



*THIS COULD BE COOK COUNTY'S LARGEST INVESTMENT IN NEW PUBLIC TRANSIT INFRASTRUCTURE SINCE 1947.*

## The Opportunity

Transit Future offers a **bold vision** of what the Chicago region's transit system could be. It is a vision of connectivity and opportunity, of potential and prosperity.

Our region needs a world-class transit network that effectively connects people with jobs, provides greater accessibility to goods and services, and lowers transportation costs.

**Investment in a modern, efficient, and reliable transit network is imperative to our global economic competitiveness.** It gives residents greater mobility choices and integrates currently inaccessible neighborhoods and communities into the regional transportation network.

## How to Get From Here to There

Building a world-class transit system requires a steady, long-term investment. With more than \$20 billion in potential projects that could expand and improve our system, there's no time to wait.

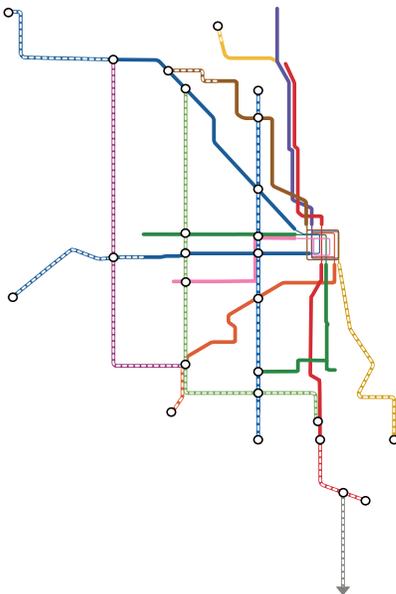
**Transit Future calls on the Cook County Board of Commissioners to secure a dedicated revenue stream to transform transit.** Their action can provide more people with more access to key employment centers and better connectivity to the regional economy.

Creating a local, matching revenue stream can unlock billions in federal and other funding for the kinds of transit projects that can make our region more livable, economically competitive, and environmentally sustainable. Our region cannot continue to leave valuable investment dollars on the table when the needs are so great.

## The Vision

The transit lines, extensions, and service routes highlighted by Transit Future represent **our vision of how we might better connect underserved parts of our region.** While Transit Future does not prescribe specific projects or actions to transit agencies, our vision is informed by projects already carefully vetted by CMAP's GO TO 2040 regional plan.

Projects such as the Red Line extension and modernization, arterial rapid transit along key suburban corridors and new north-south connectors along the lakefront, on the west side, and in the western suburbs are just a few of the priorities discussed in local communities. We need to take these projects from concept to reality to realize the benefits of our investments.





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The **Center for Neighborhood Technology (CNT)** is a Chicago-based nonprofit focused on urban sustainability. CNT's research and innovations in housing and transportation, water, energy, and climate help cities across America develop more efficiently and equitably. Making cities more efficient can make them more affordable, create jobs, cut harmful emissions, and make us more resilient in the face of climate change.

**Active Transportation Alliance's** mission is to make bicycling, walking and public transit so safe, convenient and fun that we will achieve a significant shift from environmentally harmful, sedentary travel to clean, active travel. They advocate for transportation that encourages and promotes safety, physical activity, health, recreation, social interaction, equity, environmental stewardship and resource conservation.



Join Us

Transit Future is a bold new vision of vitality for the Chicago region, starting in Cook County. We invite all who wish to see a growing and equitable regional economy, access to good jobs, and ways to move around safely and conveniently to join the campaign. Are you on board?