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CHICAGO LAUNCHES RECOVERY PLAN DATA TRANSPARENCY WEBSITE

Site provides residents with new tools to track progress and impact of Chicago Recovery Plan

Today, Mayor Lori E. Lightfoot announced the launch of a new data transparency website to enhance public access to key information on the City services and community investments made possible through the Chicago Recovery Plan. The new website, ChiRecoveryPlan.com, provides centralized access to data across dozens of individual programs and includes interactive maps to visualize the Chicago Recovery Plan's footprint across the City's 77 community areas.

"When I took office, I made a commitment to bring greater transparency and more robust civic engagement to City government," said **Mayor Lightfoot**. "This first-of-its-kind transparency website highlights the unprecedented scope of the \$1.2 billion in investments being made through the Chicago Recovery Plan while setting a new standard for government accountability."

The Chicago Recovery Plan is the City's plan to amplify once-in-a-generation federal funding to create an equity-based investment strategy and catalyze a sustainable economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. This \$1.2B investment funds dozens of programs across city departments covering 13 key priority areas ranging from affordable housing and community development to public health and violence prevention.

"For the first time, Chicago is opening the books on neighborhood investments in a simple, accessible digital format," said **Chief Technology Officer Nick Lucius**. "This website is the result of a tremendous amount of painstaking, resident-focused research and development. It is a model for resident exploration of community investments that is flexible enough to accommodate a variety of city programs and services. A lot of data is generated by \$1.2 billion dollars of programs, and this site delivers on Mayor Lightfoot's commitment to transparency and accountability by making that data accessible to Chicago communities."



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[ChiRecoveryPlan.com](https://www.chirecoveryplan.com) allows residents to see a comprehensive summary of the Chicago Recovery Plan programs active in their community. At a glance, users can see the number of trees planted nearby, where local businesses have received grants to reactivate vacant storefronts — and how many community members have participated in City youth programs. Residents can also use the site to conduct a deeper dive into how specific programs are serving residents citywide.

"At DataMade, we know that data doesn't tell a story to everyone by itself," said **Hannah Cushman Garland**, Partner at DataMade. "We are excited to partner with the City to organize this broad dataset by theme and geography to make it clear, relevant, and useful to Chicago residents and City staff alike. This project sets a new standard not just for transparency and accountability but also for accessibility and ease of use of government data products."

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