



CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
CITY OF CHICAGO

October 30, 2018

Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning
233 S. Wacker Dr. Suite 800
Chicago, IL 60606

RE: CMAP Local Technical Assistance Program and RTA Community Planning Program

Dear Application Review Committee,


I am writing on behalf of the Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT) to share our support for Elevated Chicago's application for the CMAP Local Technical Assistance and RTA Community Planning Program. This proposal requests technical assistance for the development of a plan to improve the safety around and perceptions of CTA transit stations, aligned with the Elevated Chicago Workplan.

CDOT engages and collaborates with Elevated Chicago in several ways. CDOT representatives sit on Elevated Chicago's Capital and Programs Working Group, supporting alignment of cross-sector resources and advancing the work of Elevated Chicago. I also sit on the Leadership Council that is working to advance diversity, equity, and inclusion; coordinate resources across both the public and private sector; and advance policy solutions that create more equitable community and economic development across the city.

CDOT is committed to continuing to partner with and support Elevated Chicago to implement systemic interventions and innovations to improve the safety of our streets and transit system. We strongly encourage your support of Elevated Chicago's application for technical assistance. The potential footprint of these interventions could have measurable impacts on the health, quality of life, and vitality of disinvested communities across Chicago.

Sincerely,

Rebekah Scheinfeld
Commissioner
Chicago Department of Transportation

Cc: Kevin O'Malley, CDOT
Luann Hamilton, CDOT 
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
CITY OF CHICAGO

October 24, 2018

Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning
233 S. Wacker Dr. Suite 800
Chicago, IL 60606

Regional Transportation Authority
175 W Jackson Blvd
Chicago, IL 60604

Dear Application Review Committee,

I am writing on behalf of the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) to share our support for Elevated Chicago's application for the CMAP Local Technical Assistance and RTA Community Planning Program. This proposal requests technical assistance for the development of a plan to improve the safety around and perceptions of CTA transit stations, aligned with the Elevated Chicago Workplan.

CDPH engages and collaborates with Elevated Chicago in several ways. We are a partner and member of the Elevated Chicago Steering Committee and representatives from CDPH sit on all of the Elevated Chicago Working Groups. Among other tasks, our work supports the development of Elevated Chicago's data and metrics, as well as ensures that a health equity lens is applied to all of Elevated's projects and programs to address the root causes of health. I also co-chair the Leadership Council that is working to advance diversity, equity and inclusion; coordinate resources across both the public and private sector; and advance policy solutions that create more equitable community and economic development across the city. In addition, CDPH has utilized Elevated Chicago as a platform for increased community engagement and expanding partnerships.

The goals of this proposal align with Healthy Chicago 2.0, the citywide plan to promote health equity, particularly as it relates to violence prevention and improving Chicago's built environment and transportation so that residents can live well in healthy communities. CDPH is committed to continuing to partner with and support Elevated Chicago to implement systemic innovations to equity and resilience in Chicago's most vulnerable communities.

We strongly encourage your support for the Elevated Chicago application for technical assistance. The potential footprint of these interventions could have a measurable impact on the health, quality of life, and vitality of disinvested communities across Chicago.

Sincerely,



Julie Morita, MD
Commissioner