Newsletter



KKCOM BIKE WEEK

KKCOM is excited to announce the first annual Bike Week event! Bike Week is a week-long celebration throughout Kane and Kendall County that will bring together bike advocates through coordinated events and public demonstrations to encourage for more permanent bicycle infrastructure and programming. Here's a list of all the participants in this year's Bike Week:

- **City of Batavia:** The Batavia Bicycle Commission will be creating safety videos to educate automobile drivers and bicyclists on how to safely share the road.
- **City of Aurora:** The City will be creating a two-way temporary bike lane on the east side of River Street to act as a bypass during the construction near the Fox River Trail. In addition, they will be removing parking near Aurora's Restaurant Row (W. New York Street) and using that space for outdoor games and seating.
- **Elgin Bike Hub:** The Elgin Bike Hub will be hosting a number of events before and during Bike Week! These exciting events include Bike to School Day festivies, Cyclofemme, Ride of Silence/Blessing of the Bicycles, Bike to Work Day, Full Moon Ride, and Bike Elgin Ride.
- **Project Mobility & The Bike Rack:** Project Mobility is hosting an Adaptive Cycling Night on Wednesday, May 15th from 4:00-7:00 pm at the Prairie Green Community Gardens in Geneva (Corner of Peck Road and Bricher Road). Project Mobility will provide specialized bikes suited for a wide range of disabilities. The Bike Rack will also be providing electric assist bikes, electric assist attachments, and new bike models to test!
- **Geneva History Museum:** The Geneva History Museum will be offering historical bike tours throughout Bike Week. Tour-goers will experience the scenic Fox River, Fabyan Forest Preserve, and historic downtown on their seven mile tour.
- **Kane Kendall Council of Mayors:** The Kane Kendall Council of Mayors is organizing a month-long biking fitness challenge in May. The challenge will be conducted using the Endomondo app. All are welcome to join the competition, it's completely free to join. Sign up for the challenge here!

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May 7	KKCOM Seminar Series:
	FHWA/CMAP/IDOT
	Funding
May 8	CMAP Board
May 9	KKCOM Full Council
May 9	KKCOM Bike &
	Pedestrian Committee
May 14	CMAP Council of
	Mayors
June 7	CMAP Transportation
	Committee
June 12	CMAP Board
June 14	Transport Chicago
	Conference
June 17	CMAP Freight
	Committee
June 19	CMAP Bicycle and
	Pedestrian Task Force

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Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program: The 2020 ITEP Call for Projects has been announced. Applications will be accepted beginning on October 2nd, 2019 until December 6th, 2019. ITEP provides funding for community-based projects that expand travel options and enhance the transportation experience by improving the cultural, historic, aesthetic, and environmental aspects of our transportation infrastructure. More information can be found here.

Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP): The Illinois Department of Transportation is requesting candidate projects for the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) that will be initiated in FY2021. HSIP has a goal of achieving a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads. Applications for this funding program will be received through Friday, June 14th, 2019, and announcement of the selected projects for funding will be made by August 30th 2019. More information can be found here.

Local Rail Highway Grade Crossing Safety Program (Section 103): IDOT provided a notice of funding opportunity on March 25, 2019 for the FY 2020 and FY 2021 Local Rail-Highway Grade Crossing Safety Program. Applications are due online to IDOT by May 17th, 2019. Additional information can be found here.

Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program: The RTA Section 5310: Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with

The RTA Section 5310: Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program is accepting applications for projects that improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities. Applications are due by Thursday, May 2nd at noon. For more information, visit the <u>program's website</u>.

FUNDING AWARDS

Recently, two funding sources, the IDNR Recreational Trails and IDOT's Safe Routes to School, announced the receipients of their most recent funding awards. Unfortunately, no communities within the KKCOM region received a Safe Routes to School grant in this cycle. However, two KKCOM projects received funding from the Rec Trails program.

The Kane County's Forest Preserve's LeRoy Oakes Trail & Signage project and Kendall County's Fox River Bluffs Forest Preserve Horse and Hike project were the two awarded funds within the Rec Trails program. Both projects propose to add to the extensive trail system in the KKCOM region in two popular recreational settings.

UIUC TRANSIT SURVEY

The Department of Urban Planning at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Pace Suburban Bus, the Illinois Center for Transportation, and the Illinois Department **Transportation** conducting a survey called "Construction of Pedestrian Infrastructure Along Transit Corridors" to learn more about the types of plans, policies, programs, and funding sources that your community uses to support pedestrian infrastructure. To take the survey visit their website.

HEALTHY COMMUNITIES ILLINOIS

The American **Planning** Association - Illinois Chapter (APA-IL) and the Illinois Public Health Institute (IPHI) have recently launched HealthyComunitiesIllinois, a new website to facilitate learning, idea-sharing and connections among urban planners, engineers, and public health professionals. The website was conceived as a first-of-its-kind platform enable conversations and information exchanges among public health and urban planning professionals.

IDOT AGREEMENT CHECKLIST

IDOT has added BLRS Agreement process checklists onto the IDOT website under D1 forms. They include the Engineering Agreement Process Checklist, the LPA Agreement State Let Process Checklist, as well as the LPA Agreement Local Let Process Checklist. You can access the checklists here.

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CMAP NEWS

Call for Projects Results

The call for projects for the Surface Transportation (STP) Shared Fund, Congestion Mitigation and Alr Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ), and Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP-L) ended on March 15, 2019. A total of 136 applications were received - about a quarter of the applications will be evaluated for funding in multiple programs. The applicant projects represent a total of \$2.9 billion in total investments. A total of \$1.7 billion was requested in this call for projects.

A total is \$40 million is available for the Shared Fund. A total is available for the CMAQ Fund and is available for the locally programmed TAP-L fund.

Based on preliminary project reviews, about 100 projects will be evaluated for CMAQ funding, including about 25-30 projects that will be also be evaluated for TAP funding. About 70 projects will be evaluated for funding under the STP Shared Fund. CMAP staff will be reviewing and analyzing applications over the coming months.

The CMAP staff recommended programs will be discussed with the respective project selection committees in July.

Public Participation Plan

In accordance with the Federal guidance, the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) proposes a documented plan for a meaningful, proactive public involvement process to provide complete and timely information to regional stakeholders. A Public Participation Plan will support early and continuing public involvement in the ON TO 2050 comprehensive regional plan, the Transportation Improvement Program, and other plans and programs. The Plan will also guide initiatives to build understanding of CMAP, its plans, and programs. All comments are due Tuesday, May 21, 2019. Comments may be submitted by email to onto 2050@cmap.illinois.gov.

FLIP Program - Applications

Applications for the Summer 2019 CMAP (F)uture (L) eaders (i)n (P)lanning program are currently open until May 20, 2019. This FREE leadership development program is open to high school students in the CMAP region. Teens will learn about the issues that shape the region and will meet and interact with selected regional leaders who make key planning decisions in our communities. Details and application materials are available <a href="https://example.com/heree-current-communities-communities-current

TRANSPORT CHICAGO CONFERENCE

The Transport Chicago Conference will be held June 14, 2019 at the Holiday Inn Chicago Mart Plaza. Transport Chicago is an annual conference dedicated to the mission of improving transportation in the Chicago region and beyond. The keynote speakers for the event are John D. Porcari (WSP USA) and Amy Conrick (Transportation Assn. of America).

KKCOM staff members Jackie Forbes and Ryan Peterson, will be presenting at the conference. Their presentation

is titled Suburban Mobility Strategies, in which they will describe the approaches that Kane and Kendall County have taken to provide sustainable and efficient mobility options for its residents.

You can visit <u>their website</u> to register for the conference, reserve a hotel room for the event, and get a sneak peek at the list of topics that will be presented on at the conference.

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