2016 CALL FOR PROJECTS

Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

Regional Transportation Authority

Healthy HotSpot

Partnerships for Healthy Living
CMAP’s Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Program

Started in 2010, CMAP has initiated over 160 local projects with local governments, nonprofits, and intergovernmental organizations.

The goal is to implement GO TO 2040 at the local level.
LTA Program

Eligible applicants: local governments, multijurisdictional groups, and nonprofit organizations**

** nonprofits must demonstrate local government support

Eligible projects address transportation, land use, housing, natural environment, economic development, community development, health, water resources, local food, arts and culture, and others

Can be either staff assistance or consultant assistance
Project Types
Comprehensive plans
Multijurisdictional projects
Downtown / subarea plans
Corridor plans
Zoning ordinances
Housing plans
Water resources plans
Selection Criteria

Eligibility: Must be located in the 7-county region, eligible applicant

Criteria:
Alignment with GO TO 2040
Feasibility and ability to implement
County, COG, and transit service board feedback
Interjurisdictional coordination & partner involvement
Community need (median income, tax base, size)
Geographic balance
Local Match Requirement

Standard match rate is 20%, but lower match rates (5%, 10%, 15%) are possible

Communities are *not* required to have match in hand at time of application – but it needs to be secured before project start

Call CMAP with questions, or for match rates
Example: Park Forest sustainability plan

Addresses development patterns, transportation, open space, water, energy, greenhouse gas emissions, local food, health, housing, education, and arts

Recognized with APA and CNU awards

Followed by update to Unified Development Ordinance

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Table 2B. Implementation matrix

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<th>STRATEGY</th>
<th>LEAD &amp; PARTNERS</th>
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<th>RESOURCES</th>
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<td>1. Reduce the community's annual vehicle miles traveled (VMT).</td>
<td>VPF</td>
<td>Long-term</td>
<td>VTPI report</td>
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<td>2. Work with Pace to explore improved service and additional transit amenities.</td>
<td>VPF, Pace, Rich &amp; Bloom Townships</td>
<td>Long-term</td>
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<td>3. Expand Jolly Trolley service.</td>
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<td>Mid-term</td>
<td>Pace purchasing department</td>
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<td>4. Develop a public marketing campaign to promote transportation alternatives.</td>
<td>VPF PIO/SC, Environment Commission</td>
<td>Immediate</td>
<td>FTA's Individualized Marketing Demonstration Program</td>
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<td>5. Establish car sharing services at Metra stations and other key locations around the Village.</td>
<td>VPF, Metra</td>
<td>Mid-term</td>
<td>I-GO car sharing: Zipcar car sharing</td>
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<td>6. Encourage the use of fuel-efficient vehicles by providing needed infrastructure.</td>
<td>VPF</td>
<td>Mid-term</td>
<td>National Complete Streets Coalition</td>
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<td>7. Create street types appropriate for Village context areas.</td>
<td>VPF DPW</td>
<td>Short-term</td>
<td>Oak Park, IL</td>
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<td>8. Continue to evaluate the Village's Capital Plan to ensure sustainable transportation improvements.</td>
<td>VPF DPW &amp; DF</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>Oak Park, IL</td>
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<td>9. Create a bicycle routes plan that establishes criteria for new bike lanes and trails.</td>
<td>VPF DPW, Bicycle Advocacy Committee</td>
<td>Mid-term</td>
<td>Active Transportation Alliance</td>
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<td>10. Explore bicycle parking requirements for new developments.</td>
<td>VPF DEEDP</td>
<td>Short-term</td>
<td>LEED-ND NPD Credit 5 for standards</td>
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<td>11. Improve walkability and pedestrian safety throughout the community.</td>
<td>VPF DCD &amp; FD, school districts</td>
<td>Ongoing</td>
<td>Illinois Safe Routes to School</td>
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1. VPF = Village of Park Forest; PIO = Public Information Officer; SC = Sustainability Coordinator; DEEDP = Department of Economic Development and Planning; DPW = Department of Public Works; DCD = Department of Community Development; PD = Police Department; DF = Finance Department.
2. When implementation should occur: Short-term, 0-2 years; Mid-term, 4-6 years; Long-term, 7+ years; Immediate = as soon as funding/staff time is available.
3. Links and further resources and case studies may be found in Appendix A.
Example: South Elgin bicycle and pedestrian plan

Builds on recently-completed comprehensive plan, recognizing connection of walking and biking to health, safety, and neighborhood strength.

Recognized with CNU award – led by consultant, Sam Schwartz Engineering.

Followed by update to Unified Development Ordinance.
Model Toolkits and Ordinances

Projects that implement recent model toolkits produced by CMAP are also welcome.

And others, on CMAP’s website: www.cmap.illinois.gov/programs-and-resources/local-ordinances-toolkits
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
COMMUNITY PLANNING PROGRAM

Eligible Applicants
- Local Governments in Six-County Region
- Service Boards

Eligible Projects
- Planning Projects
- Implementation Projects

Details
- Since 1998 over 150 studies
- Local Match
- Consultant and Staff Assistance
Planning Projects

- Transit-Oriented Development
- Transit Access Improvement
- Transit Service Improvement
- Corridor Plans
Implementation Projects

- Ordinances
- Developer Panels
- Pedestrian Access Plans
- Innovative Projects
PROJECT SELECTION

Screening Criteria

- Location in 6-County RTA Service Area
- Eligible Applicant
- Eligible Project Type
- Non-Duplicative Project

All Projects

- Implementation Potential
- Alignment with GoTo 2040 and Regional Transit Strategic Plan
- Service Board Support
- Implementation of Existing Plan
- Priority to Previous Grantees
- Existing Transit System
Active Transportation Planning Assistance

- CDC grant funding for Partnerships to Improve Community Health (PICH)
- Continuation of Cook County Department of Public Health’s Model Communities Program and Alliance for a Healthy and Active Community (AHAC) coalition
- Active Transportation Alliance is subcontractor charged with increasing opportunities for physical activity
Healthy HotSpot

• What is a Healthy HotSpot?
  – An initiative led by the Cook County Department of Public Health aiming to make suburban Cook County healthier

• Why Suburban Cook County?
  – More than 1 in 4 adults are obese
  – Childhood obesity is higher than national averages
  – Seven out of 10 suburban Cook County adults and 1 out of 2 youth in high school do not meet the recommended standard for physical activity
Technical Assistance

Services Available

• Community and steering committee engagement
• Active transportation plan development
• Implementation assistance

Requirements

• Recruit steering committee members
• Devote staff time to help facilitate planning activities
• Secure a public meeting space
• Adopt the plan
Eligibility and Selection Criteria

• Active transportation (bike and ped) plans only
• Suburban Cook county communities
  – Priority on 33 Healthy HotSpot communities
• Only new plans
• Communities can submit multiple applications
• No local match required
Application Submittal

Joint application available at: www.rtachicago.org/applications

E-mail applications to: applications@rtachicago.org

More than one file, create PDF

Will receive e-mail confirmation that application was received
## Program Timeline

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<td><strong>May 1</strong></td>
<td>Call for projects released</td>
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<td><strong>June 11</strong></td>
<td>If transit-related project, contact made to transit agency for letter of support</td>
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<td><strong>June 25</strong></td>
<td>Applications due before Noon CST</td>
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<td><strong>July</strong></td>
<td>RTA / CMAP / CCDPH staff notify applicants which agency will evaluate their application</td>
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<td><strong>July-August</strong></td>
<td>RTA / CMAP / CCDPH staff review projects, and contact applicants with additional questions on their application</td>
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<td><strong>September</strong></td>
<td>Preliminary project selection recommendations released</td>
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<td>RTA conducts a public comment period on recommended projects</td>
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<td><strong>October</strong></td>
<td>CMAP and CCDPH approve recommended projects; successful applicants notified</td>
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<td><strong>November</strong></td>
<td>RTA Board approves projects and funding for recommended projects; successful applicants notified</td>
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