# KANE KENDALL COUNCIL OF MAYORS

# Newsletter



# **FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

#### KKCOM FY21-25 STP-L Call for Projects

The KKCOM FY21-25 STP-L Call for Projects is currently open until *March 15, 2020 at 11:59pm*. Potential sponsors still interested in applying should consult the memo produced by council staff, which contains all resources and preliminary instructions to kick-off the application process. Projects will be reviewed for completeness by council staff following the March 15th deadline. Project sponsors will be contacted for additional materials during this time period as applicable. A draft staff recommended program of projects is expected by **June 1, 2020** at the latest for a public comment period.

#### IDOT Statewide Planning and Research Funds Call for Projects 2020

IDOT's Statewide Planning and Research funds are used to support planning and research activities. Eligible activities include: Planning studies; Data purchase, collection, and/or analysis; Research activities; program development activities; Performance management activities and Coordination/outreach activities. The current call for projects closes on **March 13, 2020**. More information available on IDOT's <u>website</u>.

#### **RTA Access to Transit Call for Projects FY2020**

The RTA Access to Transit program seeks small-scale capital projects that improve access to the regional transit system for pedestrians and bicyclists. New for 2020, micromobility projects that improve access to transit and Phase 1 Engineering are now eligible project types. Prior project examples are available on the RTA website. The current program guide can be found here. The call for projects will open **March 13, 2020** and will conculde **May 8, 2020**.

#### **USDOT BUILD Grants FY2020**

The USDOT has opened the application period for the FY2020 BUILD Transportation grants program. For FY20, the funding level is \$1 Billion, and no more than 50% of available funding shall be allocated to either rural or urban classified areas. Up to \$15 million can be made available for preliminary work that does not result in a contstructed facility. Applications are due May 18, 2020 at 5 p.m. More information in the NOFO and IDOT <u>Circular Letter</u>.

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March 11	CMAP Board
March 12	CMAP MPO Policy Committee
March 15	KKCOM STP Call for Projects Deadline
March 17	National Shared Use Mobility Summit
April 3	CMAP Transportation Committee
April 8	CMAP Board Meeting
April 14	CMAP Council of Mayors Executive Committee
April 16	KKCOM Transportation Policy Committee
April 27	KKCOM ADA/PROWAG Seminar
April 30	CMAP STP Project Selection Committee
April 30	CMAP CMAQ Project Selection Commitee





Kane County has completed attorney review of the Master Services Agreement with Koloni, inc. Participating local public agencies are now entering their individual negotations with Koloni. With some variation, most agreements are expected prior to or around the **June 18th** Bike Share launch party (Location TBD). Koloni has presented several options for individual sponsors to tailor their portion of the system to suit their needs. KKCOM staff are excited to see which options participants select and look forward to seeing all interested at the launch party!

# **KANE COUNTY CYCLE CLUB UPDATES**

Registrants are being confirmed for the Kane County Cycle Club program, which is set to begin **April 13**, **2020** and conclude **May 15**, **2020**. Student participants will monitor their cycling time on a grade-based sliding scale. All participants who hit their established target will receive a free ticket to a Kane County Cougars game as well as a Windy City Bulls game in their upcoming seasons.

Two participating schools are hosting bike donation drives for those in need: Lily Lake Grade School (March 2, 2020 - May 1, 2020) HC Storm Elementary School (March 14, 2020 - 10:00am until 1:00pm)

### DCEO CAPITAL BILL GRANT FUNDING PROCESS

The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity is charged with distributing multiple grants through the state's capital bill program, Rebuild Illinois. The member initiative grants are prioritized and selected by the members of the General Assembly. If a municipality wants to be considered for a member initiative grant, they should contact their local legislators and highlight the importance of the project in their community. Other DCEO grant programs for public infrastructure, economic development, education, broadband development, emerging technologies, economically depressed areas and minority owned businesses will be chosen through a competitive application review. All DCEO grant announcements will be made through grants.illinois.gov.

As a reminder, CMAP staff produced a spreadsheet of all of the appropriations listed in Illinois House Bill 62 (including member initiative grants) which can be downloaded <u>here</u>.

## TRANSPORT CHICAGO CONFERENCE

Transport Chicago is an annual conference dedicated to the mission of improving transportation in the Chicago region and beyond. Originally conceived as a student-led forum, today Transport brings together seasoned experts and professionals of all ages for a one-day fun, engaging and semiformal conference setting. Every year, the goal is to ignite the conversation. Transport Chicago provides a platform to exchange ideas and knowledge and to build the relationships that are necessary to solve the complex transportation problems of today - and tomorrow. This year's conference will be held on June 12, 2020 at the Holiday Inn Chicago Mart Plaza. Registration information can be found on their <u>website</u>.

#### **BIKE MAP UPDATE**

KKCOM staff is continuing efforts to update their publicly distributed Bike & Highway Maps. Staff shared the first draft of the new formatting at the KKCOM Bike & Pedestrian Committee meeting on February 20. Attendees were given an opportunity to mark up the maps with local knowledge which will be applied before the map is released. Updates expected by the next Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee meeting.

#### KKCOM BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN REPORT

The KKCOM Bike and Pedestrian Report has been updated for the close of 2019. The report contains summary statistics, ongoing capital projects, programs, policy trends, and general recommendations for how to promote bicycling in communities. The full report can be found on the KKCOM website.

#### IDOT FY 2021 FEDERAL ALLOTMENTS

IDOT has released the Fiscal Year 2021 federal funding allotments for the Surface Transportation Rural (STR), Surface Transportation Urban (STU), Surface Transportation Bridge (STP-Br) and State Matching Assistance. More info in IDOT's <u>Circular Letter</u>.

#### APA- IL Pro-Bono Program

The APA Illinois Pro-Bono Planning Service Program is to provide urban planning services on a pro bono basis by APA-IL members, to assist municipalities, non-profits, and community organizations in the initiation, organizing, and fine tuning of early stage planning projects. Municipalities seeking assistance can apply on the APA-IL website.





# **CMAP NEWS**

#### **CMAP Sidewalk Investment Policy Brief**

Following the release of <u>CMAP's Sidewalk Inventory</u> data, CMAP staff produced a <u>policy brief</u> pairing the data on sidewalk availability with population and employment density to provide an index of sidewalk investment opportunities. "High opportunity" locations for Kane County include both La Fox and Elburn stations on the Union Pacific West Line.

#### **CMAP Meets with National Leaders on Climate**

CMAP staff attended a panel at the National Association of Regional Councils on building climate resiliency within cities and regions. The Chicago region is one of four - including Kansas City, Denver and Washington D.C. - to have been named regional and metro-scale climate leaders by the European Union's Global Covenant of Mayors. CMAP has partnered with the Metropolitan Mayor's Caucus to create a regional climate action plan., pursuant to the ON TO 2050 goal of a <u>region prepared</u> for climate change through focusing on <u>resilience</u> and <u>mitigation</u>.

#### 2020 CMAP State and Federal Agendas

To guide the agency as it works with federal and state partners to implement ON TO 2050, CMAP has articulated federal and state policy positions through the CMAP Legislative Framework. Specifically for feceral legislators, the CMAP Board has adopted a legislative agenda and surface transportation reauthorization principles.

Both the Federal and State Agendas have been updated for 2020 and are available on CMAP's <u>website</u>.

# 2021 Recommended Program of Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Projects

In conjunction with the RTA's Community Planning program, CMAP held a call for new LTA program project applications in fall 2019. Applications were due on October 18, 2019, and CMAP and the RTA received a combined 82 applications from 71 different applicants. Applications were evaluated with input from regional partners, resulting in 14 projects including a conslultant-led Comprehensive Plan Update for the Village of Sugar Grove. More information and schedule details available in the CMAP memo.

#### CMAP Future Leaders In Planning Program (FLIP)

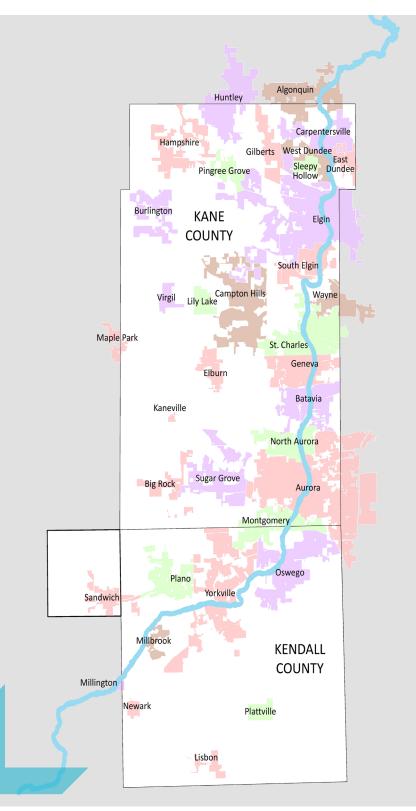
FLIP is the CMAP leadership development program for high school students in Northeastern Illinois. FLIP is a FREE program where teens learn about the issues that shape our region and think of solutions with other students from Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry and Will counties. Participants meet and interact with selected regional leaders who make key planning decisions in our communities.

FLIP 2020 Summer applications will be available in the Spring of 2020. Please stay tuned for updates! More information available on CMAP's <u>website</u>.

#### **Community Cohorts Finalized for FY20**

CMAP utilizes Community Cohorts to assist ranking across programs, based on population, income and tax base per capita. Community Cohorts for FY20 are now available on the CMAP <u>website</u>. KKCOM staff have produced a localized summary snapshot which can be found on the KKCOM <u>website</u>.

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