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For which project type are you applying? (Choose one – You may apply for more than one type of assistance by completing a separate application form.) Neighborhood Mobility Improvement and Mobility Hub Plan

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Describe the proposed study area boundaries for your project using streets, geographic features, jurisdictional boundaries, etc. Please specify who has roadway jurisdiction and where mobility improvements or a mobility hub are needed:

The central mobility hub area would be at the intersection of Ogden Avenue and California with a radius that benefits connection to the nearest CTA stops, METRA stop, and larger local businesses in close proximity to increase employment opportunities for the community. The boundary of this area would be Douglass Park, Roosevelt Road, Western Avenue, and 19th Street with the main improvement focus being the intersection of Ogden and California. IDOT has jurisdiction over the main travel lanes of Ogden Avenue, but CDOT controls the service drives.

<p>What existing transportation services already exist in the study area? (Name rail stations, bus routes, bike share, car share, etc.)</p>	<p>The California and Cermak CTA Pink Line is about 4 blocks south and the Western Avenue Metra is southwest of the proposed hub by about a mile. CTA Bus routes 12, 94 and 157 service this area.</p>
<p>What existing plan, if applicable, will this plan build from or be an update to? (Include link to plan)</p>	<p>An existing plan was not used to build upon this proposal however there will be a partnership with North Lawndale Community Coordinating Council (NLCC) and New Covenant Community Development Corporation. This plan has the potential to complement the INVEST South/West Ogden Avenue Corridor Improvements project that is currently in the planning stage.</p>
<p>What is the goal of this plan? What mobility challenges are you looking to resolve?</p>	<p>The goal of the plan is to create a mobility hub around Ogden Avenue and California to broaden transportation connections and access to safe transit hubs. Our objective is to create safer travel in the form of bike paths, safer crosswalks, ADA accessibility, signage, lighting, protection from vehicular threats, vehicle speed restriction, and safer pedestrian access to Douglass Park, the hospital, schools, other major Chicago employers like Cinespace Chicago Film Studios and Lagunitas Brewing Company, future planned affordable housing developments, and other transit stops. Access to shared parking and electric vehicle charging stations is also part of this goal.</p>
<p>What are the primary mobility concerns to be addressed with this plan? (Select all that apply)</p>	<p>Bicycle storage near transit Bicyclist access to transit (trails, paths, lanes, etc.) Mobility Hub to facilitate multi-modal transfers Pedestrian infrastructure (sidewalks, crossings, etc.) Other: Providing a safer street scape for travelers (protection from vehicular threats, more visibility, etc.</p>
<p>The RTA strives to advance community empowerment and equitable opportunities for all residents through our program. If selected, do you commit to working with the RTA to ensure all residents have an opportunity to participate during the planning process and that plan recommendations will include equitable solutions to transportation and policy?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Is there any additional information you want us to know?</p>	<p>Mount Sinai Hospital is currently in the planning stage of creating a new ICU and relocating patients from the Nurses Residence and Kurtzon building which will be slated for demolition in the near future. Their demolition may further benefit the planning of the mobility hub potentially providing land to supplement transportation and community engagement.</p>
<p>Please upload a map of the proposed study area:</p>	<p>https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/16105043278</p>

Closing Questions

How did you find out about the call for projects? (Select all that apply) Planning liaison

What resources did you find helpful as you apply for the call? (Select all that apply) Receiving assistance from CMAP or RTA staff

How difficult was it to fill out this application? Very easy
