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**Northwest Municipal Conference
Transportation Committee
Agenda
Thursday, March 23, 2023
8:30 a.m.**

NWMC Offices and Video Conference
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88953041364>
Meeting ID: 889 5304 1364
Passcode: TC684148
Dial by your location: (312) 626-6799

- I. Call to Order/Introductions**

- II. February 23, 2023 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A)**
Action Requested: Approve Minutes

- III. Agency Reports**
 - a. **CMAP (Attachment B)**
 - b. **Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways (Available upon request)**
 - c. **IDOT Highways (Attachment C)**
 - d. **Illinois Tollway (Attachment D)**
 - e. **Metra (Attachment E)**
 - f. **Pace (Attachment F)**
 - g. **RTA (Attachment G)**

- I. Cook County Transit Plan**
Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways Transit Manager Benet Haller will present on the outreach efforts, strategic recommendations, and the next steps related to the Cook County Transit Plan.
Action Requested: Informational/Discussion

- IV. Meeting with IDOT Central Office Staff Recap**
Staff will summarize the meeting on March 14 between NWMC members, other council of government staff, regional stakeholders, and IDOT Central Office staff to discuss solutions to ongoing issues.
Action Requested: Informational/Discussion

- V. Other Business**

- VI. Next Meeting**
The next meeting of the NWMC Transportation Committee is scheduled for Thursday, April 27 at 8:30 a.m. at the NWMC offices and via videoconference.

- VII. Adjourn**

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Lake Zurich
Libertyville
Lincolnshire
Lincolnwood
Morton Grove
Mount Prospect
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Meeting Minutes

Members Present

Rod Craig, Mayor, Hanover Park, Co-Chair
Marie Hansen, Director of Development Services, Barrington
Heather Lis, Village Engineer, Barrington
Darren Monico, Village Engineer, Buffalo Grove
Bob Benton, Trustee, Deerfield
Maggie Jablonski, Deputy Village Manager, Elk Grove Village
Dudley Onderdonk, Trustee, Glencoe
Jeff Brady, Director of Community Development, Glenview
Bill McLeod, Mayor, Hoffman Estates
Sean Dorsey, Director of Public Works, Mount Prospect
Tom Powers, Village Engineer, Niles
Bob Israel, Trustee, Northbrook
Lou Arrigoni, Civil Engineer, Park Ridge
Peter Falcone, assistant Administrator, Prospect Heights
Ald. Lara Sanoica, Aldermen, Rolling Meadows
Karyn Robles, Director of Transportation, Schaumburg

Others Present

Jack Bielak, Village Engineer, Northbrook
Jared Patton, Senior Planner, CMAP
Tavis Farmer, IDOT Highways
Steven Andrews, Community Relations, Pace
Rick Mack, Community Affairs Administrator, Metra
Katelyn Dote, Legislative Affairs Liaison, Metra
Kyle Whitehead, Intergovernmental Affairs, RTA
Sanjay Joshi, Project Manager, CCDOTH
Joe Cwynar, Engineer, Engineering Enterprises, Inc.
Larry Bury, Deputy Director, NWMC
Eric Czarnota, Program Associate for Transportation, NWMC
Mark Fowler, Executive Director, NWMC
Kendra Johnson, Program Manager for Transportation, NWMC

I. Call to Order/Introductions

Mayor Craig called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

II. Approval of January 26, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Trustee Israel moved approval of the January 26, 2023 meeting minutes. Trustee Benton seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

III. Agency Reports

A. CMAP – Written report provided.

- B. Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways** – Mr. Joshi reminded everyone that Invest in Cook applications are still open until March 17. He also announced that they are undertaking a County-wide pavement and roadway management system. The County also partnered with the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning to create a Safe Travel for All Roadmap. Additionally, Mr. Joshi mentioned that a draft County-wide bike and transit plan has also been developed with plans to release the final plan later this year.
- C. IDOT Highways** – Mr. Farmer shared that his report is similar to the last meeting but was available for any questions.
- D. Illinois Tollway** – Ms. Passi reported that a daily construction alert is available on their website. She also announced tollway rate increases that started in January for commercial vehicles.
- E. Metra** – Mr. Mack announced that regional sales tax receipts through October had already surpassed 2022 budget projections by \$30.2 million. Operating revenue and expenses for 2022 are also significantly better than the budget so the amount of federal COVID relief funds that Metra has needed decreased by at least \$113 million, while reducing the 2025 budget deficit by \$15 million. However he said, they still face a funding deficit starting in 2026 and beyond when federal funds run out. Weekly ridership is within 44% of pre-pandemic riding levels annually. Mr. Mack then discussed Metra’s newly approved strategic plan that aims to transition to a regional rail service model which has more frequent service throughout the day while still being able to support rush-hour traffic.

Mayor Craig announced that there will be an upcoming press conference on the merger of Canadian Pacific and Kansas City Southern.

- F. Pace** – Mr. Andrews reported that Pace had a new CTA and Pace shared pass and the reduction of cost for certain passes and transfers. He also announced that Pace will be hosting public hearings on the proposed adoption of van-pool fares.
 - G. RTA** – Mr. Whitehead reported that the RTA adopted its strategic plan called “Transit is the Answer” at the February board meeting. He also mentioned that the RTA board approved community planning projects throughout the region where the RTA will provide local technical assistance. Additionally, the RTA has worked on securing discretionary grants including one for Metra aimed at improving accessibility at stations.
- IV. CMAP Greenhouse Gas Inventory**
 Jared Patton, Senior Planner with the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP), presented information on work to support communities in climate action planning and to assist communities in these efforts, including the recently updated Greenhouse Gas Inventory.

Trustee Israel encouraged members to apply for funding from CMAP that will fund the creation of a local climate action plan.

V. Meeting with IDOT Central Office Staff

Staff announced that a meeting was scheduled for March 14 between NWMC members, other council of government staff, regional stakeholders, and IDOT Central office staff to discuss the agreements and permitting process and how to work to improve it.

VI. Other Business

Ms. Johnson announced that she would be leaving the Conference for a position with the RTA. The committee extended their thanks for all her work and wished her well in her new role.

VII. Next Meeting

Mayor Craig announced the next meeting of the NWMC Transportation Committee is scheduled for Thursday, March 23 at 8:30 a.m. at the NWMC offices and via video conference.

VIII. Adjourn

Trustee Benton moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 a.m. Trustee Israel seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

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CMAP News

The CMAP office is open daily and [staff](#) have established hybrid work schedules. [CMAP committee meetings](#) may be held in-person or virtually, depending on the unique situations and requirements of the Open Meetings Act (OMA) that apply to each committee. 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](#).

Job & Internship Opportunities

CMAP is also hiring for several full-time positions: a [Research Analyst](#) in the Research, Analysis and Programming Department; a [Policy Analyst](#) in the Regional Policy and Implementation Department; a [Planning Principal/Regional ADA Coordinator](#) and [Planner](#) in the Planning Department; a [Senior Communications Specialist](#) in the Communications and Engagement Department; and an [Intergovernmental Affairs Specialist/Senior](#), [Senior Procurement Analyst](#), and [Procurement Analyst](#) in the Finance and Administration Department. Visit CMAP's [Careers page](#) to discover more job opportunities.

Additionally, the Northwest Municipal Conference is hiring a [Program Associate for Transportation](#), the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference is hiring a [Transportation Project Manager](#), and McHenry County is hiring a Transportation Planning Manager and Planning Liaison (search "Transportation" on the [McHenry County Careers](#) page).

Accessibility

CMAP is hosting free ADA trainings. These half-day, interactive workshops will be located throughout the region. The trainings are intended for municipal staff, ADA coordinators, community leaders, and anyone interested in learning how to make their communities more accessible. Module topics, location information, and registration information can be found [here](#).

- November 15, 2022: ADA training pilot, recording available [here](#)
- January 18, 2023: ADA and Title II, materials available [here](#)
- March 1, 2023: ADA self-evaluation and design standards, workshop resources coming soon
- April 18, 2023: ADA coordinator training, sign up [here](#) to be notified when registration opens
- April 19, 2023: ADA transition plans

Plan of Action for Regional Transit (PART)

The development of a plan for a stronger and more financially secure transit system for Chicagoland is now underway. The outcome will be a set of state legislative recommendations that ensure the long-term financial viability of a comprehensive and coordinated regional public transportation system, as required by state law enacted last year.

To identify actionable solutions, CMAP is engaging a diverse group of stakeholders from the business, community, environmental, labor, and civic sectors, along with the public, in this process. The PART steering committee held its first meeting on January 18 and plans to convene four other times throughout 2023. The PART report also will leverage findings and input from the RTA and its [Transit is the Answer](#) strategic plan, as well as CMAP's [Mobility Recovery](#) project.

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Program Status Updates

CRRSAA Program

On December 27, 2020, Title IV of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA) was enacted. This Act resulted in the allocation of \$42,647,247 to be programmed and managed by CMAP. In the fall of 2021, the STP Project Selection Committee and local councils of mayors selected [33 individual project phases](#) for CRRSAA funding. The [Regional CRRSAA Status Report](#) and [Regional CRRSAA Accounting Summary](#) were updated in February 2023.

Staff Contact: [Kama Dobbs](#) (312-386-8710)

Surface Transportation Program

The [STP Project Selection Committee](#) met on February 9, 2023. At that meeting, the committee approved revised [Active Program Management \(APM\) policies](#) that went into effect immediately. Sponsors of existing and proposed STP Shared Fund and STP-L projects should review and become familiar with these policies. The committee's next meeting is scheduled for **April 13, 2023**. [Meeting Materials](#) are posted on CMAP's Legistar page. 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 CMAP's [STP web page](#).

Staff Contact: [Kama Dobbs](#) (312-386-8710)

Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and Transportation Alternatives (TAP-L)

The most recent CMAQ Project Selection Committee (PSC) meeting was held on February 9, 2023, and the committee's next meeting is scheduled for **April 13, 2023**. [Meeting materials](#) are posted on CMAP's Legistar page one week in advance of the meetings. Information for submitting change requests for CMAQ or TAP-L funded projects can be found on CMAP's [CMAQ web page](#).

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

Safe Travel for All Roadmap (STAR)

CMAP's STAR program aims to improve the region's traffic safety environment. It will continue and build on the work of the Safety Action Agenda and align the effort with new federal funding opportunities including: the development of policy related to speed management, bicycle and pedestrian safety; the creation of safety action plans for qualifying local partners, the dedication of resources to planning and implementing complete streets projects and the creation of data resources for partners to better address safety.

Northeastern Illinois was awarded a \$5 million grant to improve traffic safety across the region. The joint application submitted by CMAP, IDOT, and the region's counties will fund a comprehensive, regional program called [Safe Travel for All Roadmap](#) (STAR), which will provide a framework for safety research and programs to make northeastern Illinois safer for all travelers.

Staff Contact: [Victoria Barrett](#) (312-386-8641)

CMAP Products and Data

Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory and Local Summaries

An updated [greenhouse gas emissions inventory](#) using 2019 data is available. This shows that between 2010 and 2019, overall greenhouse gas emissions in northeastern Illinois decreased by 9 percent. While this is progress, the region has a shared goal of reducing emissions by 5 percent annually through 2050,

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and it fell 36 percent short of the goal. [Individualized data summaries](#) by county, community, and Chicago neighborhood that provide a snapshot of emissions from the building, transportation, and waste sectors are also available.

Improving Accessibility in the Region

CMAP has launched a program to help communities in northeastern Illinois improve accessibility for their residents and visitors with disabilities. This [CMAP webpage](#) provides communities and partners with essential information about improving accessibility and complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and advance notice of upcoming CMAP trainings and other information. Sign-up to receive the new Accessible Communities newsletter by updating your subscriber preferences [here](#). We look forward to keeping you informed and invite you to connect, stay in touch, and join us to create a more inclusive region. Email us at accessibility@cmapp.illinois.gov.

IJA booklet and resources for communities

CMAP has launched an [online resource](#) to provide communities and partners with the essential information they need to know about IJA and its benefits to the region. This includes funding estimates for existing transportation programs as well as new programs that can make our regional transportation system stronger and more resilient for the next generation of users.

CMAP has also been working with partners and stakeholders to prioritize and achieve consensus around sustainable solutions to our region's transportation challenges. The highest priority projects for the region are reflected in the [IJA booklet](#). These projects align with the [core principles](#) that guide IJA and our region — inclusive growth, resilience, and prioritized investment.

From Our Partners

Streamlined Environmental Survey Screening Process

On March 7, 2023 IDOT released [Circular Letter 2023-08](#), which details significant improvements and changes made to streamline the process of environmental surveys to improve review time. Recent Bureau of Design and Environment (BDE) policy changes allow local projects to now be screened for natural and cultural resources by certain qualified and trained Central Office Bureau of Local Roads and Streets (CBLRS) Staff. The intent of the screening process is to also determine which projects must be submitted for more detailed surveys via the BDE Environmental Survey Request (ESR) process. For new projects which have not previously submitted an ESR and are not already within the BDE ESR queue, the new screening processes are effective on all submitted documents after **March 6, 2023**.

2023 Special Programs Assistance Conference

On March 13, 2023 IDOT released [Circular Letter 2023-09](#) announcing that the Special Programs Unit will be holding informational conferences in each IDOT district this spring to present three grant programs that could help fund your next transportation project – Economic Development Program (EDP), Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP), and Safe Routes to School Program (SRTS). IDOT staff will be available for two days in each IDOT District area to offer general information about each program and answer your specific questions one-on-one to help you take advantage of funding available from these programs. Links to register for the morning sessions and to reserve individual appointment slots are available on the [ITEP](#) and [SRTS](#) webpages.

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Funding Opportunities

Invest in Cook

The Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways (DoTH) has announced a 7th round of Invest in Cook, an \$8.5 million grant program to help local governments and agency partners further their transportation projects by covering some of the cost of planning and feasibility studies, engineering, right-of-way acquisition and construction associated with transportation improvements. Applications are due by **5 p.m. on Friday, March 17, 2023**. Additional information can be found [here](#).

Statewide Planning and Research Funds (SPR)

On February 24, 2023 IDOT issued [Circular Letter 2023-07](#) announcing the FY 2024 SPR Call for Projects. Funding must be used for planning and research activities, and all proposed projects should be related to studying or implementing a goal, strategy, or objective within the state's Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) or one of its associated plans, implementing performance-based program development, implementing asset management or benefiting a disadvantaged/economically distressed community. An informational [webinar](#) will be held on March 15 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. and applications are due before midnight on **March 30, 2023**. Program guidance can be found on the [IDOT website](#).

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Federally-Funded Project Implementation and Active Program Management Reminders – March and early April 2023

3/30/2023

CMAQ and TAP-L project change requests for projects targeting the **June** or **August** state lettings are due for consideration at the April 13th Project Selection Committee meeting.

3/31/2023

Quarterly status updates for all projects funded with CMAQ, CRRSAA (local or shared), STP (local or shared), and/or TAP-L funds are due to transportation@cmap.illinois.gov or your council of mayors (for STP-Local only).

4/14/2023

Pre-final plans due for projects targeting the **September** state letting.

Other recommended actions in March

Project sponsors should be reviewing the status of STP-funded (local or shared fund) project phases and reviewing the recently updated Active Program Management [policies](#) to determine if an obligation deadline extension may be needed and if the project phase is eligible for an extension.

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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.

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**Northshore Council of Mayors
Management Monitoring Schedule
FY 2023-2028
Proposed Highway Improvement Program**

Target lettings for projects in the MYP are contingent upon contract plan readiness, land acquisition and funding availability.

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IDOT FY 2023-2028 Proposed Highway Improvement Program is available on-line at www.idot.illinois.gov

PROJECT LOCATION AND LIMITS	SCOPE OF WORK	EST. COST (X000)	DESIGN APPROVAL DATE	RIGHT OF WAY REQUIRED	TARGET LETTING TIMEFRAME*	FISCAL YEAR FUNDS AVAILABLE	COMMENTS
I-94 (Edens Expwy) At Dundee Ave, Tower Rd & Lake Ave Intchgs (ITS – Smart Highway)	Lighting	\$3,956	PS&E	TBD	1st Quarter FY 24 Contract: 62D82 1-79195-4000	MYP	Northbrook
I-94 (Edens Expwy) At Winnetka Rd	Bridge Replacement and Retaining Wall	\$3,200	03/22/02	TBD	1 st Quarter FY 26 Contract: 62H34 1-75746-0100	MYP	Northfield
I-94 (Edens Expwy) At Oakton St	Bridge Replacement, Traffic Signal Replacement	\$9,887	E6/30/19	TBD	2 nd Quarter FY 24 Contract: 62K70 1-75996-0100	MYP	Skokie
I-94 (Edens Expwy) At Touhy Ave	Bridge Replacement, Traffic Signals Replacement	\$8,930	TBD	TBD	2 nd Quarter FY 28 1-81127-0000	MYP	Skokie
US 14 (Dempster St) Ozark St. to IL 43 (Waukegan Rd)	Drainage	\$5,000	E12/31/17	Yes	2nd Quarter FY 27 1-79267-0000	MYP	Morton Grove
US 41 (Skokie Hwy) Lake-Cook Rd to I-94 (Edens Expwy)	Smart Overlay	\$1,000	PS&E	No	2 nd Quarter FY 27 1-81016-0000	MYP	Northbrook
US 41 (Skokie Blvd) S of Old Glenview Rd to N of Golf Rd	Smart Overlay	\$700	PS&E	No	2 nd Quarter FY 27 1-80982-0000	MYP	Wilmette

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US 41 (Church St) US 41 (Skokie Blvd): At Church St & Church St: At Niles Center Rd	Signal Timing/ Progression	\$81	TBD	TBD	2nd Quarter FY 24 Contract: 62R84 1-80911-0000	MYP	Skokie
US 41 At Main St	Signal Timing/ Progression	\$117	TBD	TBD	2nd Quarter FY 24 Contract: 62R84 1-80919-0000	MYP	Skokie
IL-21 (Milwaukee Ave) North of Sanders Rd to South of Euclid Ave	Reconstruction Intersection Improvement Traffic Signal Modernization Signal Timing / Progression Additional Lanes	\$13,375	12/13/06	Yes	3 rd Quarter FY 25 Contract: 60R53 1-71621-0100	MYP	Glenview
IL 43 (Waukegan Rd) At UP RR S of Voltz Rd	Bridge Deck Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$1,189	TBD	TBD	1 st Quarter FY 24 Contract: 62T18 1-81068-0000	MYP	Northbrook
IL 43 (Waukegan Rd) N of Main St to Oakton St & Harlem Ave to US 14 (Caldwell Ave)	Standard Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$990	PS&E	No	2 nd Quarter FY 26 1-79496-0000	MYP	Morton Grove Niles
IL 58 (Golf Rd) I-294 to Lincoln St	Smart Overlay	\$5,200	PS&E	No	1 st Quarter FY 25 Contract: 62T11 1-81007-0000	MYP	Park Ridge

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IL 58 (Dempster St)	Crack and Joint Sealing	\$200	PS&E	No	2 nd Quarter FY 27	MYP	Niles
IL 43 (Waukegan Rd) to W of Niles Center Rd					1-81051-0000		
IL 58 (Dempster St) At I-94 (Edens Expwy)	Bridge Deck Overlay, Bridge Joint Replace/Repair	\$1,686	TBD	No	1 st Quarter FY 24 Contract: 62T25	MYP	Park Ridge
					1-81084-0000		
Devon Ave Springfield Ave to Lincoln Ave	Smart Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$570	TBD	TBD	1 st Quarter FY 25 Contract: 62L58	MYP	Lincolnwood
					1-79489-0000		
Devon Ave IL 50 (Cicero Ave) to Kenton Ave/Lemont Ave	Signal Timing/Progression	\$363	TBD	No	1 st Quarter FY 24 Contract: 62R84	MYP	Lincolnwood
					1-80912-0000		
Dundee Rd I-94 (Eden Expwy) to Forest Way Dr	Standard Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$484	TBD	TBD	2 nd Quarter FY 26 Contract: 62J64	MYP	Wilmette
					1-80441-0000		
Forest Way Dr At Ditch north of Willow Rd	Culvert Replacement	\$1,000	TBD	TBD	3rd Quarter FY 25 1-80294-0000	MYP	Glencoe
Green Bay Rd S of Scott Ave to S of Kenilworth Ave	Standard Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$2,030	TBD	TBD	3 rd Quarter FY 25	MYP	Glencoe Winnetka Kenilworth
					1-79439-0000		
Touhy Ave At Kostner Ave	Traffic Signal Modernization, ADA Improvements	\$720	TBD	TBD	1 st Quarter FY 24	MYP	Lincolnwood
					1-79889-0000		

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Touhy Ave At Hamlin Ave	Channelization, Traffic Signal Installation	\$750	TBD	Yes	2 nd Quarter FY 26 1-77024-0000	MYP	Lincolnwood
Tower Rd At I-94/US 41 (Edens Expwy)	Bridge Deck Overlay, Bridge Joint Replace/Repair	\$650	PS&E	No	2 nd Quarter FY 24 Contract: 62T36 1-81075-0000	MYP	Skokie
Willow Rd E of Des Plaines River to Waterview Dr/Protection Pkwy	Reconstruction, Intersection Improvement, Lighting, Noise Barriers, Bridge Rehabilitation	\$19,000	4/2/01	Yes	1 st Quarter FY 25 Contract: 60L75 1-73626-0000 1-73626-3000	MYP	Prospect Heights Glenview
Willow Rd At W Fork North Branch Chicago River	Bridge Replacement, Sidewalk	\$9,400	TBD	Yes	1 st Quarter FY 25 Contract: 62M85 1-72414-0300	MYP	Northbrook Glenview
Willow Rd Landwehr Rd to W of IL 43 (Waukegan Rd)	Smart Overlay	\$3,500	TBD	No	3 rd Quarter FY 23 1-80861-0000	MYP	Northbrook Glenview

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AWARDED PROJECTS:							
Lehigh Ave Oakton St to Touhy Ave	Designed Overlay	\$550	TBD	No	On 4/29/2022 Contract: 62P30 1-79462-0000	FY 22	Morton Grove Niles Award Date: 5/25/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: Builders Paving, LLC Low Bid: \$868,000.00
Oakton St Waukegan Rd to Long Ave	Designed Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$1,263	TBD	TBD	On 4/29/2022 Contract: 62P32 1-80255-0000	FY 22	Morton Grove Niles Award Date: 5/25/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: Builders Paving, LLC Low Bid: \$3,626,380.00
Shermer Rd Willow Rd to Old Willow Rd	Standard Overlay, ADA Improvements, New Shoulders	\$485	TBD	TBD	On 6/17/2022 Contract: 62L11 1-79493-0000	FY 22	Glenview Award Date: 7/27/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: JA Johnson Paving Company Low Bid: \$654,540.09
IL 21 (Milwaukee Ave) Glenview Rd to N of Kennicott Ln	Smart Overlay, ADA Improvements, Miscellaneous	\$1,173	TBD	No	On 11/18/2022 Contract: 62N53 1-80867-0000	FY 23	Glenview Award Date: 12/12/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: Arrow Road Const. Co. Low Bid: \$1,158,709.70

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US 12 (Mannheim Rd) Prospect Ave to S of W Higgins Rd	Smart Overlay	\$1,600	By PS&E	No	1 st Quarter FY 25 Contract: 62T06 1-81008-0000	MYP	Des Plaines
US 14 (Northwest Hwy) McHenry Co Line to Hart Rd	Standard Overlay, ADA Improvements, New Shoulders, Milled Rumble Strip	\$1,970	By PS&E	TBD	2 nd Quarter FY 28 1-79869-0000	MYP	Barrington
US 20 (Lake St) At Oak Ave & At Bartlett Rd	Intersection Improvement	\$3,058	TBD	TBD	1 st Quarter FY 24 Contract: 62P51 1-78551-0000	MYP	Bartlett
US 20 (Lake St) Park Ave to SE of North Ave	Crack & Joint Sealing	\$70	By PS&E	No	2 nd Quarter FY 27 1-81058-0000	MYP	Hanover Park
US 45 (Elk Blvd) US 12/45 (Lee St / Mannheim Rd) to US 12	Standard Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$170	BY PS&E	TBD	2 nd Quarter FY 26 Contract: 62L10	MYP	Des Plaines
US 45 (Des Plaines River Rd) At McDonald Creek	Bridge Deck Overlay, Bridge Joint Replace/Repair	\$550	TBD	No	1 st Quarter FY24 Contract: 62T05 1-81065-0000	MYP	Des Plaines
IL 19 (Irving Park Rd) At Wise Rd	Intersection Improvement, Traffic Signal Modernization	\$1,410	12/07/15	TBD	3 rd Quarter FY 23 Contract: 62J30 1-79329-0000	MYP	Hanover Park

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IL 19 (Irving Park Rd) 0.3 MI W of Mitchell Blvd to Roselle Rd	Designed Overlay, New Shoulders, ADA Improvements	\$2,167	By PS&E	TBD	1 st Quarter FY24 1-79480-1000	MYP	Schaumburg, Roselle
IL 21 (Milwaukee Ave) At US 14 (Dempster St)	Bridge Deck Overlay, Bridge Joint Replace/Repair	\$550	By PS&E	TBD	1 st Quarter FY 25 Contract: 62T24 1-81093-0000	MYP	Niles
IL 25 (St Charles Rd) Bluff City Blvd to 0.4 MI N of Sterns Rd	Standard Overlay, ADA Improvements, Milled Rumble Strip, RR Flaggers	\$2,300	By PS&E	TBD	1 st Quarter FY 26 Contract: 62K78 1-78216-1000	MYP	Elgin
IL 43 (Waukegan Rd) N of Main St to Oakton St & Harlem Ave to US 14	Standard Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$990	By PS&E	TBD	2 nd Quarter FY 26 1-79496-0000	MYP	Niles
IL 53 Lake-Cook Rd to Des Plaine Ave (Bus on Shoulder)	Shoulder Repair, Signing (NEW), Pavement Marking	\$11,738	PS&E	No	1 st Quarter FY 26 1-79840-0000	MYP	Arlington Heights, Palatine, Rolling Meadows
IL 53 Lake-Cook Rd to IL 68 Dundee Rd)	Noise Barriers	\$7,400	By PS&E	Yes	1 st Quarter FY 24 Contract:62P76 1-80193-0000	MYP	Arlington Heights
IL 53 (W Frontage Rd) US 12 (Rand Rd) to Anderson Dr	Standard Overlay	\$395	By PS&E	No	4 th Quarter FY 25 1-78956-0000	MYP	Palatine

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IL 53 S. of US 12 (Rand Rd) to IL 62 (Algonquin Rd)	Bridge New Deck, Bridge Superstructure Replace	\$75,000	By PS&E	TBD	1st Quarter FY 25 Contract: 62N91 1-79433-0000	MYP	Rolling Meadows Palatine Arlington Heights
IL 53 At Euclid Ave	Bridge Rehabilitation	\$11,600	By PS&E	TBD	1st Quarter FY 25 Contract: 62N91 1-80597-0000	MYP	Rolling Meadows
IL 58 (Golf Rd) Poplar Creek Tributary	Culvert Repair	\$707	E12/31/20	TBD	1 st Quarter FY 24 Contract: 62P08 1-79001-0000	MYP	Hoffman Estates
IL 58 (Golf Rd) At Barrington Rd	Intersection Improvement, Traffic Signal Modernization, ADA	\$3,500	TBD	Yes	3 rd Quarter FY 24 Contract: 62N97 1-79741-0000	MYP	Hoffman Estates
IL 58 (Golf Rd) Algonquin Rd/Golf Rd to US 14 (Northwest Hwy)	Crack & Joint Sealing	\$470	By PS&E	No	2 nd Quarter FY 27 1-81046-0000	MYP	Arlington Heights, Mt Prospect, Des Plaines
IL 58 (Golf Rd) I-294 (Tri-State Tollway) to Lincoln St	Smart Overlay	\$5,200	By PS&E	No	1 st Quarter FY 24 Contract: 62T11 1-81007-0000	MYP	Morton Grove Niles
IL 59 (Hough St) Lake-Cook Rd/Main St to Barrington Rd	Smart Overlay	\$500	By PS&E	No	1 st Quarter FY 24 Contract: 62T74 1-80968-0000	MYP	Barrington

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IL 59 (Hawthorne Rd) S of Barrington Rd to Dundee Rd/ Old Dundee)	Crack & Joint Sealing	\$100	By PS&E	No	1 st Quarter FY 24 Contract: 62T75 1-81043-0000	MYP	Barrington
IL 59 (Sutton Rd) At I-90 (Jane Addams Memorial Tollway)	Bridge Deck Overlay, Bridge Joint Replace/Repair	\$2,100	By PS&E	TBD	1 st Quarter FY 24 Contract: 62P12 1-80001-0000	MYP	Hoffman Estates
IL 68 (Dundee Rd) E Branch Salt Creek, 0.6 MI E of Quentin Rd	Culvert Replacement, Drainage, Left Turn Lanes	\$1,300	E 6/30/18	Yes	2 nd Quarter FY 24 1-78880-0000	MYP	Palatine
IL 72 (Higgins Rd) Audubon St to Meacham Rd	Smart Overlay	\$2,200	By PS&E	No	2 nd Quarter FY 27 1-80971-0000	MYP	Schaumburg Hoffman Estates
IL 72 (Higgins Rd) I-290 (Eisenhower Expwy) Ramp NB to 0.1 MI NW of Landmeier Rd	Smart Overlay	\$8,200	By PS&E	No	2 nd Quarter FY 27 1-81015-0000	MYP	Elk Grove Village
IL 72 (Higgins Rd) E of Fairview Ave to I-90 Ramp (WB)	Standard Overlay	\$3,105	By PS&E	No	2 nd Quarter FY 26 1-81137-0000	MYP	Park Ridge
IL 83 (Oakton St) W of Elmhurst Rd to IL 72 (Higgins Rd)	Smart Overlay	\$700	By PS&E	No	2nd Quarter FY 27 1-81003-0000	MYP	Mt Prospect Elk Grove Village Des Plaines

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Algonquin Rd IL 83 (Elmhurst Rd) to Wolf Rd & I-294 (Tri-State Tollway) to Sibley St	Standard Overlay, New Shoulders, ADA Improvements	\$1,745	By PS&E	TBD	3 rd Quarter FY 23 Contract: 62R17 1-78662-0000	MYP	Des Plaines
Barrington Rd N of W Stone Canyon Cir to S of Farmington Dr Lake-Cook Rd: 0.1 MI E of Wallingford Ln	Designed Overlay	\$1,400	By PS&E	TBD	3 rd Quarter FY23 Contract: 62M65 1-78953-0000	MYP	Inverness, Barrington Hills
Barrington Rd S of IL 62 (Algonquin Rd) to Central Rd	Additional Lanes, Reconstruction, Culvert Replacement, Traffic Signal, Modernization, Traffic Signal Repl.	\$15,375	E 6/30/17	Yes	1st Quarter FY 25 Contract: 62K33 1-78074-0000	MYP	South Barrington
Busse Hwy US 14 (Miner St) to Dee Rd	Standard Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$2,900	By PS&E	No	2 nd Quarter FY 26 1-79453-0000	MYP	Des Plaines Park Ridge
Devon Ave At Des Plaines River	Bridge Replacement	\$3,000	By PS&E	TBD	4th Quarter FY 25 1-79987-0000	MYP	Des Plaines

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Oakton St At Des Plaines River	Bridge Deck Overlay, Bridge Joint Replace/Repair	\$1,128	By PS&E	No	1 st Quarter FY 25 Contract: 62T37 1-81095-0000	MYP	Des Plaines
Old Arlington Heights Rd IL 68 (Dundee Rd) to Arlington Heights Rd	Standard Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$345	By PS&E	TBD	3 rd Quarter FY 23 Contract: 62R70 1-79464-0000	MYP	Buffalo Grove
Palatine Rd N Frontage Rd Williams Dr to Alison Dr	Standard Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$800	By PS&E	TBD	2 nd Quarter FY 24 Contract: 62R72 1-79370-1000	MYP	Arlington Heights Prospect Heights Wheeling
Palatine S Frontage Rd E of US 12 (Rand Rd) to Pinecrest Dr	Standard Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$1,283	By PS&E	No	1st Quarter FY 25 1-79370-2000	MYP	Arlington Heights Prospect Heights
Palatine Rd Over Salt Creek (0.1 MI E of Pinecrest Dr	Culvert Replacement	\$250	By PS&E	TBD	1st Quarter FY 28 1-79815-0000	MYP	Palatine
Palatine Rd At Salt Creek W of Winston Dr (W of IL 53)	Culvert Replacement	\$1,700	By PS&E	TBD	2 nd Quarter FY 26 1-80288-0000	MYP	Palatine

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Rand Rd At Des Plaines River	Bridge Replacement Retaining Wall ADA Improvement, Traffic Signal Installation	\$14,000	3/19/14	Yes	1st Quarter FY 24 Contract: 60J10 1-70254-0000	MYP	Des Plaines
Touhy Ave At North Branch Chicago River 0.6 MI E of IL 43	Bridge Replacement Traffic Signal Modernization	\$5,200	E12/31/16	Yes	4th Quarter FY 23 Contract:62D34 1-76353-0100	MYP	Niles
Willow Rd E of Des Plaines River to Waterview Dr / Protection Pkwy	Reconstruction, Intersection Improvement, Lighting, Noise Barriers, Bridge Rehabilitation, Additional Lanes	\$19,000	By PS&E	TBD	1 st Quarter FY 25 Contract: 60L75 1-73626-0000	MYP	Wheeling Northbrook

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AWARDED PROJECTS:							
Palatine Rd Quentin Rd to Smith St	Patching	\$179	PS&E	No	On 1/21/2022 Letting Contract: 62L09 1-80425-1000	FY 22	Palatine Award Date: 2/04/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: M&J Underground Inc. Low Bid: \$207,992.05
US 14 (Northwest Highway) W of Nicholas Dr to Western Ave	Designed Overlay, ADA Improvements, Storm Sewer (NEW) and Retaining Wall	\$7,545	TBD	No	On 3/11/2022 Letting Contract: 62H38 1-78660-3000	FY 22	Des Plaines Award Date: 4/05/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: Benchmark Const Co., Inc. Low Bid: \$5,718,000.00
Harlem Ave Dempster St to Oakton St	Designed Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$770	By PS&E	TBD	On 3/11/2022 Letting Contract: 62N74 1-79457-0000	FY 22	Niles Award Date: 3/24/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: Arrow Road Const. Co. Low Bid: \$1,532,379.54
Main St. West of Hart Rd to Ela Rd	Standard Overlay, ADA Improvements, RR Flagger	\$1,500	By PS&E	TBD	On 3/11/2022 Letting Contract: 62M47 1-79063-0000	FY 22	Barrington Hills Barrington Award Date: 3/24/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: Arrow Road Const. Co. Low Bid: \$2,917,918.54

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IL 59 (Sutton Rd) At W Bartlett Rd	Channelization, Traffic Signal Modernization, ADA Improvements	\$2,600	12/28/17	TBD	On 3/11/2022 Letting Contract: 62D30 1-78285-1000	FY 22	Bartlett Award Date: 3/24/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: Alliance Contractors, Inc. Low Bid: \$6,228,576.31
I-290 NB Ramp to Biesterfield Rd over I-290 Maintenance Dr	Bridge Deck Overlay, Bridge Joint Replace/Repair, Channelization, Traffic Signal Modernization	\$1770	By PS&E	No	On 4/29/2022 Letting Contract: 62M59 1-80595-0190	FY 22	Elk Grove Village Award Date: 5/25/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: MYS, Inc Low Bid: \$1,748,339.32
IL 43 (Oakton St) Busse Hwy to Waukegan Rd	Design Overlay, Standard Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$2,655	By PS&E	No	On 4/29/2022 Letting Contract: 62M46 1-79463-0000	FY 22	Niles Morton Grove Award Date: 5/25/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: Arrow Road Construction Co. Low Bid: \$3,917,528.92
Hick Rd US 14 (Northwest Hwy) to Kirchoff Rd	Standard Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$1,100	By PS&E	No	On 4/29/2022 Letting Contract: 62N75 1-80093-0000	FY 22	Rolling Meadows Award Date: 5/25/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: J.A. Johnson Paving Company Low Bid: \$532,000.47
Lehigh Ave Oakton St to Touhy Ave	Designed Overlay	\$550	By PS&E	No	On 4/29/2022 Letting Contract: 62P30 1-79462-0000	FY 22	Morton Grove Niles Award Date: 5/25/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: Builders, LLC Low Bid: \$868,000.00

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Oakton St IL 83 (Elmhurst Rd) to US 12/45 (Lee St/Mannheim Rd)	Designed Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$2,120	By PS&E	TBD	On 4/29/2022 Letting Contract: 62N77 1-78959-0000	FY 22	Des Plaines Award Date: 5/25/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: Arrow Road Construction Co. Low Bid: \$3,382,410.79
Oakton St Waukegan Rd to Long Ave	Designed Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$1,263	By PS&E	TBD	On 4/29/2022 Letting Contract: 62P32 1-80255-0000	FY 22	Des Plaines Award Date: 5/25/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: Builders Paving, LLC Low Bid: \$3,626,380.00
Waukegan Rd IL 43 (Oakton St) to IL 21 (Milwaukee Ave)	Standard Overlay, ADA Improvements	\$1,100	PS&E	No	On 4/29/2022 Letting Contract: 62M48 1-79501-0000	FY 22	Niles Award Date: 5/25/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: Plote Construction, Inc. Low Bid: \$1,160,466.13
Touhy Ave At Des Plaines River	Bridge Repair	\$750	TBD	TBD	On 6/17/2022 Letting Contract: 62R32 1-80889-0000	FY 23	Des Plaines Award Date: 7/27/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: Path Construction Company, Inc. Low Bid: \$458,553.25
IL 62 (Algonquin Rd) New Sutton Rd to W of Quentin Rd	Crack and Joint Sealing	\$300	By PS&E	No	On 7/15/2022 Letting Contract: 62N64 1-80852-0000	FY 23	Barrington, Inverness Palatine Award Date: 7/28/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: Freehill Asphalt, Inc. Low Bid: \$213,223.95

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US 14 (Miner St) At Des Plaines River	Bridge Deck Overlay, Bridge Joint Replace/Repair	\$1092	TBD	TBD	On 11/18/2022 Letting Contract: 62M56 1-80595-0120	FY 23	Des Plaines Award Date: 12/12/2022 Apparent Low Bidder: Martam Construction Inc. Low Bid: \$925,881.65
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Illinois Tollway Update – March 2023

Tollway Board Chairman

In February, the Illinois Tollway welcomed Arnie Rivera as the new chair of the Illinois Tollway Board. Rivera, who currently serves as Chief Administrative and Equity Officer at Navy Pier, was appointed by Governor JB Pritzker, replacing Chair Dorothy Abreu who stepped down in January for personal reasons in order to prioritize her health and family. Rivera will continue in his role at Navy Pier while serving on the Tollway Board. Previously, he has worked at Chicago Public Schools as Chief Operating Officer and Chief Officer of Public Policy, among other roles. Rivera also served with After School Matters as a Senior Strategic Advisor. Rivera received a bachelor's degree in Economics and a master's degree in Education and Social Policy from Northwestern University.

I-PASS Assist Program

More income-eligible drivers are receiving the cost-saving benefits of I-PASS after signing up for I-PASS Assist Accounts that also offer few up-front costs. Working through a partnership with the Illinois Department of Revenue, the Tollway is able to verify the eligibility of households for I-PASS Assist using a secure web form that requires minimal information to determine if household incomes fall below the required threshold, which is based on 250 percent of Federal Poverty Guidelines. I-PASS Assist offers eligible drivers all the benefits of I-PASS, including the standard 50 percent discount on tolls, as well as additional benefits, including waiving the transponder deposit fee and allowing drivers to open an account with as little as \$4 in prepaid tolls. In addition, participants may have fees accrued from unpaid tolls dismissed—and avoid future fees for missed tolls. Go to <https://www.illinoistollway.com/assist> to access the application.

Tollway Services and Amenities Survey

The Illinois Tollway is seeking information regarding what sorts of services and amenities customers would like to see on the Tollway. Anyone interested is invited to take a 5-10 minute online survey. Responses from regular commuters and occasional drivers will help us better understand your needs as a customer and will help shape future program improvements. Go to <https://s.alchemer.com/s3/TollwayAmenities> to access the survey.

Illinois Tollway 2023 Internship Program

The Illinois Tollway is looking for college students and recent college graduates to apply for its 2023 Internship Program with opportunities to learn firsthand about engineering, information

technology, finance and more. The Tollway's paid internships include an annual summer Professional Services Internship, a year-long internship in the Tollway's Business Systems Department, as well as the year-long Engineering Cooperative Education internship. All of the internships provide students with opportunities to gain new skills through hands-on experience working in the transportation industry. Students can find more information and apply online on Tollway's website <https://www.illinoistollway.com/about/careers> through March 31.

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Attend Pace's Hire-on-the-Spot Event March 25th in Arlington Heights

Attend our next Hire-on-the-Spot Event March 25th at Pace Headquarters in Arlington Heights. Get hired immediately for available bus operator, servicer, and other positions at Pace's Northwest Division in Des Plaines. Bus operator applicants should plan to attend a 90-minute assessment session starting at 9:30am or 11:30am. Interviews for bus operator positions will take place after the assessments. Interested in other positions or just learning more? Stop by any time between 9:00am and 2:00pm.

Working for Pace has many advantages:

- Starting bus operator pay at \$25.68/hour
- \$1000 signing bonus!!
- Earn your CDL for free with paid on-the-job and on-going training
- Promotion from within
- Excellent health and retirement benefits
- Paid vacation and other paid time off
- Safe, clean work environment

What to expect at the event:

- Learn directly from Pace staff about rewarding career opportunities and submit applications for open positions.
- Bus operator candidates will be interviewed and take a 90-minute Customer Service Assessment.
- Those seeking bus operator or mechanic positions should bring their court ordered Motor Vehicle Report (also called Driver's Abstract) from the IL Secretary of State.
- Get hired right on the spot! Get paid training and start earning a paycheck right away!
- Refreshments and prizes available.



Pace Launches New VanGo Pilot Program from Palatine Metra Station

VanGo is a reservation-based service, in which drivers reserve a van for the next business day. This new pilot program provides a first-mile/last-mile option for commuters traveling round-trip between the Palatine Metra Station and work locations in the portions of Palatine, Rolling Meadows, and Schaumburg bounded by Lake-Cook Road on the north, Roselle Road on the west (including Little City's Main Campus), I-90 on the south, and IL53 on the east. Visit www.pacebus.com/vango for details.

Public Hearings for the Proposed Adoption of Part-Time Vanpool Fares

Pace is holding virtual and in-person public hearings on the proposed adoption of part-time Vanpool fares.

As part of a pilot project that began on May 1, 2022, Pace introduced flexible, part-time Vanpool fares to accommodate hybrid work schedules and reduced work weeks. Part-time fares are available for riders participating in a Vanpool three or less days per week. As the pilot period is coming to an end, Pace is proposing to make part-time Vanpool fares permanent.

Any person wishing to comment on these proposed changes may do so by attending a public hearing, or by submitting comments at Pace's website PaceBus.com/public-hearing-feedback, by email to public.hearings@pacebus.com, by telephone to [847-354-7943](tel:847-354-7943), or by mail to: Pace, Community Relations Department, 550 W. Algonquin Rd., Arlington Heights, IL 60005-4412. All comments must be received by 5:00 pm on March 24, 2023.

County	Date	Time	Location
Will County	March 20, 2023	11:00 AM	Virtual
Kane County	March 20, 2023	4:00 PM	Virtual
Lake County	March 21, 2023	12:00 PM	Virtual
McHenry County	March 22, 2023	1:00 PM	Virtual
DuPage County	March 22, 2023	3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	City of Naperville Municipal Center NEU Room – Lower Level 400 S. Eagle Street Naperville, IL 60540
Cook County	March 23, 2023	9:30 AM	Virtual

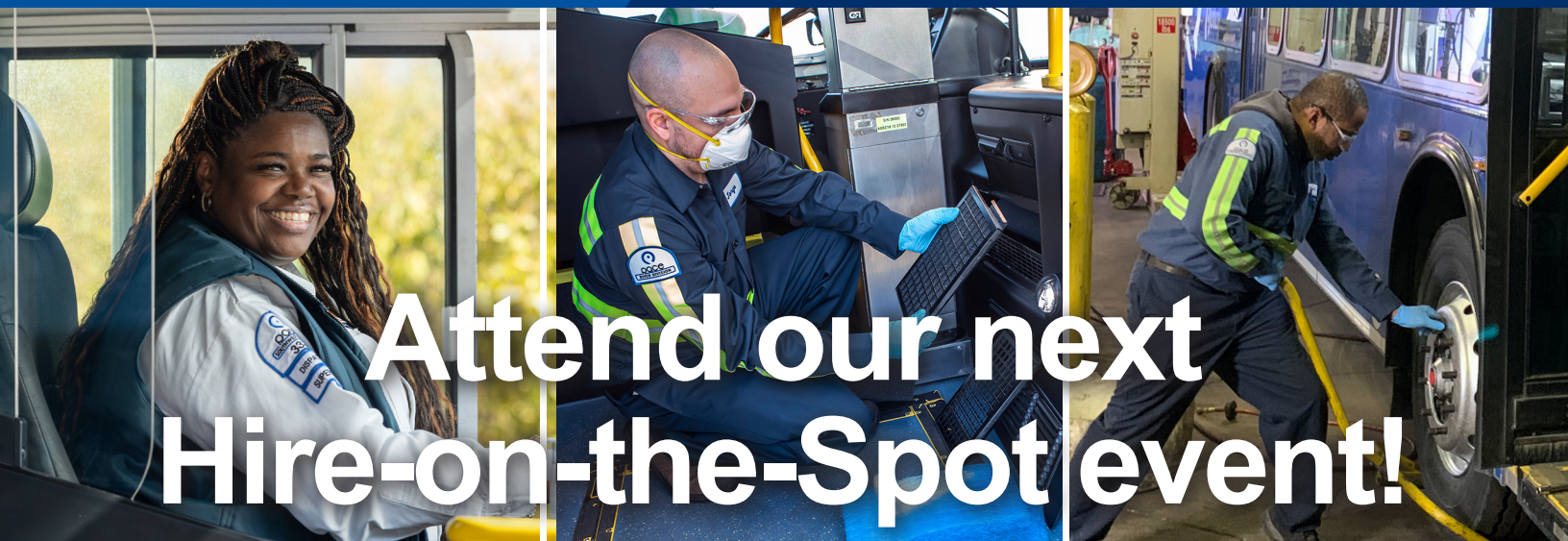
Learn about the benefits of joining our team!



Bus Operator

Servicer

Mechanic Helper



Attend our next Hire-on-the-Spot event!

Saturday, March 25, 2023
550 W. Algonquin Road, Arlington Heights

Get hired immediately for available bus operator, servicer, and other positions at Pace's Northwest Division in Des Plaines.

Same-day job offers will be made. For bus operator jobs, applicants should plan to attend a three-hour session starting at **9:30am** or **11:30am**. Just interested in learning more? Stop by any time between 9am and 2pm.

Working for Pace has many advantages:

- Starting bus operator pay at \$25.68/hour
- \$1000 signing bonus!!
- Earn your CDL for free with paid on-the-job and on-going training
- Promotion from within
- Excellent health and retirement benefits
- Paid vacation and other paid time off
- Safe, clean work environment

What to expect at the event:

- Refreshments and prizes available. Chances to win Schaumburg Boomers baseball tickets!
- Learn directly from Pace staff about rewarding career opportunities.
- Bring your Motor Vehicle Report (also called Driver's Abstract) from the IL Secretary of State.
- If you're ready to apply, bus operator candidates can get an interview and take a 90-minute Customer Service Assessment.
- Get hired right on the spot! Get paid during your training period. Start earning a paycheck right away.

Light refreshments will be available and attendees will have a chance to win prizes!



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Metra to expand UP Northwest schedule on April 3 *New schedule exceeds pre-pandemic service levels*

CHICAGO (March 16, 2023) – Metra is revising its schedule on the UP Northwest Line (UP-NW) beginning Monday, April 3. The updated schedule adds 12 trains to the line’s weekday service, exceeding pre-pandemic service levels.

“Metra has been monitoring ridership as well as customer feedback, and these schedule changes respond to ridership trends and increase capacity and convenience by expanding peak period as well as off-peak service,” said Metra CEO/Executive Director Jim Derwinski. “And with a major multiyear rehab project scheduled to start on the Kennedy Expressway, this new schedule allows Metra to provide more commuters with a viable and much less stressful alternative to driving.”

UP-NW riders are advised to review the new schedule at metra.com/alternate-schedules as departure and arrival times have been shifted on many trains to accommodate the additional service. Metra will monitor customer feedback and operating conditions and make additional schedule adjustments as needed to meet riders’ needs.

The last major revisions to the UP-NW schedule occurred nearly a year ago as pandemic restrictions lifted and more people returned to the daily commute. The new schedule, launching April 3, will provide service at least every 30 minutes during the morning and evening rush hours as well as hourly service at most stations during off peak hours. The 12 additional weekday trips will increase the line’s total to 78 trips compared to 66 today and 65 before the pandemic.

Outbound service in the early evening rush is expanded with three new trains departing Chicago between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m., including a 3:22 p.m. departure to McHenry that riders have requested. Arlington Heights riders will also have more express service in the morning and the evening rush hours with a new 7:25 a.m. inbound train and a 5:07 p.m. outbound train. The new schedule adds a reverse commute option for students at St. Viator High School in Arlington Heights, with a new 6:35 a.m. departure from Chicago.

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March 2023 Update

Strategic plan implementation begins with funding advocacy

In the RTA's newly adopted [Transit is the Answer](#) strategic plan for the regional transit system, the top item on the advocacy agenda is securing increased funding for transit operations. The RTA projects the region will face a \$730 million operating shortfall starting in 2026 resulting from rising operating costs and pandemic-induced ridership losses for CTA, Metra, and Pace. The agency continues to educate stakeholders about the value of the transit system, its funding needs, and potential options for new revenue.

This work continued in March in meetings with state and federal officials. On March 2nd, RTA government affairs staff briefed representatives from eight Congressional offices on the RTA region's transit operating and capital funding needs. The briefing was hosted by the [Transportation for Illinois Coalition \(TFIC\)](#). Later in the month RTA joined TFIC in a meeting with newly elected Congresswoman Nikki Budzinski about transportation funding. RTA is planning more educational meetings with members of Congress over the next several months.

At the state level, the RTA and all three Service Boards participated in a subject matter hearing on regional transit hosted by the Illinois Senate Transportation and Public Safety and Infrastructure Appropriations Committees. RTA and the Service Boards provided testimony, with RTA focusing on the fiscal cliff and budgetary challenges, and the Service Boards detailing how they've adapted to COVID and advanced ambitious capital programs to modernize the region's transit system. Testimony also included stakeholders from the business, labor, and advocacy communities.

Regionally, RTA executive staff recently presented to the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning's (CMAP) the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Policy Committee. Topics included our [2023 Agenda for Advocacy and Action](#), as well as findings and projections as part of the 10-year financial plan for the regional transit system. As a requirement of [PA102 - 1028](#), the CMAP MPO must adopt a set of policy and revenue recommendations for regional transit to be delivered to the Governor and the Illinois General Assembly by January 1, 2024.

Educational meetings about the system's funding needs with elected officials and other stakeholders inside and outside government will continue in the coming



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months. Learn how you and your organization can help advocate for sustainable transit funding and other strategic plan goals by [joining the Transit is the Answer Coalition](#).

New Case Studies Highlight Suburban Transit-Oriented Development Successes

The RTA's Local Planning team recently [published three case studies](#) highlighting transit-oriented development successes in Chicago suburbs including [Calumet Park](#), [Bartlett](#), and [Highwood](#). This work was completed with funding and assistance from the RTA's [Community Planning program](#). Case studies use ArcGIS StoryMaps to visually showcase the progress communities have made towards their goals, and show how they have leveraged initial plans as catalysts for further planning and development.