



MEMORANDUM

To: UWP Committee

From: Alex Ensign
Director of Strategic Alignment and Innovation

Date: November 16, 2022

Re: FY 2024 UWP Core Proposals

On October 17, 2022, a call for core proposals was made for the FY 2024 UWP program. Seven total core proposals were received. It is anticipated that the FY 2024 UWP federal mark will be \$23,726,798, a 3.8% increase over the FY23 federal mark. Presentations of all the proposals will be made to the UWP Committee at its meeting on November 16, and final approval of the FY 2024 program at its December 14 meeting.

The chart at the end of this report reflects the approved amounts for the FY 2023 funded projects and the FY 2024 proposal amounts. In all cases, the federal funds are being requested at the 80% level. The chart reflects both the federal funds and the total project cost.

CORE PROPOSALS

CMAP - MPO Activities

CMAP is responsible for implementation of the region's long-range plan, ON TO 2050; supporting local planning efforts; collecting, analyzing, and disseminating transportation data; supporting required MPO activities, such as the TIP and Congestion Management Process; performing a range of transportation studies; providing technical assistance; and engaging in coordinated regional outreach. Some of the major areas to be addressed in this program include regional mobility, local safety analysis, strategic truck freight policy and bottleneck analysis, and regional economy. CMAP provides regional forecasts and planning evaluations for transportation, land use, and environmental planning. For FY24, the agency will focus its efforts on fostering regional economic collaboration, continuing COVID-19 mobility recovery work and drafting an associated transit report for the Illinois General Assembly, launching the Safe Travel for All Roadmap (STAR) to advance Safe and Complete Streets priorities, and coordinating IJJA project submissions for the region. CMAP submitted for FY2024 a proposal of \$18,583,000, which is a 2.2% increase over FY2023.

Chicago Department of Transportation – Chicago Transportation Planning and Programming

The purpose of this project is to support CMAP's regional objectives as an MPO by ensuring the City of Chicago's participation in CMAP's regional planning and transportation programming processes, including the development of the RTP and the TIP. In addition, CDOT will conduct technical/policy studies and analyses, which will lead to transportation projects and policies, as well as information for various audiences (including other government agencies, elected officials, stakeholder organizations, and the public). Work on these tasks facilitates the full and effective participation of the City of Chicago in the regional planning process. CDOT submitted a proposal for \$830,000, which is at the same level as FY 2023.

Council of Mayors – Subregional Transportation Planning, Programming and Management

To provide for strategic participation by local officials in the region's transportation process as required by the FAST Act, the Regional Planning Act, and further legislation. To support the Council of Mayors by providing program development, monitoring and active management of STP, CMAQ, TAP, SRTS, BRR, HPP, ITEP and other programs as needed, general liaison services, technical assistance and communication assistance. To assist CMAP, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Chicago region, in meeting Federal transportation planning requirements including development of a Long-Range Transportation Plan, Transportation Improvement Program, and Congestion Management System. For FY 2024, the COMs request funding at \$1,561,215, which is an increase of 1.8%.

CTA – Program Development

The purpose of this project is to support regional objectives by providing for the strategic participation of CTA in region's transportation planning process including the development of Regional Transportation Program (RTP) and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). It will facilitate CTA's efforts to coordinate the provision of capital projects for customers in its service area with regional programs and plans. For FY 2023, CTA was funded at \$500,000 for program development and is requesting \$772,008 for FY 2024, an increase of 154%.

Will County 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan

Since Will County adopted the Will Connects 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan in February 2017, the County has undertaken Countywide Freight and ITS Plans. These plans provide the County, our local agency partners, other agency partners, and our residents information about the County's priorities for the transportation network.

In a county, where seeing a truck once meant a farmer hauling crops or livestock to market, trucks on our roadway network haul any number of goods that could have been shipped from anywhere around the globe. With our access to navigable waterways, railroads, and the interstate system, Will County has been established as a prime location for companies to locate their warehouses and distribution centers.

As Will County moves into the future, we see a dichotomy being established between generational farms and the influx of development (residential and warehousing). We need an updated long range transportation plan that accommodates and celebrates all facets of our

county from the more urban/suburban north of I-80, through the transitional area in central Will County, to the rural areas in southern Will County.

Will County is requesting federal funding of \$500,000, which is a 312% increase over the Kane County Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan update that was funded in FY 2023. Will County will be providing a local match of \$1,250,000, which is an overmatch of \$1,125,000 for this project

Metra – Capital Program Development and Asset Management

Metra’s Capital Program, Grant Administration, and Asset Management project supports the development of the capital program, implementation of Metra’s Transit Asset Management (TAM) Plan, and the administration of grants for transportation infrastructure improvements. Metra is a division of the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) and Metra staff are responsible for conducting transportation planning, data modeling, and policy implementation as it pertains to the region’s commuter rail transit. All major tasks and activities listed within this proposal are necessary to Metra’s capital program development and asset management activities.

The project supports CMAP objectives, including conducting regional transportation planning, maintaining the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP), maintaining data models for transit asset management, and implementing policies as required by various federal legislation, regulations, and rules. Metra’s project will increase in scope by state fiscal year 2024 due primarily to the recent increases to the state and federal capital funding levels and to continue the implementation of the TAM Plan, which includes the continued development of Metra’s Enterprise Asset Management (EAM) system. Metra’s FY 2023 funding level was approved at \$520,000 and for FY 2024 is requesting \$1,200,000, an increase of 231%.

Pace Smart Capital Program Development and Asset Management

This project supports Pace in its strategic efforts to plan, develop and implement a fiscally constrained Pace Bus Capital Improvement Program and a Transit Assessment Management Plan for Northeastern Illinois. For FY 2024, Pace is requesting \$120,000, which is the same funding level as FY 2023.

Pace – Shared Mobility Program

To assist CMAP with meeting the goals of ON TO 2050, the Pace RideShare Program proposes a project that will focus on Northeastern Illinois workers with regular and hybrid work schedules including those commuting to work from [economically disconnected areas](#). Pace will also continue rideshare education, customer service, and administration of the rideshare program while improving the user’s experience. Outreach will leverage [regional research](#) and highlight affordability compared to solo driving and offer a boost to carpoolers. Campaigns and communications will include updated features of the Pace Vanpool Program, transit benefits and a free participation opportunity for Pace Vanpool drivers. In summary, this grant request is for funding the purchase of marketing content/creatives which could include road signs, media buys, incentives/giveaways, outreach event costs, and the staff time to oversee the existing rideshare program and new enhancements, collect customer feedback, partner regionally, and support marketing efforts and Pace Vanpool Program improvements. For FY 2024, Pace is submitting this core project for \$230,400, which is a 210% increase over the FY 2023 amount of \$109,600.

Agency	Project Title	FY 2023 FINAL			FY 2024 - PROPOSED		
		Federal	STATE Match	Total	Federal	Local Match	Total
Core							
CMAP	MPO Activities	\$18,189,756	\$4,547,439	\$22,737,195	\$18,583,000	\$4,645,749	\$23,228,749
CMAP	Safe Travel for All Roadmap (STAR)	\$571,345	\$142,836	\$714,181	\$593,170	\$148,292	\$741,462
City of Chicago (CDOT)	City of Chicago Transportation and Programming	\$830,000	\$207,500	\$1,037,500	\$830,000	\$207,500	\$1,037,500
Council of Mayors	Subregional Transportation Planning, Programming, and Management	\$1,533,094	\$383,274	\$1,916,368	\$1,561,215	\$390,304	\$1,951,519
CTA	Program Development	\$500,000	\$125,000	\$625,000	\$772,008	\$193,002	\$965,010
Will County	2050 Long Range Transportation Plan				\$500,000	\$125,000	\$625,000
Kane County	Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Update	\$160,000	\$40,000	\$200,000			
Metra	Capital Program, Grant Administration, and Asset Management	\$520,000	\$130,000	\$650,000	\$1,200,000	\$300,000	\$1,500,000
Pace	Capital Program Development and Asset Management	\$120,000	\$30,000	\$150,000	\$120,000	\$30,000	\$150,000
Pace	Shared Mobility Program	\$109,600	\$27,400	\$137,000	\$230,400	\$57,600	\$288,000
Total of Core		\$ 22,533,795	\$ 5,633,449	\$ 28,167,244	\$ 24,389,793	\$ 6,097,447	\$ 30,487,241
Competitive							
CTA	Loop Rail Capacity	\$320,000	\$80,000	\$400,000	No competitive program in FY24		
Total of Competitive		\$ 320,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 400,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Programs		\$ 22,853,795	\$ 5,713,449	\$ 28,567,244	\$ 24,389,793	\$ 6,097,447	\$ 30,487,241
	Federal Mark	\$ 22,853,795	\$ 5,713,449	\$ 28,567,244	\$ 23,726,798	\$ 5,931,700	\$ 29,658,498

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

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