

FACT SHEET

The City of Chicago Department of Transportation and Department of Housing and Economic Development have commissioned the South Lakefront Corridor Transit Study in order to identify ways to improve public transportation in the Corridor. This study is being funded by a subregional grant from the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA).

Study Purpose

The purpose of this study is to identify public transportation improvements that will:

- **Enhance mobility for residents of the study area communities,** and
- **Increase access to jobs located throughout the city and surrounding areas.**

The study will evaluate the costs and benefits of several reasonable transit improvement alternatives in order to recommend candidate projects, programs, and policies that merit more rigorous evaluation.

Over the last 20 years, the City, businesses, and the civic community have demonstrated strong leadership and commitment in working to address many of the economic and social challenges in the study area. This study further supports this ongoing commitment by encouraging dialogue among area residents, community leaders, institutions, developers, and city and regional transit and transportation officials.

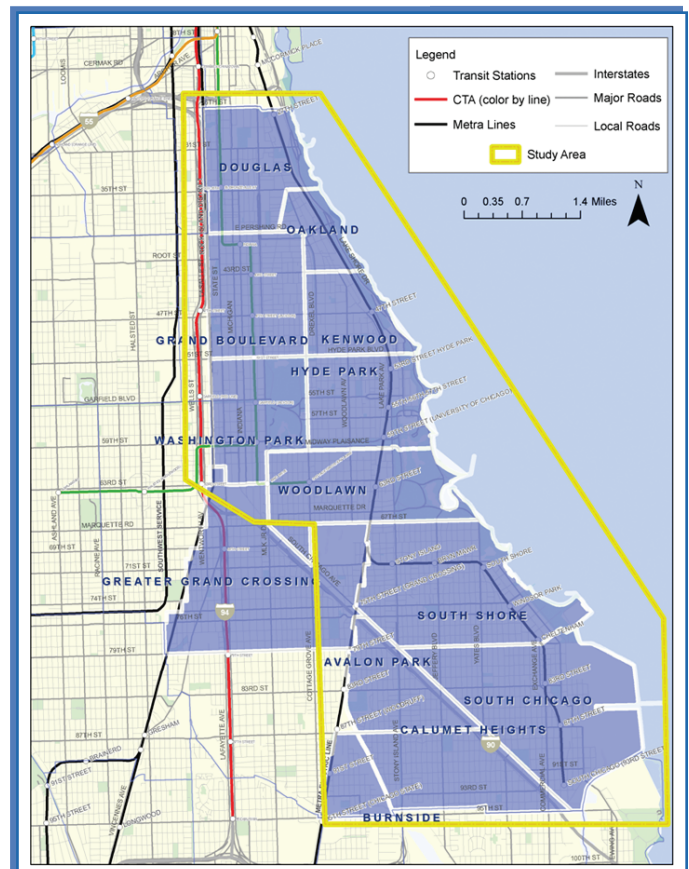
The study will **enable consensus to be achieved** on the main transit-related issues and problems in the study area and on the most important transit system investments and related community development projects so that they can be advanced to more detailed study.

Study Area Overview

The South Lakefront Corridor study area extends from 22nd Street to 95th Street east of the Dan Ryan Expressway. As shown on the map, it encompasses all or part of the following 13 South Side communities:

- Douglas;
- Grand Boulevard;
- Oakland;
- Kenwood;
- Hyde Park;
- Woodlawn;
- South Shore;
- South Chicago;
- Washington Park;
- Avalon Park;
- Calumet Heights;
- Greater Grand Crossing; and
- Burnside.

These study area communities are currently served by the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) Red and Green rapid transit lines, CTA local and express buses, and the Metra Electric District commuter trains.



Study Process

The study process includes the following three components:

- **Technical Work Program:** The study consists of nine tasks to be conducted over a period of about 15 months.
- **Advisory Committee Meetings:** Two project committees will be established. A Public Advisory Committee (PAC), including key community stakeholders will meet at key junctures in the project to provide feedback and help plan public outreach. A Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) made up of agency staff from RTA, CTA, Metra, and the City will provide ongoing technical guidance.
- **Public Involvement and Outreach:** The City and the study team will conduct public meetings and other outreach activities over the course of the study.

Get Involved!

Your involvement is key to the success of this study!

We need your help to identify issues related to public transportation in your community and provide feedback on potential solutions as they are developed.

We encourage you to participate in the study by attending public meetings being held over the next year and by communicating your thoughts and comments in other ways.

- **Public Meetings:** The City and the study team will conduct several public meetings which are designed to inform and engage local stakeholders in the process as well as to determine the community consensus around the preferred transportation options. A wide variety of people are invited to participate in these meetings, including residents, major landowners, developers, institutions, business owners, and community leaders.
- **Web Site:** Visit the study webpage at <http://www.cityofchicago.org/transportation> where updated information will be provided. Scroll down to “Service Providers” and check the link for “Future Projects, Studies, and Concepts.”
- **E-mail:** Share your opinion or join our mailing list by sending an e-mail to: southlakefront@cityofchicago.org.

Study Sponsor and Project Team

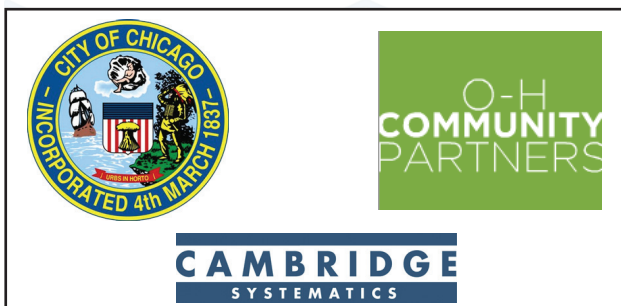
The South Lakefront Corridor Transit Study is sponsored by the City of Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT) in partnership with the Department of Housing and Economic Development.

Lead Project Consultant

- Cambridge Systematics, a national transportation planning and policy firm.

Consultant Team Members

- O-H Community Partners, a national economic development and public engagement consulting firm.
- URS Corporation, a leading engineering, construction and technical services firm.
- MKC Associates, a local transportation planning firm.
- EJM Engineering, an expert local traffic engineering firm.



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