

Newsletter



FUNDING UPDATES

CMAP 2026-2030 STP-Shared & CMAQ/TAP Call for Projects

Every two years, CMAP hosts a call for projects for the STP-Shared Fund, CMAQ, CRP, and TAP-L fund sources. The biannual call for projects is open until **December 20th at 5:00 p.m.**

- The STP-Shared Fund supports highways, bridges, transit, bicycle, and pedestrian projects,
- CMAQ supports air quality and congestion improvements,
- CRP supports the reduction of carbon dioxide emissions, and
- TAP-L supports non-motorized transportation.

Detailed information about eligibility, the application process, and FAQs can be found online, along with fact sheets for each fund source: [Call for Projects](#). CMAP also recorded an informative webinar: [CFP Webinar](#).

PROTECT Discretionary Grant Program

The Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Discretionary Grant Program promotes transportation infrastructure resiliency by strengthening surface transportation against natural hazards. The application period will close **February 24th**: [PROTECT Grant Program](#).

KANE COUNTY UPDATE

Kane County Safety Action Plan Public Engagement

As part of the Safe Streets and Roads for All program, CMAP has launched websites for each county-led safety action plan. The websites provide information on the project's timeline and any upcoming events. For the Kane County Safety Action Plan, the project team is asking our partners to give input by completing a survey and dropping pins on an interactive map where there are traffic safety concerns. As part of the project, the consultants have developed a draft High Injury Network which will be added to the online map. This network will help prioritize the most urgent traffic safety needs in Kane County. Members of the Steering Committee had an opportunity to provide feedback on the draft maps and having the input of our partners will be valuable. Look for more information once the map has been added to the Kane County Safety Action Plan [website](#).

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SAVE THE DATE

Nov	12	CMAP CoM Executive Committee
Nov	13	CMAP Board
Nov	22	CMAP Transportation Committee
Dec	3	KKCOM Full Council
Dec	5	CMAP STP PSC
Dec	5	CMAP CMAQ & TAP PSC
Dec	11	CMAP Board
Dec	11	CMAP United Work Program
Dec	20	CMAP Transportation Committee

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

KKCOM staff wishes you and your loved ones a safe and happy holiday season!



STATUS OF REBUILD ILLINOIS PROJECTS IN KANE COUNTY

Gov. JB Pritzker’s historic, bipartisan Rebuild Illinois capital program has a total of seven projects combined in Kane County representing a total investment of nearly \$107 million, improving safety and mobility throughout the county. The completion statuses of these projects are as follows:

- U.S. 20 at Illinois 31 bridge replacement – anticipated completion in early 2026,
- U.S. 20 from Nesler Road to Weld Road/Longcommon Parkway – completed in fall 2024,
- Illinois 47 from Jericho Road to south of Galena Road reconstruction – anticipated completion in fall 2029,
- U.S. 20 from Illinois 31 to east of Grace Street bridge replacement – anticipated completion in fall 2025,
- Illinois 47 from Cross Street to Jericho Road reconstruction – anticipated completion in late 2029,
- Illinois 25 at May Lane, Courier Avenue and Seminary Road channelization and culvert replacement – anticipated completion in fall 2025,
- Illinois 25 (Aurora Avenue) from north of Clearwater Drive to Hazel Avenue resurfacing – anticipated completion in fall 2025.

PARTNER UPDATES

IDOT 2026 Statewide Public Transportation Plan

IDOT has announced the launch of *Next Move Illinois*, a new statewide public transportation plan to create a strategic vision, recommend policies, make performance updates, and identify specific initiatives. This plan is the successor plan to the 2018 Illinois Statewide Public Transportation Plan. As part of the planning process, IDOT will update as well as elicit input from stakeholders including state and municipal agencies, elected officials, and the public in order to improve public transportation quality. A fact sheet as well as a link to an online questionnaire is here: [Next Move Illinois Survey](#). Questions or comments about the plan can be emailed to DOT.IllinoisTransitPlan@illinois.gov. Initial findings will be finished in Fall/Winter 2024, and a draft plan will be made public in Fall/Winter 2025.

Metra Proposed 2025 Budget

On October 10, 2024, Metra proposed a 2025 operating budget of \$1.135 billion with no changes to fares and reliance on strong sales tax revenues and dwindling federal covid-relief aid to cover the expected growth in expenses. Metra also proposed a \$366.4 million capital plan. Metra will be holding public hearings on the budget including a virtual hearing on November 6th and one at the Kane County Government Center on November 7th from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. The 2025 proposed budget can be viewed here: [2025 Metra Proposed Budget](#).

Pace Proposed 2025 Budget

On September 18th, 2024, Pace released its proposed 2025 budget at its Board of Directors’ meeting. The budget spells out the coming year’s plan for operating costs and capital investments. Highlights of the 2025 budget include a replete capital program and fully funded operational budgets for both fixed route and paratransit services, with no fare increases or reductions in service. The public will have the opportunity to learn about and comment on the budget starting on October 17, 2024, when Pace will hold a series of in-person and virtual public hearings to present its proposed 2025 Operating Budget, 2026-2027 Two-Year Financial Plan, and 2025-2029 Five-Year Capital Program: [2025 Proposed Pace Budget](#).

USDOT UPDATE

Comment Period Open for Proposed NHTSA Rule

The NHTSA proposed a [new rule](#) to reduce fatalities and serious injuries among pedestrians struck by vehicles. The proposed rule would establish a new Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard requiring new passenger vehicles be designed to reduce the risk of serious and fatal injuries in pedestrian crashes. The public comment period is open until **November 8th**. Comments can be posted on the Federal Regulations website: [Rulemaking Docket](#).

USDOT CLIMATE CHANGE WEBINAR DATES

There are three more USDOT hosted climate webinars on the horizon: November 14th, December 11th, and January 15th (2025). For more information as well as past webinars and slides, please visit: [USDOT Climate Change Webinar](#).

IDOT ADA/PROWAG DISTRICT TRAINING 2024

This fall/winter, IDOT is planning to conduct its next series of ADA/PROWAG (Public Right-of-Way Accessibility Guidelines) training. Training for municipality ADA Coordinators will be offered by CMAP in collaboration with IDOT and is tentatively scheduled for December 19th. More details will be provided closer to the date.



CMAP NEWS

Funding the Regional Transportation Plan

At the Transportation Committee's September 13 meeting, CMAP presented an update on the financial plan for the [2026 Regional Transportation Plan](#) (RTP). This plan will provide a financial basis for the RTP by demonstrating that enough funding resources are available to invest in the transportation system as recommended in the long-range plan. The financial plan will include: a forecast of baseline revenues and expenditures, allocating expenditures, and exploring financial scenarios. In the near term, CMAP staff will begin to develop draft forecasts for the financial plan. The final RTP plan will be completed October 2026.

Safe Travel for All Roadmap

CMAP's Safe Travel for All Roadmap (STAR) program continues to work to improve regional travel safety with assistance, resources and policy development. The Safe Streets and Roads for All Regional Safety Action Plan program, with county-led safety action plans across the region, is kicking off engagement activities. Six counties are participating in this federal-grant funded project. Most counties have launched steering committees and are beginning to table at and host engagement events. For further information, please visit: [Safe Travel For All Roadmap](#).

Accessible Communities Program

CMAP launched the Accessible Communities Program to help communities in northeastern Illinois improve accessibility for their residents and visitors with disabilities. Essential information about improving accessibility can be found on this CMAP webpage: [ADA Planning](#). CMAP's newest initiative in their Accessible Communities Program is the Regional ADA Coordinators Group. This group is for municipal ADA coordinators or other interested in learning more about this federally required role. The first meeting is scheduled for **November 19th, 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.** and will focus

on new guidelines for website and mobile application accessibility. The meeting will be offered in a hybrid format and registration is open until November 12th: [ADA Coordinators Meeting](#). Additionally, CMAP asks that ADA coordinators complete the following survey to gauge interest for future technical assistance and meeting topics: [ADA Coordinators Survey](#).

Regional Socioeconomic Forecast

CMAP produces a [socioeconomic forecast](#) every four years at both the regional and local level. These forecasts are vital because they provide valuable input that can be used to predict housing and travel demand, among other elements of regional planning. The forecast models births, deaths, migration, and jobs over a multiyear period. CMAP anticipated a draft of the regional plan will be available in Spring 2025 with a more final version in late 2025 ahead of a required completion date of October 2026. The local forecast will be developed later and is informed by a local forecast task force of representatives from each collar county. Results of these forecasts will be utilized in travel demand modeling which affects points awarded in project scoring.

Executive Director Erin Aleman Recognized

CMAP's Executive Director Erin Aleman was recognized for her leadership and service in October 2024 by the March of Dimes. She received the Leadership in the Public Sector award at the 2024 Construction and Transportation Awards Luncheon, an event that celebrates achievements, supports the March of Dimes' mission, and raises critical funds for research, advocacy, and community programs. Ms. Aleman said, "This award also reflects the commitment and dedication of the incredible team I work with at CMAP every day. It highlights the importance of the public and private sectors working in tandem to achieve meaningful progress, together."

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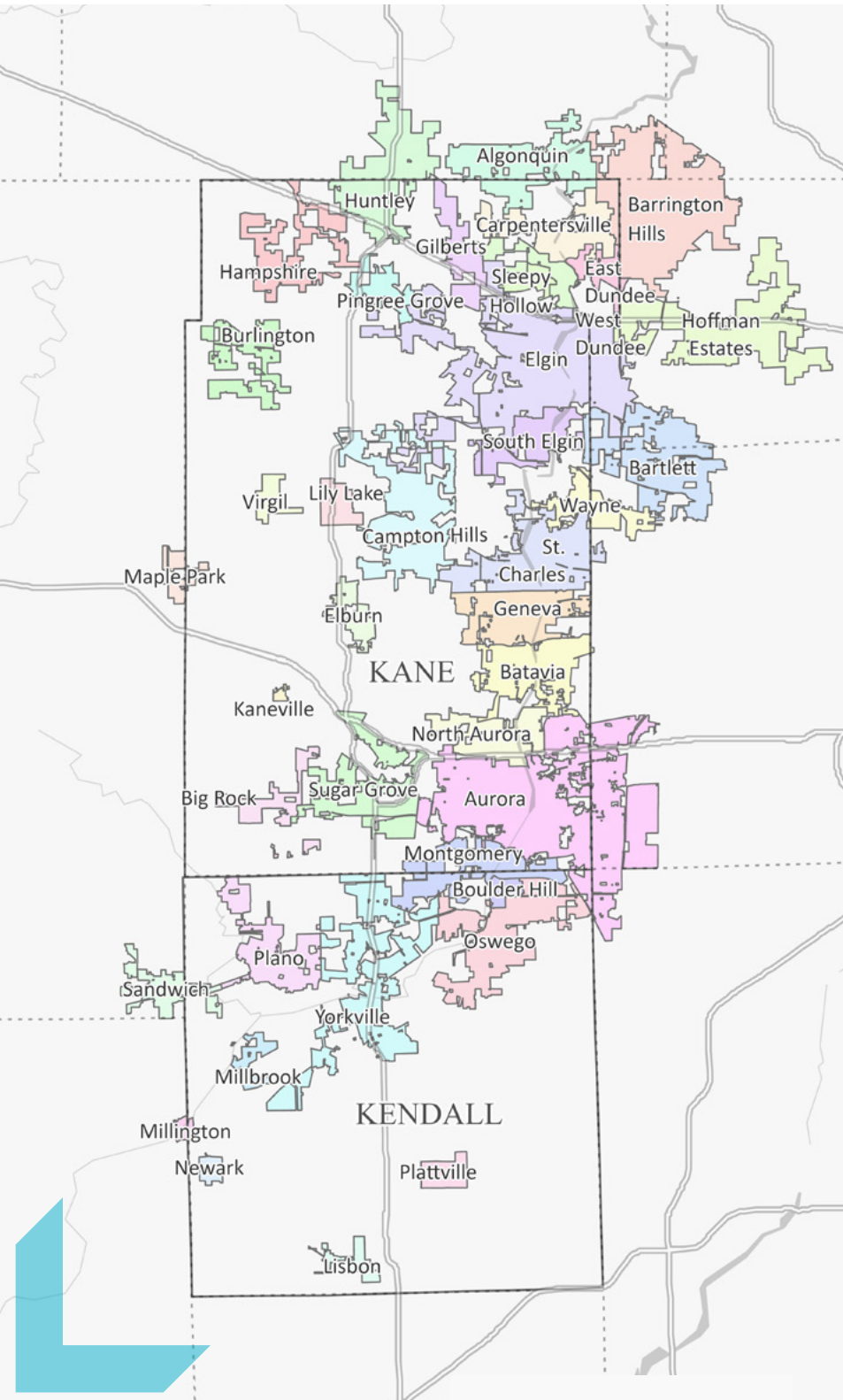
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