



TRACK C: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Community & Economic Development

Housing

The Arts



Community & Economic Development

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Business Affairs and Consumer Protection Departmental (BACP) Overview

- Small businesses and local development account for the majority of job creation and economic activity in Chicago.
- The *Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (BACP)* facilitates a vibrant and fair marketplace that spans block-level (local) and international scales
 - **Providing small businesses a platform to thrive** creates synergy for job creation, trade, and partnership
 - **Connecting businesses with opportunities** is critical in growing local, neighborhood-based economies that are also connected to the national and international scale
 - **Protecting consumers and workers** creates an atmosphere of confidence and ensures a fair and transparent marketplace



BACP Departmental Overview

- Maintains approximately **60,000 business licenses** and 20,000 permits, 1,000 of which are for sidewalk cafes and outdoor dining
- Issues over **5,500 liquor licenses** and over 700 Public Place of Amusement licenses
- **65 delegate agencies** in the Neighborhood Business Development Program and **8 Chicago Business Centers**
- Hosts over **100 free business education webinars** and expos



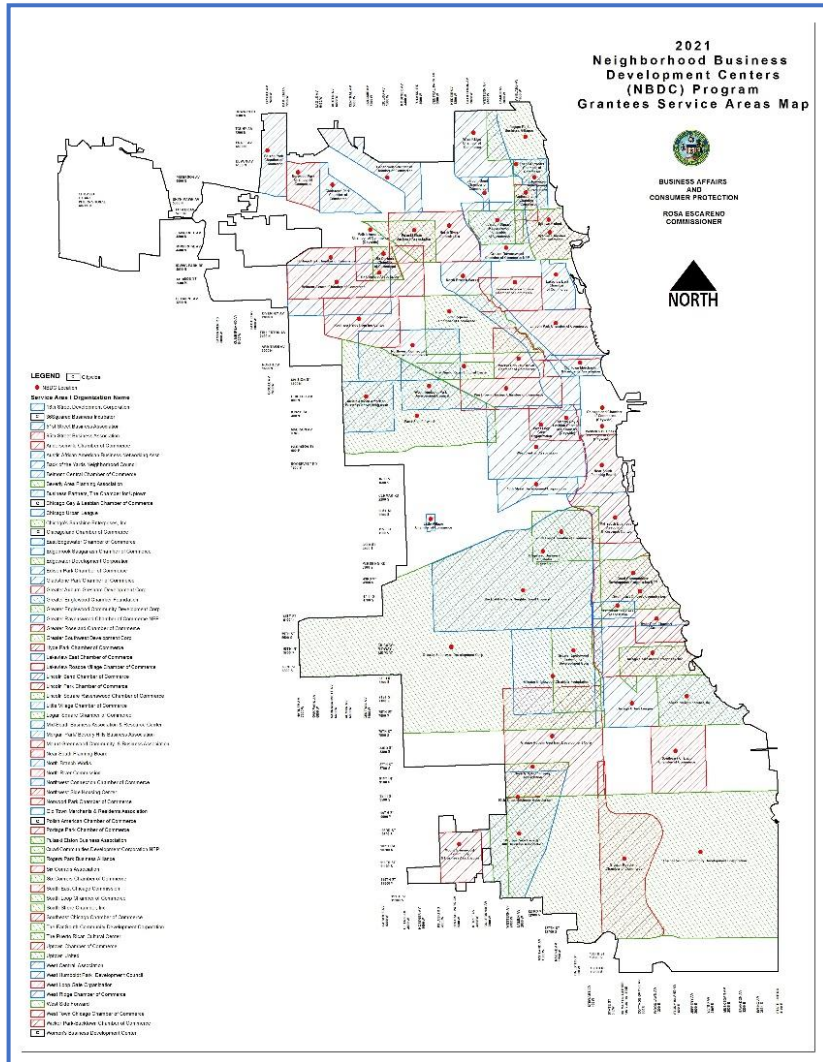
Chicago Recovery Plan BACP Initiatives

The Chicago Recovery Plan (CRP) is investing \$46M in Chicago businesses and commercial corridors:

- **\$18 M in support for small businesses** and commercial corridor revitalization
 - Capacity building, Back-office support, and Technology support
 - Expected to open and close in Q2
- **\$18 M in support for local non-profits** providing critical services to local communities
 - Capacity building for smaller community-based organizations
 - Expected to open in Q1 and close in Q2
- **\$10 M in support for food equity programming** – including urban agriculture and food systems
 - Good Food Fund, Incubator, and Urban Agriculture
 - Expected to open in Q2 and close in Q3



Small Business Support



- Chambers of commerce and business organizations have a strong neighborhood network and coordinate efforts with local aldermen, the City, and other community partners.
- NBDCs help start-up entrepreneurs, and existing business owners, with:
 - Information about a particular neighborhood
 - Getting a new small business started
 - Troubleshooting City-related issues for small businesses
 - Connecting businesses to financial resources
 - Business-to-business networking opportunities
 - Employment and workforce development assistance
 - Consumer marketing assistance
 - Connecting your business to the local community
- Chicago.gov/NBDC



Small Business Support



Accion Chicago
135 N Kedzie Ave, Chicago, IL 60612

Austin African-American Business Network Association
5820 W Chicago Ave, Chicago, IL 60651

Calumet Area Industrial Commission
1000 E 111th St, Chicago, IL 60628

Greater Southwest Development Corporation
2601 W 63rd St, Chicago, IL 60629

North River Commission
3403 W Lawrence Ave #201, Chicago, IL 60625

Puerto Rican Cultural Center
2700 W Haddon Ave, Chicago, IL 60622

Quad Communities Development Corporation (QCDC)
4210 S Berkeley Ave, Chicago, IL 60653

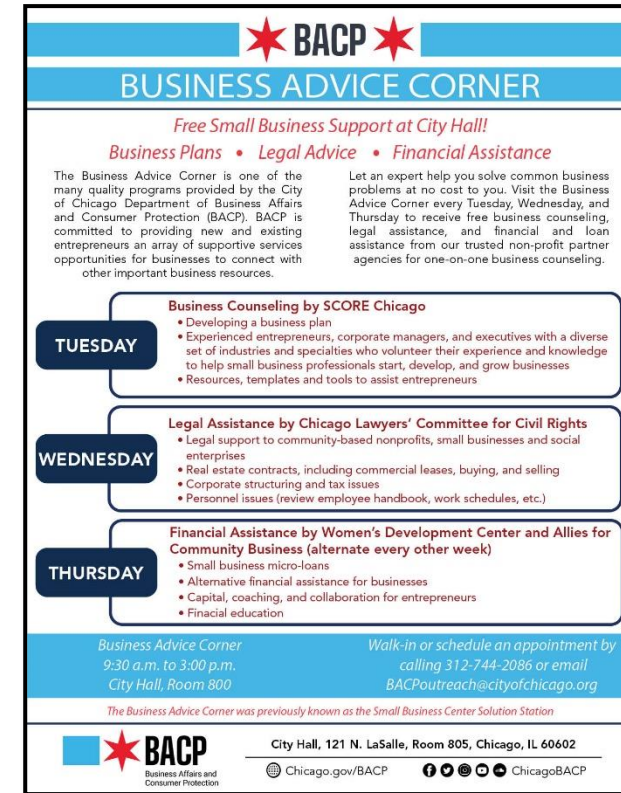
Uptown United
4753 N Broadway #822, Chicago, IL 60640

- 8 Chicago-based business service organizations located in neighborhoods to serve as regional hubs providing business licensing assistance and other resources for small businesses
- CBCs provide support to start-up entrepreneurs, and existing business owners, who need the following types of assistance:
 1. Business License, Public Way Use Permit, and City Resources Support
 2. Access to Capital
 3. Professional Services, including Sector-Specific Guidance
- [Chicago.gov/CBC](https://www.chicago.gov/CBC)



Small Business Support

- Small Business Center Business Advice Corner offers *free* one-on-one business counseling for entrepreneurs; talk to a knowledgeable person about business planning, legal issues, small business loans, or just get expert advice
- Counseling is currently offered remotely through our partner organizations.
 - Business counseling by Score
 - Legal assistance by Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights
 - Financial assistance by Allies for Community Business and the Women's Business Development Center



BACP
Business Affairs and Consumer Protection

BUSINESS ADVICE CORNER

Free Small Business Support at City Hall!
Business Plans • Legal Advice • Financial Assistance

The Business Advice Corner is one of the many quality programs provided by the City of Chicago Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (BACP). BACP is committed to providing new and existing entrepreneurs an array of supportive services opportunities for businesses to connect with other important business resources.

Let an expert help you solve common business problems at no cost to you. Visit the Business Advice Corner every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday to receive free business counseling, legal assistance, and financial and loan assistance from our trusted non-profit partner agencies for one-on-one business counseling.

TUESDAY
Business Counseling by SCORE Chicago

- Developing a business plan
- Experienced entrepreneurs, corporate managers, and executives with a diverse set of industries and specialties who volunteer their experience and knowledge to help small business professionals start, develop, and grow businesses
- Resources, templates and tools to assist entrepreneurs

WEDNESDAY
Legal Assistance by Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights

- Legal support to community-based nonprofits, small businesses and social enterprises
- Real estate contracts, including commercial leases, buying, and selling
- Corporate structuring and tax issues
- Personnel issues (review employee handbook, work schedules, etc.)

THURSDAY
Financial Assistance by Women's Development Center and Allies for Community Business (alternate every other week)

- Small business micro-loans
- Alternative financial assistance for businesses
- Capital, coaching, and collaboration for entrepreneurs
- Financial education

Business Advice Corner
9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
City Hall, Room 800

Walk-in or schedule an appointment by
calling 312-744-2086 or email
BACPoutreach@cityofchicago.org

The Business Advice Corner was previously known as the Small Business Center Solution Station

City Hall, 121 N. LaSalle, Room 805, Chicago, IL 60602
Chicago.gov/BACP | ChicagoBACP





Contact Information:

City Hall

121 N. LaSalle, Room 805

Chicago, IL 60602

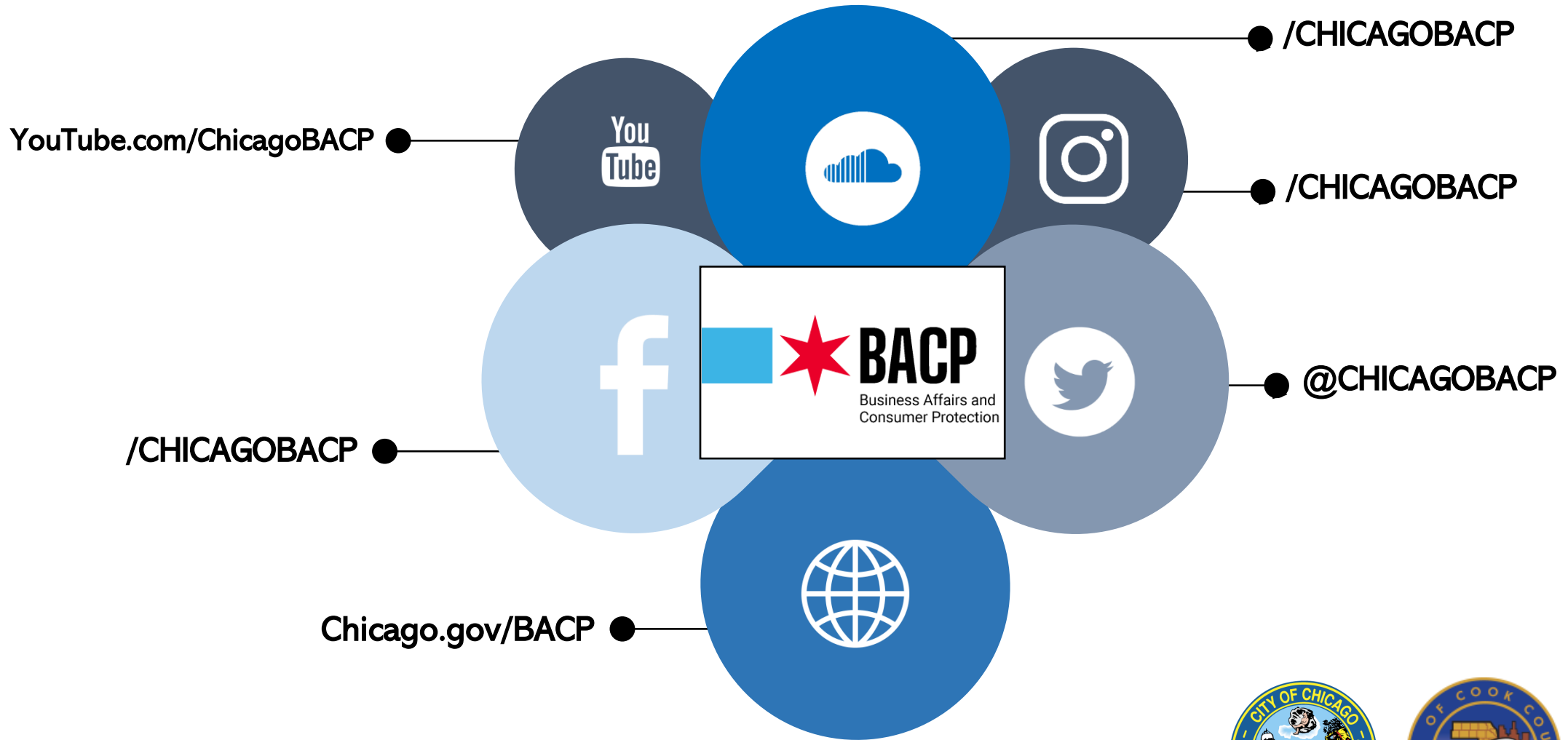
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STAY CONNECTED





Community & Economic Development

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Assistant Commissioner

Chicago DPD



Program Overview



Chicago Recovery Plan – DPD Programs

\$1.2 billion

in new investments in our residents and their future

Equitable Economic Recovery

237 M

- ★ Community Development
- ★ Small Business & Workforce Support
- ★ Community Climate Investments



- ★ Arts & Culture
- ★ Tourism & Industry Support
- ★ Parks & Infrastructure

Thriving and Safe Communities

- ★ Affordable Housing
- ★ Assistance to Families
- ★ Environmental Justice
- ★ Violence Prevention & Reduction
- ★ Homelessness Support Services
- ★ Youth Opportunities
- ★ Health & Wellness

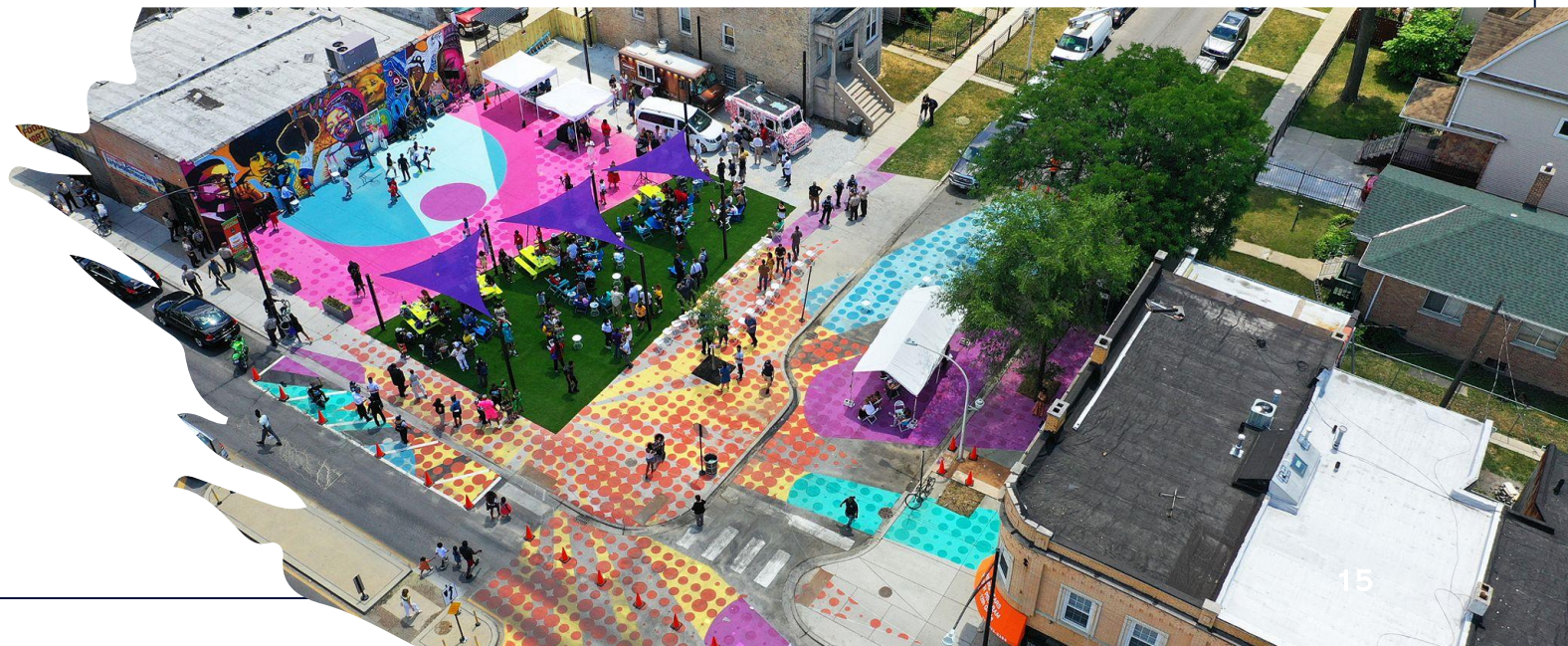


Community Climate Investments

- Neighborhood Building Efficiency Program
- Industrial Solar Projects
- Community-level Climate Infrastructure Adaptation
- African American Heritage Trail

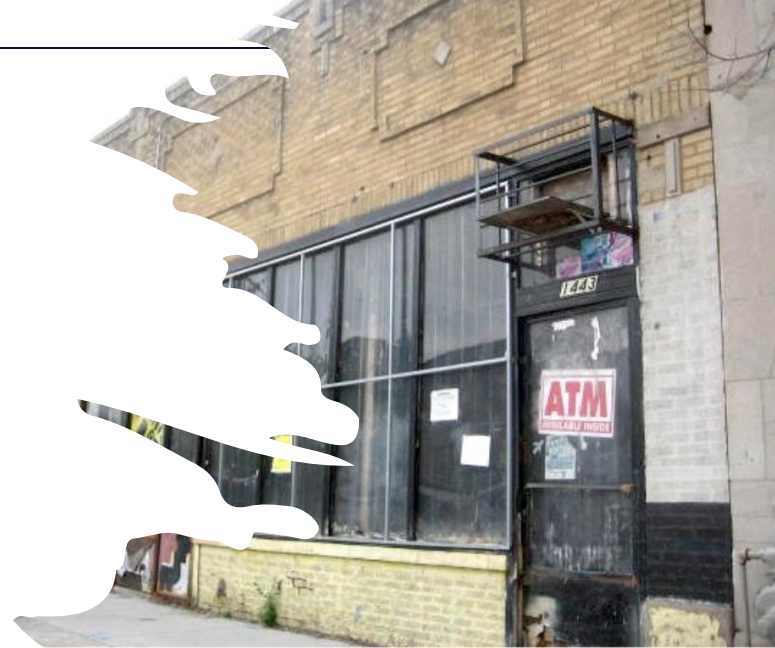
Small Business & Workforce Support

- Commercial and Neighborhood Activation Investments
- Street Ambassador Program



Community Development

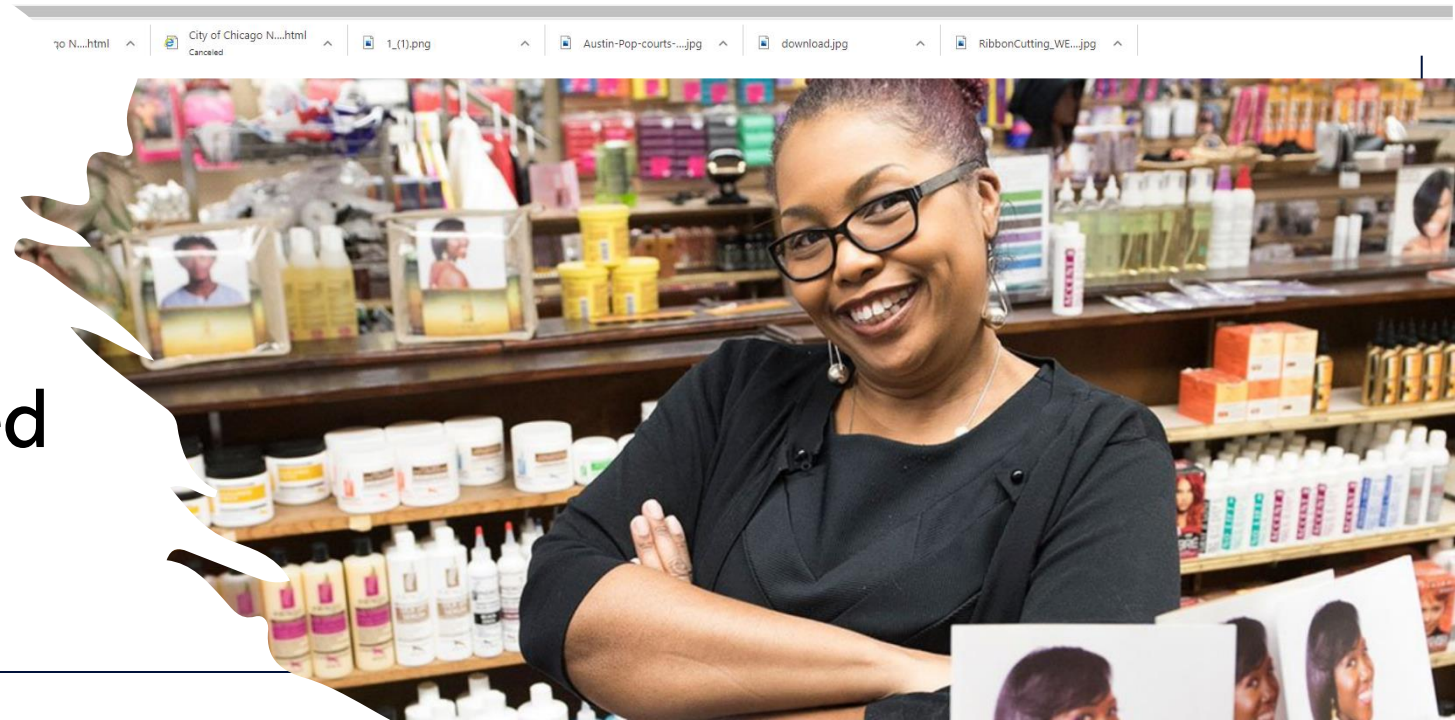
- Community Development Grants
- Vacant Lot Reduction Resources
- Community Wealth Building Pilot
- Equitable Transit Oriented Development Grants



BEFORE



AFTER





Community Development Grant Overview



Community Development Grants

The purpose of this program is to expand upon the Department of Planning and Development's (DPD) investments and support for catalytic local development.

Through these grants, the City aims to:

- Strengthen local corridors
- Enhance neighborhood vitality
- Drive equitable economic recovery



Community Development Grants

Grant uses:

- Expansion or Renovation for existing businesses
- New Locations for start-up businesses or existing businesses
- New Construction at vacant properties

Grant amounts:

- Applicants can apply for up to \$5 million
 - Small grant track: Under \$250,000
 - Large grant track: \$250,000 to \$5 million
- Grant cannot be more than 75% of total project costs



Eligibility

This application is open to:

- ✓ Commercial, mixed-use, or light manufacturing projects
- ✓ Business owners and entrepreneurs, property owners, and community developers
- ✓ Applicants from all areas of Chicago

Eligible expenses include:

- ✓ Major exterior and interior renovations to existing businesses
- ✓ Build-outs for incoming businesses
- ✓ Acquisition, site preparation, demolition
- ✓ Architectural and engineering fees
- ✓ Roofing, masonry, façade, windows, doors
- ✓ Mechanical systems, such as HVAC, electrical, and plumbing
- ✓ Security systems, ADA accessibility improvements

*Only eligible expenses can be covered by the Community Development Grant.
Other items can be included in the total project cost, but those will not be reimbursable.*



Chicago Recovery Plan expands eligibility beyond current programs

- ✓ Locations not limited to specific corridors
- ✓ Light manufacturing projects and mixed-use residential projects are eligible
- ✓ “Vanilla box” projects (where the tenant is not yet known) with a strong community impact are eligible



Project Selection

Priority will be given to applications that incorporate these components:



Catalytic projects with a strong local impact (job creation, amenities and services that benefit the community, alignment with local community plans, community wealth building, etc.)



Projects located in historically disinvested areas that build upon existing efforts, such as INVEST South/West and community safety initiatives



Projects that demonstrate momentum and are expected to break ground in 2022



Site control is preferred





Application Process



Application process

2022 application deadlines

- ~~First round: Monday, January 31~~
- **Second round: Thursday, March 10**
- **Third round: Late summer 2022**

Application process depends on size of requested grant amount

Small Grants
(up to \$250,000)

Online application portal,
opened January 7

Large Grants
(over \$250,000)

Apply via **editable PDF**
and Developer Input
Form



Small Grants (up to \$250,000)

Online application portal opening this Friday, January 7

1. Access via Chicago.gov/ChiRecoveryGrant
 2. First step will be the Project Assessment. After completing it, you will either be directed to the full application or to additional resources to help you prepare for the next round
 3. After successfully completing the Project Assessment, create account on Submittable.com
 4. Begin the online application – you may save and continue later if preferred
 5. Upload all supplemental files and review to ensure accuracy and completeness
 6. Submit via the portal before the deadline
- A PDF of the application questions is currently posted online to allow for applicant preparation
 - Applications must be submitted in Submittable portal; PDF applications will not be considered
 - To receive email notification when the portal is open for submission, complete this survey



Large Grants (more than \$250,000)

- Apply via editable PDF, posted at [Chicago.gov/ChiRecoveryGrant](https://chicago.gov/ChiRecoveryGrant)
- Click the link for “*Grants for more than \$250,000 (Large)*” and the application will be downloaded onto your computer
 - File name: fid_developer_input_form
- Follow the instructions in the application:
 1. Complete all required fields; complete optional fields as needed
 2. Attach all supporting documentation within the PDF, including the *Developer Input Form*, using the ‘ATTACH’ buttons
 3. Save the completed application
 4. Submit via Submit button or through email to: FID_Intake@cityofchicago.org



Resources

Please visit the [Community Development Grant Resources](#) page for:

- Links to City resources
- Materials to assist with:
 - Enhancing project readiness
 - Demonstrating financial feasibility
 - Construction planning
 - Showing catalytic impact
 - Business planning

More Information and FAQs are posted to the [Chicago Recovery Plan Community Development Grant website](#) (Chicago.gov/ChiRecoveryGrant)

For any additional questions, please email DPD@cityofchicago.org





Community & Economic Development

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Bureau of Economic Development

Cook County Bureau of Economic Development

The Bureau of Economic Development leads and promotes equitable economic growth and community development, and offers resources and support to businesses and residents.



Office of Economic Development drives the County's initiatives to support small businesses, key sectors, talent solutions, digital equity and regional collaboration while leveraging public and private resources.



The Department of Planning and Development helps revitalize communities through business development, expansion of social services, targeted capital improvements, and increasing access to affordable housing.



The Building and Zoning Department promotes the health, safety, and welfare of residents by inspecting buildings and enforcing building codes through zoning ordinances.



Zoning Board of Appeals serves the public and assists the County Board in promoting proper development of land in unity with the Cook County Zoning Ordinance and Comprehensive Land Use Plan.



FY22 Community Program Initiative Allocations

1

Healthy Communities



\$60,000,000

Total Allocation

- › Healthcare
- › Mental & Behavioral Health
- › Public Health Education & Outreach
- › Food Security & Nutrition

2

Vital Communities



\$100,000,000

Total Allocation

- › Small Business Agenda
- › Household Assistance & Social Services
- › Sector Support & Regional Development
- › Housing
- › Worker Support & Workforce Development

3

Safe & Thriving Communities



\$60,000,000

Total Allocation

- › Violence Prevention
- › Services to Justice-Involved Residents
- › Alternatives to Incarceration & Policing
- › Emergency Preparedness & Response

4

Sustainable Communities



\$25,000,000

Total Allocation

- › Hazard Mitigation & Pollution Prevention
- › Environmental Justice

5

Smart Communities



\$40,000,000

Total Allocation

- › Transportation
- › Water Infrastructure
- › Digital Equity



Vital Communities

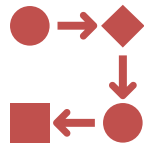
Pursue inclusive economic and community growth by supporting residents, growing businesses, attracting investment and nurturing talent.

SMALL
BUSINESS
AGENDA



\$37,000,000

SECTOR SUPPORT
& REGIONAL
DEVELOPMENT



\$8,100,000

WORKER SUPPORT
& WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT



\$6,600,000

HOUSEHOLD
ASSISTANCE &
SOCIAL SERVICES



\$27,700,000

HOUSING



\$7,500,000



Small Business Agenda

Sustaining recovery and building resiliency

Investing in Transformative Growth



- Support small businesses (<than 20 employees) to recover from COVID, access resources, and start on a path for growth.
- Establish a Cook County one-stop shop for small businesses



- Facilitate business growth and sustainability for early-stage businesses by providing grants coupled with advising services
- Improve access to capital for women, black and Latinx owned small businesses through development of new financial resources to leverage private investment.

Key Initiatives

- Cook County Small Business Source
- Small Business Grant Programs
- Advancing Equitable Recovery in the Southland – Building Capacity in the Southland



* Indicates a Longer-Term or Transformative Initiative

Business Support Organizations

Lead Advising Partners in Orange

Suburbs

Aurora Regional Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

Berwyn Development Corporation

Chamber 57

Chicago Heights Economic Development Corporation

Chicago Southland Economic Development Corporation

Next Level Northwest

Schaumburg Business Association

Southland Development Authority

Suburbs + Chicago

Accion / Allies for Community Business

Chicago Minority Supplier Development Council

Chicago TREND

Chicago Urban League

Cook County Black Chamber Corporation

Illinois Business Immigration Coalition

Illinois Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

Illinois Restaurant Association

Indo-American Center

SomerCor

Sunshine Enterprises

Women's Business Development Center

YWCA Metropolitan Chicago

Chicago

Back of the Yards Neighborhood Council

Chicago Neighborhood Initiatives

Economic Strategies Development Corporation

Far South Community Development Corporation

Greater Englewood Chamber of Commerce

Greater Englewood Community Development Corporation

Ignite Technology and Innovation

Mid South Business Association and Resource Center

Mujeres Latinas En Acción

Northwest Side Community Dev. Corp.

Puerto Rican Cultural Center

Rogers Park Business Alliance

Southwest Collective



Sector Support & Regional Development

Sustaining recovery and building resiliency



- Support the recovery of the tourism, hospitality and creative industries
- Assist manufacturers rebound from COVID by investing in technology and develop new supply chains.

Investing in Transformative Growth

- Reduce the racial wealth gap by providing resources to Black, Latinx, and underrepresented entrepreneurs to launch, acquire, or expand businesses in key sectors that will lead to quality job growth.
- Strengthen commercial corridors in disinvested communities by supporting reinvestment by Black, Latinx, and other underrepresented investors.
- Build up the arts ecosystem in suburban Cook and increase use of the arts as a pathway for community building, healing and engagement.

Key Initiatives

- Suburban Cook County Travel, Tourism, and Hospitality Economic Recovery Initiative
- Cook County Manufacturing Rebound and Recover Programming
- Advancing Equitable Recovery in the Southland – Southland Metals Hub

* Indicates a Longer-Term or Transformative Initiative



Stay in touch!

Learn more about the Cook County Small Business Source at:

<https://cookcountysmallbiz.org/>

Sign-up for Bureau of Economic Development newsletters
and contact us at info.edev@cookcountyil.gov

Find more details in *ARPA At A Glance* at

engagecookcounty.com





Community & Economic Development

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Regional and Economic Development



Illinois
Department of Commerce
& Economic Opportunity
JB Pritzker, Governor

State of Illinois, Cook County, City of Chicago “Readiness” Summit

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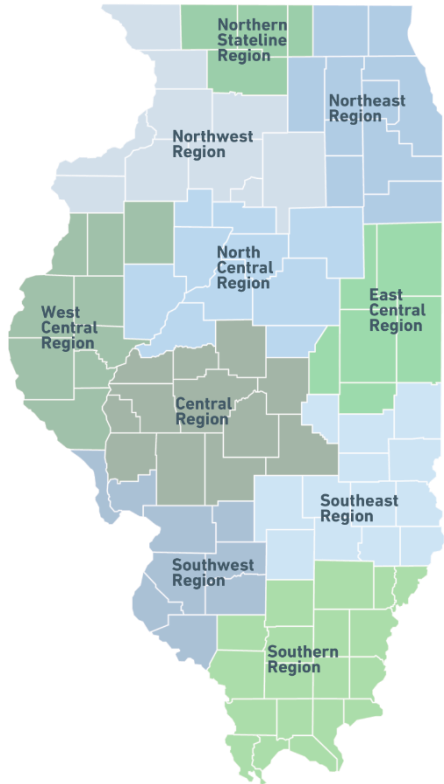




DCEO Local Technical Assistance & Support

Bureau of Regional Economic Development (RED)

Team RED is charged with facilitating economic development efforts in Illinois' 10 regions and provides communities with front-line access to state programs and services.



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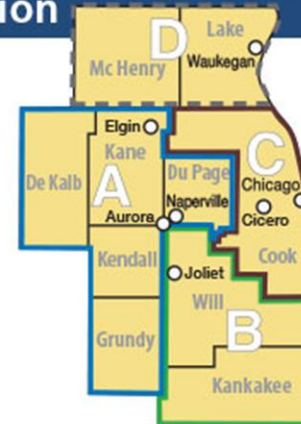
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Development Manager**

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Northeast Region





DCEO ARPA Resources



- **\$50 Million Back to Business Start-Up Grants (TBD)**
- **State Small Business Credit Initiative 2.0: Advantage Illinois Capital**
- **\$20 Million Job Training and Economic Development Grants (TBD)**
- **\$3.5 Million Regional Economic Development Planning Dollars**
- **\$325 Million The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps eligible low-income households pay for home energy services (primarily heating during winter months). Application Deadline May 31st, 2022**





Small Business Resources



Illinois Small Business Development Centers are located throughout the state and provide information, confidential business guidance, training and other resources to start-up and existing small businesses.

- These state-funded community centers help connect small businesses with information and assistance in applying for various funding opportunities, including over \$500 million in small business assistance programs launched by DCEO since March.

Businesses can contact the **First Stop Business Information Center** for questions on reopening guidelines, mitigations, and grant programs.

- Toll free helpline 800.252.2923 or email us at ceo.firststop@illinois.gov





Fund for Advancement of Minority Enterprises (FAME) Program

FAME program is offshoot of AI for loans made to minority-, woman-, disabled-, and veteran-owned businesses

- Rate for DCEO portion of loan is flat 2%.

DCEO participation is the lesser of:

- 50% of the project;
- 50% of the loan; or
- \$400,000.

At least one (1) FT job must be created or retained for each \$65,000 of DCEO funding.





Trade and Investment

Financial Resources for IL Exporters: ISTEP Program



Qualified Illinois businesses can apply for OTI's ISTEP Program, which provides financial reimbursements to small businesses to offset costs associated with export promotion activities.

- OTI-led Group Trade Missions
- Individual Foreign Market Sales Missions
- Market Intelligence
- B2B pre-vetted meetings with potential distributors and partners
- Website Localization
- Product Certification

This cost-share program can amount to up to \$27,000 in reimbursements annually for eligible companies. Applications are accepted year-round subject to program funding availability. ISTEP is funded in part through the SBAs STEP Grant and was awarded \$900,000 in FFY20.





Community Navigators + *Statewide Coverage*

Businesses and Communities receive:

- 1-on-1 technical assistance
- Services in 30 different languages
- Referrals to SBDCs, DCEO, and other business support opportunities
- Documentation review and preparation
- Additional business assistance
- **Extended Coverage**
- **Focus Areas in the Region**





BEP Program



Business Enterprise Program (BEP) Overview

- History** **Created in 1984** pursuant to the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities Program Act (30 ILCS 5757), the BEP continues its efforts to drive procurement access for minority, female, and persons with disabilities owned businesses.
- Vendor Pool** CMS is actively working to **double the vendor pool**, increasing the number of vendors by 2020, in partnership with key partners including the **City of Chicago, Cook County** and various recognition partners.
- Value Proposition** **Membership matters.** Recognition is option reciprocal and can lead to other procurement opportunities. **BEP certification is free** and programming is tailored to support capacity building.
- Outreach** Despite of and in light of the significant impact of COVID-19 on minority-owned businesses, CMS has **significantly increased remote outreach**, including optical webinars, procurement chats with CPOs, PTAC and certification assistance sessions.



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BEP Program



<h2>Vendor Requirements</h2>	<p>At least 51% owned and controlled* by a minority, woman or person with disabilities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">*Day-to-day control of business functions, decision making, knowledge, etc. <p>Owner is a U.S. Citizen or foreign national</p> <p>Annual Gross is \$75 million and under</p>
<p>Business Enterprise Program</p>	<p>→</p>





BEP Opportunities



Organizations
that accept
BEP
Certification

Business Enterprise Program

Logos of organizations that accept BEP certification:

- ICCB (Illinois Community College Board)
- CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS CPS
- HACC (Housing Authority of Cook County)
- FEDERAL RESERVE BANK of CHICAGO
- Public Building Commission of Chicago
- AURORA City of Light
- BOYDGAMING
- THE UNIVERSITY OF Chicago
- CHA (CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY)
- CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO
- chicago park district
- NAVY PIER CHICAGO
- MCCORMICK PLACE CHICAGO



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Questions & Answers



Housing

Marisa Novara

Commissioner

City of Chicago Department of Housing

Bryan Esenberg

Managing Deputy Commissioner

City of Chicago Department of Housing



Department of Housing

mission

The mission of Chicago's Department of Housing is to expand access and choice for residents and to protect their right to quality homes that are affordable, safe and healthy.

vision

The vision of Chicago's Department of Housing is to equitably distribute resources across all 77 community areas so that every Chicagoan can choose and remain in quality housing that is affordable, safe, and healthy.

values

The work of Chicago's Department of Housing is to develop and promote quality, affordable, safe and healthy homes across all 77 community areas, putting Chicagoans proximate to resources they need to thrive at every age.

For 2021 DOH committed over \$253 million to support nearly 5,800 units of housing through programs in the following categories:

- 1) Create & Preserve Affordable Rental Units: \$217 million to assist 3,000 units
- 2) Promote & Support Homeownership: \$17 million to assist 400 households
- 3) Improve & Preserve Homes: \$19 million to assist 2,400 units

For **2022 DOH has similar commitments PLUS \$196M** in additional resources under the Chicago Recovery Program to further these commitments.



DOH Housing Tools

Create Affordable Rental Units

Improve & Preserve Homes

Promote Homeownership

Help Developers Build Affordable Homes

- Provide grants and loans to developers
- Incentivize market rate developers to build affordable units
- Assist with land and building acquisition

Help Residents Fix and Keep Their Homes

- Provide grants and loans to homeowners
- Façade improvement, energy efficiency and deferred maintenance repair
- Provide homeownership counseling

Help Residents Buy and Rent Homes

- Provide low-cost loans and grants to home buyers
- Provide homeownership counseling
- Develop quality affordable rentals



Chicago Recovery Plan Initiative Summary

Invest in new housing units and existing homes to provide affordable housing opportunities – including investments in mixed use development, supporting families that seek to remain in their home, helping residents become homeowners, and helping with energy efficiency and other owner occupied repairs.

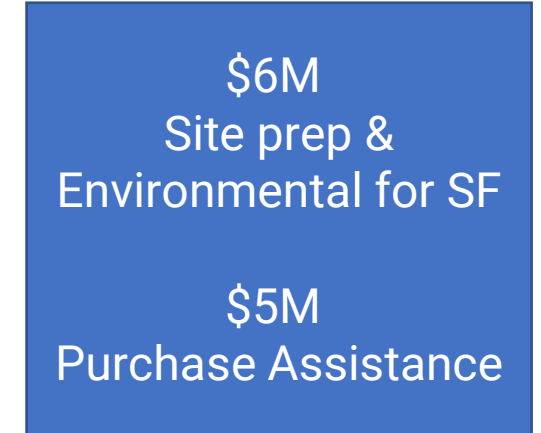
Create Affordable Rental Units



Improve & Preserve Homes



Promote Homeownership



- The [CRP includes \\$47.3 million in investments for lead abatement work focused on families with young children](#). This work is being led by the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) and program details are expected by mid-2022.
- [\\$13.0 million is included for household water reconnection efforts to complete plumbing and water connection repairs needed to access clean municipal water](#). This program is being led by the Department of Water Management (DWM) and details are expected by mid-2022.



Chicago Recovery Plan Initiative Summary

<p>\$75M MF Mixed Use Development</p> <p>\$65M Permanent Supportive Housing</p>	<p>\$12M Acquisition & Rehab of SF and small MF</p>	<p>\$18M Homeowner repairs</p> <p>\$15M Homeowner energy improvements</p>	<p>\$6M Site prep & Environmental for SF</p> <p>\$5M Purchase Assistance</p>
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When:
Ongoing

When:
Ongoing

When:
Spring – Fall 2022

When:
Summer 2022

Help needed:
General Contractors
Developers of PSH

Help needed:
Outreach & Engagement
Developers

Help needed:
Outreach & Engagement
Contractors & Subs

Help needed:
Environmental testing
Remediation

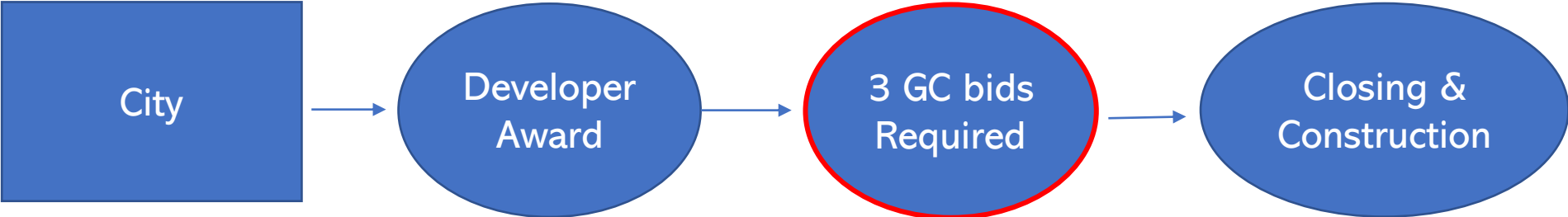
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Typical Program Structure: MF Development



Funding round
City finances through draws

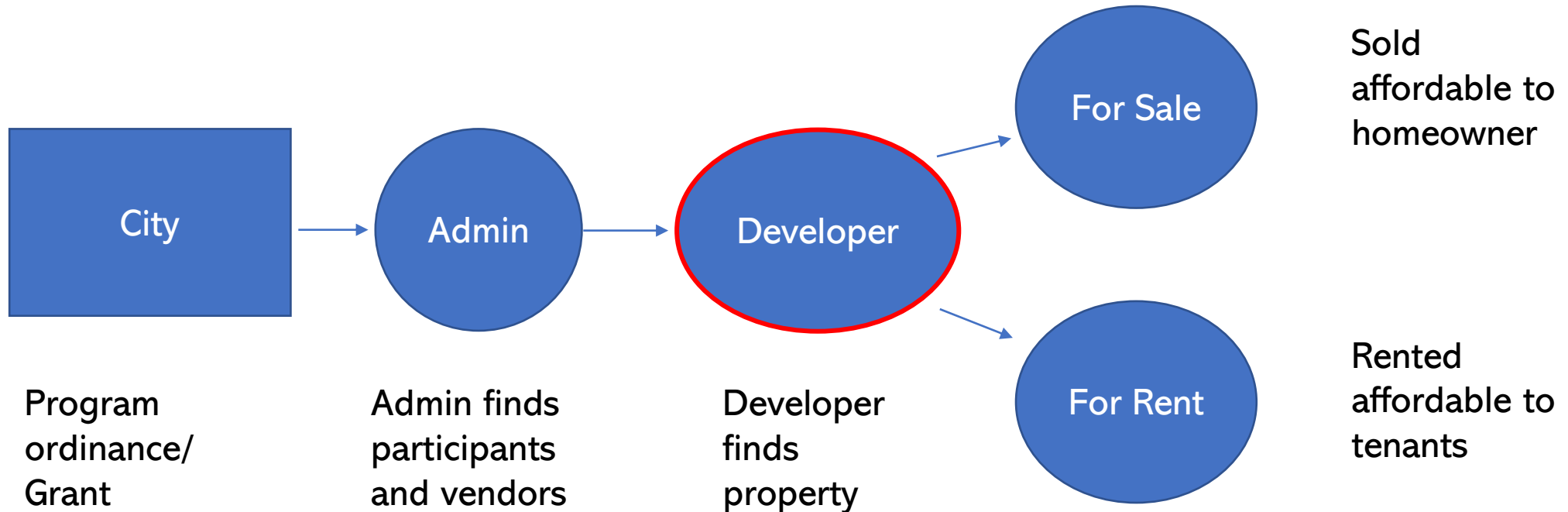
Developer finalizes design

Developer required to bid
Bid to close 5-6 months

Financial closing
Construction



Typical Program Structure: Acquisition & Rehab



Program ordinance/
Grant Agreement

City may front fund or require reimbursement

Admin finds participants and vendors

Developer finds property

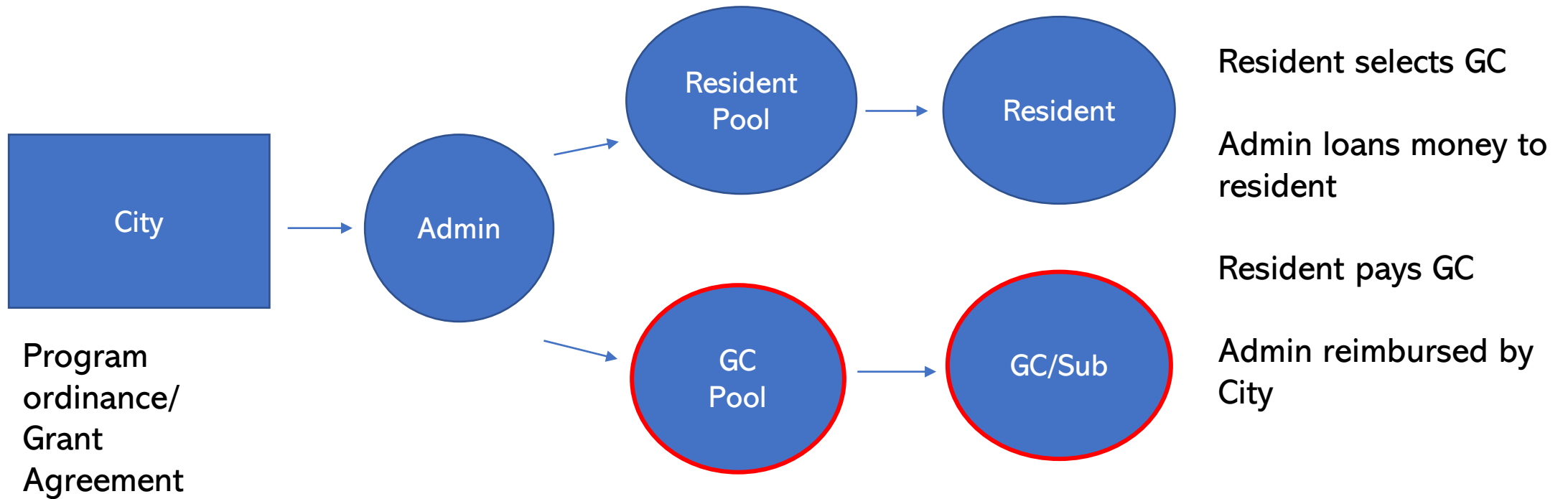
Access to credit from Admin

Sold affordable to homeowner

Rented affordable to tenants



Typical Program Structure: Owner Occ Repair



City may front fund or require reimbursement

Admin finds participants and vendors

GC/Sub bids for work

GC/Sub does work



TIPS: Eligibility, Expectations and Preferences

General Tips

- Attend the pre-bid/proposal conference and be prepared to ask questions
- Must register on the city's iSupplier vendor portal
- While preparing the proposal make sure you follow the required format and ALL checklist items have been uploaded with application
- Don't wait until the last day to submit application
- Access to capital/line of credit – Reimbursement 30 to 60 days

Technology

Applicants need to be proficient with the use of technology for managing subcontractors and the myriad of work they perform such as, scope of work, price proposals, change orders, project completion and payment

Real Estate Programs

- Environmental Reviews may include soil testing, remediation efforts and other activities to prepare the land for development
- Applicant can assemble a team or you can subcontract the work
- Coordination and partnership with Community Partners & Housing Counseling Agencies





Housing

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Household Assistance & Social Services

Sustaining recovery and building resiliency



- Continue COVID recovery by helping residents meet immediate housing and financial needs via grants and free legal aid
- Invest in a 211 System to increase access to resources

Investing in Transformative Growth



- Address the root causes of housing and economic instability
- To transform communities, develop and implement locally-driven place-based strategies that will serve residents, build organizational capacity, and create catalytic public and private investments

Key Initiatives

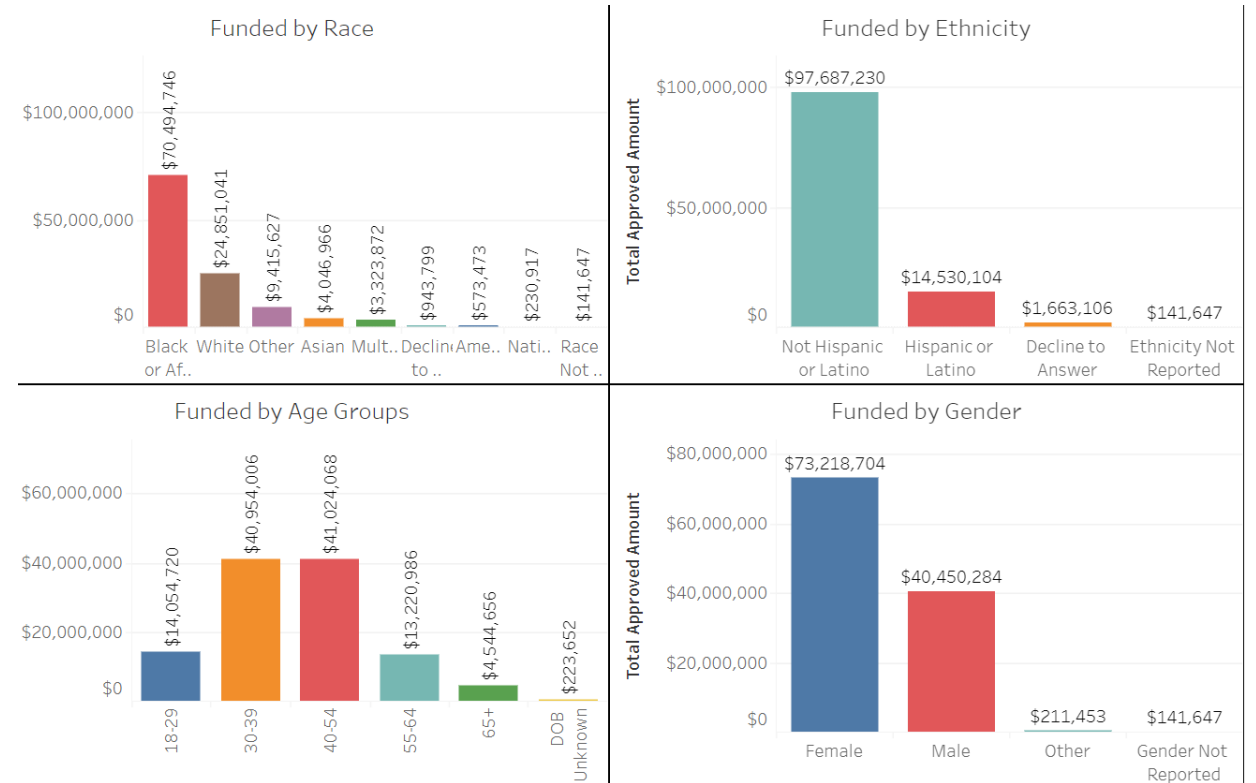
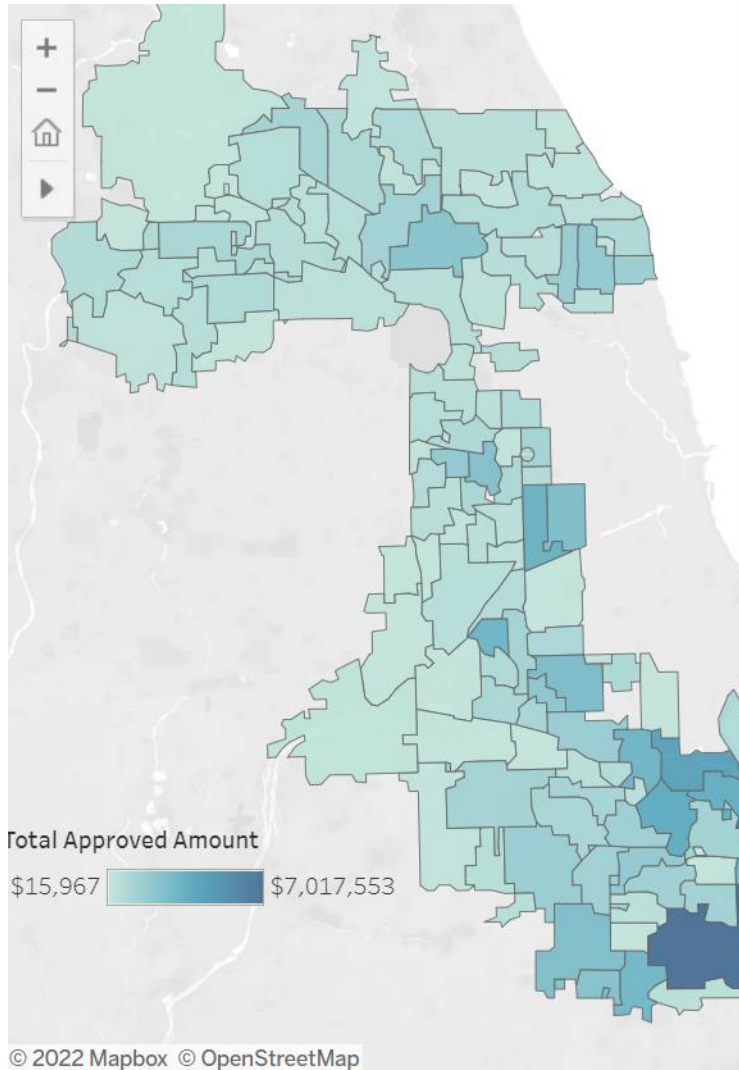
- Invest in 211 System
- Abolish Medical Debt *
- Cook County Legal Aid for Housing and Debt (CCLAHD)
- Cook County Water Affordability Program
- Cook County Residential Water Conservation and Energy Efficiency Program *
- Guaranteed Income Program *

* Indicates a Longer-Term or Transformative Initiative



Cook County Emergency Rental Assistance

ERA 1 and 2 Funding and Application Summary (as of 2/03/22)



Housing

Sustaining recovery and building resiliency



- Continue COVID recovery by providing emergency shelter and medical respite for the unhoused
- Expand reentry assistance to stabilize justice-involved individuals

Investing in Transformative Growth



- Build a more resilient homeless system through better connections to the County's investments in permanent shelter sites and tailored supportive housing and services

Key Initiatives

- Hotel-Based Sheltering
- Fixed-Site Emergency Shelter for People Experiencing Homelessness



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IHDA

- **Mission: To finance the creation and preservation of affordable housing in Illinois**
- Partner with lenders, developers, local government, nonprofits, community groups and others to deliver low-cost financing programs.
- We provide financial assistance to low- and moderate-income homebuyers and homeowners, offer resources to developers who build or preserve affordable and mixed-income rental housing and provide oversight for hundreds of affordable rental communities across the state.
- **One of every 18 rental units** in the state was built or rehabilitated with IHDA resources.
- **Helped over 6,400 families access \$724 million** in mortgage financing through its homeownership programs.



IHDA Resources for Rental Housing Development

LIHTC – 9% and 4%

Illinois Affordable Housing Trust Fund

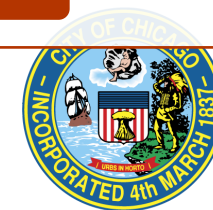
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Illinois Affordable Housing Tax Credit

National Housing Trust Fund

First Mortgage Loan Products

Taxable and Tax-Exempt Bond Financing



IHDA Permanent Supportive Housing Resources

- **Statewide Referral Network (SRN)**
 - 2,600 units
 - Serves persons experiencing homelessness, at risk of homelessness and/or living with a disability
 - Approximately 50% of the units have project-based subsidy
- **Section 811 Project-Based Rental Assistance HUD Demonstration Program**
 - Three rounds of funding (FY12, FY13, FY19), 350 units
 - Serves persons in the three *Olmstead*-related Illinois consent decrees (Colbert, Williams, Ligas), persons exiting State Operated Developmental Centers, and persons at risk of institutionalization.
 - Must be 18-62 and eligible for long term services and supports.
- **Permanent Supportive Housing Development Rounds**
 - 920 units
 - Smaller projects (typically 25 units or less), 100% PSH
 - Close partnership with one or more service providers



IHDA's Impact During COVID-19 Pandemic

- Three rounds of emergency rental assistance that have assisted tens of thousands of households with hundreds of millions of dollars.
- An emergency mortgage assistance program with additional funding expected to be available in Spring 2022.
- Close collaboration with Department of Human Services to connect services to housing assistance.



Housing for Justice Involved Individuals

- Up to \$7.5 million from the Build Illinois Bond Program Fund to subsidize the acquisition, new construction, and/or rehabilitation of congregate, or shared housing models in any of the one hundred two (102) Illinois counties
- Applicants may request up to \$475,000 per Project.
- Applicants include Social Service Providers or other organizations, or partnerships between experienced developers and providers/organizations who have operated successful re-entry programs
- On-site or community-based services must be provided



Housing for Justice Involved Individuals

- **Project Concept** meeting required prior to Application
 - Concept meetings scheduled by Friday, March 11, 2022
 - [Concept Form](#)
 - Send request to justicerfa@ihda.org
- **Applications** must be submitted electronically using IHDA's online portal and are due on Thursday, March 31, 2022
 - [Request for Applications](#)





Questions & Answers



The Arts

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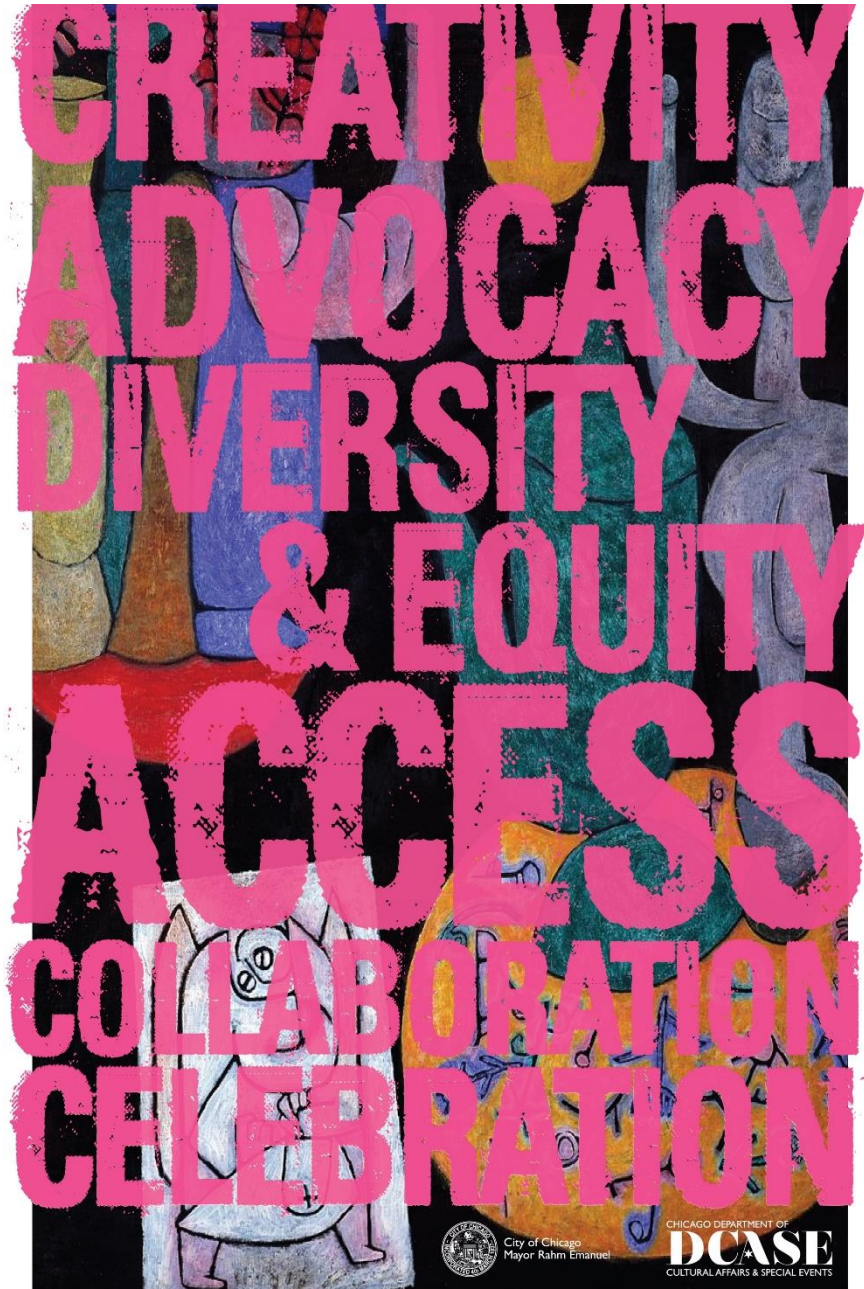
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Chicago Recovery Plan Programs



The City of Chicago's Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events (DCASE) is dedicated to enriching Chicago's artistic vitality and cultural vibrancy.

- Fostering the development of Chicago's non-profit arts sector, independent working artists and for-profit arts businesses;
- Supporting the cultural vitality of Chicago's 77 neighborhoods via Arts77, a citywide arts recovery and reopening plan;
- Marketing the City's cultural assets to a worldwide audience; and
- Presenting high-quality, free and affordable cultural programs for residents and visitors.



Agenda

- New Investment Opportunities
- Cultural Grants Program Overview
- CRP Programs
- Program Assessments
- Other Opportunities



New Investment Opportunities



2022 DCASE Budget



Taste of Chicago To Go, Austin Town Hall

- Provided \$26M in new arts and culture investments, including \$10M for a dedicated revenue stream from the City's corporate budget
- Increased cultural grants *baseline* budget from \$2.7M to \$20.7M over the next two years



New Investments

The City will invest an additional \$26 million to support our arts and culture community:

- **\$10 million** for a dedicated revenue stream from the City's corporate budget to guarantee a baseline of funding for Cultural Grants, which will no longer be subject to the vagaries of the hotel tax.
- **\$10 million** to provide targeted relief focusing on artists and organizations not able to access other forms of federal economic support, such as individual artists, local museums and other art and educational organizations.
- **\$6 million** in "Together We Heal Place-Making Grants," which will support projects that utilize community engagement to produce cultural projects including community-led public art installations, pop up galleries, and other cultural activations.



The Strategies

1
Expand
access and
participation
in the arts
citywide

2
Prioritize
employment
of creative
workers
through City
programs and
services

3
Deepen
public sector
investment
in the
creative
sector



Cultural Grants Program Overview



Signature Financial Grant Programs

Individual Artists Program: Provides project-based funding for practicing artists.

- Total 2021 grants: 175
- Total 2021 budget: \$700,000

CityArts: Provides general operating and project grants to Chicago-based, arts and culture-focused, non-profit organizations of all sizes.

- Total 2021 grants: 200
- Total 2021 budget: \$1,800,000



Relief Programs

Provide grants to artists and arts organizations that have lost income due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- **Arts for Illinois Relief Fund:** Partnership with Arts Alliance Illinois, 3Arts, Arts Work Fund, and the greater philanthropic community
- **Performing Arts Venue Relief Program**
- **Chicago Creative Worker Assistance Program**
 - Total 2021 grants: 685
 - Total 2021 Budget: \$3,300,000



Arts77 Grant Programs

Chicago Presents: Presenting support for free, public programs

- Total 2021 grants: 53
- Total 2021 budget: \$800,000

Artist Response Program: Direct grants and re-granting partnerships to support artist-led projects focused on social justice

- Total 2021 grants: 12
- Total 2021 budget: \$1,150,000

Professional Development Provider Program: Grants to present professional development programs focused on artist career development and/or organizational operations

- Total 2021 grants: 23
- Total 2021 budget: \$126,000

Neighborhood Access Program: Grants for all types of community-based arts and culture activities.

- Total 2021 grants: 40
- Total 2021 budget: \$1,000,000



CRP Programs



Year of Healing

Goal: To support projects that use community engagement and arts in a transformative way to promote racial healing, cultural awareness, neighborhood vibrancy, and community building

Grant types: Direct grants for large-scale public art projects and re-granting partnerships

Who can apply: Individual artists (for direct grants) and nonprofit organizations (for re-granting partnerships)

Examples: Story circles, murals, sculptures, walking or bike tours, pop-up galleries, street festivals, reimaginations of vacant lots/buildings

Timeline: Program announcement in Q2 (March), Notifications in Q3



Relief and Recovery Grants

Goal: To provide targeted relief and emergency assistance focusing on the creative workforce and arts organizations not able to access other forms of federal economic support

Who can apply:

- Nonprofit arts and culture organizations
- For-profit arts businesses
- Creative workers including freelance artists, arts administrators, teaching artists, artisans, curators, independent cultural producers and creative industry technicians such as stage managers, theater and music technicians, art handlers, preparators, cinematographers, and film lighting technicians/gaffers

Timeline: Program announcement in Q2, Notifications in Q3



Program Assessments



Program Assessments

Issue Area #1: Inequitable distribution of funds across the City

- **Issue: Lack of Awareness about grant programs**
 - Strategy: Increased outreach and input sessions with organizations that have not applied to Cultural Grants Program
- **Issue: Barriers to applying**
 - Strategy: Revised Eligibility Criteria
- **Issue: Burdens in application and contracting process**
 - Strategy #1: Streamlined application processes, updated data collection and economic disclosure tools, contracting orientations
 - Strategy #2: Re-Granting Partnerships



Program Assessments

Issue Area #2: Chicago underperforms peer cities on local government support of nonprofit organizations

- **Strategy:** A significant investment in nonprofit arts organizations is needed to provide our arts sector with stability aligned with peer cities

Issue Area #3: Ongoing hardship due to the pandemic

- **Strategy:** A significant investment in nonprofit arts organizations is needed to provide our arts sector with stability aligned with peer cities

Issue Area #4: Artists and creative workers not supported by living wages and benefit structures

- **Strategy:** Expand the Chicago Creative Worker Assistance Program to address broader needs of creatives



Other Opportunities



Upcoming Opportunities

- 2022 CityArts Program: Application opens on February 7
- Millennium Park Residency Program: Application closes March 4
- Apply to be a grant review panelist: Applications accepted year-round
- Chicago Arts Census - ACRE





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