Making a Plan for Our Region

2016
Chicago is the third largest U.S. metropolitan region.
The northeastern Illinois region

- 8.5 million people
- 284 cities and villages
- 2.6 million acres
- Seven counties:
  - Cook
  - DuPage
  - Lake
  - McHenry
  - Kane
  - Kendall
  - Will
Our region’s communities are changing.

- Demographics: racial and ethnic diversity, age, immigration
- “Rare” storm events
- Travel behavior
- Land use stresses
- Constrained water supply
- Suburbanization of poverty
- Housing supply, affordability
- Diminished public resources
- Interconnected regional economy
- Advances in technology
- Segregation of communities
Our communities implement the local plans we develop together.

- Bicycles/Pedestrian Paths
- Business Districts
- Capital Improvement
- Commercial Markets
- Community Vision
- Corridors
- Downtowns
- Draught Preparedness
- Economic Development
- Strategy
- Feasibility studies
- Food Access
- Health Impact
- Housing Investment
- Housing Policy
- Land Use
- Livability
- Neighborhoods
- Parking
- Parks
- Public Land
- Retail Land Use
- Retail Market
- Sidewalks
- Subareas
- Sustainability
- Transportation Access
- Water Conservation
- Watershed
- Zoning
We ask our communities how they envision their futures.
CMAP also creates big plans for our region.

GO TO 2040 and ON TO 2050

- Public input
- Three years to develop
- Approved by CMAP Board
You are **regional**:

- Residents
- Taxpayers
- Employees
- Commuters
- Family members
- Drivers
- Walkers
- Shoppers
- Investors
How to use the keypads.

- Votes are anonymous.
- Your last vote is the vote that counts.
- Return the keypad, please.

Think regional, about our future.
Have you heard of CMAP?

A. Yes, of course
B. Whaa?
C. CMAP, CMAP, CMAP. Enough already.
D. Is it a software company?
E. My auntie had it, but she’s better now.
What is your primary way to get around?

- A. Car
- B. Walk
- C. Bike
- D. Bus
- E. CTA train
- F. Metra train
- G. Other
How would you prefer to get around?

A. Car
B. Driverless car
C. Walk
D. Bike
E. Bus
F. Train
G. Boat
H. Other
For transportation, what is our biggest regional challenge?

0% A. Condition of existing infrastructure
0% B. Funding for upgrades, modernization
0% C. Roadway and freight/rail congestion
0% D. Transportation connections
0% E. Prioritizing transportation investments
0% F. Other
For land use, what is our biggest regional challenge?

0%  A. Infill development is more expensive than developing rural land

0%  B. Attracting investment to urban and suburban downtowns

0%  C. Community acceptance of higher density housing and rental residences

0%  D. Low demand for new development in isolated communities

0%  E. Other
For economic development, what is our biggest regional challenge?

A. Segregation of communities
B. Attracting the first investor to a place
C. Access to good jobs for all residents
D. Competition among municipalities
E. Supporting existing businesses and talent
F. Other
For the environment, what is our biggest regional challenge?

0% A. Depletion of groundwater resources
0% B. Loss of green space, habitat, agricultural land
0% C. More temperature extremes
0% D. Flooding and stormwater management
0% E. Other
For **housing**, what is our biggest regional challenge?

0%  A. Affordability
0%  B. Housing stock variety for all life stages
0%  C. Available housing is far from public transportation
0%  D. Other
For governance, which is our biggest regional challenge?

A. Too many governmental units
B. Governments can’t provide services residents need
C. Antiquated tax policies
D. Coordination among governments
E. Dysfunction in state government
F. Other
If we seek sustainable prosperity and quality of life for the region, what are your top four priorities to address?

0% A. Economic development
0% B. Education
0% C. Equity
0% D. Governance
0% E. Housing
0% F. Public safety and crime
0% G. Transportation
0% H. Other
In economic development, where is our best opportunity?

A. Align education with workforce needs
B. Encourage coordination among municipalities
C. Invest in innovation
D. Reform the tax structure
E. Reduce segregation among communities
F. Other
For transportation, where is our best opportunity?

A. Ensure sufficient, sustainable revenue
B. Leverage technology for better traffic management
C. Invest in bicycle and pedestrian systems
D. Expand public transportation
E. Other
In land use, where is our best opportunity?

A. Focus investment in transit areas, downtowns, job centers
B. Prioritize preservation of agricultural land, open space
C. Encourage cross-border collaboration on development
D. Locate new housing close to transit, jobs
E. Other
For the environment, where is our best opportunity?

0%  A. Build climate-resilient infrastructure
0%  B. Use best practices for greenfield development
0%  C. Update building codes, etc., for climate change
0%  D. Support biodiversity and conservation
0%  E. Use more green infrastructure
0%  F. Increase use of renewable energy
0%  G. Other
In housing, where is our best opportunity?

0% A. Coordination among regional jurisdictions on housing

0% B. Update and simplify regulation on development projects to reduce costs

0% C. Incentive affordable housing, including rehab of older housing stock

0% D. Other
In governance, where is our best opportunity?

0%  A. Consolidation of governmental units
0%  B. Term limits
0%  C. Sharing of services among cities
0%  D. More civic education, informed voting
0%  E. Nonpartisan legislative maps
0%  F. Other
How do you feel about the region’s future for prosperity and quality of life?

0% A. Great!
0% B. Good, but we have some work to do
0% C. OK, but only if we avoid disaster
0% D. We’re on a downward trajectory.
0% E. No comment
What are our region’s three biggest assets?

A. Our human capital
B. National freight hub
C. Educational institutions
D. Transportation systems
E. Natural resources
F. Tourist attractions
G. Lake Michigan
H. Broad economic base
I. Other
Help us anticipate and imagine our challenges and opportunities.

- Industry
- Stormwater management
- Economic investment
- Connection to transportation
- Connection to jobs
- Demographic trends
- Water resources
- Housing choices
- Natural and agricultural areas
- Public policy and tax policy
More opportunities for participation:

Summer 2017
Future scenario planning

Summer 2018
Public comment on draft ON TO 2050 plan

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