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**Northwest Municipal Conference
Transportation Committee
Agenda
Thursday, January 22, 2026
8:30 a.m.**

NWMC Offices or via Video Conference

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86227723452>

Meeting ID: 862 2772 3452

Passcode: TfzR9M0r

- I. Call to Order/Introductions**
- II. Approval of November 20, 2025 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A)**
Action Requested: Approve Minutes
- III. Agency Reports**
 - 1. CMAP (Attachment B)**
 - 2. Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways (Attachment C)**
 - 3. Collar County Department of Transportations**
 - 4. IDOT Highways**
 - 5. IDOT Local Roads (Attachment D)**
 - 6. Illinois Tollway (Attachment E)**
 - 7. Metra**
 - 8. Pace (Attachment F)**
 - 9. RTA (Attachment G)**
- IV. CMAP Northeast Illinois Socioeconomic Forecast**
CMAP staff will present on the Northeast Illinois Socioeconomic Forecast, giving an overview of the Forecast, noting how communities can contribute to the local forecast, and share draft local forecast results.
Action Requested: Informational/Discussion
- V. Funding and Planning Opportunities**
Staff will provide an update on funding and planning opportunities.
 - 1) [Illinois National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure \(NEVI\)](#) – February 13
 - 2) [US DOT BUILD](#) – February 24
 - 3) [AARP Community Challenge Grant](#) – March 4
 - 4) [Invest in Cook](#) – March 20*Action Requested:* Informational
- VI. Other Business**
- VII. Next Meeting**
The next meeting of the NWMC Transportation Committee is scheduled for Thursday, February 26, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. at the NWMC offices and virtually via Zoom.

VIII. Adjourn

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**Northwest Municipal Conference
Transportation Committee
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 20, 2025
8:30 a.m.**

NWMC Offices and via Video Conference

Members Present

- Lara Sanoica, Mayor, Rolling Meadows, Co-chair
- Wendy Dunnington, Trustee, Arlington Heights
- Heather Lis, Barrington
- Briget Schwab, Buffalo Grove
- Adam Aronson, Glenview
- Bill McLeod, Mayor, Hoffman Estates
- Terri Gens, Trustee, Mount Prospect
- Sean Dorsey, Mount Prospect
- Bob Israel, Trustee, Northbrook
- Brandon Saccone, Palatine
- Lou Arrigoni, Park Ridge
- Peter Falcone, Prospect Heights
- Sidney Kenyon, Schaumburg
- Samantha Maximilian, Skokie

Others Present

- Eric Heiker, Des Plaines
- Ken Jay, Elk Grove Village
- Aram Beladi, Northbrook
- Tom Powers, Winnetka
- Jesse Elam, Cook County
- Ryan Ruele, Cook County
- Jess Rybarczyk, Pace
- Zach Braun, RTA
- Joseph Cwynar, EEI
- Tom Gill, Thomas Engineering Group
- Mark Fowler, NWMC
- Larry Bury, NWMC
- Eric Czarnota, NWMC
- Brian Larson, NWMC
- Chris Staron, NWMC

I. Call to Order/Introductions

Mayor Sanoica called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

II. Approval of October 30, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Mayor McLeod moved approval of the October 30, 2025 meeting minutes. Ms. Schwab seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

III. Agency Reports**1. CMAP**

Report attached.

2. Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways

Mr. Ruehle indicated he was available for any questions. No report attached.

3. Collar County Department of Transportations

No report attached.

4. IDOT Highways

No report attached.

5. IDOT Local Roads

No report attached.

6. Illinois Tollway

No report attached.

7. Metra

No report attached.

8. Pace

Ms. Rybarczyk reported that the Pace Board had approved an updated operating budget, which includes a two-year plan for service, ADA coverage, and Pace's five-year program. She highlighted that the budget includes no fare increases and sustaining RAP/TAP at existing costs.

Ms. Rybarczyk discussed the RTA summary of SB 2111, which notes that \$1.2 billion in funding for regional transit is expected, with sources including the motor fuel tax, RTA sales tax, and Tollway funds. Ms. Rybarczyk noted that the tax funding will likely not begin until October or November. She said that an initial \$18.9 million will go towards Pace, with paratransit services getting first share of the funding. She added that OnDemand will see additional expansions and maintenance of staffing levels and pointed to the completion of the Pace ReVision planning effort which will result in increased frequency and additional rapid corridors.

Ms. Rybarczyk said that as part of the ReVision effort, Pace will continue public feedback with a final draft release scheduled for first quarter of 2026. She requested additional community feedback on the final draft following its release, as Pace is looking at its network to include high-frequency connecting high activity areas, with up to 25 Pace Pulse routes, 5:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m. 7 day a week service, and more consistent service patterns. Ms. Rybarczyk also reported that Pace had supplied 2.17 million rides, at 71% of 2019 ridership levels, and a 5.1% year-over-year increase.

9. RTA

Mr. Braun reported that the service boards are presenting revised budgets at the November 20 RTA board meeting. He said that with increased revenue not beginning

until June 2026, planned service improvements will happen in late 2026. Mr. Braun said that RTA staff is preparing for the transition to NITA and awaiting direction from IDOT and the transition consultant. He highlighted that RTA will host a virtual hearing on the revised budget on Thursday, December 4 at 4:00 p.m.

IV. Cook County Rail Infill Station Study

Mr. Ruehle presented on the Rail Infill Station Study, a joint project between Cook County, Metra, and the Chicago Department of Transportation. He reported that the study is specific to infill stations and does not include rail extensions, other transit improvements, or Amtrak service. Mr. Ruehle reported that the Study is purely a planning and feasibility study that evolved from the 2023 Cook County Transit Plan and that completion is estimated for 2026 Quarter 1 or 2. Mr. Ruehle stated that the goal after the initial identification, screening, and evaluation phase is to develop a short list of 10 to 20 infill locations per agency.

Mr. Larson asked whether evaluation would consider grade separation and roadway congestion impacts from new infill stations. Mr. Ruehle said no, the study is focusing on best site location with the relevant agency identifying how to address impacts during Phase 1 engineering work.

V. Transit Legislation Update

Mr. Staron presented on HB2111, the transit bill that passed during the fall veto session of the Illinois General Assembly. He highlighted governance changes including maintaining municipal elected official eligibility for board positions, and the elimination of parking minimums near transit hubs and corridors, noting that the NWMC Board had directed staff to prepare a letter to the governor for an amendatory veto on the parking minimums.

VI. Funding and Planning Opportunities

Mr. Czarnota provided an update on the [Council of Mayors STP-Local](#) call for projects which will close in December.

VII. Other Business

None.

VIII. Next Meeting

Mayor Sanoica announced that the NWMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee and Transportation Committee will be hosting a joint in-person social and networking event on Tuesday, December 9, at 10:30 a.m. and no virtual option will be available.

Mayor Sanoica announced that the next meeting of the NWMC Transportation Committee is scheduled for Thursday, January 22, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. at the NWMC offices and virtually via Zoom.

IX. Adjourn

Trustee Gens moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 a.m. Mayor McLeod seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

CMAP news

New eTIP platform available to the public

CMAP has launched a [new, modernized eTIP website](#) that improves public access to information about transportation projects across northeastern Illinois. The [Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\)](#) is the region’s agenda of roadway, transit, and active transportation investments expected to move forward in the next five federal fiscal years, including all federally funded projects and regionally significant non-federal projects

The new eTIP platform features an interactive map, expanded search tools, and downloadable data that allow users to explore more than 2,000 active projects. Members of the public, local partners, and stakeholders can filter information by geography, project type, funding source, and year. The site also provides direct access to TIP amendments, key project documents, and public comment opportunities — ensuring both residents and transportation partners stay informed and engaged throughout the programming process.

2026 Regional Transportation Plan: refined financial forecasts and project evaluations

CMAP continues to advance the [2026 Regional Transportation Plan \(RTP\)](#) through extensive research, data analysis, and public engagement.

To meet federal requirements for fiscal constraint, CMAP is developing long-range financial forecasts for the RTP to estimate baseline revenues and expenditures and identify additional reasonably expected revenues. Working with a [financial plan resource group](#), CMAP has refined transparent and accurate forecasting methods to guide investment priorities through 2050. A forthcoming **Financial Plan Risk Assessment** will evaluate key uncertainties and identify realistic and resilient mitigation strategies.

Through coordination with partner agencies, CMAP has identified 137 regional capital projects (RCPs) for possible inclusion in the RTP. A [draft RCP Benefits Report](#) summarizing the benefits that each proposed project offers to the region is now available. The RCP candidates can also be viewed in an [interactive map](#). CMAP will continue to update and refine this report through the end of the year.

CMAP begins regional freight assessment with release of The Freight Landscape

CMAP is undertaking a [four-part assessment of the region’s freight system](#) — including the trucks, ships, planes, railroads, and delivery vans we see every day. The assessment will introduce “goods movement” as a key topic of concern for the region’s economy, environment, and highway performance, including traffic safety. CMAP has released the assessment’s first report, [The Freight Landscape](#), to provide key introductory facts about the region’s freight system and to explain fundamental freight concepts.

Program status updates

Surface Transportation Program

The [STP Project Selection Committee](#) last met on November 6, 2025. The committee’s next meeting is scheduled for **February 5, 2026**. [Meeting Materials](#) are posted on CMAP’s Legistar site one week in advance of the meetings. Program status reports for the STP Shared Fund, based on quarterly updates submitted by project sponsors, and an accounting of available, programmed, and obligated funds for the region are available on the [STP webpage](#).

Staff contact: [Jon Haadsma](#) (312-386-8664)

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Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ), Carbon Reduction Program (CRP), and local Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP-L)

The most recent [CMAQ Project Selection Committee](#) meeting was held on November 6, 2025. The committee's next meeting is scheduled for **February 5, 2026**. [Meeting materials](#) are posted on CMAP's Legistar site one week in advance of the meetings. Information for submitting change requests for CMAQ, CRP, or TAP-L funded projects can be found on CMAP's [CMAQ Management Resources webpage](#).

Staff Contact: [Doug Ferguson](#) (312-386-8824)

Safe Travel for All Roadmap (STAR)

CMAP's [STAR program](#) continues to work to improve regional travel safety with assistance, resources and policy development. Information on the [Countywide Safety Action Plans](#) adopted by the MPO Policy Committee on May 30, 2025, and more, can be found on the STAR webpage.

In collaboration with the DuPage Division of Transportation (DuDOT) and engineering firm TYLin, CMAP is offering implementation guidance with a [pre-recorded webinar](#) for local jurisdictions interested in funding traffic safety improvements.

Staff contact: [Lindsay Bayley](#) (312-386-8826)

Accessible Communities Program

CMAP launched the [Regional ADA Coordinators Group](#) as part of our Accessible Communities program. Regional ADA Coordinators Group is a peer professional development group to provide resources and support to ADA coordinators.

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](#) and in the Accessible Communities newsletter. Recordings and slides for CMAP's ADA trainings, which cover ADA and Title II requirements, self-evaluations, the role of an ADA coordinator, transition plans, and PROWAG are [available](#). CMAP has also developed [templates and guidance](#) that public entities can use to help meet their legal obligations of providing an ADA notice, grievance procedure, and designating an ADA coordinator.

Staff contact: [Jaemi Jackson](#) (312-386-8706)

CMAP products and data

2025 Community Data Snapshots

The 2025 CMAP [Community Data Snapshots](#) are available. The annual snapshots provide data-driven profiles for every county, municipality, and Chicago Community Area (CCA) in our region. The snapshots include updated demographic, socioeconomic, and employment data from the American Community Survey (ACS) datasets, updated land use summaries using data from the [Land Use Inventory](#), and updated estimated vehicle miles traveled per household.

Explore the CMAP data hub

CMAP's [Data Hub](#) provides vetted and trustworthy information about northeastern Illinois so local governments, community organizations, academic researchers, and businesses can learn and make informed decisions about their communities. The Data Hub allows you to search or browse by categories

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and tags. You can find tables or shapefiles for transit routes and stops, land use inventory, greenhouse gas emissions, economically disconnected and disinvested areas, bikeway inventory system, and more!

From our partners

Transit funding bill passed

Signed by Governor Pritzker on December 16, 2025, [Senate Bill 2111](#) enacts strategies identified in the [Plan of Action for Regional Transit \(PART\)](#) by:

- Creating the Northern Illinois Transit Authority to replace the Regional Transportation Authority and modernize governance for the region's transit providers — Chicago Transit Authority, Metra, and Pace.
- Providing approximately \$1.5 billion in new annual funding to stabilize operations, support capital improvements, and expand service across the region.
- Advancing long-term goals for integrated fares, improved accessibility, and regional coordination.

2024 IDOT National Highway System (NHS) pavement and bridge data

IDOT collects condition data on Interstate pavements annually and on non-Interstate pavements on a two-year cycle. Bridges receive a routine visual inspection at least every 2-4 years, depending on the condition. The results of the most recent NHS pavement condition assessments and bridge inspections, along with performance measures and targets, may be accessed on [IDOT's "Performance" webpage](#).

2024 IDOT crash data

On August 11, 2025, IDOT released [Circular Letter 2025-11](#) announcing the availability of 2024 crash data. This data set provides important crash information required for the identification of areas of improvement, work on safety studies, and the analysis on the location and number of crashes. The data can be accessed through [IDOT's Safety Portal](#).

Funding opportunities

RTA Access to Transit

The call for projects is now open through **Friday, January 16** for [RTA's Access to Transit program](#), which improves access to the regional transit system for people walking and biking, implementing recommendations from planning studies completed through the [RTA's Community Planning program](#).

Eligible projects include ADA accessibility improvements, bicycle infrastructure, intersection improvements, sidewalk gap connections, wayfinding, and more. Newly eligible this year from [Senate Bill 2111](#) are Trail-Supportive Development infrastructure improvements that are located within one-quarter mile of a public trail and are designed to facilitate access to and use of public transit.

RTA staff are offering a virtual [Open House session](#) during which applicants can ask questions about the application process, about specific project ideas, and anything else related to the call for projects on **Wednesday, January 7, 2026** from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Applicants can email questions to applications@rtachicago.org or contact RTA Government Affairs staff to be connected to the Local Planning team.

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Training opportunities

IDOT BLRS 2025 T2 training

IDOT's Technology Transfer (T2) Center has the [Fall 2025 T2 training](#), along with all past offerings, available online. For more information on how to navigate this training, along with 35+ additional trainings offered by the T2 Center, please reference the [T2 website](#). New users will need to contact Barry.Kent@illinois.gov for credentials.

Engage with CMAP

The CMAP office is open daily and [staff](#) have established hybrid work schedules. All CMAP committee meetings are held in-person, and a quorum of committee members must be physically present. CMAP continues to provide options for non-member attendees to participate in meetings virtually. Meeting materials, webinar links, minutes, and recordings can be found on [CMAP's Legistar page](#). For general questions, complete our [contact form](#). Subscribe to updates from CMAP on transportation, the economy, climate and more [here](#).

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Federally-Funded Project Implementation and Active Program Management Reminders – January 2025

- 1/5/2025:** Final funding agreements and ROW documents due for projects targeting the February 2026 state letting
- 1/12/2025:** Final PS&E and draft agreements due for projects targeting the April 2026 state letting
- 1/14/2025:** ROW certification due for projects targeting the February 2026 state letting

This information is compiled from these official sources:

- IDOT Bureau of Local Roads and Streets Region One Letting Schedule (latest version available from IDOT District 1 BLRS staff)
- CMAP's TIP Due Dates and Master Transportation Schedule (latest version posted [here](#))
- [STP Active Program Management Policies](#)
- CMAP's call for projects [web page](#) (Refreshed prior to each call)
- CMAP's [CMAQ and TAP-L Program Management and Resources web page](#)

If there are any discrepancies in dates, the dates listed on the official sources above should be used. Consult with your planning liaison to resolve any questions or concerns.

Northwest Municipal Conference (NWMC)
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Cook County Department of Transportation & Highways (CCDOTH) 2025 Fourth Quarter Report

January 15, 2026

Contact:

Samuel Waldorf
Strategic Planning & Policy Bureau
Samuel.Waldorf@cookcountyil.gov

Invest in Cook 2026 Program

The 2026 application period for *Invest in Cook* is January 14 through March 20, 2026. Program information and the application can be found at:
<https://www.cookcountyil.gov/investincook>.

CCDOTH is hosting a virtual *Invest in Cook* workshop for potential applicants on Wednesday, February 4, 2026 from 12:30p.m. – 3:00 p.m. The workshop will be held in conjunction with the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development to provide information on applying for Community Development Block Grant programs. To attend, please RSVP at the following [form](#). Further questions may be directed to CCDOTH Staff at 312-603-1223 or investincook.CC@cookcountyil.gov



COOK COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF
**Transportation
and Highways**

2025 Fourth Quarter Report by the Cook County Department of Transportation & Highways (CCDOH)

January 15, 2026

Roadway Projects Report

Project Name	Project Limits	Project Scope	Current Phase	Quarterly Milestone	Est. Start Construction	Est. Complete Construction
EAST LAKE AVENUE 18-A5924-00-BR	over MFNB Chicago River	Removal and replacement of bridge deck with structural steel cleaning and painting	2. Preliminary Engineering (Phase I)	13. Phase II Ongoing	2027	2027
SANDERS ROAD 21-W2444-00-PV	Milwaukee Ave to Techy Rd	Roadway reconstruction & widening with drainage improvements, traffic signal modernization and construction of multi-use path	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	7. Preliminary Plans Submitted	2026	2027
SKOKIE VALLEY TRAIL EXTENSION	Lake Cook Road to Voltz Road	Pedestrian bridge construction and trail extension	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	13. Phase II Ongoing	2028	2029
CRAWFORD AVENUE 18-W4339-00-EG	Oakton St to Golf Rd	Roadway reconstruction	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	3. Phase 2 Consultant Selected	2027	2029
TRAFFIC SIGNAL REPLACEMENT (HSIP) - PACKAGE #2	Lake Cook at Old Hicks, Roselle at Hartford, Vollmer at Ridgeland, Roberts at 103rd	Traffic signal replacement, traffic rechannelization, pavement widening, lighting, signage & marking improvements	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	8. Pre-final Plans Submitted	2026	2026
BRIDGE REHABILITATION NORTH 01	COUNTYWIDE	Remove and replace deck overlays, structural repair of concrete, partial and full depth concrete deck patching.	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	9. Finals Plans Submitted	2026	2027
EAST LAKE AVENUE	at C&NW Railroad	Remove and replace existing steel diaphragms	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	13. Phase II Ongoing	2026	2026
TRAFFIC SIGNAL REPLACEMENT (HSIP) - PACKAGE #3	Plum Grove Rd. at E. Nerge Rd., Arlington Heights Rd. at Hintz Rd., Arlington Heights Rd. at Cosman	Traffic signal replacement, traffic rechannelization, pavement widening, lighting, signage & marking improvements	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	3. Phase 2 Consultant Selected	2027	2028
BRIDGE REHABILITATION NORTH 02	COUNTYWIDE	Remove and replace deck overlays, structural repair of concrete, partial and full depth concrete deck patching.	3. Design Engineering (Phase II)	1. Project Kick off	2027	2028
OLD ORCHARD ROAD 14-A8327-09-RP	Woods Dr to Skokie Blvd	New turn lanes, pavement widening, bridge widening, storm sewer installation, traffic signal and lighting improvements, sidewalk improvements	4. Construction (Phase III)	9. Construction Ongoing	2024	2026
ARCADIA STREET	Linder Avenue to Frontage Road	Pavement Rehabilitation Program	4. Construction (Phase III)	9. Construction Ongoing	2025	2025
LANDWEHR ROAD	Hampton Court to Dundee Road	Pavement Rehabilitation Program	4. Construction (Phase III)	9. Construction Ongoing	2025	2025
WALTERS ROAD	Landwehr Road to Pflingsten Road	Pavement Rehabilitation Program	4. Construction (Phase III)	9. Construction Ongoing	2025	2025
SUNSET RIDGE ROAD	Lake Avenue to Skokie Boulevard	Pavement Rehabilitation Program	4. Construction (Phase III)	9. Construction Ongoing	2025	2025
CHURCH STEET/ FRONTAGE ROAD	Linder to Gross Point Rd / Long Ave To Church St	Pavement Rehabilitation Program	4. Construction (Phase III)	9. Construction Ongoing	2025	2026
LEHIGH ROAD	Over East Lake Avenue	Bridge removal and replacement	4. Construction (Phase III)	9. Construction Ongoing	2025	2026
WAGNER ROAD	Glenview Road to Willow Road	Pavement rehabilitation, culvert maintenance	4. Construction (Phase III)	9. Construction Ongoing	2024	2025
BRIDGE SCUPPER AND DRAINAGE SYSTEM CLEANING	Countywide	To Clean, Maintain and Repair bridge deck scuppers and downspout drainage system.	5. Maintenance	1. Approval to Advertise Granted	2025	2025

Selections: RCO: 02	Engineer:
Fund:	Tip Fund:

LOCAL ROADS & STREETS STATUS SHEET FOR FEDERAL AID PROJECTS
 LOCATED IN THE CMAP **NORTH SHORE REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Local Agency/ Section	Project Route/ From/ To/ Scope of Work 1/ Scope of Work 2/	Current CE3 Estimate	T.I.P. NO. FFY/Fund/Cost/Fed Cost/Authorized	Environmental Approval	Public Hearing Status	Design Appv Requested CD DT	ROW Req CD Certified DT	Plans to CO CD DT	Target Let/ Low Bid/ Award Date Award Amt	E1/E2 Consultant	Jntagmt Cd Dt RR Agmt Cd Dt 404 Permit Cd Dt	A-95 Review STATE * NIPC *
1 GLENVIEW 220020600CH 3287	FAU1292 - E Lake AVE AT Waukegan RD PAVEMENT WIDENING	6,983,276	02-19-0016 E1: / / / / E2: FFY23 / CMAQ / 435,000 / 348,000 / RW: FFY25 / CMAQ / 210,000 / 168,000 / C: FFY25 / CMAQ / 6,983,276 / 5,120,882 /	CE 1 3 /26/2024			Yes		4/24/2026	AH CR Civiltech	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
2 LINCOLNWOOD 160006100LS 2799	FAU1349 - Devon Av Lincoln Av to McCormick Blvd WIDENING & RESURFACING/SW LIGHTING/LANDSCAPING	6,800,000	02-16-0004 E1: / / / / E2: FFY20 / STPL / 430,111 / 344,089 / RW: / / / / C: MYB / STPL / 6,800,000 / 5,440,000 /	CE 1 9 /18/2018	NR		Yes	A 9 /18/2018	11/7/2025 5,462,909	AH CR CBBEL	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
3 LINCOLNWOOD 180006600CH 3243	FAP0350 - Cicero Ave Touhy Ave INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT	2,220,000	02-19-0008 E1: / / / / E2: FFY22 / CMAQ / 323,000 / 258,000 / RW: FFY24 / CMAQ / 410,000 / 328,000 / C: FFY25 / CMAQ / 2,220,000 / 1,776,000 /	CE 1 7 /1 /2020	NR		Yes E		6/11/2027	AH CR Stanley	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
4 LINCOLNWOOD 210007200BT 3409	FAU1353 - Pratt Ave Lincolnwood to McCormick BIKEWAYS	2,776,000	02-11-0008 E1: / / / / E2: FFY24 / STE2 / 127,000 / 127,000 / RW: / / / / C: FFY25 / STE / 2,776,000 / 2,776,000 /	CE 1 8 /19/2022	NR		No		9/19/2025 2,662,964	AH CR CBBEL	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *

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5 SKOKIE 160030700BT	Off - Skokie Vly Tr Golf Rd to Dempster BIKEWAYS	3,190,000	02-18-0001 E1: / / / / E2: FFY20 / STE2 / 420,000 / 336,000 / RW: FFY23 / STER / 637,200 / 448,000 / C: FFY27 / STE / 3,190,000 / 2,096,000 /	CE 1 4 / 5 / 2019	NR		Yes		3/5/2027	AH CR	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
6 SKOKIE 190010802BT	FAU1332 - Oakton St Caldwell Ave to Lehigh Ave SIDEWALKS BIKE PATH	2,759,937	02-19-0015 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY25 / CMAQ / 2,458,074 / 1,966,460 / / SRTS / 301,863 / 241,488 /	CE 1 10/21/2021	NR		Yes		6/12/2026	AH CR CBBEL	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
7 WILMETTE 190020301CH	FAU0350 - Skokie BI/US41 Illinois Rd to Lake Ave BIKEWAYS MODERNIZE TRAFFIC SIGNALS	1,334,000	02-16-0005 E1: / / / / E2: FFY23 / ITEP / 195,715 / 121,600 / A RW: / / / / C: FFY25 / ITEP / 1,334,000 / 1,068,960 /	CE 1 9 / 27 / 2022	NR		Yes		4/24/2026	AH CR Civiltech	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
8 WINNETKA 080010300FP	FAU3561 - Willow Rd Forestway Dr to Provident Ave RECONSTRUCTION	18,410,000	02-06-0021 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY26 / STPL / 18,410,000 / 2,469,214 /	CE 1 7 / 9 / 2013	NR		Yes		4/24/2026	AH CR Strand	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *

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1	ARLINGTON HTS 220021800CH	FAU2656 - Windsor Dr Dryden Av/Jane Av to Hintz Rd RESURFACING/BIKE LANE SIDEWALKS	4,129,900	03-22-0034 E1: / / / / E2: FFY25 / ITEP / 296,000 / 236,000 / RW: / / / / C: FFY27 / ITEP / 2,185,700 / 1,967,130 / / STPL / 1,944,200 / 1,458,150 /	CE 1 10/21/2024	NR		Yes E		11/6/2026	AH CR Civiltech	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
3372													
2	ARLINGTON HTS 230022100RS	FAU1292 - Euclid Ave Rohlwing Rd to Rand Rd (US 12) RESURFACING	7,100,000	03-22-0021 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY26 / STPL / 7,100,000 / 3,500,000 /	CE 1 6 /13/2024	NR		No		2/27/2026	AH CR CBBEL	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
3373													
3	COOK CO. FP 18F300028BT	Off - Des Plns Rvr Tr N of Golf Rd to S of Central Rf BIKEWAYS PEDESTRIAN OVERPASS	9,112,366	03-19-0042 E1: / / / / E2: FFY21 / GCPF / 317,296 / 136,000 / RW: / / / / C: FFY24 / CMAQ / 9,112,366 / 5,093,000 / / GCPF / 1,350,000 /	CE 1 3 /16/2020	NR		Yes		1/1/2027	AH CR Terra	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
3253													
4	DES PLAINES 170022200BT	FAU3512 - NW Hwy NW Hwy to Miner St BIKEWAYS	2,297,770	03-23-0035 E1: / / / / E2: FFY25 / ITEP / 208,890 / 156,660 / RW: / / / / C: FFY27 / ITEP / 2,297,770 / 1,723,320 /	CE 1	NR		Yes E		11/6/2026	AH CR V3	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
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5 ELK GROVE VILL 220007800RS 3230	FAU1333 - Landmeier Rd 950 ft w/o IL 83 (Busse R to 50 ft e/o Cambridge Dr RESURFACING	1,620,715	03-20-0037 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY25 / STPL / 1,620,715 / 1,124,831 /	CE 1 8 /1 /2023			No		4/25/2025 1,457,808	AH CR Eng Enter	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
6 HOFFMAN ESTATES 220011100RS 3375	FAU1101 - Jones Rd Highland Blvd to IL Route 72 RESURFACING	725,000	03-22-0036 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY26 / STPL / 725,000 / 543,750 /	CE 1 1 /12/2023	NR		No		2/27/2026	AH CR	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
7 HOFFMAN ESTATES 230011400CH 3442	MS2049 - Gannon Dr IL 72 to IL 58 BIKEWAYS RESURFACING	1,110,000	03-24-0010 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY26 / STPL / 1,110,000 / 832,500 /	CE 1 3 /29/2022	NR		No	E 9 /30/2025	2/27/2026	AH CR TranSyste	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
8 MOUNT PROSPECT 180017000CH 3376	Var - See Note INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT LIGHTING; SHARED PATH	11,405,537	03-20-0050 E1: / / / / E2: FFY25 / STPL / 1,370,120 / 685,060 / / OTHR / / 411,036 / RW: FFY25 / OTHR / 2,250,000 / 1,685,060 / / STPL / / 114,940 / C: FFY26 / OTHR / 11,405,537 / 5,314,940 / / STPL / / 2,700,000 /	CE 1 3 /29/2022	NR		Yes E		9/18/2026	AH CR Patrick	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *

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9 MOUNT PROSPECT 200017200BT 3377	FAU3514 - Algonquin/IL62 Dearborn Ct to Elmhurst Rd BIKEWAYS SIDEWALKS	2,303,872	03-21-0007 E1: / / / / E2: FFY25 / CMAQ / 370,057 / 296,685 / RW: FFY25 / CMAQ / 268,753 / 214,986 / C: FFY26 / CMAQ / 2,303,872 / 1,843,098 /	CE 1 12/5 /2022	NR		Yes		11/6/2026	AH CR CBBEL	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
10 MOUNT PROSPECT 210017400BR 3378	FAU3512 - US 14/NW Hwy Waterman Av PEDESTRIAN OVERPASS	8,772,654	03-23-0036 E1: / / / / E2: FFY24 / OTHR / 725,716 / 517,400 / RW: / / / / C: FFY26 / ITEP / 8,772,654 / 2,760,000 / / STPL / 2,033,824 /	CE 1 8 /19/2022	NR		Yes		2/27/2026	AH CR Ciorba	E No	NR * NR * * * * * * * * *
11 NILES 230014000BR 3380	FAU1334 - Howard St Over N Branch Chicago Rvr BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION	2,528,000	03-23-0029 E1: FFY25 / BRPP / 269,971 / 215,977 / E2: FFY27 / BRP2 / 208,000 / 166,400 / RW: FFY27 / BRPR / 40,000 / 32,000 / C: FFY28 / BRP / 2,528,000 / 2,022,400 /	CE 1	NR		Yes E		3/5/2027	AH CR HR Green	NR NR Yes	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
12 PALATINE 170010200PV 2885	FAU1285 - Palatine Rd Quentin Rd to Smith Rd RECONSTRUCTION ADDITIONAL LANES/BIKEWAY	16,406,686	03-16-0008 E1: FFY18 / STPL / 362,320 / 172,320 / A E2: FFY26 / STPL / 962,164 / 474,536 / RW: / / / / C: FFY26 / STPL / 10,304,500 / 2,874,500 / / 6,711,375 /	CE 2 3 /17/2022	NR		Yes		11/6/2026	AH CR BLA	NR NR No	* NR * * * * * * * * * *

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13 PALATINE 190010500BR 3250	MS0505 - North Baldwin R Buffalo Creek BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION	2,044,000	03-19-0020 E1: FFY20 / BRPP / 128,100 / 102,480 / A / / / 0 / E2: FFY22 / BRP2 / 158,475 / 126,755 / A / / / / RW: / / / / / / / / C: FFY26 / BRP / 2,044,000 / 1,635,200 / / / / / / / / /	CE 1 12/8 /2021	NR		Yes		2/27/2026	AH CR Ciorba	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
14 PALATINE 230011400TL 3450	FAP0305 - Palatine Rd At Rohlwing Rd INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT WIDENING & RESURFACING	2,871,000	03-22-0033 E1: / / / / / / / 0 / E2: FFY26 / STPL / 194,096 / 91,500 / / / / / RW: / / / / / / / / C: FFY27 / STPL / 2,871,000 / 2,288,000 / / / / / / / / /	CE 1 7 /3 /2025	NR		Yes		11/6/2026	AH CR BLA	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
15 PARK RIDGE 230015500RS 3410	FAU2729 - Dee Rd UPRR to Devon Ave RESURFACING	3,669,434	03-24-0009 E1: / / / / / / / 0 / E2: / / / / / / / / RW: / / / / / / / / C: FFY26 / STPL / 3,669,434 / 2,752,076 / / / / / / / / /	CE 1 1 /17 /2025	NR		No		9/19/2025 2,778,778	AH CR B &W	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
16 PROSPECT HEIGHT 230005500SW 3475	FAU1290 - Camp McDonald Wheeling Rd to Wolf Rd SIDEWALKS MODERNIZE TRAFFIC SIGNALS	1,767,018	03-23-0019 E1: / / / / / / / 0 / E2: / / / / / / / / RW: / / / / / / / / C: FFY26 / STE / 1,767,018 / 1,590,318 / / / / / / / / /	CE 1	NR		No	E 1 /12 /2026	4/24/2026	AH CR Gewalt	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *

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17 ROLLING MEADOWS 210012600PV	MS6150 - Weber DR Central RD to Algonquin RD RECONSTRUCTION	2,834,400	03-20-0052 E1: / / / / E2: FFY24 / STPL / 241,200 / 99,000 / RW: / / / / C: FFY24 / STPL / 2,834,400 / 1,393,600 /	CE 2 12/12/2022			Yes		4/24/2026	AH CR CBBEL	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
3290							REMARKS: Letting TBD: ROW.					
18 ROLLING MEADOWS 210012700BR	MS5480 - Meadowbrook Ct Over Salt Creek BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION	913,000	03-21-0010 E1: FFY24 / BRPP / 183,030 / 145,747 / A E2: FFY26 / BRP2 / 158,400 / 126,720 / RW: / / / / C: FFY27 / BRP / 913,000 / 730,400 /	CE 1 6 /30/2025	NR		Yes		3/26/2027	AH CR ERA	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
3433							REMARKS:					
19 ROLLING MEADOWS 230013000PV	FAU1300 - Central Road E Frontage Rd to Wilke Rd RECONSTRUCTION	6,505,630	03-22-0039 E1: / / / / E2: FFY25 / STPL / 437,500 / 218,750 / RW: FFY27 / STPL / 90,000 / 45,000 / C: FFY28 / STPL / 6,505,630 / 3,040,200 /	CE 1 6 /30/2025	NR		Yes		1/1/2028	AH CR CBBEL	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
3432							REMARKS:					
20 SCHAUMBURG 230014500BT	Var - Various Various SIDEPATH MODERNIZE TRAFFIC SIGNALS	8,299,630	03-23-0037 E1: / / / / E2: FFY25 / STE2 / 813,000 / 335,984 / RW: / / / / C: FFY27 / STE / 3,330,047 / 2,997,018 / / STA / 4,969,610 / 3,975,688 /	CE 1 7 /14/2025	NR		Yes		6/12/2026	AH CR Civiltect	NR	* NR * * * * * * * * * *
3431							REMARKS: State ITEP; CMAQ.Path along Higgins, Martingale, Schaumburg and Corporate Crossing.					

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21	SCHAUMBURG 230014600PV	MS4029 - Braintree Dr Weathersfield Way to Wise Rd ROUNDABOUT; RECON MODERNIZE TS; BP; LT	6,103,750	03-24-0013 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY26 / STPL / 6,103,750 / 607,919 /	CE 1 3 /19/2024	NR		No		2/27/2026	AH CR Civiltech	NR	NR	* * * * * * * * * * *
3472														
22	SCHAUMBURG 250014901RS	MS4029 - Braintree Dr Schaumburg Rd to Weathersfield Way RESURFACING BIKE PATH	2,882,000	03-22-0032 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY26 / STPL / 2,882,000 / 2,161,500 /	CE 1	NR		No	E 11/15/2025	2/27/2026	AH CR Cviltech	NR	NR	* * * * * * * * * * *
3449														
23	SCHAUMBURG 250014902RS	MS4029 - Braintree Dr Bode Rd to Schaumburg Rd RESURFACING BIKE PATH	3,003,000	03-22-0031 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY26 / STPL / 3,003,000 / 2,252,250 /	CE 1	NR		No	E 11/15/2025	2/27/2026	AH CR Civiltech	NR	NR	* * * * * * * * * * *
3448														
24	SCHAUMBURG 250015300RS	FAU2556 - Walnut Ln Bode Rd to Schaumburg Rd RESURFACING BIKE PATH	3,663,000	03-22-0027 E1: / / / / E2: / / / / RW: / / / / C: FFY26 / STPL / 3,663,000 / 2,747,250 /	CE 1	NR		No	E 11/15/2025	6/12/2026	AH CR Michael B	NR	NR	* * * * * * * * * * *
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Illinois Tollway Update

2026 Budget

The Illinois Tollway Board of Directors approved a balanced 2026 Budget with \$1.79 billion in revenue allocated to fund maintenance and operations, debt service transfers and capital investments for the 294-mile system.

The 2026 Budget provides more than \$1.31 billion for direct funding and debt service on capital investments, with \$374 million budgeted for systemwide roadway and bridge repairs, along with funding for key projects including:

- \$328.9 million to continue design and reconstruction work for the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) Project. 2026 Budget

- \$427.4 million to continue planning and construction for the new I-490 Tollway and new the Illinois Route 390 Interchange, as well as providing direct access in and out of O'Hare International Airport as part of the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project.

The 2026 Budget approved by the Tollway Board does not include funding for the next capital program or a passenger vehicle toll rate increase in 2026.

The 2026 Budget Book is posted on the Illinois Tollway website www.illinoistollway.com for public viewing.

I-PASS Sticker Tags

We'll let you know when the time is right to swap out your old I-PASS transponder for a new I-PASS Sticker Tag.

The Tollway will mail new I-PASS Sticker Tags directly to customers whose old transponders are reaching the end of their battery life.

After receiving the swap letter via U.S. Mail, all customers need to do is activate the new I-PASS Sticker Tag by going online or using the Official Illinois Tollway App and then attach the new sticker tag on the inside windshield of their vehicle.

The transition to I-PASS Sticker Tags is being done in coordination with other E-ZPass agencies and will ensure our customers have continuity in service wherever they travel in the 19 states that use E-ZPass. There is no deposit fee for I-PASS Sticker Tags. For customers with current transponders, the \$10 transponder deposit will be transferred into their pre-paid toll accounts once a new I-PASS Sticker Tag is registered to the account.

Once registered to the account, the I-PASS Sticker Tag will be immediately ready to use on the Illinois Tollway and within 24 hours on the Chicago Skyway and other E-ZPass roadways.

I-PASS On Demand

Our I-PASS On Demand team is continuing to provide more customer service at events held across the 12 counties served by the Illinois Tollway than ever. We go where our customers are to provide in-person assistance and help with I-PASS, Pay By Plate and toll invoice questions.

See the [I-PASS On Demand Event Calendar](#) to find an event near you!

Illinois Tollway customers can also stop by an I-PASS On Demand event to learn more about the Official Illinois Tollway App to help manage their accounts or pick up I-PASS Sticker Tags to add new vehicles or replace old transponders.

In addition, customers can find out if they qualify for [I-PASS Assist](#), the Illinois Tollway's program helping income-eligible individuals and families realize the benefits of I-PASS.

Are you interested in hosting an event that you'd like our I-PASS On Demand team to attend? Fill out an [I-PASS On Demand Request Form](#).

Our I-PASS On Demand team is ready to help you plan and promote an event to serve your residents.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Kelsey Passi at kpassi@getipass.com

Attention Passengers



Pace is providing Soldier Field express bus service for the Chicago Bears' playoff game on Saturday, January 10th at 7:00pm.

Departure locations are:

[Route 236](#)

Provides express service from Pace's [Northwest Transportation Center](#) at 1730 Kimberly Dr., Schaumburg.

[Route 768](#)

Provides express service from Pace's [Old Chicago Park-n-Ride](#) in Bolingbrook and Pace's [Burr Ridge Park-n-Ride](#) near Lincolnshire Drive & McClintock Drive.

[Route 769](#)

Provides express service from the [Palos Heights Metra Station](#) in Palos Heights and the [Oak Lawn Metra Station](#) in Oak Lawn.

[Route 776](#)

Provides express service from Pace's [Hillside Park-n-Ride](#) on Darmstadt Road, one block west of Wolf Road.

To view departure times see:



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SOLDIER FIELD 2025 (CHICAGO BEARS REGULAR SEASON HOME GAMES SERVED)

ALL TRIPS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE 1 HOUR PRIOR TO START OF GAME (Actual times may vary depending on weather and traffic)			Updated: 1/5/26 - EM					
Date	Event	Event Time	236	776	768		769	
			Depart Northwest Transit Center	Depart Hillside	Depart Bolingbrook	Depart Burr Ridge	Depart Palos Heights	Depart Oak Lawn
Sunday, September 21, 2025	Bears v. Cowboys	3:25pm	12:05pm	1:05pm	12:55pm	1:25pm	1:15pm	1:40pm
Sunday, October 19, 2025	Bears v. Saints	12:00pm	9:15am	9:40am	9:30am	10:00am	9:50am	10:15am
Sunday, November 9, 2025	Bears v. Giants	12:00pm	9:15am	9:40am	9:30am	10:00am	9:50am	10:15am
Sunday, November 23, 2025	Bears v. Steelers	12:00pm	9:15am	9:40am	9:30am	10:00am	9:50am	10:15am
Sunday, December 14, 2025	Bears v. Browns	12:00pm	9:15am	9:40am	9:30am	10:00am	9:50am	10:15am
Saturday, December 20, 2025	Bears v. Packers	7:20pm	4:00pm	4:20pm	4:20pm	4:50pm	4:40pm	5:05pm
Sunday, January 4, 2026	Bears v. Lions	3:25pm	12:05pm	1:05pm	12:55pm	1:25pm	1:15pm	1:40pm
Saturday, January 10, 2026	Bears v. Packers PLAYOFF GAME	7:00p	3:00pm	4:00pm	4:00pm	4:30pm	4:20pm	4:45pm

Go Bears... bear down!!

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January Local Government Update

Gov. Pritzker signs transit funding and reform law

On Tuesday, December 16, Gov. JB Pritzker signed [the Northern Illinois Transit Authority \(NITA\) Act](#) at Union Station, securing more than \$1 billion in new operations funding for the region's transit system and reorganizing it under the new Northern Illinois Transit Authority. NITA will restructure the RTA and take on new responsibilities, including fare policy, enhanced service coordination, long-term capital planning, and unifying rider-focused tools like mobile ticketing.

The law takes effect on June 1, 2026, with some of the new revenue streams not taking effect until July 1 or later. The terms of current RTA Board members expire on September 1, 2026, and new NITA Board members must be appointed within 120 days of the effective date. RTA staff have published a [bill summary](#) with a full timeline of implementation items related to the transition to NITA.

RTA Board adopts regional transit budget with no service cuts, no layoffs, and no fare increases

The RTA Board of Directors approved the [2026 Regional Transit Operating Budget and Capital Program](#) at its [December 18 meeting](#), totaling nearly \$4.4 billion for operations and more than \$9 billion for capital projects. Due to the passage of the NITA Act, the system will see more than \$1 billion in new operations funding and avoid the fiscal cliff – meaning no service cuts, no layoffs, and no fare increases in 2026. Much of the new operating funds are expected to be delivered to the system after July 1, 2026, so operations will be sustained through the first half of the year by the remaining \$509 million in federal COVID-19 relief reserves. Previous regional budgets, capital plans, and other financial documents can be found on the [RTA website](#).



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Access to Transit call for projects closes January 16

The call for projects is open through Friday, January 16 for RTA's [Access to Transit program](#), which improves access to the regional transit system for people walking and biking, implementing recommendations from planning studies completed through the RTA's [Community Planning program](#).

Eligible projects include ADA accessibility improvements, bicycle infrastructure, intersection improvements, sidewalk gap connections, wayfinding, and more. Newly eligible this year from [the NITA Act](#) are Trail-Supportive Development infrastructure improvements that are located within one-quarter mile of a public trail and are designed to facilitate access to and use of public transit.

RTA staff are offering a second virtual Open House session during which applicants can ask questions about the application process, specific project ideas, and anything else related to the call for projects:

- Wednesday, January 7, 2026 – 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. [Register here.](#)

Applicants can email questions to applications@rtachicago.org or contact RTA Government Affairs staff to be connected to the Local Planning team.

RTA launches Fare Programs Online 2.0, streamlining rider applications for free and reduced fare programs

The RTA has launched [Fare Programs Online 2.0](#), an enhanced version of its customer portal that makes it easier and more accessible for riders to apply for [Reduced Fare, Ride Free, and Access Pilot program permits](#). The updated portal introduces several new features that streamline the application process, provides more support for applicants, and ensures a user-friendly experience. Riders can now switch between fare programs, check the status of an application or order, and update personal information such as demographics and photos. If an application is rejected, riders can re-apply by updating their information without starting over from scratch. Riders can also opt in to electronic communications, allowing them to receive application status updates and renewal reminders by email. Fare Programs Online 2.0 also adds instructional videos that guide riders through the application process step by step. In addition to written instructions, riders can now see and hear how the process works, helping reduce confusion and improve accessibility. Read more on the [RTA Connections blog](#).



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Access Pilot Program extended through end of 2026

The RTA, Metra, and Cook County are extending the [Access Pilot Program](#), which provides reduced fares on the entire Metra system to riders experiencing low incomes. The program is a partnership between Metra, Cook County, and the RTA with Cook County providing most of the operating funding. The pilot was set to end in January 2026, but in light of [the NITA Act](#) and Cook County's commitment to continue to provide funding for this vital service, the program will now last through at least December 31, 2026. No action is required for existing customers, who will be able to keep using the same permit through the end of the year. Beyond 2026, the NITA Act calls for the new regional agency to develop and implement an income-based reduced fare returning residents, veterans, and individuals experiencing homelessness. Read more on the [RTA Connections blog](#).