



# Community Planning Program

Through the Community Planning program, the RTA provides technical assistance and funding to conduct transit-focused planning studies and *Transit is the Answer* implementation activities.

By providing local governments with the technical assistance needed to complete plans as well as support to implement those plans, the RTA helps municipalities in the region develop walkable, equitable, and sustainable communities near transit stations and along transit corridors.

## Eligible Applicants

Local Governments and Transit Service Boards (CTA, Metra, Pace)

## Eligible Projects

Equitable Transit Oriented Development Plans (eTOD), Transit Corridor Plans, Neighborhood Mobility Hubs and Mobility Improvement Plans, Curb Management Studies, Special Financing Districts, Development Dialogues, and Transit-Oriented Development Zoning Code Updates.

## The next Call for Projects is anticipated for Winter 2025.

The annual Call for Projects is held in conjunction with the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP).

For more information on the program, visit [rtachicago.org/communities/community-planning](https://rtachicago.org/communities/community-planning) or contact Michael Horsting at [Michael.Horsting@rtachicago.org](mailto:Michael.Horsting@rtachicago.org) or Heather Mullins at [Heather.Mullins@rtachicago.org](mailto:Heather.Mullins@rtachicago.org)

## Questions for Breakout Groups

- What types of projects or types of assistance do you think are most impactful for eTOD and transit in our suburban communities?
- What topic areas or specific projects do you need most help with in your community?
- What barriers exist in your community to advancing TOD and how could the RTA support or advance your efforts?

