

This corridor is markedly less friendly to pedestrians and cyclists, and has often been seen has disconnected from the rest of La Grange. South of 47th, the speed limit on LA Grange Rd drastically increases (from 25 to 35), but we have a number of residential properties. There are notable gaps in our sidewalks that lead to some pedestrians and cyclists in the roadway, or dangerously walking along gravel (also a major ADA issue). The commercial uses in the area is notably located in older, single-family homes., and on smaller sites with inadequate parking facilities. Access to these sites, whether vehicular or pedestrian, creates major concerns for safety. We feel this is a severely underinvested and underutilized node that needs to be better served. It has been difficult to balance the fact that this is an auto-oriented IDOT roadway but has a significant portion of single-family, multi-family, and smaller office/retail uses. It notable does not follow the same streetscape standards that can be observed on La Grange Road north of 47th street.

We hope to see this corridor considered as part of our overall La Grange Rd corridor, and see the investment we've seen north of 47th Ave in this same area. We hope to make this street friendly to pedestrians, cyclists, and transit users. Many have stated they have fears walking to nearby downtown, even though it is only a short walk. In doing this, the businesses on the corridor will also thrive.

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)

Broaden diversity in housing choices Increase transportation resilience Attract investment and development Encourage transit-oriented development Manage parking

What are the priority traffic safety challenges that need to be addressed in the area? (Select all that apply)

ADA accessibility Bicycle and pedestrian facilities Pedestrian crossings Problematic intersections Sidewalk gaps

Describe your coordination when developing this application with the roadway agency and other municipalities located along the corridor:

We are currently coordinating with RTA as we are drafting the update to our comprehensive plan. IDOT and the Village communicate (there's on-street parking along portions of this corridor, which is abnormal for an IDOT ROW). There no other municipalities located along the corridor -Countryside is to the south, but has significant street and auto barriers. Once south into Countryside, it notably becomes much auto-oriented.

What are your priority economic
development outcomes in creating the
proposed corridor plan? (Select all that
apply)

Attract new retail development Retain businesses

Are there flooding challenges in the proposed study area?

No

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?

Yes

If yes, please describe:

This area notably has received less investment than our other areas, such as the downtown and its immediate single-family area. This area includes smaller commercial businesses, and includes a significant portion of La Grange's multi-family homes. Connectivity to north La grange Rd has historically been a concern for these residents, as well as lack of walkable services that other portions of our community enjoy.

Please identify any community organizations or other key partners who as we advance further into the project. will be involved in the planning process:

RTA (Pace), IDOT, La Grange Business Association, and potentially others

The RTA and CMAP strive to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA or CMAP to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and policy?

Yes

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

N/A

Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:

Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:

Yes

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison RTA newsletter
What resources did you find helpful as	Instructional videos
you apply for the call? (Select all that	Web page FAQ
apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
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Transportation Safety Plan

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Transportation Safety Plans

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The Village of La Grange is in the process of finalizing an updated comprehensive plan and one of the key themes from the community input is the real and perceived safety issues biking and walking along State and County routes in the community and how these safety issues create barriers to community connections and access to community resources. La Grange is only 2.5 square miles, built on a grid system with extensive sidewalks; within neighborhoods it is highly walkable and bike friendly. However, La Grange at its borders is bounded by high volume IDOT and county roads; La Grange Road (state route 12) and 47th Street bisect the community into north, south, east and west quadrants. Due to the proximity of the interstate system and quarrying operations, these major thoroughfares not only accommodate high traffic volumes (20,000+AADT for La Grange Rd and 10,000+AADT for 47th St) but also a significant amount of heavy truck traffic. Several years ago a tragic fatality occurred on 47t St, as a pedestrian was struck by a car while pushing her children in a stroller. The Village has attempted to improve safety conditions where possible along these routes, but given that they are not under local control, there have been challenges. A key goal of the new comprehensive plan will be to creatively work with state and county agencies to improve safety along and across these routes.

The BNSF and IHB railroads further pose real or perceived barriers to pedestrian activity. The BNSF tracks run east/west through downtown La Grange. The IHB tracks run north south. We have heard from the community that the real and perceived barriers in crossing the IHB tracks is effectively isolating a historically majority minority neighborhood from the rest of La Grange; it's commercial areas, schools, and community resources.

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)

Identify strategies for pedestrian, bicycle, and ADA compliant crossings Redesign problematic intersections Identify priority corridors for 'complete streets' improvements which support

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?

Yes

safe use by all modes

If yes, please describe:

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Are there existing projects within the study area that might affect traffic, mobility, or safety? (i.e., transportation or mobility studies, redevelopment plans/projects, road re/construction projects, storm water management, economic development plans, etc.)	Yes
If so, please identify them:	IDOT is planning to signalize the intersection of 47th and East Avenue. Recently the Village was successful in having a portion of Ogden Avenue designated as a school zone. In teh downtown the Village is enhancing bike parking facilities in 2024.
How well is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?	With the exception of the concerns crossing these major thoroughfares and railroad rights of way, La Grange is a highly walkable community. Many children walk to work and recent studies of La Grange's two Metra stations show that nearly half of commuters walk or bike to their station. Downtown La Grange has expansive sidewalks in many areas and heavy foot traffic. The barriers created by the major streets make it difficult for residents from one part of the community to feel safe walking or biking to another part of the community.
If not, why? (Select all that apply)	Unsafe conditions / major barriers Perceived lack of safety
Are you able to provide CMAP staff with local crash reports?	Yes
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	NEXT

NEXT

Please identify any community organizations, staff, and/or elected officials who will be involved in this plan implementation technical assistance project:

The Village of Lake Villa would envision that Department Heads, including the Village Administrator and Assistant to the Village Administrator would be the lead staff members involved in this project. However, additional external consultants, including the Village's Land Planner, and elected Village Board members, and members of the joint Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals would be invited to participate in any engagement or interviews for this project. It is our understanding that the community would also be invited to participate in discussions through community listening or engagement sessions that may be utilized as part of this project.

What is the name of the plan that you would like assistance implementing through NEXT?

The Village adopted the community's first Comprehensive Plan in January 2021. However, the Village Board did not engage in any strategic planning or implementation planning for how the Plan would be implemented.

Yes

What is the goal of this plan / What are you looking to accomplish?

The aim of this project is to engage in implementation discussions relative to the approved Comprehensive Plan so that actionable steps and timelines can be established for goals that are included in the Plan. The end goal of this planning exercise and project would be the development of an implementation plan that is tied to budget planning and funding. One opportunity, since adopting the Plan in 2021, is identifying short, medium, and long-term action steps to implementing the Plan and prioritizing those steps accordingly.

Specifically, our goal for the NEXT program is intended to translate the vision and goals outlined in our Comprehensive Plan into actionable strategies and initiatives that will guide the future development and growth of our community in a sustainable and inclusive manner by accomplishing the following objectives:

- Aligning policies and actions to ensure that they are translated into tangible strategies that align with our community's aspirations;
- Priority setting and resource allocation to help prioritize initiatives based on their potential impact, feasibility, and urgency while identifying key projects that can enhance the Village's economic competitiveness, especially those that aim to strengthen our economic resilience, attract businesses, create jobs, and foster a vibrant, inclusive community; and
- Transportation is a cornerstone of our Comprehensive Plan, and the implementation plan will outline specific action steps and goals to promote the interconnectivity of our residential communities, business districts, recreational areas, and neighboring communities.

Overall, our goal with this implementation plan and NEXT program initiative is to turn our Comprehensive Plan vision into reality, creating a vibrant, resilient, and equitable community for our current and future Lake Villa residents to thrive in. Through strategic planning, collaboration, and the assistance of CMAP, we can achieve meaningful progress.

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?

Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:

Yes

Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements:

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison CMAP newsletter
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff Meeting with call for projects team to discuss a project
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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Site Planning (pilot project)

Site Planning

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The proposed sites are all within Lemont's downtown district. Boundaries are Stephen Street to the east, Main Street to the south, New Avenue to the west, and the BNSF tracks to the north. Within these boundaries we are requesting support to evaluate three sites: 11-39 Stephen Street, 310-322 Main Street, and 15900 New Avenue. Stephen and Main Streets are Village of Lemont jurisdiction; New Avenue is IDOT. Metra's Heritage Corridor line travels through the study area, with the Lemont station located on Main Street. A local spur of the I&M Canal Trail runs through the district adjacent to the canal. The Village received an ITEP grant to build a bicycle and pedestrian bridge that will connect the I&M Canal Trail and downtown Lemont to the Centennial Trail using the Stephen Street right-of-way to cross the Sanitary and Ship Canal; the project is ready for Phase II Engineering. The Stephen Street and Main Street sites are in the Lemont Downtown National Register District and a local historic district. Stephen Street is in the Village's I&M TIF District and Main Street is in the TOD TIF District. The New Avenue site is adjacent and serves the TOD TIF.

Is the site(s) publicly or privately owned? If privately owned, are there multiple owners or one owner?

11-39 Stephen Street has multiple owners, both public and private. The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District owns four lots. There are nine private lots. Majority are investment properties; only two are owner-occupied.

310-322 Main Street has two owners, both public and private. 310 Main Street is private, 322 Main Street is vacant land owned by the Village of Lemont.

15900 New Avenue is publicly owned by the Lemont Fire Protection District (LFPD).

Is this a developed site(s)?

Yes

If yes, what is the current use?

Stephen Street is all residential, a mix of detached single-family and multi-family. Main Street is partly owned by Lemont National Bank, however, the branch at 310 Main Street closed in 2020 and has never reopened. New Avenue is home to LFPD Fire Station 1; however, the fire district has shared with the Village their plans to leave the station and build new elsewhere in the community.

Do any current plans show a redevelopment vision for this site(s)?

No

Have you conducted any public engagement, visioning, or resident surveying on potential reuse/redevelopment of this site?

Yes

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the site/subarea to address?	Attract market feasible investment and development Attract new/diverse housing options Increase local tax base Retain existing character
Does the local zoning match the community's vision for the site(s), or are you prepared to update the zoning?	Yes
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	RTA newsletter Planning liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

If so, please list the name of the plan(s)

N/A

here and provide a link:

Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?

Yes

If yes, what year was it last updated?	1996- However, in conducting a search of Village documents it does not appear to have been adopted by the Village Board only by Administrative Policy. It is also not being used because it is out of date.
If yes, how do you use your ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	It is currently not being used because it is out of date.
If no, what is the biggest barrier to producing an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	Staffing. The Village Administrator's office would take on the responsibility of coordinating the development of the plan. The office consists of a small number of staff. The responsibility would fall on the Deputy Administrator. This position oversees, IT, HR, Special Projects, Communications, Parks capital projects and much more. Therefore, assistance with developing the plan is necessary.
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	Yes
If yes, provide their name, email, and phone number:	David Fischer, Building Commissioner dfischer@libertyville.com 847-918-2015
	*The Village does plan to change who the current ADA Coordinator is as part of the update to the transition plan.
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	Yes
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	No
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	The Village has a robust GIS system. Public facing portions of the system could be used if necessary. The municipal code is also available online. The Village's Building Commissioner is also available to answer any questions of the public.
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	N/A *All public projects are assessed for ADA compliance.
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Training Technical support developing the documents

What is the biggest challenge for your Knowledge = 3community in ADA planning and Funding = 2implementation? Please rank the Time = 3following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once. Would your community be open to Yes pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project? Please tell us if you have reviewed the Yes contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated: Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements: **Closing Questions** How did you find out about the call for Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison projects? (Select all that apply) What resources did you find helpful as Web page FAQ you apply for the call? (Select all that Technical assistance flow chart apply)

Very easy

How difficult was it to fill out this

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

Our area is basically a 2 mile radius around the intersection of IL Rt 47 & Rt 64. The Kane County Great Western Trail runs directly through the center of our village.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?	No
In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)	Connect to the regional trail system Identify strategies for pedestrian crossings Identify potential funding sources to implement recommendations
Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?	No
Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community:	None.
Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?	Yes
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?	The Village of Lily Lake Plan Commission is currently revising our Comprehensive Land Use Plan.
What data are available to your community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning?	Kane County Forest Preserve Great Western Trail usage estimates.
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	CMAP newsletter

What resources did you find helpful as None you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Housing and Jobs Study - AHPAA

Housing and Jobs Study - AHPAA

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

What is the goal of this study / what are you looking to accomplish?	To conduct an assessment of existing housing patterns and explore potential housing options with the end goal of adopting an Affordable Housing Plan in compliance with the Affordable Housing Planning and Appeals Act.
Has your community prepared an Affordable Housing Planning and Appeals Act (AHPAA) plan or affordable housing plan in the past? If so, please include a link to the plan:	No.
What are the priority affordable housing challenges that need to be addressed? (Select all that apply)	Lack of diverse housing types Lack of affordable housing Housing too expensive
What are the most contentious land use issues in your community?	Many zoning entitlement cases involve requests for special uses and variations in commercial zoning districts that abut mostly single-family residential districts.
Are there proposed housing developments in the community?	Yes
If yes, please describe:	There is minimal new housing proposed outside of replacements for demolished single family homes, however, there is one 10-12 unit mixed-use development currently proposed.
Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?	Yes
If yes, please describe:	According to the 2017-2021 American Community Survey five-year estimates 51.3 percent of Lincolnwood residents speak a language other than English at home and 14.7% of these residents speak English less than "very well."
Please identify any community organizations or other key partners that will be involved in the planning process:	There are no housing-specific community organizations within Lincolnwood.
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison CMAP newsletter RTA newsletter
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ Technical assistance flow chart
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Equitable Transit-Oriented Development Plan

Equitable Transit-Oriented Development Plan

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc: The boundaries for the project would be 19th Street to the south, Thornton Street to the north, Madison Street to the east and Canal Street to the west. This area encompasses the National Historic District as well as what we believe are future growth areas south of our train station and north to connect with the Star Innovation District plan completed in 2022 and a changing neighborhood east to Madison, inclusive of our Freshman Center in the historic Central High School.

Which existing transit services are in the study area? (Name rail station and/or bus routes) The Heritage Corridor Metra line has a stop in Lockport at 13th Street just west of State Street and the 832 Pace route along 9th Street out to Orland Park to the east and Joliet to the west.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last 10 years that include the proposed study area? (Include link to plan)

Although not within the last 10 years, the last plan for downtown was in 2009

(https://www.cityoflockport.net/DocumentCenter/View/330/Downtown-Mast er-Plan-PDF). One of the recommendations that came out of the 2009 plan was an improved streetscape along State Street

(https://www.cityoflockport.net/DocumentCenter/View/3280/State-Street-Streetscape-Plan-PDF). Implementation of that recommendation occurred between 2018-2022. In 2019, a Bicycle Master Plan

(https://www.cityoflockport.net/DocumentCenter/View/4398/Master-Plan-Lockport-Bicycle-PDF?bidld=) was created that was community-wide but included portions of the downtown. In 2021, the City completed a new citywide Comprehensive Plan

(https://www.cityoflockport.net/704/Plans-Reports) that includes the downtown area. In 2022, the City completed the Star Innovation District Master Plan for the former Texaco Refinery site

(https://www.cityoflockport.net/859/Star-Innovation-District-Master-Plan) on the north end of the proposed project area. In 2023, the City completed a parking study for downtown

(https://www.cityoflockport.net/806/Downtown-Lockport-Parking-Study) to identify areas where we can improve the operational and physical conditions of our parking capacity as downtown becomes more popular. Lastly, the City has engaged the Ball State University Center for Historic Preservation to update our 1978 Preservation Plan for both the National Historic District and our Local Historic District. This plan will include recommendations relate to the areas between 8th and 11th, Hamilton to the I&M Canal and would fit seamlessly within this larger TOD plan. Projected completion of that planning effort is January 2025, the 50th anniversary of the National Historic District's nomination.

If yes, describe how the proposed project will build from, update, and/or implement recommendations from the previous plan:

The project will build from the 2009 downtown plan, connecting the streetscape that was recently reconstructed, the Star Innovation District plan completed in 2022 for the industrial area that was formerly the Texaco Refinery site, and growth and condition changes throughout our downtown that have occurred over the past 12 years since the Recession. In addition, the downtown TIF is coming close to the end of its 23 years (started at the worst possible time in 2009) and the City needs to make decisions about whether or not to request an extension, create a new one, allow it to expire or some other alternative.

What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?

Our goals with the new plan would be to update the original 2009 plan, reflect the changes that have occurred over the past 15 years in the central downtown and extend the study area south to capture areas closer to the underserved Fairmount area (unincorporated Will County) and our Taft School District. Both areas are heavily reliant on residential tax dollars and have long suffered because of it.

We believe with continued success in the central downtown and a changing neighborhood in our "Canal Commissioners" neighborhoods, this is the time to project the future for some legacy property that could hold the key to unlocking improvements, and revenue, in those southern areas. We would extend the plan north to contemplate changes that will occur because of the planning work accomplished for the Star Innovation District, a plan completed in 2022 and the frontage along State Street on both the east and west sides. All of this within 1 mile of the train station north and south and 0.5 miles east.

The RTA strives to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation, housing and development and policy?

Yes

Describe what areas in the planning process and the types of recommendations you're looking for that need to be centered on equity:

The City is looking for guidance on market viability of various land uses in the southern area of the study area, how the future development of the Star Innovation District will impact the northern portions of the study area, streetscape improvements that can occur north and south from the central downtown, connections for both bike and pedestrian to the train station from all directions and recommendations for how the downtown mixed-use and residential environment can expand both north and south. Primary service areas are market analysis, urban design and land use planning. The City believes in engaging our residents where they are at and are very open to unique ways to engage the residents, especially to the south and north, which have typically not had planning down, much less participated in public engagement.

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

As you can see, the City has been proactive in developing plans to help guide our growth and direction with the significant hole of an updated downtown plan to not only bring those plans together but also help guide our future over the next 5-15 years.

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study area:					

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What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	None
How difficult was it to fill out this	Very easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Transit Station Activation Project (pilot program)

Transit Station Activation Project

Describe your proposed activation project:

We respectfully request funding in the amount of \$5,000 for a Transit Station Activation Project (the Project) focusing on the St. Ignatius Community Plaza at 6300 N Kenmore directly adjacent to the Loyola CTA 147 and 151 bus routes nearby Sheridan Rd. This amount will fund a an outdoor movie, food and beverage August 15, 2024.

the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the also note the name of the property owner if not on Service Board property.)

Where will the project take place? (State The Project is proposed for the plaza at Kenmore and Sheridan Road owned by Loyola. This location is next to the 147 bus stop and bear the 151 stop at Rosemont and Sheridan. Because these plazas are private activation project will take place. Please property, we won't need to budget for special events permits, and full access to the public way will be maintained throughout the events. The St. Ignatius Community Plaza (formerly 6300 N Kenmore) is owned and managed by Loyola University Chicago.

How much funding are you requesting? Please detail the expenses (estimates are fine).

We are requesting \$5,000 for the project based on expenses we've incurred for similar events in the past:

- ? Film equipment rental, set up and take down \$1500
- ? Purchase of film showing rights \$2000
- ? Refreshments (water, popcorn, snacks, etc.) \$1000
- ? Student support (4 students @ 15/hr for 4 hours) \$250
- ? Giveaways \$500

What is the timeline for this activation? (i.e. What is your thinking about the time of day, day of the week, month, for your proposal)

Thursday, August 15 - 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm

Will the project process include activities in which the general public will be invited to participate? If so, please describe:

The project will consist of hiring a company to set up screen and sound equipment at St. Ignatius Plaza located near CTA bus stops on Sheridan Rd. from 8-10 pm on one Thursday evening. Access to the film will be free and open to the public. We will encourage participants to bring seating or a blanket to sit down and enjoy the film. We will offer refreshments such as water, popcorn, and other snacks for attendees and participants.

Is your organization currently in communication with the relevant transit agency and/or property owner? Do you anticipate needing assistance in making contact?

While we have not yet reached out to the CTA about this specific proposal, upon selection we will do so immediately. The programming proposed would be taking place on private property immediately adjacent to the CTA bus stops rather than property owned or managed by CTA itself. We do not anticipate needing assistance in making contact because we had communication with CDOT and CTA regarding the Sr. Jean Plaza at the Red Line Station.

Describe any experience you have with implementing something similar to your proposal:

Prior to the Covid-19 pandemic, Loyola University Chicago, hosted an event called "Movie on the Plaza" to activate this new community amenity. These events helped to build community along the bustling, fast-paced Sheridan Rd. corridor on summer evenings, making it more friendly to pedestrians and transit users. Through events, we created a welcoming sense a safety for families to enjoy.

What resident or community support do you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation?	Loyola University Chicago is an deeply engaged Institutional and community partner. We host events, often with local partners, aimed at building the larger campus-community culture and to intentionally blur the line between what is "campus" and what is considered the "neighborhood" or "off-campus" to create a welcoming and inclusive environment for all to enjoy
Is there any additional information you want us to know?	Not at this ttime
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How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Somewhat easy

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Transit Station Activation Project

assistance by completing a separate

application form.)

Describe your proposed activation project:

Mandala Arts proposes interactive live music and dance performances at selected train stations that would be tailored to reflect the unique cultural identity of the neighborhood and the diversity of the city of Chicago. The Red Line, which runs from Howard to 95th, passes through many historically significant and cultural neighborhoods that house communities that have shaped the landscape of the city, and we want to help the community get to know them through their art. Some notable examples include the Argyle stop in the Uptown neighborhood, famed for iconic Southeast Asian fare, and the Belmont stop adjacent to the Boystown neighborhood, an area that has a storied history with the LGBTQ+ community. At each selected transit station, Mandala would present one live musician that represents the neighborhood and two musicians that reflect other cultural neighborhoods along the Red Line. In this way, commuters will become acquainted with the neighborhoods they pass by in their local community, and locals will get to appreciate the vibrant diversity of the city they live in. Art has the power to foster mutual respect and understanding, which would permit commuters to feel safer about gathering at the CTA stations. In addition to live music at the stations, Mandala proposes to have QR codes on the train and at each of the stops that link commuters to artists and stories from the neighborhood so that they may learn more about diverse groups in Chicago.

The Red Line of the Chicago "L" system runs from the Howard station on the north side to the 95th/Dan Ryan station on the south side. Along its route, it passes through several neighborhoods that reflect the diverse population of Chicago. Some notable stations include:

Howard: Located on the northern end of the Red Line, this station serves as a transfer point to the Purple Line and is situated in the Rogers Park neighborhood, known for its diverse population including immigrants and students from nearby Loyola University Chicago.

Argyle: Situated in the Uptown neighborhood, this station serves a vibrant Asian community, particularly Vietnamese and Chinese residents. The area is known for its Asian restaurants, shops, and cultural events.

Belmont: Located in the Lakeview neighborhood, this station is near Boystown, one of the largest LGBTQ+ communities in the United States. Lakeview is also home to a diverse mix of residents including young professionals, families, and artists.

Cermak-Chinatown: This historic neighborhood has been home to Chinese immigrants since the 1800s, who have since worked hard to establish its many iconic eateries and architectural attractions.

Sox-35th: Situated near Guaranteed Rate Field (home of the Chicago White Sox), this station serves the Bridgeport neighborhood, historically known as a working-class Irish and Italian community. In recent years, Bridgeport has become more diverse, with a growing population of

Hispanic, Asian, and African American residents.

95th/Dan Ryan: This southern terminus of the Red Line is located in the Roseland neighborhood, which has a predominantly African American population. Roseland has a rich history and is known for its community activism and cultural institutions.

Mandala would choose four most prominent stations based on the ridership data, history of the neighbourhood, safety requirements and funding. Through this programming, Mandala aims to symbolically utilise the Red Line to weave the disparate communities together, thereby building understanding and a sense of belonging and establishing emotional safety on the transit system.

the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the activation project will take place. Please selected list: also note the name of the property owner if not on Service Board property.)

Where will the project take place? (State Mandala has identified 5-6 major transit stations/stops along the Red Line route that are in neighbourhoods with distinct cultural traditions. Based on the funding, the organisation aims to activate four stations from the

Howard or Morse (closer to Devon) - South Asian Artist

Argyle - Vietnamese artists

Belmont - LGBTQ Cermak - Chinese

Roosevelt: Multi ethnic artists

Garfield - South side - Blues/ jazz/Gospel

How much funding are you requesting? Please detail the expenses (estimates are fine).

Total:\$38,000

Artist Fees: \$9,000 (18 artists at \$500 each for full-day work)

Marketing and Advertising: \$12,000 (Includes social media advertising,

fliers, banners, advertising space on trains, and design)

Mandala Operating Costs: \$4,000 (To implement the program)

Audio and Sound Amplification: \$6,000 (Based on \$1,000 per performance

for 6 performances)

QR Code Creation: \$2,000 (Including apps)

Permits, Licenses, and Insurance: \$5,000 (To perform in public spaces and

liability coverage) Total Budget: \$38,000

Mandala will raise additional funds from the Department of Cultural affairs musician roster and sponsorship from local businesses.

What is the timeline for this activation? (i.e. What is your thinking about the time of day, day of the week, month, for your proposal)

Ideal presentation for this project will be the month of September to coincide with the Chicago World Music Festival. Our live artists would play at times coinciding with the morning and evening rush hours, from 7-9am and 3-7pm, on weekdays.

Marketing and advertising for the event will begin 6 weeks in advance of the launch using QR codes on the Red Line trains and displays at the train station kiosks. This will encourage people in advance to gather at site for the event

Will the project process include activities in which the general public will be invited to participate? If so, please describe:

Yes, the general public and commuters will be engaged by the artists who will initiate calls and responses or encourage audience members to sing and clap along at appropriate points in the performance. These performances will be set up to assure that even a commuter who arrives in the middle of a performance will still be able to engage with the artist and understand what is going on.

Is your organization currently in communication with the relevant transit agency and/or property owner? Do you anticipate needing assistance in making contact?

No. Mandala seeks help in communicating with the CTA to activate transit stations and advertise QR codes for an extended digital program.

Describe any experience you have with implementing something similar to your proposal:

Pranita has experience curating and directing multicultural music and dance programs at public spaces in Chicago. As the artistic director at Mandala Arts, Pranita has presented free music events at third-spaces in Devon avenue in Roger's Park to encourage mutual appreciation and respect for South Asian arts amongst diverse communities. Under Pranita's direction, Mandala has been the proud recipient of the MacArthur Award for their work in bringing multicultural performances to Chicago's South side, with events at park districts, libraries, community centers and public schools. Recently, Mandala has received the Joyce Foundation Award to fund the program, "Singing Together: Qawwali and Gospel", a music event that combines the genres of Sufi and Gospel music to highlight the similarities and shared experiences between the South Asian and Black communities of Chicago. All of these experiences have assured that Mandala has significant contacts with musicians all across Chicago and experience with curating performances that are impactful and honor the cultural roots of the artists and communities they perform in.

What resident or community support do you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation?

For the proposed activation, we would greatly appreciate support from various community stakeholders. Specifically, we seek assistance from the local ward office, Chamber of Commerce across different neighborhoods they serve, and the aldermen's office for community engagement and awareness building.

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

Mandala has successfully connected communities of Chicago's North Side and South Side through its Joyce Foundation funded Qawwali and Gospel program. In the past, it has also secured funding from Bank of America for its culturally sensitive programming.

Please upload a map of where specifically the activation will take place:

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What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

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Transit Station Activation Project (pilot program)

To contribute to RTA's Transit is the Answer initiative, Mandala proposes a transit crawl, activating four bus stops on the Devon Avenue of Chicago with multicultural music performances as part of its annual Makers Festival.

Every year, the Mandala Makers Festival organizes dance and music performances at shops and street corners of Devon Avenue, bringing art and culture to everyday lives of people and creating equitable representation for its diverse communities. In a neighborhood that has underlying divisions based on race, faith, ethnicity and nationalities, bus stops and transit stations offer inclusive and accessible spaces for people of all backgrounds to safely gather. Highlighting this inclusive quality of the transit system, Mandala combines the vision of the Makers Festival and Transit is the Answer into a mutually supportive performing art intervention- the Musical Transit Crawl.

The program would take place on 7th June 2024 as part of the sixth Makers Festival. Mandala would activate one CTA station and four major bus stops (based on ridership and cultural significance) on bus route 155 that traverses along Devon Avenue, namely, Sheridan & Loyola (including CTA Red Line Station), Devon & Clark, Devon & Rockwell, and Devon & Kedzie. Based on the CTA ridership data available online, Mandala proposes the project at the busiest business hours on Devon Avenue. The program will take place twice on a weekday from 7am-10am and repeat from 3pm-6pm.

Describe your proposed activation project::

At each of the chosen bus stops musicians will be seated playing fusion music from South Asian, African American, Thai, Middle Eastern musical genres, reflecting Devon's multiculturalism. The performance would be open to the general public, passersby and invited audience. Members of the public traveling eastbound and westbound will be

able to start the transit crawl from either points, break in the middle or stop by to watch a single performance. On the window of each bus shelter and seats inside the bus, audience members would find a QR code, leading them to a webpage with a map and information on the transit crawl. While on the bus, in-between two stops, the audience can scan the QR codes and engage with information on the webpage, learning more about the different artist groups, musical genres and background stories of the pieces played on the bus stops. Mandala would seek permission to dress up the bus shelters, making the program locations visible from afar and creating a more hospitable and welcoming environment around the bus stops. The music performances, evoking resonance and nostalgia, would contribute to fostering a sense of belonging, thereby creating a feeling of safety on buses and bus stops. Through this performing arts intervention we aim to change the perception towards bus stations while inviting large audiences to engage with the transit system. The transit crawl would advance the goal of the Makers Festival of making art more accessible, and through the bus, carry culture to different parts of Devon Avenue.

Where will the project take place? (State the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the activation project will take place. Please also note the name of the property owner if not on **Service Board** property.):

The project would take place on four bus stops on route 155 that traverses the Devon Avenue:

Stop: Sheridan and Loyola

- Red Line Platform

- Bus Stop

Stop: Devon and Clark Stop: Devon and Rockwell Stop: Devon and Kedzie

The first performance at Sheridan and Loyola would move from Red Line platform to the Bus Shelter

\$22,500 Tech: \$5,000

Hiring of sound technician and rental equipment for audio and sound amplification: \$1,250 per event

Advertising: \$5,000

Posters with QR codes and promotion leading up to

How much funding are you requesting? Please detail the expenses (estimates are

fine).:

the event

Social media advertising, flyers, banners Buying advertising space on buses, designing

Operations: \$4,500

Mandala staff to handle the logistics of the program, including hiring, executing, and documenting events

Artistic: \$5,000

\$1,250 allocated for each group of 3 artists per day rate, including performance fees and per diem

Miscellaneous: \$3,000

Permits, licenses, and insurance

Other unforeseen costs

25% of the budget, i.e. \$5625 will be supported from the Together We Heal grant, awarded by DCASE. This has already been secured by Mandala arts.

What is the timeline for this activation? (i.e. What is your thinking about the time of day, day of the week, month, for your proposal):

Thursday, 7th June 2024 Transit Crawl 1: 7am-10am Transit Crawl 2: 3pm-6pm

Will the project process include activities in which the general public will be invited to participate? If so, please describe::

Yes, the general public would be invited to participate in the event in a few different ways. As audiences of music performances on the bus stops, the general public will be asked to participate in call and response, dancing with the music and singing along. In addition to this, the public will have access to QR codes stuck on windows of the bus shelter that would direct them to the transit crawl route. With this, they would be able to start from either Sheridan and Loyola and travel westwards or start from Devon and Kedzie and travel eastwards to finish the crawl. The program encourages participants and invited audience to use public transport.

Is your organization currently in communication with the

Mandala requires assistance to get in touch with CDOT for activating the bus shelters and CTA for performing on the Sheridan and Loyola station. Through Mandala's existing Together We Heal

relevant transit agency and/or property owner? Do you anticipate needing assistance in making contact?:

grant and collaboration with DCASE, the organization is receiving technical support for executing the proposed project. Additionally, Mandala is collaborating with interns from University of Chicago to provide technical support in creating webpages for the project which would be freely accessible by the public to listen to background stories and music pieces.

Mandala has extensive experience in organizing and implementing large-scale public programs. Mandala Makers Festival is the organization's annual urban program and 2024 marks its sixth edition. This festival has helped Mandala gain extensive experience in urban space programming, build relationships with local businesses and the multicultural community of the neighborhood. Starting as a South Asian arts organization, Mandala has expanded its programming to include several other cultures groups for a more accurate representation of the neighborhood.

Describe any experience you have with implementing something similar to your proposal::

Additionally Mandala's involvement in Thanksgiving Parade and our presentation for the 100th anniversary of Lions Club International underscores its proficiency in managing high-profile engagements with precision and creativity.

Mandala's commitment to community engagement extends to the Devon neighborhood, where the organisation has been actively involved since 2017. Over the years, Mandala has developed strong partnerships and deep-rooted connections within the community. Its team, comprising individuals proficient in multiple languages, ensures effective communication and engagement with residents from diverse cultural backgrounds.

Drawing from Mandala's track record of impactful community initiatives and our proficiency in managing large-scale events, it is well-equipped to implement the proposed project. The organisation's experience underscores its ability to navigate logistical complexities, foster meaningful collaborations, and deliver outcomes that resonate with stakeholders and enrich the fabric of the Devon neighborhood.

Mandala has garnered significant resident and

What resident or community support do you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation?: community support for our proposed activation, and we continue to seek further assistance to ensure its success. The organization's partnerships include the Rogers Park Business Alliance, whose collaboration strengthens our ties with local businesses and enhances community engagement. Additionally, Mandala has garnered the support of the aldermen's offices, particularly those representing wards 40 and 50. Mandala's partners are assisting in connecting with key stakeholders for the proposed project—the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) and the Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT).

Is there any additional information you want us to know?:

The transit crawl would be part of the sixth Mandala Makers Festival in June 2024 that is funded by the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events and Together We Heal Award to bring communities together. Mandala has also receive Ford Foundation's Weaving Illinois grant.

Please upload a map of where specifically the activation will take place::

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What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply):

Instructional videos
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How difficult was it to fill out this application?:

Very easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Grant Readiness

Grant Readiness

Please identify any staff, elected officials and/or community organizations that will likely be involved in a technical assistance project focused on improving your organizations processes to apply for and manage external funding:

Our Consulting engineer and City Administrator. The City administrator currently works with the engineering consultant in identifying grant opportunities that will assist in addressing the aging infrastructure needs of the City. The City administrator typically completes the non-technical aspects of the grant applications, and the engineering consultant completes the technical sections. The City finance director sometimes gets involved with the discussions of grant applications when it involves matching funds.

CMAP works with communities to build their capacity to apply for and manage grants. Who currently applies for and manages grants and external funding at your municipality? (select all that apply)

Village Administrator / City Manager Economic Development Director Consultant

Is there a specific infrastructure project or grant opportunity you have in mind?

Yes

If yes, please give a short description:	Reconstruction of 162nd Street, Oakley Avenue and W. 163rd Place. Grant opportunities for connecting sidewalks, construction new ones and bike paths in various areas in town. The City applied for 2024 Invest in Cook grant to perform Phase 1/II design of a new sidewalk along 167th Street from California Ave. to Pulaski Road. Also included in the project is modification to the traffic signals to include pedestrian signals at the intersection of Kedzie and 167th and Pulaski and 167th. The City will need assistance for the construction of the project in the future. The City also applied for funding under the 2024 CDBG program to remove and replace inoperable valves in the West Markham neighborhood. This is an ongoing effort to address aging underground infrastructure in the neighborhood. The City will need assistance in addressing aging underground infrastructure such as water mains, sanitary sewers and sanitary sewers including lead service lines.
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
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Transit Station Activation Project

Describe your proposed activation project:

Mary Crane Center's (MCC) plan for each event is to incorporate this event during the summer in order to create a safe space near each train and bus stop in order to provide community members, children, and families the opportunity to play, enjoy healthy physical activities. plan to mail out invitations to our community organizations, pass our fliers and speak to our parents about it to help put the word out. We would like to invite our health and dental van to come out. We would like to have a DJ to promote dancing and other movement activities. The plan is to reach out to Zumba and other active instructors to come and provide a demonstration of their class. Teachers and volunteers will assist in helping plan for gross motor activities for all to participate. We will also have our flier posted on our website. Fliers will be sent to or community partnerships including the Alderman's offices at each of our communities. The Program Director and Site Directors for each location will be in communication with Gads Hill for support through email and phone calls. The Program Director and Site Directors will collaborate on the planning, getting supplies, recruitment, and implementation of the activities.

Where will the project take place? (State the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the activation project will take place. Please also note the name of the property owner if not on Service Board property.)

Where will the project take place? (State Mary Crane proposes 4 projects to take place at the CTA stops near our the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the Start, Early Head Start, Childcare, and Home-Based services,

owner if not on Service Board property.) Lake & Pulaski/ West Garfield Park: Pulaski green line stop

Molade/Austin: 70 Division bus stop

North/West Lakeview: Diversey bus and red line stops

Rogers Park: Morse Red line stop.

How much funding are you requesting? Please detail the expenses (estimates are fine).

Mary Crane is requesting \$20,000, \$5,000 per each of the 4 proposed sites.

- 1. Entertainment: \$500 DJ and fitness (group Zumba and dance lessons) and nutritional education,
- 2. Food and Beverage \$2,500 (water/soda, hot dogs and hamburgers, chips, ice cream/snow cone station)
- 3. Rentals: \$1,000 (chairs, tables, bounce house)
- 4. Family giveaways (educational in nature including books and instructional materials), marketing, staffing: \$1,000

What is the timeline for this activation? (i.e. What is your thinking about the time of day, day of the week, month, for your proposal)

MCC would like to hold the events in Summer 2024. We are a year-round educational agency and find are families are often in need of safe and educational community events during the months of June and July. The events will take place during late afternoon during pick-up time (typically 4-6 pm) to ensure parent and community involvement.

Will the project process include activities in which the general public will be invited to participate? If so, please describe:

Is your organization currently in communication with the relevant transit agency and/or property owner? Do you anticipate needing assistance in making contact?

MCC will encourage the community partners in libraries, and other se workshops for home in literacy training, education in Rogers Park, West conveniently located as would like to be connected further encourage good.

Describe any experience you have with MCC has a 115 year for the project partners in libraries, and other se workshops for home in Rogers Park, West conveniently located as would like to be connected to the project partners in libraries, and other se workshops for home in Rogers Park, West conveniently located as would like to be connected to the project partners in libraries, and other se workshops for home in Rogers Park, West conveniently located as would like to be connected to the project partners in libraries, and other se workshops for home in Rogers Park, West conveniently located as would like to be connected to the project partners in libraries, and other se workshops for home in Rogers Park, West conveniently located as would like to be connected to the project partners in libraries, and other se workshops for home in Rogers Park, West conveniently located as would like to be connected to the project partners in libraries, and other se workshops for home in Rogers Park, West conveniently located as would like to be connected to the project park to the

MCC will encourage the general public to participate by inviting existing community partners including our local dignataries, places of worship, libraries, and other service providers. Public activities will include workshops for home maintenance, informational resources, financial literacy training, educational materials, and safe entertainment options.

MCC proposes to hold the event in the public space near each of our sites in Rogers Park, West Lakeview, Austin, and West Garfield Park. All are conveniently located a block from the nearest bus and train stop. MCC would like to be connected with the appropriate contacts at the CTA to further encourage good community turnout.

Describe any experience you have with implementing something similar to your proposal:

MCC has a 115 year history of organizing community and parent evets. We have held countless events in recent years such as PlayStreets and block parties with more than 200 community members in attendance.

What resident or community support do you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation?

We like to enlist the support of existing community partners as well as cultivate new relationships with community stakeholders. This event will create a stronger community bond and morale, encourage safe passage to and from transit stations and participating neighborhood organizations.

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

MCC would be appreciative of the opportunity to partner with the CTA to provide robust events at 4 bus/train stops near our early childhood sites.

Please upload a map of where specifically the activation will take place:

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Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Website

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Web page FAQ

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Very easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

With the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) No assistance, CMAP works with communities to build their capacity to identify, prioritize and program for design and construction of capital projects. Does your community already have a multi-year CIP?

If your existing CIP does not work well, n/a please explain why:

Communities receiving CIP technical Full or partial asset inventory (facilities, capital equipment, transportation assistance may have certain infrastructure, sewer/water/stormwater infrastructure). Assets may be listed information available at the start of the as part of insurance documentation. project. Which of the following information does your community have readily available? (Select all that apply) Does your community currently have an No asset inventory and conditions assessment of all capital infrastructure? If yes, please list the name of the plan(s) n/a here and provide a link: Would your community be open to Yes pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project? Please tell us if you have reviewed the Yes contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated: Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements: **Closing Questions** How did you find out about the call for Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison projects? (Select all that apply) What resources did you find helpful as Web page FAQ you apply for the call? (Select all that Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff

Technical assistance flow chart

Very easy

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application?

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study area:

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Corridor Plan
Corridor Plan	
Please upload a map of the proposed	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16105398121

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify who has roadway jurisdiction and if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include existing public transit services, greenways, or trails.

The proposed study area is from 1st Avenue & Roosevelt Road to 13th Avenue & Roosevelt Road and is the busiest corridor in the Village of Maywood. Roosevelt Rd. is one of the village's primary transportation and economic hubs. To the south of Roosevelt Road are multiple anchor institutions including Hines VA Hospital, Madden Mental Health Center, and Loyola's Medical campus. Within Maywood's Roosevelt Road Corridor there are three Pace bus stops (Roosevelt Rd. & 2nd Ave.; Roosevelt Rd. & 7th Ave.; Roosevelt Rd. & 11th Ave.) that provide student and employee access to the Hines VA Hospital, Madden Mental Health Center, and Loyola's Medical campus. We also would like to take into consideration pedestrian accessibility and street safety for the R2 - Single-Family Residential and R3 Two-Family Residential districts to the north of Roosevelt Road. The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) has jurisdiction over Roosevelt Rd. and the village has jurisdiction over the residential streets (2nd Avenue through 13th Avenue). Other ongoing projects are the DesPlaines River Trail Bicycle Path Feasibility Study. The proposed bicycle route is slated to travel along 9th Avenue through the intersection at Roosevelt Road.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Build off an existing plan

If yes, please list the name of the plan(s) The Village of Maywood Comprehensive Plan in 2014: here and provide a link:

https://cms2.revize.com/revize/maywoodil/_news/Document_Center/Gover nment/Documents%20&%20reports/Maywood-Comprehensive-Plan-to-Vill age-Board-ADOPTED-2015.pdf

What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?

The goal of the Roosevelt Road Corridor plan is to delve further into the immediate, near term and long-term opportunities and to determine the feasibility of a number of economic development projects including, the potential for infill housing, mixed-use development, and the bolstering of commercial development in the Roosevelt Road Corridor. Additionally, we want to improve the curb appeal and pedestrian access to transit, businesses, and the Hines VA Hospital, Madden Mental Health Center, and Loyola's Medical campus. By partnering with adjacent villages, institutions, and stakeholders we will be able to better to coordinate a more detailed plan with other activities underway in the Roosevelt Road Corridor, creating an accessible and safe environment for the community. We will be opening our first, full-service restaurant in the Village of Maywood in this Corridor in the next 30 days. We are applying for a 2024 Invest in Cook Grant to assist with design and engineering plans for streetscape improvements along Roosevelt Road from 1st Avenue to 13th Avenue. Additionally, there has been a Des Plaines River Bicycle Trail Feasibility Study that has identified 9th Avenue and Roosevelt Road intersection as a through point for the bicycle trail.

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three) Broaden diversity in housing choices Increase transportation resilience Attract investment and development Encourage transit-oriented development Manage parking

What are the priority traffic safety challenges that need to be addressed in the area? (Select all that apply)

ADA accessibility
Bicycle and pedestrian facilities
Pedestrian crossings
Problematic intersections
Sidewalk gaps

Describe your coordination when developing this application with the roadway agency and other municipalities located along the corridor:

The Village of Maywood is applying for the 2024 Invest in Cook Grant for Phase I Preliminary Engineering for Streetscaping Improvements along Roosevelt Road from 13th Avenue to 1st Avenue. The intention is to take a comprehensive approach to the entire length of Roosevelt Road within the Village of Maywood section. Additionally, there is a shared border between Maywood and Broadview along Roosevelt Road between 13th Avenue and 9th Avenue. The north side is Maywood and the south side is Broadview. The Village of Broadview is currently performing Phase I Preliminary Engineering from 17th Avenue to 9th Avenue, in anticipation of additional Streetscaping Improvements. It is anticipated that there will be some coordination with Broadview for this particular section.

What are your priority economic development outcomes in creating the proposed corridor plan? (Select all that apply)

Attract new retail development Attract new jobs Retain businesses

Are there flooding challenges in the proposed study area?

No

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?

Yes

If yes, please describe:

The Village is projected to remain a largely Black community; however, is expected to experience a small population increase in nearly all other racial categories. Additionally, the Hispanic population is expected to increase from 20.8% to 25.6%. As the Hispanic population within the Village of Maywood grows, the need for additional resources and services will as well. Although incomes of the population are increasing, consumer spending power of the village has likely been tampered by loss in population, historically high property taxes, inflation, and an aging population requiring additional housing and services options. The Village of Maywood has historically dealt with disinvestment whereby sections of the village were overlaid with racially restrictive covenants. These covenants would the cap earning potential of minorities in the village to occupations of servitude and limited avenues to homeownership for decades. At present, the potential for employment for village residents are primarily in the healthcare, educational, and manufacturing industries.

Please identify any community will be involved in the planning process: Maywood Chamber of Commerce

Loyola Medical Campus, Regional Transit Authority, The Village of organizations or other key partners who Bellwood, Madden Mental Health Center, Hines VA Hospital, IDOT,

The RTA and CMAP strive to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA or CMAP to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and policy?

Yes

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

The Village Maywood is Reimagining Maywood, neighborhood by neighborhood and the Roosevelt Corridor lies within our South Maywood neighborhood boundaries. As we plan for the redevelopment of these areas, it is pertinent that we workshop and give ample opportunity for community and stakeholder engagement and feedback. We will be engaging with the community residents and partners such as Loyola Medical Center including the Loyola University, Hines VA, and business community to optimize the Roosevelt Road Corridor potential. Village community members are vested and wish to see change that enhances the character of the village and supports local and neighborhood targeted commercial development.

Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:

Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:

Yes

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison CMAP newsletter

RTA newsletter

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Web page FAQ

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Somewhat difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Transit Station Activation Project (pilot program)

Transit Station Activation Project

Describe your proposed activation project:

The Chamber is pleased to propose an event to be held on one of three possible sites adjoining the RTA Station located at 5th Avenue, one block south of Lake Street. The station is located in the heart of Maywood's Arts and Cultural District. It is steps away from the Maywood Public Library, West Town Museum of Cultural History, Maywood Fine Arts (a facility dedicated to teaching song and dance to local youth), and Maywood Park - which has three magnificent sculptures by renowned Black artists that speak to Black struggle and aspirations, including a piece by Richard Hunt). Less than two blocks from the train station is a stunning monument to a building that once stood there along the banks of the Des Plaines River and served as a "safe house on the Underground Railroad."

The Chamber is eager to host an event in June or August that celebrates Maywood's historical and cultural treasures and underscores their accessibility by RTA (Rail station and Bus Stop on Fifth and Lake Street). The proposed event will consist of three parts:

- Guided (walking or trolley-car tours around the various sites that span Maywood Park from First Avenue to Fifth Avenue. These tours will acquaint visitors and residents with the rich and unique historical offerings in and around Maywood Park.
- The event will allow each of the institutions named above to host an open house where residents and visitors can learn about their respective offerings. The Maywood Chamber of Commerce will be the host organization and use the occasion to promote its services and the goods and services of its members.
- The third and final aspect of the event will be a musical performance conducted by Working-In-Concert (WIC), a Chicago-based musical organization that promotes cultural education and diversity through musical performances. WIC has agreed to provide a two-hour concert that will align with the theme of taking rails to gain freedom and opportunity.

Where will the project take place? (State the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the activation project will take place. Please also note the name of the property owner if not on Service Board property.)

Where will the project take place? (State RTA Train Station located at 5th Avenue in Maywood, one block south of the name of the transit station or stop Lake Street.

How much funding are you requesting? Please detail the expenses (estimates are fine). Summary of event expenses:

Maywood Chamber of Commerce - Event-related costs and administration - \$ 7,500

Working-In-Concert - (6 Performers - 2-hour musical event) \$ 5,000 Facilities, Tours, Licenses, Insurance and Security \$ 7,500

\$20,000

What is the timeline for this activation? Summer 2024 - in either June or August, based on the performers' (i.e. What is your thinking about the availability as well as the schedules of targeted civic and cultural entities in time of day, day of the week, month, for Maywood. your proposal) Will the project process include Yes, the public will be invited to attend the event with special marketing activities in which the general public emphasis aimed at residents of Maywood, Bellwood, Melrose Park, Forest will be invited to participate? If so, Park, and River Forest. please describe: The Maywood Chamber anticipates needing assistance in making contact. Is your organization currently in communication with the relevant transit agency and/or property owner? Do you anticipate needing assistance in making contact? Describe any experience you have with Dan Perkins, a cultural historian who has served as a member of the implementing something similar to your Maywood Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors since 2017, the year he successfully co-produced Maywood's Centennial Commemoration of proposal: America's Involvement in World War One, will coordinate and produce the event. What resident or community support do Working in Concert Maywood Public Library you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation? West Town Museum Maywood Fine Arts Maywood Historical Society **NOMCO** Is there any additional information you With funding approval for its proposed event, the Maywood Chamber would want us to know? highlight the benefits of using the RTA Station in Maywood to access Chicago and the western suburbs. The Chamber would also emphasize the fact that the West Line of the RTA provides access to more great culture in Oak Park and downtown Chicago. Given the musical focus of the proposed event, the Chamber would encourage attendees to use the RTA to see performances at the Lyric Opera, where some members of the Working-In-Concert performed for several years. Please upload a map of where https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16107653617 specifically the activation will take place: **Closing Questions**

Other: Contact at CTA

How did you find out about the call for

projects? (Select all that apply)

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Transit Station Activation Project (pilot program)

Transit Station Activation Project

Describe your proposed activation project:

Metra is proposing station activation activities to celebrate the completion of station reconstruction projects at various locations. These activities will commemorate the opening of one new station and the re-opening of several stations that had extensive rehabilitation.

The specific activities, and refined cost estimates, will be determined closer to the celebration date, but could include coffee & donuts, food vendors, live music using local musicians, children's face painting, clowns / balloon artists, safety presentations, children's games or activities (such as beanbag tosses or coloring pictures of trains), meet and greet booths with community organizations or elected officials, Instagram-like photo opportunities, educational information from our transit ambassadors, poetry performances, and transit promotion give-aways.

the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the activation project will take place. Please • 79th Street Station, Metra Electric, Chicago also note the name of the property

Where will the project take place? (State Metra is proposing station activation activities at six stations:

- Peterson Ridge Station, Union Pacific North Line, Chicago
- 147th Street / Sibley Station, Metra Electric, Harvey
- owner if not on Service Board property.) 103rd Street Station, Metra Electric, Chicago
 - Homewood Station, Metra Electric, Homewood
 - 87th Street Station, Metra Electric, Chicago

Metra owns both the station and railroad right-of-way where the events will occur. If additional space for the station opening celebrations is needed, Metra will secure approval from the associated property owner (if necessary).

How much funding are you requesting? Please detail the expenses (estimates are fine).

Metra is requesting \$60,000 total: \$10,000 for each of the six proposed station events. Detailed cost estimates have not yet been developed as specific activation activities may vary by location. Metra's past experiences with station opening celebrations have been less than this per station estimate, but Station Activation funding would allow Metra to expand our efforts beyond our typical efforts to better connect the newly opened or reopened station with the community.

Metra will adhere to the reimbursement policy to document expenses.

What is the timeline for this activation? (i.e. What is your thinking about the time of day, day of the week, month, for your proposal)

We anticipate all station activation activities to occur on weekend afternoons when the public (and performers) would be less likely to have schedule conflicts. Depending on the activity and availability of participants and performers, the activation events would have a duration of two to three hours.

The new Peterson Ridge Station is scheduled to open in May 2024. We anticipate having the station activation activity during the summer -- as soon as possible after an award announcement.

The 79th Street, 147th Street / Sibley, 103rd Street, and the Homewood stations are all scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2024, and the station activation events would occur soon after their completion.

The 87th Street Station rehabilitation is scheduled to be completed in the spring of 2025, with the activation event occurring afterwards.

Will the project process include activities in which the general public will be invited to participate? If so, please describe: The general public will be invited to participate in the event; these will be public events open to all area residents. Metra's Community Relations Department has established relationships with local community organizations and elected officials with whom they can promote the station activation events to the public. In addition, events will be publicized on our web site and through social media.

Is your organization currently in communication with the relevant transit agency and/or property owner? Do you anticipate needing assistance in making contact?

Metra is the operator of the commuter rail system. We will reach out to Pace and CTA in order to inform them of these events and coordinate with them, as appropriate.

Describe any experience you have with implementing something similar to your proposal:

Metra has conducted numerous ground-breaking and ribbon-cutting ceremonies in the past, but those events are typically focused on celebrating accomplishments with elected officials who have financially or politically supported the project. The six proposed station activation events will be more public facing and promotional to raise awareness of the completed projects and the improved rider experience for the public.

Metra has conducted similar activities in our rail service yards for employee-only events.

What resident or community support do you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation?

Metra ridership, including the traditional rush hour work commutes, has been impacted by increased levels of remote work that began during the COVID pandemic. We seek every opportunity to reach occasional and new riders to use our service for both peak trips and off-peak, non-work trips.

We would like community residents near the six stations to gain an improved awareness of user experience upgrades at these stations, an awareness of improved ADA access to stations, and educate the public of how easy it is to use Metra to travel. In addition, we would like to increase awareness to the public of our new fare structures which makes Metra more affordable, to demonstrate how to purchase Metra tickets as we move away from physical ticketing, and how to navigate the Metra system.

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

The station activation activities are consistent with Metra's strategic plan, My Metra, Our Future. Station activation supports the plan's goals to ensure that the Metra experience is safe, easy and enjoyable for all customers and to innovate to become more efficient and effective.

Please upload a map of where specifically the activation will take place:

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Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Other: RTA outreach

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Web page FAQ

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Very easy

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Transportation Safety Plans

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The study will take place across the incorporated limits of the Village of Midlothian. This will include all Village-owned streets and intersections to analyze potential safety improvements. The study will include arterial roads 147th Street, Cicero Avenue, and Pulaski Road as they are within the limits of the Village or intersect with Village streets. The Rock Island Metra line also passes through the Village and potential safety improvements associated with the railroad will be considered.

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)

Identify strategies for pedestrian, bicycle, and ADA compliant crossings Redesign problematic intersections Identify priority corridors for 'complete streets' improvements which support safe use by all modes

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?

Yes

If yes, please describe:

The proposed project benefits everyone in the Village of Midlothian. This project will benefit all groups who have been historically disadvantaged and residents who have limited proficiency in English. This traffic study will provide us with data to create a plan that makes Midlothian a much safer community for residents and those traveling through the Village.

Are there existing projects within the study area that might affect traffic, mobility, or safety? (i.e., transportation or mobility studies, redevelopment plans/projects, road re/construction projects, storm water management, economic development plans, etc.)

no

If so, please identify them:

N/A

How well is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?

In the Village of Midlothian, our current bike and pedestrian infrastructure is not used to its fullest. This is due to inadequate facilities, unsafe conditions, major barriers, lack of connectivity, pavement quality, and awareness within Midlothian. To improve our bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure we are conducting a traffic study to create a transportation safety plan. This study will help identify areas in the Village that we need to improve to make all transportation methods viable within Midlothian. Once the study is completed, we will create a transportation safety plan that best suits our Village and provides safety to our residents, and visitors, of Midlothian.

If not, why? (Select all that apply)

Inadequate facilities Unsafe conditions / major barriers Lack of connectivity

Pavement quality **Awareness**

Are you able to provide CMAP staff with Yes local crash reports?

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison CMAP newsletter Website Other: CMAP Staff
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Instructional videos Web page FAQ Technical assistance flow chart

application?

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Site Planning

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The Montgomery Downtown Study Area is bound by Railroad Street on the west, the Fox River on the east, Clay Street on the south and the Riverside Cemetery to the north.

The proposed site is 310 N. River Street and is located at the northwest corner of River Street and Mill Street in downtown Montgomery. It is adjacent to Montgomery Park and the Mill Street Bridge. It is also near the Fox River which runs along Montgomery Park and the Fox River Trail which is on the east side of the River.

The property is zoned MD Mill District and is part of our downtown. It is located wholly within the Village's corporate limits.

Is the site(s) publicly or privately owned? If privately owned, are there multiple owners or one owner?	The site (31 N River Street) is publicly owned by the Village.
Is this a developed site(s)?	No
If yes, what is the current use?	N/A
If no, what was the previous use?	It was previously a tavern/liquor store with two apartments above.
When did the site become inactive, and why?	The owner passed away and the businesses closed in 2018, the building fell into disrepair. The Village ultimately purchased the property and demolished the structure to remove an unsafe structure and promote redevelopment.
Do any current plans show a redevelopment vision for this site(s)?	Yes

If yes, please describe:

The Go Montgomery 2035 Comprehensive Plan designates the area as Downtown Mixed Use. Stating the primary goal is to revitalize the Downtown and reinforce it as a community focal point. the purpose of the land use designation is to provide an exciting mix of uses, including retail, restaurants and entertainment, professional offices, gathering places, institutional and public facilities and multi-family residential units. It recommends locating commercial on the ground floor and residential units above to create a more interesting and engaging pedestrian experience. It also recommends focusing on highly visible intersections for redevelopment such as River and Mill Streets.

The 2009 TOD Plan (through a grant from RTA) identifies the long-term vision for the downtown including a future Metra Station located in west side of the downtown study area. In addition to prioritizing a station and parking, it identifies a revitalized mixed-use commercial core that includes ground-level commercial and office space, development on the riverfront, and a mix of new multi-family housing to create 300 new residential units including multi-family and attached residential. It contains a Long-term Concept Plan and Conceptual Perspective Drawing of the downtown study area.

The Village received a CMAP Technical Assistance Grant for a ULI Developer Dialogue which happened in December 2023. We received a recommendation report from the ULI developers that participated. This made recommendations regarding short-term solutions and focusing on a one-story, single purpose building for the site. They provided a concept plan for the site and suggested the Village invest in architectural and engineering plans to make it easier for a developer to come in and build.

The Village received grants for and is currently investing \$900,000 in improvements to the adjacent Montgomery Park to provide a community space that can be better programmed to bring the community into the downtown.

The Village is currently working with IDNR and Hitchcock Design on studying and planning for the potential Montgomery Dam removal and the riverfront around the dam which is just north of Montgomery Park.

Have you conducted any public engagement, visioning, or resident surveying on potential reuse/redevelopment of this site?

No

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the site/subarea to address? Attract market feasible investment and development
Attract new/diverse housing options
Increase local tax base

Does the local zoning match the community's vision for the site(s), or are you prepared to update the zoning?	Yes
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Instructional videos Web page FAQ Technical assistance flow chart
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Corridor Plan

Corridor Plan

Please upload a map of the proposed study area:

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Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify who has roadway jurisdiction and if the study area spans multiple transit services, greenways, or trails.

The proposed Dempster Street Corridor Plan study area would travel the length of Dempster Street from Central Avenue (near the Edens Expressway interchange) to just west of Harlem Avenue. The Village anticipates focusing the study along parcels fronting Dempster Street with the study area expanding north and south to address adjacency with established single-family neighborhoods. Dempster Street is under Illinois jurisdictions and include existing public Department of Transportation (IDOT) jurisdiction.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

here and provide a link:

If yes, please list the name of the plan(s) The last plan involving the Study Area, the Dempster Street Commercial Corridor Plan, was adopted in 2001, since which conditions affecting the corridor have changed significantly. The Study Area was identified as an area of focus within the Comprehensive Plan, which was last updated in October of 1999. While a Comprehensive Plan update is warranted, the Dempster Street corridor serves as the backbone of the community, faces the broadest challenges, offers the greatest opportunities for improvement, and is in the most need of immediate planning efforts.

What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?

The Village of Morton Grove is requesting assistance from the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) in preparation of a Dempster Street Corridor Plan. Morton Grove is a mature inner-ring suburb of Chicago with limited opportunities for new development that do not include property assembly and redevelopment. Over the past two decades, major shifts in transportation infrastructure, demographics, the environment, and the economy have affected the established Dempster Street corridor and produced new challenges. An updated Dempster Street Corridor Plan will help Morton Grove respond to those shifts and address emerging issues head-on.

Dempster Street is the community's principal commercial corridor and has anchored Morton Grove for over a century. Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) improvements and the recent addition of Pace's Pulse bus rapid transit service have improved Dempster Street's function as an efficient transportation corridor. However, issues related to shallow lot depth, access management, evolving parking needs, and adjacency to established single-family neighborhoods have hindered the corridor's ability to function as an economic engine for the community. The Corridor Plan is needed to provide a cohesive vision for Dempster Street that identifies parking solutions, leverages and connects transit assets, expands retail and employment-generating development, and identifies complementary opportunities for new housing. We must reenvision the Dempster Street corridor if we are to encourage reinvestment, support existing and future business, and provide needed services and amenities to the community.

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three) Broaden diversity in housing choices Attract investment and development Manage parking

What are the priority traffic safety challenges that need to be addressed in the area? (Select all that apply)

Bicycle and pedestrian facilities Pedestrian crossings Problematic intersections Describe your coordination when developing this application with the roadway agency and other municipalities located along the corridor:

The study area is completely within the Village of Morton Grove, so coordination was not pursued with other municipalities as part of the Local Technical Assistance (LTA) application process. However, should the project move forward, the Village intends to engage our active partners as needed and appropriate, including:

- Northwest Municipal Conference
- Regional Transit Authority
- Metra
- PACE
- Illinois Department of Transportation
- Forest Preserve District of Cook County
- Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago
- Morton Grove Park District
- Morton Grove Public Library
- Morton Grove Public School Districts

What are your priority economic development outcomes in creating the proposed corridor plan? (Select all that apply)

Attract new retail development Retain businesses Retain existing uses

Are there flooding challenges in the proposed study area?

Yes

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English? Yes

If yes, please describe:

Morton Grove residents comprise a diverse community and planning assistance from the LTA Program will be used to improve their economic resilience and quality of life. Morton Grove has emerged as a destination for new immigrants from Asia with nearly two-in-five residents (37%) being foreign born. While Study Area data has not been aggregated for this application, the Morton Grove community as a whole is 33% Asian and 6% Hispanic or Latino (non-White). Moreover, less than half of Morton Grove's residents speak only English at home and one-in-five residents speak English "less than well." The eastern end of the Study Area, which has experienced long-term market weakness, is located within an Economically Disinvested Area as designated by CMAP. Dempster Street is home to dozens of restaurants and businesses that cater to those of Asian and Middle Eastern descent and corridor planning efforts will help ensure that area residents have long-term access to quality goods and services.

Please identify any community

The Village maintains positive relationships with several organizations that organizations or other key partners who could potentially assist with community engagement groups such as area will be involved in the planning process: houses of worship, the Muslim Education Center, the Morton Grove Chamber of Commerce, and the Morton Grove Park District. While these groups have not been engaged as part of the grant application process, the Village looks forward to crafting a responsive community engagement strategy with CMAP to maximize meaningful resident and business input into the planning process.

The RTA and CMAP strive to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA or CMAP to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and policy?

Yes

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

Morton Grove has a much higher residential portion of EAV (67%) compared to our neighboring communities of Lincolnwood (62%), Niles (47%), and Skokie (57%). Conversely, we have a lower EAV per capita (\$34,732) and a sales tax per capita (\$22,467) that is less than half that of Lincolnwood or Niles and 17% lower than Skokie. These figures indicate that it is critical for Morton Grove's commercial corridors continue to see reinvestment and evolve to maximize their economic potential so that the Village and other taxing districts can continue to provide high quality public services while keeping property tax bills affordable to lower income residents.

More than one-in-three (38%) of Morton Grove households experience housing cost burden. The Dempster Street corridor represents an opportunity to integrate additional non-single-family housing and expand housing choice for the Morton Grove community. Moreover, with the recent addition of Pace's Pulse service along Dempster Street, great potential exists to leverage transit to reduce transportation costs for existing and future residences and business patrons.

An award of technical assistance to create the Dempster Street Corridor Plan will not only strengthen the local community, but help attract and maintain the diverse population and workforce that allows the Chicagoland region to compete and thrive. The creation of this Plan will help ensure the resilience of our community and our region as we prepare for the future.

Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:

Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:

Yes

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison CMAP newsletter RTA newsletter Website
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Meeting with call for projects team to discuss a project
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Neighborhood Mobility Improvement and Mobility Hub Plan

Neighborhood Mobility Improvement and Mobility Hub Plan

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify who has roadway jurisdiction and where mobility improvements or a mobility hub are needed:

The central mobility hub area would be at the intersection of Ogden Avenue and California with a radius that benefits connection to the nearest CTA stops, METRA stop, and larger local businesses in close proximity to increase employment opportunities for the community. The boundary of this area would be Douglass Park, Roosevelt Road, Western Avenue, and 19th Street with the main improvement focus being the intersection of Ogden and California. IDOT has jurisdiction over the main travel lanes of Ogden Avenue, but CDOT controls the service drives.

What existing transportation services already exist in the study area? (Name rail stations, bus routes, bike share, car share, etc.)

The California and Cermak CTA Pink Line is about 4 blocks south and the Western Avenue Metra is southwest of the proposed hub by about a mile. CTA Bus routes 12, 94 and 157 service this area.

What existing plan, if applicable, will this plan build from or be an update to? (Include link to plan)

An existing plan was not used to build upon this proposal however there will be a partnership with North Lawndale Community Coordinating Council (NLCC) and New Covenant Community Development Corporation. This plan has the potential to complement the INVEST South/West Ogden Avenue Corridor Improvements project that is currently in the planning stage.

What is the goal of this plan? What mobility challenges are you looking to resolve?

The goal of the plan is to create a mobility hub around Ogden Avenue and California to broaden transportation connections and access to safe transit hubs. Our objective is to create safer travel in the form of bike paths, safer crosswalks, ADA accessibility, signage, lighting, protection from vehicular threats, vehicle speed restriction, and safer pedestrian access to Douglass Park, the hospital, schools, other major Chicago employers like Cinespace Chicago Film Studios and Lagunitas Brewing Company, future planned affordable housing developments, and other transit stops. Access to shared parking and electric vehicle charging stations is also part of this goal.

What are the primary mobility concerns to be addressed with this plan? (Select all that apply) Bicycle storage near transit

Bicyclist access to transit (trails, paths, lanes, etc.)

Mobility Hub to facilitate multi-modal transfers

Pedestrian infrastructure (sidewalks, crossings, etc.)

Other: Providing a safer street scape for travelers (protection from vehicular threats, more visibility, etc.

The RTA strives to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and policy?

Yes

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

Mount Sinai Hospital is currently in the planning stage of creating a new ICU and relocating patients from the Nurses Residence and Kurtzon building which will be slated for demolition in the near future. Their demolition may further benefit the planning of the mobility hub potentially providing land to supplement transportation and community engagement.

Please upload a map of the proposed study area:

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Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Planning liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

This study would take place along E. Grand Ave., East of Streeter Drive, along the North side of Navy Pier. This stretch of Grand Ave. is adjacent to the CTA's Navy Pier Terminal on Park Drive and connects to the Lakefront Trail through Jane Addams Park and the ramps up the Navy Pier Flyover along Lake Shore Drive. As the primary structure under consideration is a concrete pile-cap bridge/pier structure that stretches along the north side of Navy Pier, the survey area will be bound by Lake Michigan to the north and east, by Navy Pier to the south, and Streeter Avenue to the west. The entirety of the project is within a single jurisdiction, on property owned by the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority and under the operational control of Navy Pier, Inc.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three) Connect to the regional trail system

Identify strategies for pedestrian crossings

Identify potential funding sources to implement recommendations

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?

Yes

If yes, please describe:

NPI proposes assessing how current signage communicates information to its transportation network users and how these installations and their messages could be improved. Besides parking instructions and traffic stops, current signage for transportation users is limited. Additionally, all informational signage is communicated in English only. As one of the region's top tourist destinations, more than 1 million of Navy Pier's annual guests do not use English as a primary language. Any future signage strategy would produce inclusive messaging with spillover benefits for residents.

Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community: Navy Pier partnered with Northwestern Memorial Healthcare to establish the Wellness Way in 2021. This 1.25 circuit around the Pier promotes exercises and wellness tips on webpages accessible via QR codes on placards located every quarter-mile along the circuit. Since the launch of this partnership, more than 250,000 guests have participated in the initiative.

NPI has received \$1M+ in PSGP awards from FEMA to promote perimeter hardening initiatives since 2022. These projects have already deterred/prevented multiple instances of potential unauthorized vehicular access events to pedestrian areas.

Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?	No
If not, why? (Select all that apply)	Inadequate facilities Unsafe conditions / major barriers Lack of connections Pavement quality Lighting Awareness Other
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?	NPI and contracted engineering firms have completed visual inspections of the concrete bridge deck on the project area's primary structure as well as the 108-year-old concrete pier cap which connects to the project area's primary structure and supports its sidewalk. Additionally, as mentioned above, NPI has completed one phase and is in the midst of the second phase of a perimeter hardening project that delineates and protects pedestrian areas.
What data are available to your community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning?	NPI can provide Guest vehicle parking facility usage data as well as guest attendance and dwell time data in the zones within the proposed project area.
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Planning liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Instructional videos Web page FAQ Technical assistance flow chart
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The study area will be the Village of Oswego municipal boundaries. The project does not span multiple municipalities' jurisdictions; however, the Oswegoland Park District, which is a taxing body within our boundaries, maintains the Fox River trail, the Grove Road trail, the Waubonsie trail, the Oswego Prairie trail, the Prairie Point trail and the Saw Wee Kee trail. The Village would not be including these paths under this project but would be open to connecting with these to further expand the pedestrian and biking infrastructure for our citizens.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?	No
If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:	N/A
In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)	Connect to the regional trail system Study problematic intersections Identify potential funding sources to implement recommendations
Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?	No
If yes, please describe:	N/A
Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community:	Oswego has applied for the Safe Routes to School grant to update signage surrounding two of the schools within our boundaries. We continue to apply for this grant to better support children getting to and from school safely. However, this funding has been difficult to obtain. In addition to this program, we aim to budget funds every year to help maintain our current walking and biking paths. This is difficult to execute as we do not have adequate records of ownership of all paths.
Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?	No
If not, why? (Select all that apply)	Lack of connections Lighting Awareness
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?	The Village approved a bike path connection on IL Route 31 from our Riverrun Subdivision to the corner of Parkers Mill Road. This will help give citizens safe access to the downtown district. Construction is planned for April 2024. We have the twin connection on the opposite side of Route 31 planned in our Capital Improvement Projects for the upcoming years, but funding is limited. This twin path falls within our TIF district and would be essential for its economic development.
What data are available to your community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning?	We have limited data. The Village recently hired a dedicated GIS Specialist, who should be able to create an up-to-date map of all village owned walking and biking paths, when time allows.

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Neither easy nor difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Transit Station Activation Project (pilot program)

Transit Station Activation Project

Describe your	proposed	activation
project:		

Our proposed activation project is to implement parts of our Logan Square ETOD Action Plan developed with CMAP in 2023 which won the IL American Planners Association Advancing Diversity Award.

the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the activation project will take place. Please also note the name of the property owner if not on Service Board property.)

Where will the project take place? (State Activities will take place near or within the Logan Square Blue Line Station.

How much funding are you requesting? Please detail the expenses (estimates are fine).	We request \$30,000 to \$60,000 or \$2500 to \$5000 per month towards programming at the station where we uplift Logan Square's historic immigrant Hispanic community to create a safe and welcoming train station that fosters a sense of belonging.
	the breakdown of our project is:
	20% admin 30% staffing or consultants 50% program costs
What is the timeline for this activation? (i.e. What is your thinking about the time of day, day of the week, month, for your proposal)	We would like to have programming once or twice per week. If weekday we plan activities for the afternoon and evening and if on the weekend we would have our programming in the mornings. These programs would range from 2 to 8 hours depending on the day and activity.
Will the project process include activities in which the general public will be invited to participate? If so, please describe:	Yes the activities will be open to the public, from music performances to street theater to small vendor markets to participatory art making, our goal is to have free and welcoming programming for all members of our community.
Is your organization currently in communication with the relevant transit agency and/or property owner? Do you anticipate needing assistance in making contact?	Yes, we have been very involved with the redesign and have very close relationships with CDOT, DCASE and the alderman's office.
Describe any experience you have with implementing something similar to your proposal:	We already conduct a lot of programming in proximity to our train station including little markets and cultural celebrations for Mexican Mother's Day and Dia De Muertos.
What resident or community support do you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation?	We have 44 member organizations that regularly support and participate in our programming. Specifically we chair the Logan Square Blue Line Community Table through Elevated Chicago.
Is there any additional information you want us to know?	This is a natural addition and extension of work that we have been leading around the Logan Square Blue Line for the past 7 years as steering committee members of Elevated Chicago. In addition this is activation of our award-winning Logan Square ETOD Action Plan developed in partnership with CMAP and also funded in part by RTA.
Please upload a map of where specifically the activation will take place:	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16105265707

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Other: Elevated Chicago
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The Cal-Sag Trail is a planned 26-mile trail along the Cal-Sag Channel that will connect to five other regional multi-use trails upon its full completion, creating a trail system that stretches more than 150 miles. The Cal-Sag Trail was separated into two sections during its initial development. The western section of the Cal-sag Trail, from IL Route 83/Cal-Sag Channel to 127th Street/Cal-Sag Channel, a distance of 13.2 miles, was led by the City of Palos Heights with the Village of Palos Park, Alsip Park District and Forest Preserve District of Cook County as co-sponsors of the project. Phase I Engineering was completed in 2011 and construction was completed in 2015.

As part of the Cal-Sag Trail improvement, an access path and a street crossing was added at the intersection of IL Route 83 and Oak Park Ave within the incorporated limits of Palos Heights. Over the past several years, the residents of Palos Heights and trial commuters voiced their concerns over the safety of that crossing and the City successfully petitioned IDOT for a speed reduction. The speed reduction was helpful; however, residents and bicycle commuters are requesting a safer design for that intersection.

The City of Palos Heights is seeking technical assistance to design a safe pedestrian crossing at IL Route 83 and Oak Park Ave that will be accepted by IDOT and by the users of the Cal Sag Trail.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Build off an existing plan

If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:

The purpose and need of this project are to improve the Cal-Sag Trail connection at IL Route 83 and Oak Park Ave. The trail, which will eventually be 26 miles long, received partial funding through the CMAP Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) in 2011 and completed in 2015.

https://www.calsagtrail.org.

https://www.cmap.illinois.gov/updates/all/-/asset_publisher/UIMfSLnFfMB6/content/first-half-of-cal-sag-trail-opens

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three) Connect to the regional trail system Identify strategies for pedestrian crossings Study problematic intersections

Create a stronger presence of active transportation advocates in the community

Implement recommendations from an existing plan

Identify potential funding sources to implement recommendations

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English? Yes

If yes, please describe:

The Cal-Sag trail is a regional trail across Chicago's southland that is meant to bridge the regional cultural divides. The eastern portion of the trail connects towns that were dominated by steel manufacturing which declined during the last century leaving behind lower income communities and abandoned industrial landscapes. The western portion has more affluent bedroom communities with access to acres of forest preserves. The trail offers commuters the opportunity to safely visit historically disadvantaged areas and provide the foot and bike traffic for local restaurants and businesses.

Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community: In April, 2024 the City of Palos Heights will begin construction of an additional Cal-Sag Trail Commuter Parking Lot at Lake Katherine. This project will improve the Cal-Sag Trail connection and increase parking capacity for Cal-Sag Trail users. This project will also improve operations and safety of the Cal-Sag Trail along the shared access drive and along the existing parking lot. With only 5 designated parking areas for Cal-Sag Trail users, Lake Katherine Nature Center and Botanic Gardens is the most central parking area of the surrounding communities and municipalities.

Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?

Yes

What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?

- 1. Cal-Sag Trail Commuter Parking Lot at Lake Katherine Construction to begin 2024. This project will improve the Cal-Sag Trail connection and increase parking capacity for Cal-Sag Trail users.
- 2. Ridgeland Ave Cal-Sag Trail Access Path. Improve pedestrian crossing on Ridgeland Ave and IL RT 83 and access to Cal-Sag Trail. Currently of for bid.

What data are available to your community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning?

Since the construction of the Cal-Sag Trail in 2015, the City and Lake Katherine Staff have installed trail counters to document the use of the Cal-Sag Trail. The following is the yearly average of the two trail counters installed east and west of Lake Katherine:

2016 - 90,541 (Avg of 248 users/day)

2017 - 85,749 (Avg of 235 users/day)

2018 - 65,868 (Avg of 180 users/day)

2019 - 75,396 (Avg of 206 users/day)

2020 - 154,935 (Avg of 424 users/day)

2021 - 207,978 (Avg of 570 users/day)

2022 - 174,334 (Avg of 477 users/day)

2023 - 203,626 (Avg of 557 users/day)

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Planning liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Somewhat easy

Are you seeking assistance with:

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Pavement Management Plan
Pavement Management Plan	

A new plan

Please describe previous pavement management activities that you have made. Describe any actions you have taken to implement previous pavement management plans and whether your efforts were successful or not:

In 2001, the City of Palos Heights issued bonds for approximately half of its roadways to be resurfaced and established a goal resurfacing approximately two center-line miles each year. The City owns and maintains 40 center-line miles of roadway and the the goal of resurfacing two lane miles each year will result in every roadway being resurfaced every twenty years. Every five years, City Staff and the City Engineer physically evaluate each roadway and establish a five year plan for pavement restoration. This plan is updated yearly based selected roadway condition. Roadway resurfacing is tracked in GIS along with patching and maintenance.

The described management plan is effective in establishing resurfacing goals; however, preventative maintenance is missing from the overall plan. The City is requesting technical assistance to evaluate if additional maintenance and roadway rehabilitation is required to maintain a 20 year lifecycle of existing roadways.

Does the community currently maintain and update data in an established pavement management system?

Yes

Which municipal department(s) and/or staff will oversee the Pavement Management Plan assigned?

Palos Heights Public Works

Does the community currently have an engineer on staff?

Yes

What is the approximate number of center-line miles in your local street network (maintained by your agency)? 40 center-line miles

Does the community currently prioritize Yes pavement maintenance and/or preservation projects?

How are roadway improvement projects prioritized (i.e. worst first, minimize lifecycle costs {pavement /asset management system), advisory board selection, or other approach)?

Every five years, City Staff and the City Engineer physically evaluate each roadway and establish a five year plan for pavement restoration. The plan is based on worst-first approach with input from the Roads and Construction Committee. This plan is updated yearly based selected roadway condition.

What is your annual budget for local roadway maintenance and rehabilitation projects? What are the sources of that funding (i.e., Motor Fuel Tax, general revenue, CDBG, etc.)?

The City utilizes three funds for its roadway resurfacing program. Most of the funds are derived from Motor Fuel Tax and the Vehicle Sticker fund. Some projected are supplemented by the general fund to maintain a two center-line mile resurfacing goal.

Are staff interested in PAVER software training?

Yes

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison CMAP newsletter Website
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Neither easy nor difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Transportation Safety Plan

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The proposed study area centers on Southwest Highway and its intersections with Timber Lane and 121st Street, in Palos Park. Specifically, the boundaries of the study areas would be Timber Lane from 119th Street at the north to Southwest Highway at the south and would then follow 121st Street running from Southwest Highway at the west to the Palos Heights Bike Path at the east. The proposed study area includes the Palos Park Metra Station (the northerly access of the Metra Station is off of 121st Street) and the study area would also include the Palos Heights Bike Path. The Village's Bicycle and Trail Plan identified this corridor to a provide a connection between the Cal Sag Trail System and the Tinley Creek Trail System. A portion of the proposed study area would be in the City of Palos Heights (the easterly portion of 121st Street) and Southwest Highway is under IDOT's jurisdiction.

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three) Identify strategies for pedestrian, bicycle, and ADA compliant crossings Redesign problematic intersections Identify and propose solutions for gaps in the bicycle network

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English? Yes

If yes, please describe:

According to CMAP's Community Data Snapshot for Palos Park (July 2023) 9.4% of the Village's population is identified as Hispanic or Latino (of Any Race). Additionally, 2022 ACS 5-Year estimate data from the U.S. Census Bureau notes that 14.1% of the population in Census Tract 8239.01 aged 5 years and older speaks a language other than English at home with 5.7% speaking English less than "very well". Census Tract 8239.01 is one of the two Census Tracts that the proposed study area is located in. In the other Census Tract (8239.03) 11.3% speak a language other than English at home, with 2.1% speaking English less than "very well". Additionally, the Census ACS data shows 9.2% of Census Tract 8239.01 "with a disability" and 13% of Census Tract 8239.03 "with a disability".

Are there existing projects within the study area that might affect traffic, mobility, or safety? (i.e., transportation or mobility studies, redevelopment plans/projects, road re/construction projects, storm water management, economic development plans, etc.)

Yes

If so, please identify them:	The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) is currently in Phase 1 engineering on a project for resurfacing 119th Street from LaGrange Road to IL Route 83 (Cal Sag Road). This project would include the installation of a shared bicycle lane on 119th Street. The inclusion of the shared bicycle lane in this project is due to a recommendation from the Village's Bikeway and Trails Plan from 2018. This plan also identifies the 121st Street/Timber Lane as a priority project.
How well is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?	Village residents are generally active bicyclists. The Village has a distinct advantage due to the abundance of forest preserves in the vicinity and access to trail systems including the reginal Cal-Sag multi-purpose trail system. The Village has an active "Palos Pedalers" bicycle club. However, improvements in bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure throughout the Village is required in order to better facilitate mobility within the Village as well as access to the regional trail systems. Streets in the Village typically do not have sidewalks, and there are areas where there is a lack of safe bicycle/pedestrian crossings of major thoroughfares, which impacts connectivity.
If not, why? (Select all that apply)	Unsafe conditions / major barriers Perceived lack of safety Lack of connectivity
Are you able to provide CMAP staff with local crash reports?	Yes
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Website
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that	Web page FAQ

Very easy

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application?

How difficult was it to fill out this

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Transportation Safety Plans

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The proposed area is from S. 88th Street just west of the I-57 interchange going east on Wilmington-Peotone Road to Illinois Route 50 and then north to Peotone-Beecher Road. This area is all within Peotone's village limits. Route 50 and I-57 are IDOT roads and Wilmington-Peotone Road is under the jurisdiction of Will County. There is no existing public transit in the Village of Peotone. There are no designated trails in the area. There is an abandon railway that goes from under I-57 south across Wilmington-Peotone Road and then continues to Drecksler Road. This abandon railbed is owned by the Village and may be considered a greenway. The identified study area are both designated truck routes and used as an east-west freight corridor.

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three) Identify strategies for pedestrian, bicycle, and ADA compliant crossings Redesign problematic intersections

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?

No

Are there existing projects within the study area that might affect traffic, mobility, or safety? (i.e., transportation or mobility studies, redevelopment plans/projects, road re/construction projects, storm water management, economic development plans, etc.)	Yes
If so, please identify them:	We have a large travel center/hotel complex being developed by our I-57 interchange and we expect further development in the area. Will County is conducting a PEL study for the entire Wilmington-Peotone Road from Rt. 53 to Drecksler Road. IDOT is doing an I-57 phase one corridor study from Monee south to Peotone as part of the South Suburban Airport proposed new interchange at Eagle Lake Road and I-57. The Village is working with IL-APA pro bono team to create a comprehensive trail plan.
How well is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?	Our existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure is lacking. We have major gaps in sidewalks along our major thoroughfares. Pedestrians end up using shoulders or street to walk. Because of this we have had pedestrian-vehicle collisions causing major injuries and death over the years. We have no defined bicycle routes.
If not, why? (Select all that apply)	Unsafe conditions / major barriers Lack of connectivity
Are you able to provide CMAP staff with local crash reports?	Yes
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison Planning liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Grant Readiness
Grant Readiness	
Please identify any staff, elected officials and/or community organizations that will likely be involved in a technical assistance project focused on improving your organizations processes to apply for	Village Manager, Consultant Engineer, Assistant to the Village Manager

CMAP works with communities to build their capacity to apply for and manage grants. Who currently applies for and manages grants and external funding at your municipality? (select all that apply)

and manage external funding:

Village Administrator / City Manager Consultant

Is there a specific infrastructure project or grant opportunity you have in mind?

Yes

If yes, please give a short description:

There are multiple: Water Main Extension, Sewer Main Extension, Pathway Funding to connect the entire community, Water tower construction, police license plate reader cameras, and Parkland Acquisition/funding for construction.

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Site Planning (pilot project)

Site Planning

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

This site consists of three parcels that make up roughly 10 acres of vacant land. This site has always been vacant. It is accessible via Village bike paths/sidewalks and Reinking Road and IL Route 72. The site is at the Southwest corner of the intersection of Reinking and II Route 72.

Is the site(s) publicly or privately owned? If privately owned, are there multiple owners or one owner?

Privately owned, three parcels with two owners.

Is this a developed site(s)?

No

If no, what was the previous use?	None. The property is zoned commercial. the Village would be interested in assistance to determine the highest best use for the site as well as likely access points for traffic flow. The Village is also interested in what kinds of improvements and site layouts are realistic for the future development of this site.
When did the site become inactive, and why?	Has Always been vacant. There is a recapture agreement tied to this site that we believe is hampering its development possibility. However, the agreement expires in 3 years and the Village wants to be proactive in site planning as we believe it will be an attractive location for commercial/retail locations.
Do any current plans show a redevelopment vision for this site(s)?	No
Have you conducted any public engagement, visioning, or resident surveying on potential reuse/redevelopment of this site?	No
In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the site/subarea to address?	Attract market feasible investment and development Increase local tax base
Does the local zoning match the community's vision for the site(s), or are you prepared to update the zoning?	Yes
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Meeting with call for projects team to discuss a project

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Special Financing District Study

Special Financing District Study

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc.: The Heritage District study area is the primary entrance point into the community. It is also the oldest section of the community, with homes over 100 years old. It is in need of redevelopment and accessibility improvements. An outline is attached below.

Which existing transit services are in the study area? (Name rail station and/or bus routes) There is a train service area for commercial freight but no passenger station. There is no bus stop although we would like to obtain one if it develops further. The Village does participate in the Ride in Kane Program to fund bus pickups for residents within the community that need help getting to doctor appointments or the grocery store.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) that identify the need for additional local funds to implement the plan, and recommend establishing a special financing district, such as TIF, SSA, BID? (Include link to plan)

The Village performed a planning study in 2010 but it did not touch on the topic of special district financing. The Goal of redeveloping this area into a vibrant downtown neighborhood is one of the top priorities of the Village. In order to finance the improvements that we think are necessary, special financing in the form of a TIF is likely to be necessary.

your municipality?

What financing districts already exist in There is one TIF currently in the Village, not located in the project area.

What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?

The Village is looking for financial or technical assistance to perform an eligibility study and create a redevelopment plan for the area. The area contains blight and is in need of pedestrian accessibility and safety features considering the proximity of the train tracks and current road design flaws (poorly designed intersections and very narrow streets). The redevelopment plan would consist of components related to public infrastructure improvements, beautification, transportation/pedestrian accessibility improvements (needed to connect it to the pedestrian paths that serve the rest of the community) as well as land acquisition and other economic development efforts.

If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and development policy?

Yes

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

This is a major priority for the Village. The completion of an eligibility study and redevelopment plan is essential for meeting State TIF establishment criteria and will help guide the Village for years to come in improving this area of the community that has long been neglected.

Please upload a map of the proposed study area:

https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16101802725

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff Technical assistance flow chart

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?

No

producing an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	Yes
If yes, provide their name, email, and phone number:	Frank Desort, 847-639-7595 bz@portbarrington.net
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	No
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	No
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	Unsure
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	None
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Training Technical support developing the documents
What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 2 Funding = 3 Time = 1
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes

Finances, Knowledge

If no, what is the biggest barrier to

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Somewhat difficult

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Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

Village Wide, we are a tiny town.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?	No
In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)	Connect to the regional trail system Identify strategies for pedestrian crossings Study problematic intersections Identify potential funding sources to implement recommendations
Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?	No
Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community:	We installed new crosswalks, lowered speed limits, installed new signs for pedestrian crossings. Repaving of bike path around pond.
Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?	Yes
If not, why? (Select all that apply)	Lack of connections Pavement quality Awareness
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?	We installed new crosswalks, lowered speed limits, installed new signs for pedestrian crossings. We currently have quotes to replace a paved pedestrian/bike path around a small pond.
What data are available to your community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning?	None that I know of.
community that could be used for	None that I know of. Yes
community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning? Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as	

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Neither easy nor difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Grant Readiness

Grant Readiness

Please identify any staff, elected officials and/or community organizations that will likely be involved in a technical assistance project focused on improving your organizations processes to apply for and manage external funding:

Donna Erfort - Village Administrator, Georgina Lamb - Administrative Assistant, John Grothendick - Trustee of Finance, Keith Vogeler - President

CMAP works with communities to build their capacity to apply for and manage grants. Who currently applies for and manages grants and external funding at your municipality? (select all that apply)	Village Administrator / City Manager Administrative staff
Is there a specific infrastructure project or grant opportunity you have in mind?	Yes
If yes, please give a short description:	Recreational Trails Program, Illinois Bicycle Path Grant Program, Boat Access Area Development Program, Natural Areas Stewardship Grants Program, Park and Recreational Facility Construction Program, Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development Grant and the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant,
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Neither easy nor difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Equitable Transit-Oriented Development Plan

Equitable Transit-Oriented Development Plan

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc: We are the #54 Community Area of Riverdale. 115th to 138th - State Street (Illinois Central Railroad) Cottage Grove Bishop Ford Freeway). More known as the Greater Roseland district.

Which existing transit services are in the study area? (Name rail station and/or bus routes)

The CTA Board and DPD is pursuing the development of the CTA Redline Extension. The project includes the 130th street station. We have the Michigan Ave Bus and the Pace Bus serving the district. The main bus route is 130th street.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last 10 years that include the proposed study area? (Include link to plan)

The community lacks a pedestrian friendly designs at intersections and the zoning of the district has not occurred in decades. Our commercial zones have been overlap with trucking companies and waste agencies. Meanwhile, people must travel great distances to shop for food and pursue jobs. We need a new housing, transportation and commercial zoning plan to allow for commerce and a grocery store.

Simply, we are unable to maximize the existing zoning and land use variances. Not able to advance at a reasonable timeframe any community plan. No centralize or agreed upon community plan.

If yes, describe how the proposed project will build from, update, and/or implement recommendations from the previous plan:

The Chicago Neighborhood Initiatives, CTA Consultants, CDPH, CDOT, CHA, the Office of Sustainability and the New City Planning Commissioner Boatwright is interested in a new civic engagement on zoning and land use. A regional tour with Commissioner Boatwright is scheduled soon.

What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?

The City pursued a developer to build a grocery store known as Yellow Banana. Their contract ends on April 1, and a new Development and RFP will be pursued in Mid April. The CTA Board and consultants have pursued a TID plan for 115th street. The Redline Extension TIF was enacted in 2022 to raise \$1 million to serve as a matching fund for Federal Grants.

The RTA strives to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation, housing and development and policy?

Yes

Describe what areas in the planning process and the types of recommendations you're looking for that need to be centered on equity:

To put the 130th station on the Map and moving our zoning and transportation planning forward; to assist with civic engagement on Grocery Store and commercial zoning; to maximize Transit Area Development with the 130th station; introduce housing density options in Riverdale; to develop an action plan to better direct municipal agencies of our collective public request to community development. To create additional spaces for food production and recreational access to Forest Preserve and the scheduled Roseland Medical District. We want to increase landscape layers and pursue agreed upon development planning within the public housing cluster and for the homeowners cluster pursue Healthy Homes modeling. Amend uses of the Metropolitan Water District and Waste Management zones under the city's Cumulative Health Impact Ordinance to formally consider Greener infrastructure.

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

The City Commissioner of Planning is interested in finally getting The Riverdale community involved. The walking tour is scheduled for April 2nd

The Aldridge Elementary school and students obtained T.A from CTA Innovation Team to develop a mimi development plan for the 130th street station area. The community was recently identified as a Environmental Justice Zone.

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Other: Redline Extension TIF Coalition Board members

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Technical assistance flow chart

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Somewhat difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Pavement Management Plan

Pavement Management Plan

and update data in an established pavement management system?

Are you seeking assistance with:	An update to an existing plan
Please describe previous pavement management activities that you have made. Describe any actions you have taken to implement previous pavement management plans and whether your efforts were successful or not:	in 2019 we received a grant by CMAP to provide the first full pavement assessment in the Village. We have utilized this document and data to develop a plan for repair. The Village has ben very successful on increasing road repair (almost 10 miles of road) and it is now closing in on five years since the original plan was done.
	We are 100% asphalt and the Village is at a point of needing a similar assessment / plan. We would prefer the same vendor (IMS) to make sure were getting accurate comparable data.
Does the community currently maintain	Yes

Which municipal department(s) and/or staff will oversee the Pavement Management Plan assigned?	Public Works. Michael Wegrzyn Director
Does the community currently have an engineer on staff?	No
What is the approximate number of center-line miles in your local street network (maintained by your agency)?	37
Does the community currently prioritize pavement maintenance and/or preservation projects?	Yes
How are roadway improvement projects prioritized (i.e. worst first, minimize lifecycle costs {pavement /asset management system}, advisory board selection, or other approach)?	worst first by score where the line is drawn pending on budget.
What is your annual budget for local roadway maintenance and rehabilitation projects? What are the sources of that funding (i.e., Motor Fuel Tax, general revenue, CDBG, etc.)?	\$500,000 over the I;ast 3 years due to grants, MFT, and special tax.
Are staff interested in PAVER software training?	Yes
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Website
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	None

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?

No

If no, what is the biggest barrier to producing an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	Staffing level and budget. Riverwoods is a small community with only 4 full-time administrative staff, 2 of which have only been on board for seven months and 2 part-time staff members. Budget and staff time constraints make it difficult to take on projects related to other than day-to-day operations.
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	Yes
If yes, provide their name, email, and phone number:	Stephen Witt switt@riverwoods.gov 847-945-3990
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	No
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	No
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	Have construction drawings for public buildings but no as-builts.
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	A public playground was constructed last year on the grounds of the Village Hall. No other major construction has occurred within the last 6 to 7 years. No internal projects affecting accessibility currently under consideration, planning or construction.
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Technical support developing the documents
What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 1 Funding = 2 Time = 3
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes

Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements:

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff Technical assistance flow chart
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Transit Station Activation Project (pilot program)

Transit Station Activation Project

Describe your proposed activation project:

We respectfully request funding in the amount of \$9,000.00 for a Transit Station Activation Project (the Project) at the Howard Street CTA Station and adjacent Bus Terminal at The Gateway Center. The Project will occur on Thursday August 22 and Friday August 23, prior to the Fourth Annual Chalk Howard Street Festival (the Festival) on Saturday August 24, 2024. The Project is intended to serve as a pre-Festival experience leading to the Festival itself. We will commission two professional chalk artists to create interactive 3D chalk drawings on the sidewalks near the Bus Terminal and the Howard Street CTA station entrances. Community residents, transit users and visitors will be able to watch each artist create their illustrations on the sidewalk during the day, and can pose for interactive pictures in and with the art upon its completion. Entry to the Project and the Event are no-cost and all are welcome to attend.

Where will the project take place? (State the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the activation project will take place. Please also note the name of the property owner if not on Service Board property.)

Where will the project take place? (State The Project is proposed for the sidewalks surrounding the Howard Street the name of the transit station or stop CTA Train and Bus Terminal on Howard Street and Paulina Street.

How much funding are you requesting? Please detail the expenses (estimates are fine).

We are requesting \$9,000 for the project:

\$4,000 (\$1,500 fee for each of 2 chalk artists, including supplies & materials)

\$1,000 (up to \$500 meal/travel/hotel reimbursement per artist)

\$3,000 for sidewalk power washing before and after the Project and Event concludes

\$1,000 for Project and Event giveaways including chalk for local families to participate.

What is the timeline for this activation? (i.e. What is your thinking about the time of day, day of the week, month, for your proposal)

The Project will occur on Thursday and Friday August 22 and 23 from 12 pm (noon) - 5 pm each day.

The Project implementation timeline is:

March: contact CTA re: any required permissions to use adjacent property areas for Project

April: identify Chalk Artists of interest

May: contract 2 Chalk Artists

June: begin promoting Project and Event; complete permitting with City of

Chicago

July: finalize arrangements for Chalk Artists; continue to promote Project

and Event.

Will the project process include activities in which the general public will be invited to participate? If so, please describe: Entry to the Project and the Chalk Howard Street festival are no-cost and all are welcome to attend.

Similar to the kind of artwork produced during the Event, transit users and the general public would be able to watch the Project artists creating their pieces on the sidewalk during the day. Upon completion of the artwork, visitors can stand on specially marked spots to take photos that make it look like they are part of the art.

Is your organization currently in communication with the relevant transit agency and/or property owner? Do you anticipate needing assistance in making contact?

We have begun applying for permits for Chalk Howard Street 2024 through the City of Chicago, including street closure and transit rerouting during the main Event on Saturday, August 24. We have not yet reached out to the CTA and Pace about the Project but will do so immediately. We do not anticipate needing assistance in making contact because we had some communication with CDOT, CTA, and Pace regarding the Howard Street station as part of the recently completed One Howard corridor plan project and planning for future Red Purple Modernization improvements at Howard Street.

Describe any experience you have with implementing something similar to your proposal:

We have four years of experience with the Chalk Howard Street Event. Since 2019, we have brought professional and amateur chalk artists to Howard Street for this festival as well as shorter pop-up projects. During the height of the Covid pandemic in 2020 and 2021, we pivoted Chalk Howard Street into a virtual and asynchronous experience, hiring a local artist to create a series of smaller-format 3D illustrations, each themed around a different Howard Street business. The Event returned to a fully in-person experience in 2022 and will continue in that format in 2024. Photos from past iterations of both the in-person and virtual versions of Chalk Howard Street can be found on our website at https://www.howardstreetchicago.com/virtualchalkhowardstreet

What resident or community support do you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation?

DevCorp North dba Rogers Park Business Alliance (RPBA) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that has served the Rogers Park community for 30 years. RPBA regularly collaborates with local elected officials and partner organizations throughout the community. In the Howard Street area specifically, we coordinate with several other area nonprofits through the North of Howard Together group, including Howard Area Community Center, A Just Harvest, Family Matters, Trilogy, Willye White Park Advisory Council and Local School Council at Gale Community Academy. We and all of our organizations agree on the need for additional outdoor community programming on Howard Street, particularly during the summer near the CTA station. This goal was documented in the recently-completed One Howard Street corridor plan, which can be viewed at https://rpba.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/One-Howard-Street-Economic -Recovery-Plan-Digital.pdf.

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

The Project will occur at the CTA and Pace train and bus terminal at Howard Street. Chicago's northernmost commercial corridor, Howard Street, is also a boundary marking the city limits between Evanston on the north and the City of Chicago on the south. The Chicago side of Howard Street is located in the 60626 zip code, which was classified as being a "Disproportionately Impacted Area" for purposes of state and local COVID relief funding programs such as the State of Illinois' Back to Business and Business Interruption Grant Programs. Further, the Howard Street area includes two Qualified Census Tracts, as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The adjacent "North of Howard" area is home to one of the largest concentrations of affordable and subsidized housing on the city's north side where many social service organizations maintain a physical presence.

Please upload a map of where specifically the activation will take place:

https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16101607322

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Planning liaison

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

None

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Very easy

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Transit Station Activation Project

Describe your proposed activation project:

We respectfully request funding in the amount of \$20,000 for a Transit Station Activation Project (the Project) focusing on the plazas directly adjacent to the Loyola CTA red line station and nearby Sheridan Rd. stops on the CTA 147 bus bus route. This amount will fund live music and programming for a First Day of Summer celebration from 6-8pm on June 7 as well as First Friday activations from 6-8pm on August 2, September 6 and October 4, 2024

the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the activation project will take place. Please also note the name of the property owner if not on Service Board property.)

Where will the project take place? (State The Project is proposed for the plaza at the Loyola red line station as well as privately-owned plazas and patios adjacent to nearby Sheridan Rd. bus stops at Pratt, Columbia, and North Shore. Because these plazas are private property, we won't need to budget for special events permits, and full access to the public way will be maintained throughout the events.

> The Loyola station plaza is owned and managed by Loyola University Chicago, and we have relationships with business and property owners with patios adjacent to the other nearby bus stops, including ADF Capital, current owner of the building that houses Starbucks, Rice Thai Cafe, and the former New 400 theater between Pratt and Columbia, and The Lord Companies, owner of the Bopn'Grill and former Bulldog storefronts near the North Shore bus stop.

How much funding are you requesting? Please detail the expenses (estimates are fine).

We are requesting \$20,000 for the project based on expenses we've incurred for similar events in the past:

Musicians/performers for each location on each of 4 dates - \$9,000 Student intern project manager @ \$20/hour, 10 hours a week for 20 weeks - \$4000

Equipment rental & delivery (barricades, tables & chairs) - \$3000 Marketing & decorations - \$2000 Security @ \$50/hr for 16 hours - \$800 Insurance - \$200

What is the timeline for this activation? (i.e. What is your thinking about the time of day, day of the week, month, for your proposal)

First Day of Summer celebration, 6-8pm, Friday June 7 First Fridays, 6-8pm August 2, September 6, October 4

Refreshments (water, popcorn, snacks, etc.) - \$1000

Will the project process include activities in which the general public will be invited to participate? If so, please describe:

The project will consist of hiring local bands to perform at the Loyola CTA station plaza and on patios of several businesses located near CTA bus stops on Sheridan Rd. from 6-8pm on four different Friday evenings. Access to the performances will be free and open to the public. We will provide limited seating and refreshments such as water, popcorn, and other snacks for attendees and participants. The June 7th date will celebrate the first day of summer vacation for CPS students and will focus on programming for children and families, potentially including a bounce castle at the Loyola station plaza.

Because the plazas and patios are on private property, full access to the sidewalk and bus shelters will remain throughout the event.

Is your organization currently in communication with the relevant transit agency and/or property owner? Do you anticipate needing assistance in making contact?

While we have not yet reached out to the CTA about this specific proposal, upon selection we will do so immediately. Most of the performances and programming proposed would be taking place on private property immediately adjacent to the CTA station and bus stops rather than property owned or managed by CTA itself. We do not anticipate needing assistance in making contact because we had some communication with CDOT, CTA, and Pace regarding the Howard Street station as part of a recently completed corridor plan project and planning for future Red Purple Modernization improvements. Having organized similar events and performances at these sites in the past, we also have relationships with the individual businesses and property owners responsible for the Loyola plaza and nearby patios, including Loyola University, The Lord Companies and ADF Capital.

Describe any experience you have with implementing something similar to your proposal:

Prior to the Covid-19 pandemic, Loyola University Chicago, RPBA and Sheridan Rd. Special Service Area 54 hosted a series of "Summer on the Plazas" pop-up performances on the Loyola station plaza and nearby patios in front of businesses along Sheridan Rd. These events helped to enliven the Sheridan Rd. corridor on summer evenings, making it more friendly to pedestrians and transit users while also helping to draw customers to local restaurants and businesses. We also worked with Loyola University to support a regular farmers market event on the plaza on the Loyola station plaza as well as installation of holiday decorations and lighting in the plaza during the winter months.

What resident or community support do you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation?

DevCorp North dba Rogers Park Business Alliance (RPBA) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that has served the Rogers Park community for 30 years. RPBA regularly collaborates with local elected officials, Loyola University, and partner organizations throughout the community.

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

Based on data from the 2020 Census, the demographic makeup of Rogers Park makes it one of the most diverse communities in Illinois, and was called out in the Sun Times for being the community area whose racial diversity most closely mirrors that of the City of Chicago as a whole.

Please upload a map of where specifically the activation will take place:

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Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Planning liaison

What resources did you find helpful as None you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Somewhat easy

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Developer Dialogue

Describe the location for which you are seeking to solicit development strategy advice from a panel of developers. (Which parcels, block, etc.)

Priority 1: Core Downtown (Parcels between Route 134 and Nippersink Road)

Pin: 06-29-100-088 Address: 501 Railroad Ave Size(Acres): 6.26

Ownership: Municipal-Village

Pin: 06-29-100-061 Address:0 Nippersink Rd Size: 4.24 Ownership: Village

Priority 2: North Downtown (Parcels between Hart Road and Route 134)
Pin: 06-29-100-069 Address: 0 Cedar Lake Rd Size: 8.45 Ownership:

Village

Pin: 06-29-100-004 Address: 525 Hart Rd Size: 2.22 Ownership: Village

Priority 3: West Downtown (Parcels at corner of Hart Road and Route 134)
Pin: 06-29-100-077 Address: 0 Hart Rd Size: 10.33 Ownership: Village
Pin: 06-29-100-073 Address: 0 Hart Rd Size: 2.1 Ownership: Village
Pin: 06-29-100-074 Address: 0 Railroad Ave Size: 0.4 Ownership: Village

The Village of Round Lake is looking to make improvements to and expand the downtown area. The Village owns several parcels in the downtown that are now under a golden opportunity to be developed. Partnering with IDOT, Lake County, and Metra; Cedar Lake Road will be realigned to better facilitate the flow of traffic. This road currently runs through the center of downtown and will be realigned to the west, extending the boundaries of downtown.

Core Downtown: The road will be going through two parcels between Route 134 and Nippersink Road and will create new economic opportunity for commercial and mixed-use development. The main priority and focus of the downtown redevelopment would be on these two parcels that will be intersected by the realignment of Cedar Lake Road. These will be the most visible extensions of the downtown. The two parcels are adjacent to each other with Avilon Avenue bisecting the two properties.

North Downtown: A new intersection will be created near two properties between Hart Road and Route 134, north of the Metra tracks. These properties are additional resources for development, close to where the road is realigned, close to the downtown, and close to transit access. These will also be part of the extended downtown footprint. The road realignment will bring the property on a major route through town and on a more direct route to the downtown.

West Downtown: The Village also owns three properties on the periphery of the downtown area. These properties would also be available for residential, commercial, and mixed-use developments. These properties provide an opportunity to create a more vibrant downtown by creating new spaces that have TOD focus, mixed use, and increasing the pedestrian scale of the area.

Describe property ownership of the parcels. Are they under municipal control or are they privately owned?

The seven parcels ready for development are under municipal control. With the road project pending, the Village has enhanced motivation to sell and approve development of the Village owned properties that have been vacant and under Village control for many years. This is the opportunity that the Village has been waiting for, at this moment we are looking to have the resources to further create a revitalized downtown. The Village believes that this is the time to progress and move to the future thinking of years to come. To participate in trends and create a place where the community can work, live, and play in a connected location. Developing these parcels will provide a more walkable communities with varied tenant space, outdoor parks, and the space for multi-tenant residential buildings.

Which existing transit services are adjacent to or are near by the location? (Name rail station and/or bus routes)

There is the Milwaukee District North (MD-N) Metra station in the downtown at Cedar Lake Road and Route 134. There is a Pace bus stop for route 570 - Fox Lake - CLC, at Railroad Avenue (IL Route 134) and Cedar Lake Road. The sites are approximately a 5-minute walk from the middle of the property to the Metra and Pace Stations. There also is a Pace on demand route for the Round Lake Area. With the road realignment there will be improved bike paths and sidewalks. The interconnectivity of the area will be improved with the road project.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, TOD plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) that identify the need to target economic development to this location? (include link to plan)

Downtown Streetscape Plan - The purpose of the Round Lake Downtown Streetscape Plan was to engage the community, envision and document improvements to the public way within Downtown Round Lake. The recommended downtown improvements include enhanced entrances, attractive business areas, and vibrant gathering spaces (Round Lake Downtown Streetscape Plan page 3). Introduced in the Streetscape Plan on page 10, the key placemaking objectives explored throughout the plan include an emphasis on Future Downtown Developments. (https://www.roundlakeil.gov/files/documents/DowntownStreetscapePlanFin al95231332110451111523AM.pdf)

Cedar Lake Road Realignment - Lake County Division of Transportation with the realignment of Cedar Lake Road will direct traffic west of Downtown Round Lake, allowing Downtown to return to its originally intended uses: strolling, shopping, dining, and community gathering. The purpose of the project is to improve the safety and capacity between Nippersink Rd and Hart Rd, improve operations at Cedar Lake Road and the crossing of the Metra Milwaukee District North Line, and to improve bicycle and pedestrian connectivity within the study area (Supplemental Exhibits from Public Hearing on 5/18/22 page 9).

(https://cedarlakeroadrealignment.org/about/background-and-history/)

Comprehensive Plan - The strategy of the Village is to promote an active mix of land uses that advance a range of living options, retail, entertainment, office, government/institutional, and recreational related development. Providing Round Lake residents with a mix of uses fosters greater vitality in the Village and improves the overall quality of life. Residents have the option to live, work, and play in close proximity, while positively contributing to the local economy (Round Lake Comprehensive Plan page 44).

(https://www.roundlakeil.gov/files/documents/RoundLakeComprehensivePl an1313112558011416AM.pdf)

Downtown Plan - The Downtown plan calls for the Core Downtown to be a mix of downtown commercial, park/open space, and public/quasi-public. The North Downtown area under the Land Use Plan as Mixed Residential. The West Downtown parcels are planned for Corridor Commercial uses. (Round Lake Downtown Plan page 30).

(https://www.roundlakeil.gov/files/documents/DowntownPlan132904174902 0619PM.pdf)

All Plans are located on the Village website on the Planning & Zoning page: https://www.roundlakeil.gov/pview.aspx?id=20859&catid=559

What is the goal of this panel? What questions do you have for developers?

This panel would start the conversation that is necessary to accomplish major goals for the Village. To have a connected, destination location within the downtown limits. Plans that manifest into and transform the downtown to a TOD developed, mixed-use, multi-tenant spaces with increased built height and density to transform the landscape to be an attractive destination where people spend time. This opportunity would build momentum to have investments that create a compact downtown area and increasing the walkability to focus on prioritizing pedestrians. In collaboration with Lake County and IDOT Cedar Lake Road will be realigned as the major road through town and our downtown. Through this plan there is opportunity to reorganize and revise to address the challenges in the area. The Village also recently adopted a downtown streetscape plan that reframed the focus of the pedestrian by decreasing the street parking spaces with a wider sidewalk area and furnishings. The Village would like to encourage an extended period spent in the downtown, with the addition of public open space to enhance community gathering spaces. With the road realignment and the streetscape, we are providing a strong foundation to build a plan that focuses on the longevity of a place.

The Village of Round Lake has a vibrant Hispanic community, with visibility in the downtown tenant spaces. We would like to cultivate and embrace the mingling of cultures and bringing people together in a space that is inclusive and equitable for all to participate. Community members will be celebrated, with the streetscape plan the Village is extending an invitation to more people to spend time in Round Lake. Along with new furnishing and wider walkways, minimized cross walk distances, a new open space will be developed. The space will provide opportunity to program events, and keep visitors longer.

The main goal would be to have the downtown and periphery be a success for a variety of uses. The Village already has plans for improving roadways with additional bike paths, wider sidewalks, better connection to the transit center, downtown. A priority of this project is the safety of pedestrians. The connected paths also will be used to decrease the number of trips taken by vehicles, and trips taken that are less than 5 miles. An amenity that is important to see in the downtown are safe, accessible pathways to destinations that are built for the community. This is a time for the Village to build community spaces that are lacking, and enhance the use of multi modal transportation. Creating protected, safe access to the train, expanded bike paths, and bus network. Enhancing walkability and providing a location that residents and visitors spend time in while offering more diverse and varied spaces to connect.

The Village has a downtown TIF District. How should an incentive package be laid out to help entice mixed-use development? What other incentives would be feasible and attractive to developers?

Who are the active developers in the area that specialize in downtowns?

We have Metra parking lots to service the downtown shopping, with additional developments and housing we envision in the future, what parking would be required if we have a true TOD Development?

Is it feasible to have commercial, and residential, mixed-use tenant spaces in this location?

Is there any additional	information	you
want us to know?		

The Village is doing a strategic plan and downtown visioning with Village Board over the next few months. Staff believes with all of these projects occurring simultaneously, development would be well positioned for the

Closing Questions

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What resources did you find helpful as	Instructional videos
you apply for the call? (Select all that	Web page FAQ
apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
	Technical assistance flow chart
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Grant Readiness

Grant Readiness

Please identify any staff, elected officials and/or community organizations that will likely be involved in a technical assistance project focused on improving your organizations processes to apply for and manage external funding:

Village of Round Lake Board of Trustees and Village Staff from various departments would be involved in applying for, implementing and completing the project and grant requirements. Round Lake Area Bicycle Club, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of the Lakes, Round Lake Area Park District, Lake County Forest Preserve, Lake County, and Round Lake Area Schools Community Unit School District #116 may be supporting organizations and partners for projects.

their capacity to apply for and manage grants. Who currently applies for and manages grants and external funding at your municipality? (select all that apply)

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Village Administrator / City Manager Community Development Director Economic Development Director Planner Administrative staff Consultant

Is there a specific infrastructure project or grant opportunity you have in mind?

Yes

If yes, please give a short description:

Project 1 Cedar Lake Road Bike Path Extension: The Village of Round Lake is seeking funding for the continuation of the bike path along Cedar Lake Road, south of Illinois Route 120. Approximately 800 feet of bike path is necessary to connect to Cambria Drive, the entrance to a subdivision that has sidewalks and trails within. This provides a safe, off-road connection from the neighborhoods south of Illinois Route 120, serving a quarter of our population, to the downtown, the Nippersink Forest Preserve and throughout the Village. This is a great way to connect people from the built to the natural environments.

Project 2 Downtown Streetscape: A streetscaping plan was adopted in 2023 for the downtown area. This plan will happen as the major roadway going through the downtown is planned to be realigned. The streetscape plan focuses on increasing walkways and creating a pedestrian focused downtown. The sidewalks are becoming wider, there will be furnishings such as benches and tables and chairs to encourage extended periods of time spent in the downtown. There will also be a focus on those traveling not by car, bike paths will be extended, parking spaces will be reduced in the immediate downtown, the Metra station will be updated, and so will the Pace bus stops.

Through both these projects the Village is vying for the improved safety of pedestrians and bicyclists. Better road signage, connected paths, designated bike lanes and wider, connected sidewalks with furnishings. Creating shorter crossing lanes to alleviate vehicular traffic where accidents occur. Looking to grant opportunities that fund the implementation of these vital projects to the community.

Round Lake has a diverse population in terms of race, age, and income levels. Safer alternative modes of transportation, whether used for recreation, commuting or both enhances the desirability of the community.

The Village of Round Lake is very interested in pursuing grant opportunities that would assist with funding the construction of the streetscape elements and/or the bike path connection. The Village has the Streetscape Plan complete and is looking at funding to determine the ability to install the entire improvements at once or over several years. The bike path has not been designed yet, but can be done by our Village Engineer.

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
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What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Instructional videos Web page FAQ Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff Technical assistance flow chart
How difficult was it to fill out this	Very easy

application?

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The proposed study area boundaries would be entirely within the Village of Skokie. However, streets within the Village are also owned by the State of Illinois (Illinois Department of Transportation) and Cook County. Some of the existing and proposed bicycle facilities spans neighboring communities. See the map at this webpage for details:

https://www.skokie.org/DocumentCenter/View/300/Street-Jurisdiction-Map-2021-PDF

In the Skokie Bikeway System Plan, there are many bike routes within Skokie's jurisdiction that we need technical assistance help in transitioning into bike lanes. Please see the interactive map at https://www.skokie.gov/250/Bicycle-Plan. Specifically, we are looking for help in the area bounded by Dempster Street to the north, Harms Road/Long Avenue to the west, Jarvis Avenue to the south, and McCormick Boulevard to the east. We are also looking for assistance connecting to, and fostering the completion of proposed bike lanes owned by Cook County and IDOT.

This area is also identified as "Historically Disadvantaged" by the Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool. This area is also defined by the Skokie Climate Vulnerability Assessment as a high percentage of Limited English Speakers, Individuals with Disabilities, Individuals in Economic Stress, People of Color, and Individuals with no vehicle access. The descriptions and percentages of Skokie's' populations are found on page 48-57 at this link:

https://view.publitas.com/palebluedot/skokie-climate-vulnerability-assessme nt-may-2022/page/48-49

The Village of Skokie's Board of Trustees approved the 2022-2030 Environmental Sustainability Plan with a goal of reducing Greenhouse Gas emissions by 35% from 2020 levels by 2030. The plan relies on the Transportation and Mobility sector to reduce GHG emissions by nearly 80,000 MTCO2e by 2030 through various strategies, including by decreasing community-wide VMT by 25 million VMT by 2030 through increased biking, walking, shared mobility, and eMobility. We are asking for technical assistance to help create a modern Sidewalk and Bicycle Master Plan to identify needs to accelerate bike paths, building sidewalks, crosswalks, and other walking infrastructure, particularly in high-need areas and areas serving vulnerable populations; creating an implementation plan establishing annual increases in the total miles of sidewalks, on-road bicycle lanes and multi-use paths that identifies safe streets for people walking, biking and appropriate locations for "shared streets" and car-free pedestrian zones in high-density areas.

Skokie also knows of equity considerations when planning for better bicycle and pedestrian pathways. There are increased opportunities for active transportation that can help address health disparities for many at-risk populations. Some neighborhoods in Skokie have fewer housing and transportation options than others, limiting people's choices in where they

live and how they get activities and work-event potentially limiting choices in where they work. Key Climate Considerations that need to be highlighted when creating the new bike and pedestrian plan are the impacts of climate change on the safety and comfort of pedestrians and cyclists of all abilities. Specifics of the bicycle and pedestrian related goals can be found on pages 20-23 of the Environmental Sustainability Plan found at this link:

https://www.skokie.org/DocumentCenter/View/8444/Skokie-Environmental-Sustainability-Plan-PDF

The Village of Skokie is fortunate to have about 17 CTA and Pace bus routes servicing the Village. Buses provide local and express service to and from Skokie as well as within town. Skokie is directly served by Chicago Transit Authority's -(CTA) Yellow Line and is in close proximity to Metra regional rail stations. The Village of Skokie has two existing stations located on Dempster Street and on Oakton Street. The Skokie Valley Trail is a regional trail that has a segment within Skokie, and when all trail segments are complete, the Skokie Valley Trail will connect Chicago to Waukegan.

Have there been any long-range plans Yes (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area? If yes, will the proposed project: Update an existing plan If so, please list the name of the plan(s) The Bikeway System Plan maps bike routes, paths, and bike lanes with here and provide a link: proposed improvements. Link: https://www.skokie.org/DocumentCenter/View/7640/Bikeway-System-Plan. The Environmental Sustainability Plan outlines ways to reduce GHG emissions by 35% by 2030 including decreasing community-wide VMT by 5% by 2030 through increased biking, walking, shared mobility, and eMobility. Link: https://www.skokie.org/DocumentCenter/View/8444/Skokie-Environmental-Sustainability-Plan-PDF See first question for more details about the goals of each plan, and how help is needed. In addition to those outcomes, what are Identify strategies for pedestrian crossings the priority goals you would like the Implement recommendations from an existing plan plan to address? (Choose up to three) Identify potential funding sources to implement recommendations Does the proposed project benefit Yes groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English? If yes, please describe: Although the project will encompass the entire village of Skokie, we would focus on areas that are historically disadvantaged (geoplatform.gov; CEJST), with residents with limited English. The Village's Climate Vulnerability Assessment shows that the population in the southwest and south areas of the Village represents both the highest estimated population as well as the highest share of the total population of these tracts - ranging

individuals.

from 4.8% to over 14% of the total population of those neighborhoods of Limited English speakers that make up 10% of the entire climate vulnerable

Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community: Safe Routes to School (SRTS): The Village of Skokie created the SRTS Guidance document that we will work with school districts to expand and implement their own SRTS Plan for all schools within the community and will ensure improved bicycle access to all schools in Skokie.

Skokie Bike Network (https://skokiebikenet.org/) is a community of cyclists who are actively engaged in promoting cycling in Skokie and neighboring communities through community rides, creating a library of low stress bike routes, advocating for improved biking and pedestrian facilities, and leading bike education programs.

Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?

Yes

What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?

The Bikeway System Plan shows proposed bike routes, lanes, and multiuse paths to be completed in the next 3 years. Some are within Skokie's jurisdiction and some are IDOT or Cook County projects. This is updated annually. The 5" Sidewalk Replacement project also updates on a yearly bases. We are currently working on Bike and Multi Use Path Rating plan as well as a Sidewalk Gap Implementation plan.

What data are available to your community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning?

RTA Transit Ridership Numbers

Local Crash Information

Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool

https://screeningtool.geoplatform.gov/en/#12.2/42.02737/-87.73954

Skokie Climate Vulnerability Assessment

https://view.publitas.com/palebluedot/skokie-climate-vulnerability-assessme nt-may-2022

Skokie Sustainability Baseline Assessment

https://view.publitas.com/palebluedot/skokie-sustainability-baseline-assess ment/

Skokie Greenhouse Gas emissions projections

https://view.publitas.com/palebluedot/skokie-community-greenhouse-gas-e missions-projections

Skokie Environmental Sustainability Plan

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?

Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:

Yes

Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements:

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for	Website
projects? (Select all that apply)	
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Neither easy nor difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The Village of West Dundee has a bike/pedestrian path along Boncosky Rd that dead-ends at the Village of Sleepy Hollow. They have asked that this path be extended into Sleepy Hollow. Sleepy Hollow has been looking into the possibility of continuing the path to Jelke Creek Bird Sanctuary. Additionally, there are various greenways throughout the Village that could be incorporated into the planned path.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?	No No
In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)	Connect to the regional trail system Study problematic intersections Identify potential funding sources to implement recommendations
Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?	Yes
If yes, please describe:	The Village has a growing population of limited English speakers located in apartments near a greenway that could be incorporated into the pathway. This would expose them to nature and life beyond the apartments.
Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community:	Riders and pedestrians share the road throughout the Village with other motorized vehicles while connecting to paths outside the Village. The Village has been looking for alternate routes to move non-motorized traffic off the roadway.
Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?	No
If not, why? (Select all that apply)	Inadequate facilities Lack of connections
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?	We have been in the early planning stages to extend the West Dundee path and have allocated a small amount of funding but have not moved forward due to a lack of a firm plan.
What data are available to your community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning?	At this point, not much other an anecdotal by viewing pedestrians and bicycles on our roads and complaints about vehicles while walking/biking. We also have some preliminary engineering for the immediate extension of the West Dundee path to our road.
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the Yes contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated: Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements: **Closing Questions** How did you find out about the call for Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison projects? (Select all that apply) What resources did you find helpful as Meeting with call for projects team to discuss a project you apply for the call? (Select all that Technical assistance flow chart apply)

Neither easy nor difficult

How difficult was it to fill out this

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Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The Village of South Barrington's study area boundaries would correspond to the boundary line of the Village. Specifically, the project is to examine the feasibility, including in-depth plans, of constructing bike/pedestrian paths along County Roads within the Village. County roads to be studied are Penny Road, Bartlett Road, and Mundhank Road. The concept would include linkage with existing trails in the County Forest Preserves, both the Poplar Creek Trail System and the Crabtree Trails System. A new trail is planned as a part of the widening of Barrington Road, which is a State Highway, that will provide another connection point within the Village.

transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?	
If yes, will the proposed project:	Build off an existing plan
If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:	The proposed project would be building off of an existing plan and also be working toward the implementation of a recommendation from an existing plan (Village of South Barrington Comprehensive Plan).
	https://southbarrington.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/2023-ADOPTED-S outh-Barrington-Comprehensive-Plan.pdf
In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)	Connect to the regional trail system Identify strategies for pedestrian crossings Identify potential funding sources to implement recommendations
Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?	No
If yes, please describe:	N/A
Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community:	The Village of South Barrington is focusing on widening Barrington Road within the Village. Currently, Barrington Road does not contain a bike or pedestrian path. The widening of Barrington Road will include a bike and pedestrian path that was included at the request of the Village.
Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?	Yes
If not, why? (Select all that apply)	Inadequate facilities Unsafe conditions / major barriers Lack of connections Lighting Awareness

Have there been any long-range plans

(i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan,

Yes

What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?	South Barrington is working on the aforementioned expansion of Barrington Road and getting a bike/pedestrian path included was one project (widening should be taking place this year). We have previously applied to Cook County for funding (Invest in Cook) for bike paths and the application was not successful. We have previously worked to incorporate bike paths and bike path connections into proposed commercial developments, however those developments did not come to fruition.
What data are available to your community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning?	The data available to the Village that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning would be our local traffic information.
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison CMAP newsletter Planning liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Instructional videos Web page FAQ Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff

Meeting with call for projects team to discuss a project

Technical assistance flow chart

Neither easy nor difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?

Yes

If yes, what year was it last updated?	It was created in 2013 and has not been updated since.
If yes, how do you use your ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	The Village of South Elgin's ADA self-evaluation and transition plan examined the Village's indoor and outdoor recreational and municipal facilities at that time, and documented issues of non-compliance with the 2010 Americans with Disabilities Act Guidelines. South Elgin utilizes the current Plan to prioritize issues identified and to budget and plan for resolving each situation. The Village of South Elgin also uses the current Plan to track progress in correcting accessibility deficiencies over time.
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	Yes
If yes, provide their name, email, and phone number:	Steve Super, Village Administrator ssuper@southelgin.com 847-742-5780
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	Yes
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	Yes
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	The Village of South Elgin has the following data/documentation available for the ADA self-evaluation and transition plan: current ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan document; information regarding the status of progress of each item in the current Plan document; listing of all Village-own properties, facilities, and parks with square footage/acreage; some building and park architectural/engineering plans, plats of survey, and as-built plans are also available; and robust GIS mapping, aerial photography, and data, including a layer with all sidewalks rated for trip hazards.
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	South Elgin recently completed updates to the Village's website and creation of an app that are ADA compliant; and participated in the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus's Aging in a Changing Region program, which developed recommendations regarding how South Elgin can support older adult residents, including those with limited mobility, as they Age-in-Community. Ongoing, the Village makes upgrades to curb ramps through annual road projects; renovates playground surfaces; and participates in Ride in Kane paratransit as a sponsor. We have plans for several other ADA infrastructure projects in FY2024.
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Technical support developing the documents

What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 1 Funding = 3 Time = 2
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison CMAP newsletter Website
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ Meeting with call for projects team to discuss a project Technical assistance flow chart
How difficult was it to fill out this	Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	NEXT
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Please identify any community organizations, staff, and/or elected officials who will be involved in this plan implementation technical assistance project:	Plan implementation will involve 3 officials: - The Village President, Village of Lynwood - Jada Curry - Chief of Staff, Village of Lynwood - Bianca Kidd - SDA
What is the name of the plan that you would like assistance implementing through NEXT?	Village of Lynwood Comprehensive Plan (2014)
Was the plan adopted by your municipality and codified within an ordinance within the past 5 years?	No

What is the goal of this plan / What are you looking to accomplish?

The SDA respectfully requests CMAP NEXT project grant support in order to advance and implement the Village of Lynwood's broad array of community goals contained within the Village's existing Comprehensive Plan.

As proposed herein, the CMAP NEXT program calls for the Village to concentrate planning and economic development efforts on an Action Plan for the proposed Town Center and the commercial and mixed uses that would support it. The Village of Lynwood belongs to Cohort 4 of CMAP's Community Cohort groupings. The SDA has an active working relationship with Lynwood leadership, and has initiated an ongoing conversations with leadership regarding the proposed project.

The SDA recognizes that CMAP NEXT grant support is provided in the form of time and expertise of CMAP personnel, rather than grant dollars. The addition of CMAP expertise to the proposed project will result in a project team greater than the sum of its parts, with greatly enhanced capacity to assist Lynwood in developing and implementing an Action Plan that will drive transformative change. The SDA is also prepared to coordinate and leverage resources available through the South Suburban Land Bank (now managed by the SDA) to further enhance the capabilities of the project team.

Under this proposal, an SDA-supported project team will develop an Action Plan that will include but not be limited to efforts to recruit appropriate developers. First, the NEXT plan will be utilized to solicit experienced developers who have executed mixed-use projects (residential and ground-level commercial) that will support the density and foot traffic for adjacent businesses. Secondly, the NEXT plan will support the recruitment of a specialized developer or investor that can further the community vision of a store that features fresh food options, either as a traditional grocery store concept or as an alternative format for delivering high-quality food options to residents in the Village and surrounding communities.

Methodologically, in one coordinated initiative, there will be provided a combination a three-pronged approach previously utilized by CMAP and RTA: 1) a developer dialogue/forum; 2) a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for the Town Center plan; and 3) special financing including, as needed, TIF gualification.

In essence, the SDA-supported project team will provide specialized consulting services to Lynwood in order to execute the Comp Plan vision for a Town Center. The SDA believes the proposed project is aligned with CMAP guidelines for NEXT Program initiatives: "CMAP will work with communities to prioritize improvements, develop an action plan, and assist them with executing the plan."

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	CMAP newsletter Website
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff Meeting with call for projects team to discuss a project
How difficult was it to fill out this	Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	NEXT
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Please identify any community organizations, staff, and/or elected officials who will be involved in this plan implementation technical assistance project:	Plan implementation will involve 2 entities: - The Village Administrator, Village of Sauk Village - SDA
What is the name of the plan that you would like assistance implementing through NEXT?	Village of Sauk Village Comprehensive Plan (2019)
Was the plan adopted by your municipality and codified within an ordinance within the past 5 years?	Yes

What is the goal of this plan / What are you looking to accomplish?

How did you find out about the call for

projects? (Select all that apply)

The goal is to implement certain Comprehensive Plans goals at the intersection of housing and retail. These include 2 stated goals:

1 - Attract high-quality multi-family housing to raise the standards of rental housing in the Village.

Well-maintained multi-family housing is vital to the health of Sauk Village and serves a critical need at various points of one's lifecycle. From singles returning from college to young couples and small families to empty-nesters and older adults, multi-family housing - whether for-rent or for-

sale - provides a vital need in the housing market. Multi-family housing also builds the demand to support restaurants and local stores by attracting more residents to the community. Proposals for new multi-family housing that conforms to the Future Land Use Map is targeted in areas with good transportation and access to IL-394 and Sauk Trail.

2 - Pursue strategies that encourage housing reinvestment at key nodes in support of retail goals.

Given the connection between rooftops and retail, broader efforts in the community to encourage reinvestment in housing stock will support stable real estate values and attract investments in local retail and services. Efforts to stabilize and support new residential development detailed in the Housing Chapter will also improve the retail environment and demand for restaurants in the Village.

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	

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What resources did you find helpful as
you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

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How difficult was it to fill out this application?

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Please identify any community organizations, staff, and/or elected officials who will be involved in this plan implementation technical assistance project:

Plan implementation will involve officials from:

- The SDA
- City of Harvey Mayor's office
- The City of Markham
- The Village of Hazel Crest

What is the name of the plan that you would like assistance implementing through NEXT?

City of Harvey TOD Plan and (ongoing) Comprehensive Plan Village of Hazel Crest Comprehensive Plan Ingalls Foundation Community Development Plan for Wood Street

Additionally this would advance goals established in both the 2017 SSMMA regional Complete Streets Plan and the IDOT plan for the rebuilding of Wood Street culminating in the 2024-25 Wood Street construction project.

Was the plan adopted by your municipality and codified within an ordinance within the past 5 years?

What is the goal of this plan / What are you looking to accomplish?

Wood Street Corridor - NEXT Implementation

Wood Street is a vital north/south corridor in the center of the Southland, and it is home to a number of wellness-related entities such as University of Chicago Medicine Ingalls Memorial Hospital ("Ingalls"), Family Christian Health Center and Children's Habilitation Center. It connects the residents and businesses and non-profit institutions of Harvey, Markham and Hazel Crest as well as other south suburbs.

The area has been the subject of at least three key coordinated planning efforts:

- TOD Plan by the City of Harvey and an ongoing Comp Plan as well as a partnership between the City of Harvey and Ingalls.
- Ingalls and its foundation (the Ingalls Development Foundation) have supported its own planning via a strategy for the Wood Street community health corridor, documented in its 2023 Anchor Hospital Community Development Plan.
- Concurrently, IDOT has begun construction of a full-depth rebuild of Wood Street from 138th Street to 159th Street following a civil engineer study conducted in 2014.

Regarding IDOT, its \$99 million investment will not only rebuild the roadway and replace obsolete water/sewer infrastructure, but it will also create a shared bike/pedestrian lane and new sidewalks, thereby advancing Complete Street goals laid out in the SSMMA 2017 Complete Streets plan.

The opportunity is now to extend ongoing planning and investments by connecting southward to encompass Harvey, Markham and Hazel Crest communities. All three of these communities belong to Cohort 4 of CMAP's Community Cohort groupings. The SDA has active working relationships with leadership in all three targeted communities. The SDA has separate projects underway in Harvey (e.g., the Harvey Housing Initiative, which will rehab 100 residential units and return them to the housing market at below-market rates) and Hazel Crest (e.g., developing a Hazel Crest Arts District).

The proposed target area would cover a two-mile segment of Wood Street from 154th @ Wood Street (a key intersection adjacent to the main entrance for Ingalls) through Markham to Hazel Crest, terminating at 170th @ Wood Street. The end point would essentially terminate at the proposed Hazel Crest TOD area and be coordinated with planning efforts anticipated for that area. In short, the Wood Street Transformation Corridor would link up and leverage past efforts to the north with the anticipated TOD work by Hazel Crest to the south and east.

SDA respectfully requests NEXT project grant support in order to advance ONTO 2050 principles by adding to the capacity and coordinating efforts of

the Harvey, Markham, and Hazel Crest communities. The SDA recognizes that CMAP NEXT grant support is provided in the form of time and expertise of CMAP personnel, rather than grant dollars. The addition of CMAP expertise to the proposed SDA-led project will result in a project team greater than the sum of its parts, with greatly enhanced capacity to assist municipalities in planning and implementing transformative change. The SDA is also prepared to coordinate and leverage resources available through the South Suburban Land Bank (now managed by the SDA) to further enhance the capabilities of the project team.

This SDA-led project team will build upon the intergovernmental cooperation exemplified in the Roosevelt Road Corridor (involving Berwyn, Cicero and Oak Park, approximately 15 years ago) to develop and implement a comparable Action Plan for the Wood Street Wellness Corridor.

The SDA-led project team will work with municipalities to undertake the following efforts:

- 1. Develop an Action Plan for the corridor. Develop and document a program including comprehensive streetscape improvements, targeted rehab sites, and demolitions for unsafe buildings.
- 2. Implement the Action Plan. Through coordinated public engagement and municipal due diligence, the SDA-led project team will support municipal staff in the three communities to implement the Action Plan.
- 3. Develop Special Financing Options. With the assistance of SDA's in-house finance experts, the SDA-led team will work with municipalities to explore financing options for higher cost investments.

Ultimately, the resulting Action Plan will deliver on the promise of previous planning efforts such as the aforementioned Harvey TOD Plan, ongoing Harvey Comp Plan, SSMMA Complete Streets plan as well as the IDOT and Ingalls strategies.

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
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How difficult was it to fill out this	Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Pavement Management Plan
Pavement Management Plan	
Are you seeking assistance with:	A new plan
Please describe previous pavement management activities that you have made. Describe any actions you have taken to implement previous pavement management plans and whether your efforts were successful or not:	The City has put together a handbook detailing pavement management methods. We have also had our streets laser scanned in 2017 and in 2022 by IMS. We have access to PAVER software, but have not had the training necessary to effectively utilize it.
Does the community currently maintain and update data in an established pavement management system?	Yes
Which municipal department(s) and/or staff will oversee the Pavement Management Plan assigned?	The Public Works Engineering department will oversee the plan
Does the community currently have an	Yes

What is the approximate number of center-line miles in your local street network (maintained by your agency)?	171 centerline miles
Does the community currently prioritize pavement maintenance and/or preservation projects?	Yes
How are roadway improvement projects prioritized (i.e. worst first, minimize lifecycle costs {pavement /asset management system}, advisory board selection, or other approach)?	We try to do a mix each year of the worst roads in town and some streets where we can minimize their lifecycle costs.
What is your annual budget for local roadway maintenance and rehabilitation projects? What are the sources of that funding (i.e., Motor Fuel Tax, general revenue, CDBG, etc.)?	Roughly \$5.5million from Motor Fuel Tax and a dedicated local tax.
Are staff interested in PAVER software training?	Yes
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	None
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Equitable Transit-Oriented Development Plan

Equitable Transit-Oriented Development Plan

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc:

The center point is at 63rd and Ashland Av, located in the Southwest Region of Chicago - West Englewood community area. 61st to 65th Street -Loomis Blvd to Woods Street

The jurisdictional boundaries of the 15th and 16th wards- State Rep. Sonya Harper, State Senator Mattie Hunter - Cook County Commissioner Dennis Deer, Congressman Jonathan Jackson

Which existing transit services are in the study area? (Name rail station and/or bus routes)

The center point is the Green line rail line at Ashland station. The station is service by the Ashland Av. Bus line and the 63rd Street Bus line. The station boast a very large Park and ride along with large bus/rail employees building.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last 10 years that include the proposed study area? (Include link to plan)

https://drive.google.com/file/d/18MD0HhWHaJQkazgSdT0W-gzWqptM6N9 D/view?usp=drivesdk

Earle School Ordinance, approved March 20,2024

Police Station, 63rd and Loomis

Engineering and Design - Complete Streets Programming -63rd Loomis Blvd to Halsted

West Englewood Library,-2023 renovation

Providence Charter School at 6500 South Ashland Av

Formation of the Special Service Area for West Englewood along Ashland Av

Mayor Brandon Johnson announced March 12,2024 the section for Special Safety programming

Repurposing of the Hotel to affordable housing - 62nd and Ashland Av. Odgen Park - New Football field at 65th and Loomis Blvd.

If yes, describe how the proposed project will build from, update, and/or implement recommendations from the previous plan:

We are proposing to boost and introduce an Equitable Development Planning to this new body of institutions and developers to explores walkable and friendly access to the Greenline station and to promote key transportation offerings for new institutional users and their management liaisons. The proposed project will allow us all to rethink the repurposing of other large lots and CTA parking lot and it's under the railroad open spaces that stretches a four block radius and as much as 2 and a half miles. To build financial support and design concepts for commercial building renovations and utilization of second and third floor spaces at key intersections in the targeted zone. To revisit Climate Resiliency relative to current and scheduled buildings and tree canopy/heat islands effects along Ashland Av and other West Englewood sectors.

What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?

To better beautify, introduce pedestrian friendly designs, revisit zoning variance near the stations, remove blighted conditions and prepare plans for use in the City of Chicago Affordable Housing and Economic Development Bond Issuances scheduled for 2024-28 Comprehensive Plan. Alongside, introduce a model for climate resiliency in a Disadvantage Communities center. Add to the Chicago Transit Authority and Chicago Police department on Rail line Safety and Attraction.

The RTA strives to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation, housing and development and policy?

Yes

Describe what areas in the planning process and the types of recommendations you're looking for that need to be centered on equity:

We would like to see equity in transportation and Housing for this service area. The section is not pedestrian friendly and zoning is out of date and requires attention to supporting Healthy Homes and energy conservation. The blighted conditions surrounding the station and rail lines needs a fresh look and a second set of eyes to reimagine our commercial and housing options. We also recognizes that we would need to allot gift cards and other comforts to ensure a reasonable amount of engagement.

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

The planning team will need to know that Tree Canopy and Layered landscaping is being encouraged at various points in Englewood. The Heat Watch project is still a big focus. The Chicago Police department and CTA have adopted the section of 55th to 63rd ,-Hamilton to Dan Ryan Expressway. The Chicago Plan Commission is scheduled to advance the Englewood Nature Trail in May 2024.

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)

Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison Other: We visit the CMAP website weekly

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

Instructional videos
Technical assistance flow chart

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Somewhat easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Equitable Transit-Oriented Development Plan

Equitable Transit-Oriented Development Plan

We propose developing an Equitable Transit-Oriented Development plan focused on the major arterial streets north of the Pulaski Orange Line station (Pulaski, Archer, 47th St. and 51st St.)

Which existing transit services are in the study area? (Name rail station and/or bus routes) The Pulaski Orange Line station is immediately south of the study area.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last 10 years that include the proposed study area? (Include link to plan)

Aside from citywide plans, we are not aware of any comprehensive plans that address the proposed study area. That said, the Chicago Department of Planning and Development has recently launched a multi-phase planning and development initiative for Brighton Park and Gage Park that would potentially include parts of the study area (see link below):

https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/sites/47th-and-western-avenue/home.html

If yes, describe how the proposed project will build from, update, and/or implement recommendations from the previous plan:

N/A, although we are interested in how this project can best align with the goals of Chicago's Connected Communities Ordinance, which encourages Equitable Transit-Oriented Development near CTA stations, but has not been maximized at Orange Line stations on the southwest side:

https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/sites/equitable-transit-oriented-development/home/connected-communities-ordinance.html

What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?

The Pulaski station is the second-busiest station on the CTA Orange Line, and generates a significant amount of foot traffic on a daily basis, especially at rush hour and during arrival/dismissal at nearby Curie Metro High School. We hope to identify opportunities for residential, commercial, and community-centered development along the major arterial streets closest to the station. This is especially crucial on the southwest side, where pedestrian-friendly spaces are few and far between.

The RTA strives to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation, housing and development and policy?

Yes

Describe what areas in the planning process and the types of recommendations you're looking for that need to be centered on equity:

The two communities that would be directly served by Equitable Transit-Oriented development near the Pulaski Orange Line station would be the residents of Archer Heights and students at Curie Metro High School. Archer Heights is in community cohort 4 (per CMAP's call for proposals). The neighborhood has a higher non-white population (mostly Hispanic/Latino) and a higher percentage of residents earning under \$50,000 per year than the city as a whole. In terms of transit, Archer Heights has a noticeably higher percentage of residents driving to work, and a lower percentage of residents using transit or walking/biking, than the city as a whole.

(Information per CMAP's Archer Heights community snapshot: https://www.cmap.illinois.gov/documents/10180/126764/Archer+Heights.pd f)

Curie Metro High School has a significantly higher percentage of Hispanic/Latino students, and a larger percentage of low-income students, compared to Chicago Public Schools as a whole.

We hope this planning process can deliver a vision for walkable, pedestrian-friendly, community-oriented, and culturally appropriate development to serve communities that have been denied these basic quality of life elements.

Is there any additional information you want us to know?

We are proposing a focus on the areas north of the Pulaski Orange Line station that are totally within the 14th ward, seeing as there is only space for two applicants (the 14th ward alderwoman and a local community group, in this case). If it is possible to broaden the study area south to include parts of the 23rd ward, that would be beneficial to residents of both communities, but would require additional coordination with that alderman.

Depending on the scope of this project, we would love to consider the major streets around the Kedzie Orange Line station as well (totally within the 14th ward) in order to maximize the amount of E-TOD planning along the Orange Line. The Kedzie station also has a major industrial footprint in the blocks immediately surrounding it, and overlaps more directly with the recently launched Chicago Department of Planning and Development "Stitching it Together" initiative.

Please upload a map of the proposed study area:

https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16105577873

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Website Other: Conversations with E-TOD advocates at Elevated Chicago and the Active Transportation Alliance, and correspondence with CMAP staff
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Neither easy nor difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The specific intersection to be addressed is Country Commons Road in the Village of Trout Valley and Cary-Algonquin Road in the Village of Cary. This is a Couty road, so McHenry County Division of Transportation (MCDOT) is the governing authority. The most recent traffic count shows that 8,000 - 12,000 vehicles travel daily along Cary-Algonquin Road. There are no pedestrian accommodations at this busy intersection. This area poses a particular safety concern because it is heavily utilized by children crossing at this spot as there is an elementary school located on the east side about 3 blocks away and a 7-11 convenience store located on the west side of the street, at the corner of Cary-Algonquin Road and Harper Avenue in Cary.

In addition, the intersection is at the bottom of a hill. Cars tend to be driving fast coming down the hill from both the north and the south. The visibility is limited because of the hill, so cars have only a few seconds before they can see the pedestrians in the street. They may be too close to slow down or stop. According to the McHenry County Sheriff's Office there have been 17 accidents at this location since 2013. Twelve involved vehicles that were rear ended, two were turning when struck, one was weather related, one is unknown as it was handled by the state police, and one involved a pedestrian. Three of the accidents reported minor injuries and the pedestrian was seriously injured. The Sheriff's Office said that the number of accidents is not extremely high, but it is enough to indicate an area of concern.

An apartment building is located on the southeast side of this intersection. This facility is being rezoned for multi-family use and will be entirely residential and will hold up to 18 additional families. There are several children who live in this building now and this number will only increase, leading to more crossings at this unmarked intersection. What we are seeking is improved traffic control measures to address these dangerous conditions, such as upgraded crosswalk striping and pedestrian crossing warning signage.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)

Study problematic intersections

Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English? No

If yes, please describe:	It is unclear is the apartment dwellers are disadvantaged or have limited proficiency.
Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community:	We have a large green lot of several acres that is privately-owned. The owner is willing to donate it to the Village to establish walking and riding trails, a creek bed, and a retention pond. We are currently working on obtaing grant monies to improve this property.
Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?	Yes
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?	See above. We also tried to get a Safe Routes to School grant as many of our young residents need to walk to school on the roads, as we have no sidewalks. However, we were unsuccessful.
What data are available to your community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning?	We have some recent traffic studies that we had done. We also are a golf cart community and have data on ownership and usage.
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ Technical assistance flow chart
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Implement a recommendation from an existing plan

If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:	One Village Strategic Plan (2022) One Village Capital Improvement Plan (2022) TOD Plan (2023)
Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	No
If yes, what year was it last updated?	N/A
If yes, how do you use your ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	N/A
If no, what is the biggest barrier to producing an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	The Village of University Park has continuously shown its support for transition towards ADA compliance and equitable considerations, though facing deviations in budgetary requirements due to other emergencies. The needed funding to support ADA transition, along with the additional capacity, have been the largest barrier in the attempt to perform and maintain a self-evaluation and transition plan. We plan to use this plan strategically to support existing recommendations made in capital improvement plans, which have prioritized ADA-compliance for University Park residents and stakeholders.
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	No
If yes, provide their name, email, and phone number:	N/A
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	Yes
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	Yes
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	-CMAP Sidewalk Inventory -Recent engineering plan sets for ADA-compliant projects
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	University Park is upgrading its Metra Station for ADA compliance and modernization. The University Parkway Sidepath will extend, enhancing connectivity among other upgrades. Adjacent to Village Hall, Thornwood Mall apartments, a HUD housing for seniors and disabled persons, are being engineered for transit and ADA accessibility. Future projects must meet ADA standards for inclusive access to goods and services.
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Technical support developing the documents

What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 1 Funding = 3 Time = 2
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff

Somewhat easy

How difficult was it to fill out this

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Transit Station Activation Project (pilot program)

Transit Station Activation Project

Describe your proposed activation project:

One activation will be free weekly yoga taught by Yoga Body Elements in an open, public grass triangle area. The other activation will be free, weekly live music performances at the Racine Plaza stage in front of the Riviera Theatre.

Where will the project take place? (State the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the activation project will take place. Please also note the name of the property owner if not on Service Board property.)

Where will the project take place? (State Activations will occur at two location adjacent to the CTA Lawrence Red the name of the transit station or stop Line Station and CTA North Broadway bus route.

How much funding are you requesting? Please detail the expenses (estimates are fine).

We are requesting \$20,000.

Weekly yoga would cost \$250 per session, or \$1,000 a month.

Weekly music performances would cost \$250 per session, or \$1,000 a month.

What is the timeline for this activation? (i.e. What is your thinking about the time of day, day of the week, month, for your proposal)

Weekly, free, outdoor yoga would occur at 10:00am every Saturday.

Weekly, free outdoor music performances would occur at 6:00pm every Thursday.

Will the project process include activities in which the general public will be invited to participate? If so, please describe:

Yes, both activities will be free and open to the public. Uptown United will use it's network of over 250 Chamber Members and 13,400 Instagram followers to promote and market the activities.

Is your organization currently in

Yes. We have conducted the free but had to discontinue the progration and performances occur on CDOT rigoral permits with the City of Chicago.

Yes. We have conducted the free but had to discontinue the progration performances occur on CDOT rigoral permits with the City of Chicago.

Yes. We have conducted the free outdoor music performances in the past, but had to discontinue the program because of a lack of funding. The performances occur on CDOT right-of-way and utilize "street performer" permits with the City of Chicago.

The free outdoor yoga will occur on open and accessible private property owned by Cedar Street / FLATS. This property is part of The Teller House which is the company's most ambitious adaptive reuse project to-date and is located in the Uptown Square Historic District. The Teller House includes 176 multifamily units, residential amenities, commercial office space, and co-working in the historic grand lobby.

Activities will target attendance and participation from these residents, employees, and workers.

Describe any experience you have with implementing something similar to your proposal:

Uptown United has a long history of successfully implementing community events and activities that are free and open to the public. More information can be found here: https://exploreuptown.org/our-events/

What resident or community support do you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation?

Uptown United has been hosting a monthly "Entertainment District Task Force" comprised of business owners, property owners, and residents of the Uptown Entertainment District. These activities are a direct request of the Entertainment District Task Force, and we have been searching for a funding source to implement them.

Is there any additional information you want us to know?	Uptown United has the full support of the community and community stakeholder to implement these activities. These activities have been a goal of ours for some time, but a lack of funding has prohibited the implementation of them.
Please upload a map of where specifically the activation will take place:	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16083032531
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Other: Christina Bader, AICP (she/her) Project Manager, Strategic Planning
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	None
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Transit Station Activation Project (pilot program)

Transit Station Activation Project

Describe your proposed activation project:

The Uptown Chamber of Commerce would like to request support for our annual Winter Walk on Wilson, a free event for the community featuring sweet treats, warm drinks, and menu samples offered by local Uptown businesses and organizations, live holiday music along the Wilson and Broadway commercial corridors, and a pop-up holiday market.

In 2024, we would like to leverage funding through the Transit Station Activation Project to create an exciting and memorable winter activation at the Wilson CTA Station complete with live performances, family-friendly activities, and vendor opportunities for artists, makers, small businesses, and nonprofit organizations.

With its somewhat recent renovation, the Wilson station is now an ideal location for an activation with its wide sidewalks and plaza-like spaces surrounding the station as well as being a fully accessible location for all passengers with disabilities, including wheelchairs and mobility devices.

While the Wilson station would be the primary focus for these funds, we would like to note that this event will also activate several bus stations with live performances along Wilson Avenue between Sheridan Rd. and Clark St. covering portions of the #36 Broadway, #78 Montrose, and #81 Lawrence bus routes.

Regarding the public safety component of this program, the adjacent intersection of Wilson & Broadway has long been an area that has caused both residents and visitors to sometimes feel unsafe with regularly occurring drug sales, gang activity, and occasional shootings. In addition, the Magnolia Plaza shopping center at the corner of Wilson and Magnolia (bus routes #78 and #81) experienced an increase in crime in 2023. As part of our daily work in the neighborhood, the Uptown Chamber strives to create events that will bring positive foot traffic to the area while serving as a deterrent to those who are looking to commit a crime.

Where will the project take place? (State Wilson CTA Red/Purple Line Station the name of the transit station or stop and the specific location where the activation project will take place. Please also note the name of the property owner if not on Service Board property.)

4620 N. Broadway, Chicago, IL 60640

How much funding are you requesting? Please detail the expenses (estimates are fine). We are requesting a total of \$15,000 for this activation. Estimated expenses are as follow:

\$6,000 - Performers (choral groups, live musicians, performance artists)

\$2,500 - Marketing, printing, photographer

\$2,500 - Giveaways to incentivize attendance (i.e. gift cards to local businesses)

\$1,500 - Event Production (Chamber planning, staffing, and implementation)

\$1,000 - Security

\$1,000 - CTA Right of Entry fee \$500 - Portable toilets/sinks

What is the timeline for this activation? (i.e. What is your thinking about the time of day, day of the week, month, for your proposal)

Friday, December 6th, 2024

5:00 - 9:00pm

Will the project process include activities in which the general public will be invited to participate? If so, please describe:

Yes, the general public will have several opportunities to engage with this event through participating in sing-along activities, interactive performances, art experiences, and tastings being offered at the Wilson Station. As this is a free event, our goal is to make sure that people from every socioeconomic background feel welcome with no financial obstacles in place to deter attendance.

We'd like to note that as the Uptown Chamber of Commerce, we are able to utilize a number of event marketing channels including our social media platforms, e-communications, and printed collateral as well as media spots secured through our PR firm, Ripson Group, to ensure that the general public is aware of the event. We also leverage our relationships with local block clubs and aldermanic offices to ensure the neighborhood and wards are aware of the events.

Is your organization currently in communication with the relevant transit agency and/or property owner? Do you anticipate needing assistance in making contact?

We are currently connected with Jeff Wilson, Director - RPM - Government and Community Relations with the CTA, and have worked with him in activating the Wilson Station before as part of this event.

Describe any experience you have with implementing something similar to your proposal:

2024 will mark the 10-year anniversary of the Winter Walk on Wilson that takes place along Wilson Avenue between Sheridan Rd. and Clark St. in Uptown. In addition, we host/co-host a number of large scale neighborhood events including the Argyle Lunar New Year Parade, Toast of Uptown wine walk, Uptown Art Week, Argyle Night Market, and the Taste of Uptown restaurant crawl.

For a visual of the Winter Walk on Wilson, you can view our YouTube video here: https://youtu.be/wFgDSmyWruQ

What resident or community support do you have or would like to gain for the proposed activation?	Although we are well connected to the Uptown community and neighborhood stakeholders including block clubs, non-profits, aldermanic offices, and local businesses, we are always looking to make more people aware of our organization and our work in the community. Any opportunity to connect with those who are living, working, or visiting Uptown is of great value to us. We are thrilled about the possibility of getting to interact with CTA riders right at the Wilson station as they enter the neighborhood. Positive events such as this one also help us challenge some of the negative stereotypes that some people have of Uptown.
Is there any additional information you want us to know?	For more information about our organization, please visit www.exploreuptown.org.
Please upload a map of where specifically the activation will take place:	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16104961243
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff
How difficult was it to fill out this	Somewhat easy

application?

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?

No

If no, what is the biggest barrier to producing an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?

Staffing is the biggest barrier. Warrenville has lean staffing levels, which makes it challenging to accomplish everything that we take on.

Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	Yes
If yes, provide their name, email, and phone number:	Alma Morgan, amorgan@warrenville.il.us, (630) 836-3050
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	Yes
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	Yes
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	We currently don't have any data available.
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	We have completed the Trailhead project which was improvements to the existing gazebo to make it ADA accessible. We are also currently working the Rt. 59 & Mack Road path. Which is a multiuse path and sidewalk project. We are at the end of phase #1.
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Training Technical support developing the documents
What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 1 Funding = 2 Time = 3
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison

What resources did you find helpful as None you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

How difficult was it to fill out this application?

Very easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?

No

If no, what is the biggest barrier to producing an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?

The biggest barrier to producing a self evaluation and transition plan is that the Village appears to have no history of a plan and very few staff members are familiar with the law and process. Currently, the Village's ADA compliance in public rights of way is accomplished through the annual road resurfacing program but other areas of public accommodation are not prioritized because few staff members are aware of the importance.

Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	No
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	No
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	No
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	GIS layer for streets and sidewalks
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	Relevant projects include: street resurfacing and associated curb and sidewalk improvements, facilities planning for a new municipal center/police department, potential new central business district developments including the private redevelopment of a historic public building and other projects that would draw additional visits to the central business district and potentially require upgrades to infrastructure including parking
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Training Technical support developing the documents
What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 3 Funding = 2 Time = 1
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes

Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements:

Closing Questions

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How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	CMAP newsletter LinkedIn
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	None
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

Name:

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)

Telephone number:

Email:

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

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Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The proposed study area would include the incorporated areas of Wauconda, as well as some unincorporated areas that are adjacent to Wauconda. The study would examine opportunities to connect Wauconda to Lake County's Millennium Trail and to Lakewood Forest Preserve and to connect Wauconda's central business district to other neighborhoods. Currently, state highways Rt 12 and Rt 176, county roads Bonner Road and Fairfield, and local/township roads Anderson Road and Garland Road create significant barriers to active transportation.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)	Connect to the regional trail system Identify strategies for pedestrian crossings Identify potential funding sources to implement recommendations
Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?	Yes
If yes, please describe:	Improved bicycle and pedestrian connectivity would benefit the Village's residents who speak Spanish as a first language and/or who are of Hispanic descent. The Village's Larkdale neighborhood is a neighborhood of single-family homes with a large percentage of Spanish-speaking residents. Larkdale is disconnected from the rest of the community by Rt 12. In addition, there are no sidewalks or bike lanes connecting the neighborhoods that include mobile home communities and converted single family homes and apartment complexes with the Lakewood Forest Preserve and the Millennium Trail.
Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community:	The Village has begun to designate additional funding for sidewalk repairs as part of the annual street resurfacing program.
Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?	Yes
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?	The Village is working on a Rt 176 transportation and area plan in a portion of a TIF district that includes reviewing pedestrian and connectivity issues. The Village is also beginning work on a scoping study for Lakeshore Drive resurfacing to determine opportunities to improve pedestrian and bike safety on a road that is on the perimeter route around Bangs Lake and connects to the Lakewood Forest Preserve trail.
What data are available to your community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning?	GIS data on sidewalks and County data on bike paths
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes

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Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	CMAP newsletter
How difficult was it to fill out this	Somewhat easy

application?

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Build off an existing plan

If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:	Comprehensive Plan, in partnership with CMAP (https://www.waukeganil.gov/DocumentCenter/View/5327/FINAL-2020-12-21-Waukegan-Comprehensive-Plan). Washington Street Commercial Corridor Plan, in partnership with CMAP (https://www.waukeganil.gov/DocumentCenter/View/1386) Northern Lakeshore Trail Connectivity Plan with CMAP and several other municipalities (https://www.waukeganil.gov/DocumentCenter/View/5420/Northern-Lakesh ore-Trail-Connectivity-Plan). Complete Streets Policy (https://www.waukeganil.gov/928/Complete-Streets-Policy)
Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	No
If no, what is the biggest barrier to producing an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	In the early 2000s, Waukegan was chosen to participate in Project Civic Access. Amidst administrative changes, a lack of a City Engineer for a number of years, and non-existent enforcement of ADA requirements, records of progress were lost. Currently, our main challenge is grasping PROWAG and best practices for assessing sidewalks and roadways. While CMAP's trainings have boosted our ADA compliance understanding, PROWAG remains unfamiliar. Additionally, we are striving to ensure that the proper procedures are followed to effectively implement an acceptable transition plan.
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	Yes
If yes, provide their name, email, and phone number:	Bob Bentz, bob.bentz@waukeganil.gov, (847) 599-2539
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Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	Yes
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a	Yes
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community? Do you have a grievance procedure in	

What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Training Technical support developing the documents
What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 3 Funding = 2 Time = 2
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Other: CMAP Training sessions
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Neither easy nor difficult

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Which existing transit services are

adjacent to or are near by the location?

(Name rail station and/or bus routes)

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Developer Dialogue
Developer Dialogue	
Describe the location for which you are seeking to solicit development strategy advice from a panel of developers. (Which parcels, block, etc.)	Waukegan Harbor & Marina
Describe property ownership of the parcels. Are they under municipal control or are they privately owned?	The parcels on the harbor property are owned by Waukegan Port District

the property.

The Metra Union Pacific North line is less than a mile from the entrance to

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, TOD plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) that identify the need to target economic development to this location? (include link to plan)	Master Development Plan https://acrobat.adobe.com/id/urn:aaid:sc:VA6C2:43f51209-b225-4278-aeaa -906642e804a7
What is the goal of this panel? What questions do you have for developers?	Our goal is to create a framework/process to select the most beneficial and impactful method to develop the site. We would also like assistance in creating and implementing the developer selection process.
Is there any additional information you want us to know?	n/a
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison Website
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ
How difficult was it to fill out this	Very easy

application?

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application form.)

Email:

Please identify any community organizations, staff, and/or elected officials who will be involved in this plan implementation technical assistance project:

For which project type are you

applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate

This project will be led by the Engineering and Planning & Zoning Departments of the City of Waukegan. Both City departments will coordinate with all other local, state, and federal stakeholder agencies involved. Through the NEXT program, it will be our team's intent to engage the same community groups and business owners who helped create the original plan in 2014 and are affected by its projects.

We will also be working in tandem with our Risk Management Department, who is pursuing this grant to complete an ADA Transition Plan.

What is the name of the plan that you would like assistance implementing through NEXT?

The City of Waukegan Washington Street Commercial Corridor Plan, which is a CMAP-created plan in October of 2014, adopted by the City in 2016 and readopted as part of the City's 2020 Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

Was the plan adopted by your municipality and codified within an ordinance within the past 5 years?

Yes

What is the goal of this plan / What are you looking to accomplish?

Washington Street in Waukegan is lined with numerous local businesses and is an important corridor for the economic, transportation, and cultural aspects of our city. The City recognizes that street improvements are an important component of ensuring the growth and success of this commercial corridor. The goal of the Plan is to create opportunities for business owners and other entrepreneurs and to generate entry-level jobs, workforce training opportunities, and convenient access to goods and services for neighborhood residents. Washington Street offers numerous opportunities to catalyze inclusive economic initiatives, allocate energy and resources to disinvested areas, and highlight an area with a diverse population and diversity of businesses.

The goal of our application to the NEXT program is to help the City implement the Plan. Current implementation projects have been piecemeal efforts to accomplish individual components. We believe NEXT will create a priority list of actionable projects and provide technical assistance that will empower the City to make meaningful progress on the tasks of the Plan. Implementation of the Washington Street Corridor Plan will support Waukegan's goals as well as the CMAP ON TO 2050 principles.

The City is applying for an ADA Transition Plan as our first priority, and the NEXT program as a secondary priority. We believe the two applications together will help achieve goals of both programs.

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?

Yes

Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:

Yes

Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements:

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison CMAP newsletter RTA newsletter
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff Meeting with call for projects team to discuss a project Technical assistance flow chart
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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application form.)	For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan
	application form.)	

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

No

Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?

Yes

If yes, what year was it last updated?

circa 1994

If yes, how do you use your ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	It is sorely outdated and we have not been using it, except to ensure basic compliance when renovating buildings and following requirements when paving streets, etc.
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	Yes
If yes, provide their name, email, and phone number:	John Duguay, jduguay@wheaton.il.us, 630-260-2033
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	Yes
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	Yes
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	We are in the process of building via GIS a system identifying sidewalks at intersections and counting accessible spaces in our downtown blocks
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	Renovation of our Administrative offices, Police/Fire Locker rooms, PD Detective general offices
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Training Technical support developing the documents
What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 3 Funding = 1 Time = 2
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Instructional videos Web page FAQ
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

Study area are the Boundaries of the City. Butterfield Rd, Roosevelt Rd and Geneva Rd are all major E/W roads through Wheaton. UPRR / Metra line bisects the City's downtown. Illinois Prairie Path follows the RR tracks

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?	No
In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)	Connect to the regional trail system Identify strategies for pedestrian crossings Study problematic intersections
Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?	Yes
If yes, please describe:	Residents of Marian Park apartments (2126 W. Roosevelt Rd) find it difficult and sometimes dangerous crossing Roosevelt Rd in order to get to Target/Kohl's stores across the street and a short distance away. There is also affordable housing vicinity Lorraine St at Roosevelt that is lacking clear bike pathways for shopping.
Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community:	We are currently taking a systematic look at our pick-up and drop-off plans for our schools. Bicyclists and pedestrians are part of what we want to consider
Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the	Yes
community?	
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?	Recently completed our Downtown Streetscape Project which provides some signage to the Illinois Prairie Path. We renovated the Wheaton Avenue Ped/Bike tunnel which goes under Roosevelt Road and "should" help to connect the residents north and south of Roosevelt. We've attempted to get signage on Roosevelt Rd, but our requests by IDOT have been denied.
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle	some signage to the Illinois Prairie Path. We renovated the Wheaton Avenue Ped/Bike tunnel which goes under Roosevelt Road and "should" help to connect the residents north and south of Roosevelt. We've attempted to get signage on Roosevelt Rd, but our requests by IDOT have
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Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements:

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Instructional videos Web page FAQ
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Very easy

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Neighborhood Mobility Improvement and Mobility Hub Plan

Neighborhood Mobility Improvement and Mobility Hub Plan

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify who has roadway jurisdiction and where mobility improvements or a mobility hub are needed:

The proposed study area will utilize Village owned parcels and the right of way along the Metra North Central Service Line (a Canadian National line) to better connect the existing Wheeling Metra Station with Dundee Road (IDOT) to the north so as to better access Pace Route 234, and Wheeling Road to the south to connect with a newly completed 55 unit affordable workforce housing development (Union Apartments) to the south through pedestrian infrastructure improvements.

What existing transportation services already exist in the study area? (Name rail stations, bus routes, bike share, car share, etc.)

Metra North Central Service Line Pace Bus Route 234

What existing plan, if applicable, will this plan build from or be an update to? (Include link to plan)	This implementation plan would build upon the findings and recommendations of both the Active Transportation Plan (approved in 2013) and the Station Area Plan (approved in 2019) both of these plans can be found at the following link to the Village of Wheeling Comprehensive Planning page on our website https://www.wheelingil.gov/175/Comprehensive-Plan
What is the goal of this plan? What mobility challenges are you looking to resolve?	The goal of this implementation plan is to better connect the Village of Wheeling transportation assets with recently completed affordable workforce housing, the Village Town Center, and Heritage Park & Community Recreation Center
What are the primary mobility concerns to be addressed with this plan? (Select all that apply)	Pedestrian infrastructure (sidewalks, crossings, etc.)
The RTA strives to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and policy?	
Is there any additional information you want us to know?	No
Please upload a map of the proposed study area:	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16093971909
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Neither easy nor difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Update an existing plan

If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:

ADA Transition Plan (adopted 1992):

https://vowilmette-my.sharepoint.com/:f:/g/personal/kearneyr_wilmette_com/Eu8gi9muRrRCoxvGRucOnp0B2VOqDXxMZY5EFAk7cKNsyw?e=ffevr9Comprehensive Plan (draft 3/12/2024):

https://vowilmette-my.sharepoint.com/:f:/g/personal/kearneyr_wilmette_com/EmrKXtvloylFqR_0Av6saTYBFuXlvLYeRMu_ygjNKsqlhA?e=uk9gpv Master Bike and Active Transporation Plan (adopted 2/23/2021): https://vowilmette-my.sharepoint.com/:f:/g/personal/kearneyr_wilmette_com/

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Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	Yes
If yes, what year was it last updated?	1992
If yes, how do you use your ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?	Identified improvements for accessibility and complied with Title II obligations of the ADA.
Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	Yes
If yes, provide their name, email, and phone number:	Erik Hallgren, Assistant Village Manager, hallgrene@wilmette.com, 847-853-7638
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	Yes
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	Yes
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA self-evaluation and transition planning?	ADA Transition Plan (1992), GIS, budget planning pages for Capital Improvement Programs.
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	Capital Improvement Programs (concrete flatwork maintenance and street rehabilitations), Master Bike and Active Transporation Plan implementation, and Comprehensive Plan development.
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Technical support developing the documents

What is the biggest challenge for your Knowledge = 1 community in ADA planning and Funding = 2implementation? Please rank the Time = 3following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once. Would your community be open to Yes pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project? Please tell us if you have reviewed the Yes contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated: Please indicate your agreement to these Yes requirements: **Closing Questions**

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Website Other: PAVER Training Course sponsored by CMAP
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ Technical assistance flow chart
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Neither easy nor difficult

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate	Pavement Management Plan

Pavement Management Plan

pavement management system?

application form.)

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Are you seeking assistance with:	A new plan
Please describe previous pavement management activities that you have made. Describe any actions you have taken to implement previous pavement management plans and whether your efforts were successful or not:	A Street Sufficiency Study is performed typically every 5 years. The results are used to prioritize resurfacing projects as well as preventative maintenance activities including patching, crack sealing, and pavement rejuvenation.
Does the community currently maintain and update data in an established	No

Which municipal department(s) and/or staff will oversee the Pavement Management Plan assigned?	Public Works administrative staff.
Does the community currently have an engineer on staff?	No
What is the approximate number of center-line miles in your local street network (maintained by your agency)?	48.
Does the community currently prioritize pavement maintenance and/or preservation projects?	Yes
How are roadway improvement projects prioritized (i.e. worst first, minimize lifecycle costs {pavement /asset management system}, advisory board selection, or other approach)?	Minimize lifecycle costs.
What is your annual budget for local roadway maintenance and rehabilitation projects? What are the sources of that funding (i.e., Motor Fuel Tax, general revenue, CDBG, etc.)?	\$500,000 to \$750,000. General revenues.
Are staff interested in PAVER software training?	Yes
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison CMAP newsletter
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Technical assistance flow chart

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Implement a recommendation from an existing plan

If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:

Woodstock, founded in 1844, currently is updating a Comprehensive Plan that recommends improving the sidewalk system. Woodstock's current system developed ad hoc, built as part of new developments with no mechanism for filling gaps or upgrading to meet current design standards. In fact, some subdivisions were built with sidewalks on only one side of the street; others, no sidewalks at all. In the historic district, stairs at intersections are major barriers for the disabled.

A Comprehensive Plan draft can be found here: https://woodstock-il-comprehensive-plan-hlplanning.hub.arcgis.com/

Do you currently have an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?

Yes

If yes, what year was it last updated?

Unfortunately, Woodstock's current American With Disabilities Act Transition Plan isn't dated. However, Woodstock's Transition Plan ADA Coordinator estimates that the plan was developed about eight or nine years ago.

Goals for an updated plan, much as goals in the outdated plan, include:

- ? Identify facilities that currently have physical obstacles that limit accessibility.
- ? Describe methods to make the identified facilities accessible.
- ? Identify construction grant funding that will help the City achieve accessibility.

If yes, how do you use your ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?

Woodstock uses its transition plan as much as possible to push toward Woodstock's ultimate goal of achieving a city-wide active transportation network. Residents consistently rank walkability and bike routes as top concerns when surveyed by the City's marketing team each year. Also, along with other factors such as cost and resident input, the transition plan is used to determine which non-compliant sidewalks should be given priority. (Please note: As used here, walkability includes non-ambulatory forms of mobility, such as use of a wheelchair.)

If no, what is the biggest barrier to producing an ADA self-evaluation and transition plan?

The biggest barrier to updating Woodstock's ADA-self-evaluation and transition plan is staff capacity. However, staff realizes that an updated transition plan will assist when applying for grant funding. Getting grant funding, will then help Woodstock achieve its ultimate goal of an active transportation network that incorporates an ADA-compliant sidewalk system. As envisioned, an active transportation network will greatly benefit Woodstock's roughly 25,650 residents in their health goals-foremost, the 496 community members with disabilities (1,073 ambulatory; 902, hearing; and 496, vision).

Do you have an ADA Coordinator?	Yes
If yes, provide their name, email, and phone number:	For employee-related ADA issues:
	HR Director Debbie Schober, MS, SPHR, CLRP dschober@woodstockil.gov
	815-338-4300
Do you have a notice to the public of their rights under the ADA posted in a public location in the community?	Yes
Do you have a grievance procedure in place regarding accessibility?	Yes
What data are available to your community that could be used for ADA	The City has:An Excel spreadsheet from 2012 created by student engineers from
self-evaluation and transition planning?	Woodstock District 200 who used Google Earth to document sidewalk gaps.
	An inventory taken as part of Woodstock's outdated transition plan that plots the location of intersections that have sets of stairs that pose problems for residents with mobility issues as well as those pushing baby strollers.
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to accessibility planning for persons with disabilities?	City engineers recently developed preliminary plans for an ADA-compliant sidewalk system around the City's century-old Olson Park, which covers a city block and lacks sidewalks on three sides. The City has received unofficial word that it has been awarded local grant funding to construct the project, to be completed by summer 2025IL Hwy. 47 widening between U.S. 14 and IL 120 has been funded by IDOT and will include intersection and ADA improvements. A shared use-path will run along the east side of the roadway the entire length of the project. IDOT anticipates letting in September.
What type of support does your community need to create or update a self-evaluation and transition plan? (Select all that apply)	Technical support developing the documents
What is the biggest challenge for your community in ADA planning and implementation? Please rank the following from 1 to 3 (with 3 being the most important), using each number once.	Knowledge = 1 Funding = 3 Time = 2

Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Website
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Web page FAQ Meeting with call for projects team to discuss a project
How difficult was it to fill out this application?	Somewhat easy

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Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

Provide the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify if the study area spans multiple jurisdictions and include any existing public transit services, greenways, or trails that are in the study area:

The City of Woodstock (COW), a far-flung Chicago suburb covering about 13.5 square miles, requests technical assistance for a bike/pedestrian plan that will eliminate barriers for residents with limited mobility and enhance and encourage bicycling and walking for commuting, recreation and utilitarian trips. The project will primarily be limited to the city's jurisdiction but will connect residents to a regional trail as well as transit services that will broaden employment opportunities for carless residents.

BOUNDARIES: Woodstock lies at the center of McHenry County. Its city limits weave in and out but at the farthest touch Charles Road to the north, Country Club Road to the east, Lucas to the south and Rose Farm to the west. U.S. Hwy. 14 and Illinois Hwys. 47 and 120 crisscross the City. Huntley is roughly 11 miles to the south; Crystal Lake about six miles southeast; Harvard about 12 miles northwest; and McHenry about 12 miles northeast. It's about 20 miles from Illinois' northern border with Wisconsin. It has agricultural roots with many farm fields still surrounding it, but suburbia is fast encroaching, especially from the east.

TRAILS/TRANSIT SERVICES: A priority bike route through Woodstock would begin/end at the Metra train station at 90 Church St., wind around the historic Woodstock Square and travel along Dean and Fremont Streets to Lake Avenue, connecting to McHenry County Conservation District's Ridgefield Trace Trail, a 7.5-mile multi-use path that runs along U.S. Hwy. 14. The Trace connects to MCCD's Prairie Trail, which spans the length of McHenry County and is part of the 500-mile Grand Illinois Trail.

Transit service besides Metra includes Pace Suburban Bus. Route 807 connects Woodstock and McHenry and has stops in Woodstock at the Metra station, McHenry County Courthouse (2200 N Seminary Ave.) and Marian Central High School (1001 McHenry Ave.). Route 808 provides weekday rush hour service between Crystal Lake and Harvard with stops in Woodstock at the Metra station and Northwestern's medical center (3701 Doty Rd. and just off the Trace Trail). McRide Dial-A-Ride Service is offered through a partnership with Pace, McHenry County and various municipalities.

PLAN GOALS: Currently, Woodstock has minimal bike infrastructure. Its sidewalk system has many gaps. Most errands require a car. Stairs at intersections pose barriers for residents with limited mobility. However, Woodstock envisions an active transportation system that will benefit residents with disabilities and will encourage residents to move freely without a car. It will allow residents health benefits as well as a no-cost, active and safe way to connect to:

- ? Woodstock's Metra station-Connecting carless residents to the train and Pace buses will help increase their mobility, thereby increasing their employment opportunities.
- ? A planned multi-use path-IDOT anticipates that it will start widening IL Hwy. 47 this fall and will add a multi-use path along the heavily traveled

transit corridor.

promotes psychological well-being.

? MCCD's Ridgefield Trace-Eleven of Woodstock's top employers are located along or just off of MCCD's multi-use trail but there are no bike routes in Woodstock neighborhoods that connect workers to the trail.
? Public and private schools-Research shows that regular physical activity helps children and adolescents build and maintain healthy bones and

muscles, reduces the risk of developing obesity and chronic diseases and

? Recreation facilities-Woodstock has 24 parks and conservation areas that provide various outdoor recreation and stress-relieving opportunities. ? A planned transit-oriented development-City officials are currently working to develop a 375-unit complex that will have affordable units for families and seniors as well as a senior-care building. An active transportation network would connect the development to greater Woodstock and its stores, conservation areas, parks, restaurants and businesses.

Woodstock believes a well-developed plan will help City officials understand the complexities of ADA compliance in a community with narrow, high-use roadways; somewhat hilly terrain; and a district listed on the National Register of Historic Places. It will also help the City achieve walkability-a consistent top concern on Woodstock's annual community survey. In addition, residents have long requested a biking system as a transportation option as indicated by two separate reports presented to City Council. One by a now-disbanded volunteer Transportation Commission in 2009 and another by a student group in 2016.

pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?	
If yes, will the proposed project:	Build off an existing plan
If so, please list the name of the plan(s) here and provide a link:	Woodstock currently is developing a new comprehensive plan that includes information on bike/pedestrian facilities (pgs.52-55) that can be used as a starting point for a comprehensive bike/pedestrian plan. A draft of City of Woodstock Comprehensive Plan can be found here: https://woodstock-il-comprehensive-plan-hlplanning.hub.arcgis.com/
	McHenry County Connection Plan was created in 2022. This plan provides guidance to McHenry County Council of Mayors and its partner jurisdictions: https://www.mchenrycountyil.gov/departments/transportation/transportation-plans-programs/bicycle-pedestrian-plan
In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)	Connect to the regional trail system Create a stronger presence of active transportation advocates in the community Identify potential funding sources to implement recommendations
Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?	Yes
If yes, please describe:	Woodstock Census Tracts 8709.05 and 8709.03 are in older neighborhoods at town center with limited transit access and have high national rankings for limited English proficiency: 82nd percentile in 8709.05; the 63rd. percentile in 8709.03.
	Other findings: Census Tract 8709.05 ranks in the 73rd percentile for asthma prevalence and the 54th percentile for transportation cost burden. An estimated 11.90% of households in tract 8709.05 and 9.40% in tract 8709.03 do not own vehicles.
Describe any current bicycle or pedestrian focused initiatives happening in your community:	Last June, newly rebuilt Dean Street became COW's first concentrated effort at developing well-identified bike lanes along city streets. Dean now has bike lanes and sharrows (markings indicating a shared road) from U.S. Hwy. 14 north about 1.07 miles to South Street. Most residents attending a public hearing about the Dean Street-striping project commented favorably, most pushing for a more extensive network of bike lanes.

Have there been any long-range plans

(i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle

Yes

Is your existing bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure used by the community?	No
If not, why? (Select all that apply)	Inadequate facilities Lack of connections Lighting
What projects have your community recently completed, or are currently working on, that are relevant to bicycle and/or pedestrian planning?	? IDOT will construct a multi-use path along IL 47 when it widens about 2.3 miles of the highly used transportation corridor. The path will connect users to shopping, medical care, and more. The City anticipates Sept. 2024 letting. ? The City recently developed a preliminary engineering plan and has been informed informally that it will receive CDBG funding for an ADA-compliant sidewalk system around century-old Olson Park. The project is a beginning step in Woodstock's long-term goal to achieve walkability throughout the City-a consistent top request in Woodstock's annual community survey.
What data are available to your community that could be used for bicycle and pedestrian planning?	? A City Council presentation developed by Woodstock engineering students in 2016 studied the feasibility of a bike rental project. For the study, students surveyed Woodstock streets to determine which would be suitable for biking. ? A plan developed in 2019 by a volunteer transportation commission mapped a vision of a biking network. ? An outdated ADA Transition Plan from about 2015-2016 lists sidewalk gaps and stairs at intersections that pose barriers for residents with disabilities and parents pushing strollers.
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Website

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)

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Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Corridor Plan

Corridor Plan

Please upload a map of the proposed study area:

https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16105582382

Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify who has roadway jurisdiction and if the study area spans multiple transit services, greenways, or trails.

The proposed study area is comprised a 1.25-mile strip of Illinois Route 47 on the east side of Woodstock. It includes all properties taking access off the the highway with depths ranging from 100 feet to 1,000 feet, as well as the McHenry County Fairgrounds entrance. It begins at the UP-NW Railroad overpass to the south and ends at the intersection with Illinois Route 120 at the north. Roadway jurisdiction is held by IDOT, with all cross jurisdictions and include existing public streets under the jurisdiction of the City of Woodstock.

Have there been any long-range plans (i.e., comprehensive plan, bicycle pedestrian plan, land use plan, transportation plan, etc.) created within the last five years that include the proposed study area?

Yes

If yes, will the proposed project:

Implement a recommendation from an existing plan

here and provide a link:

If yes, please list the name of the plan(s) The City of Woodstock Comprehensive Plan (2024) is on track for adoption in May. https://www.woodstockil.gov/DocumentCenter/View/2869

What is the goal of this plan? What are you looking to accomplish?

The during the development of the latest Comprehensive Plan, the City came to the conclusion that the auto-centric Route 47 commercial corridor is not providing for the future needs of the community on two fronts. The first is regarding interconnectivity and placemaking. IDOT is about to begin a widening that will include an off-street bike/pedestrian route and sidewalks. However, more work is required to create points of connection between population areas and commercial areas. Also, the large setbacks of the buildings along the corridor, the auto-centric environment, and the lack of bike parking facilities, will continue to discourage people walking or biking. We are looking for recommendations in the plan to help bring businesses closer to the street with better designed connections for bicyclists and pedestrians. The second goal, is to evaluate the suitability of the corridor for multifamily and mixed-use developments. The Comprehensive Plan includes recommendations to bring more people closer to the goods and services they need (p.23 "Commercial Corridors" & p.31 "Multifamily Development Along Commercial Corridors"). However, it also recognizes that such a study and recommendations from it were beyond the scope of the plan. It calls for a corridor plan to better examine what changes to the City's zoning process and project review criteria would allow for this type of flexibility. Because the City is looking to amend/rewrite the zoning code in the coming fiscal year, there will be ample opportunity to codify whatever planning recommendations come out of the proposed corridor plan.

In addition to those outcomes, what are the priority goals you would like the plan to address? (Choose up to three)	Broaden diversity in housing choices Attract investment and development
What are the priority traffic safety challenges that need to be addressed in the area? (Select all that apply)	Bicycle and pedestrian facilities
Describe your coordination when developing this application with the roadway agency and other municipalities located along the corridor:	The primary focus of the corridor plan will be on how to best leverage the improvements IDOT is making to Route 47. Efforts will primarily impact how property is designed and used along the corridor through Woodstock.
What are your priority economic development outcomes in creating the proposed corridor plan? (Select all that apply)	Attract new retail development Attract new jobs
Are there flooding challenges in the proposed study area?	No
Does the proposed project benefit groups who have been historically disadvantaged, or residents with limited proficiency in English?	Yes
If yes, please describe:	The populations in Woodstock Census Tracts 8709.05 and 8709.03 and abutting the corridor are mostly older neighborhoods with limited transit access and which have high national rankings for limited English proficiency: 82nd percentile in 8709.05; the 63rd. percentile in 8709.03.
	Other findings: Census Tract 8709.05 ranks in the 73rd percentile for asthma prevalence and the 54th percentile for transportation cost burden. An estimated 11.90% of households in tract 8709.05 and 9.40% in tract 8709.03 do not own vehicles.
Please identify any community organizations or other key partners who will be involved in the planning process:	The City will look to engage with its citizens and business community, including the Woodstock Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the Northwest Illinois Alliance of Realtors, to better understand the needs of the community, the changes needed to make the corridor a better place to be when not in a vehicle, and the capacity and trends in the market for more residential and mixed-use developments in this commercial corridor.

The RTA and CMAP strive to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA or CMAP to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and policy?	Yes
Is there any additional information you want us to know?	This is a new focus for Woodstock that is just getting off the ground. There is a window of opportunity to codify the recommendations of a corridor plan into an updated zoning and development ordinance, which is planned to begin in the coming fiscal year. Reimagining Route 47 as a place where people not only shop, but also live, work, walk, and bike, is an opportunity to change the character of the City, provide more equitable access to services by the community, and increase the health and safety of the community.
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Other: I have made and had approved previous applications for another jurisdiction. I have long been aware of the program.
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that	Web page FAQ

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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.)	Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

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With the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) No assistance, CMAP works with communities to build their capacity to identify, prioritize and program for design and construction of capital projects. Does your community already have a multi-year CIP?

Communities receiving CIP technical assistance may have certain information available at the start of the project. Which of the following information does your community have readily available? (Select all that apply)	Full or partial asset inventory (facilities, capital equipment, transportation infrastructure, sewer/water/stormwater infrastructure). Assets may be listed as part of insurance documentation. Condition assessment of assets and / or any rate studies (may not have this for all assets). List of previously approved capital projects and their current status. Capital budget(s) for the past 3 years and budget forecasts for the next 5
	years.
Does your community currently have an asset inventory and conditions assessment of all capital infrastructure?	No
Would your community be open to pursuing the advancement of equity as it relates to this project?	Yes
Please tell us if you have reviewed the contribution schedule above and understand that if selected, your community will be required to pay the contribution amount indicated:	Yes
Please indicate your agreement to these requirements:	Yes
Closing Questions	
How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply)	Email from my CMAP local government network (LGN) liaison Other: Knowledge of LTA grants through a completed Pavement Management Plan in 2018.or the Village of Worth.
What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply)	Instructional videos Technical assistance flow chart

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