

Chicago Prize

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Chicago Prize Challenge

Chicago has a remarkable civic ethos and ecosystem of individuals and organizations tirelessly working to improve lives across our city. Yet we all recognize that we need to do more together to address the challenges of concentrated poverty and lack of opportunity.

Imagine you have \$10 million to build something vital to your community. What would you create? How would you and your partners leverage this investment for the benefit of your neighborhood?

The Chicago Prize invited every community on the South and West Sides to answer these questions. An extraordinary number of participants presented innovative proposals. We sought to lift up bold ideas, led by teams with deep community partnerships. We hoped to learn more about the work already happening and possibly spark new collaboration.

The Pritzker Traubert Foundation is honored to shine a spotlight on the twenty top proposals and highlight the six Finalists for the inaugural Chicago Prize. The Finalists and their impressive approaches will be supported by a \$100,000 grant, to help each team refine its plan. In spring 2020, one \$10 million grant will be awarded to a single community-driven initiative that is able to leverage the grant, catalyze economic opportunity, and improve the well-being of residents.

Every Finalist, top-ranked proposal, and applicant deserves the attention and support of our great city. Thank you to every participant, advisor, and expert reviewer for being a part of this endeavor. We hope you continue to be an active partner.

Our Collective Commitment

We know that talent is universal across our city, but access to opportunity is simply not. Addressing systemic racism, economic exclusion, and inequity is both complex and daunting. Yet we must prioritize this work as a city. This is the focus of the Pritzker Traubert Foundation and the Chicago Prize – to help improve economic prosperity for more families and residents on Chicago’s South and West Side neighborhoods.

For far too long, investment and support to address the formidable challenges of concentrated poverty and persistent segregation has been lacking in too many Chicago neighborhoods. A recent report from the Urban Institute, commissioned by JPMorgan Chase, demonstrates the critical need for more public and private investment on the South and West Sides.

Another Urban Institute study, which Pritzker Traubert Foundation commissioned, describes various approaches resulting in positive neighborhood change. The report presents several investment strategies targeted at underinvested urban areas, including ones that focus on untapped assets in neighborhoods, such as small businesses and underutilized land and civic spaces, to jumpstart local economies and improve physical conditions. This asset-based model, along with our belief that community leaders were ready to act if they had additional capital, inspired the Chicago Prize.

We know the Chicago Prize award is not a panacea, but we hope it can help address inequitable investment. We are just a small part of a robust network of incredible

Chicagoans dedicated to making our city more equitable and vibrant. We hope our investment can help amplify the impact of public investments like the City’s exciting new INVEST South/West initiative led by Commissioner Cox and the Department of Planning and Development, and help also unlock additional private dollars. We thank Mayor Lightfoot and her administration for their continued commitment and investment in the city’s neighborhoods and celebrate all those who work day in and day out to lift our residents and strengthen Chicago.

We also recognize that to make positive change in neighborhoods throughout the City, it takes a diverse and committed village with consistent and indefatigable action required for years to come.

We appreciate your participation and support of the Chicago Prize, and we look forward to working with all of you in the months and years ahead to ensure that every person in every community has the opportunity to thrive.

Sincerely,



Penny Pritzker & Bryan Traubert
Trustees
Pritzker Traubert Foundation

Investing In Our Neighborhoods

The strength of Chicago neighborhoods is reflected in the Chicago Prize process. Over 80 teams logged on to ChicagoPrize.org and submitted thoughtful, community-led ideas to benefit their neighborhoods across the South and West Sides of Chicago. We benefited from the wisdom of 67 expert reviewers who lent their time and experience to evaluate each proposal against the Chicago Prize criteria—Leverage, Impact, Feasibility, and Community-Led Collaboration. Their scores and rankings were used to identify the Chicago Prize Finalists and their detailed feedback will be provided to all the applicants to inform and potentially strengthen their work going forward.

The result of this immeasurable commitment is 20 top-ranked ideas that are highlighted here: six Finalists who will continue to work toward the \$10 million Chicago Prize investment and 14 other top-ranked proposals being acknowledged for the strength of their ideas, team, and plan for their community.

These initiatives vary in their approach. Some are building housing; some are creating new small business incubators and commercial amenities; others are addressing the health and social needs of residents; and some are combining these and other investments. All are working to build something transformative for their neighborhood. They share a vision for what their community can be, an understanding of how physical development activities can get them there, and the plan and team needed to execute.

The Chicago Prize invites you to join the Pritzker Traubert Foundation in congratulating the Finalists, learning more about all of these initiatives, and working together as a City to advance compelling, community-led ideas found in these pages and across Chicago's neighborhoods.

Expert Review Panel

Michael Alter

The Alter Group

Daniel Anello

Kids First Chicago

Carmelo Barbaro

Poverty Lab at The University of Chicago

MarySue Barrett

Metropolitan Planning Council

Deborah Bennett

Polk Brothers Foundation

Gia Biagi

Studio Gang

Keri Blackwell

Chicago Cubs Charities

John Bucksbaum

Bucksbaum Properties

Sharon Bush

Grand Victoria Foundation

Kim Cassel

Arnold Ventures

Cecilia Conrad

Lever for Change

Charlie Corrigan

JP Morgan Chase & Co.

Gillian Darlow

Polk Brothers Foundation

Greg Darnieder
Steans Family Foundation

Evelyn Diaz
Heartland Alliance

Liz Dozier
Chicago Beyond

Arne Duncan
Emerson Collective

Rachel Dvorken
MD Live

Ricardo Estrada
Metropolitan Family Services

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Harris Strategies, LLC

David Hiller
McCormick Foundation

Secretary Grace Hou
Illinois Department of Human Services

Craig Howard
MacArthur Foundation

Nicole Johnson-Scales
Fifth Third Bank Chicago

Imran Khan
Embarc Chicago

Steve Koch
City of Chicago (Former)

Aarti Kotak
City of Chicago (Former)

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Chicago Park District

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Arizona State University

William Towns
Benefit Chicago

Brad White
Alphawood Foundation

Alonzo Williams
Chicago Park District

Caira Woods
Gates Foundation



CHICAGO PRIZE FINALISTS

Catalytic Development of Auburn Gresham

Team: Greater Auburn Gresham Development Corporation, Green Era, Urban Growers Collective, New Pisgah Community Service Organization

The Catalytic Development of Auburn Gresham (CDAG) is a portfolio of three investment-ready capital projects poised to reinvigorate this South Side, predominantly Black neighborhood back into a thriving destination. The CDAG projects come directly from Auburn Gresham's community-driven Quality-of-Life Plan and represent the best of the neighborhood's vision for its bright future.

The three projects include: 1) transforming a long-vacant, 4-story office building near 79th and Halsted into the 839 Auburn Gresham Healthy Lifestyle Hub, anchored by a



Images:
Left: 839 Auburn Gresham Healthy Lifestyle Hub, MKB Architects.
Right: Renewable Energy and Urban Farming Campus, Green Era & MKB Architects.

full-service health center; 2) developing the first Renewable Energy and Urban Farming Campus in the country on a vacant brownfield on 83rd near Halsted; and 3) a planning process for repurposing an abandoned high school into an innovative mix of affordable housing and other community-identified assets.

To achieve the goals of the community plan, the projects will yield tremendous economic growth for the neighborhood, including 400+ construction jobs and 300+ professional jobs, equitable access to health care, and significant entrepreneurial opportunities, and will put Chicago's South Side on the map for the green economy. The development projects will also bring needed supportive services to the neighborhood and will transform three ominously vacant city blocks into vibrant and welcoming community spaces.



Economic Equity & Opportunity via A Little Village Community Hub

Team: Delta Institute, Little Village Environmental Justice Organization (LVEJO)

LVEJO and Delta Institute will create a new community hub at 2358 S. Whipple to provide Little Village and Southwest Chicago – composed primarily of working Latino American families – with food equity and economic development opportunities. Little Village is between the Stevenson Expressway, Cermak, Western, and Cicero.

Collaborators include the Street Vendors Association, Little Village Gardeners Coalition, Chicago Food Policy Action Council, and Just Design. 2358 S. Whipple is a former Chicago Fire Department engine house that will become a community hub/commercial kitchen – along with a satellite retail storefront – to:

- 1) Offer 150 food-cart entrepreneurs with professional-grade equipment to prepare food for sale – keeping dollars local and increasing household incomes and economic self-sufficiency by 2023;
- 2) Establish a worker-led cooperative to manage the kitchen and a cooperative satellite retail storefront by 2023;
- 3) Serve as the heart of a sustainable food network by 2023, with entrepreneurs purchasing organic produce from the LVEJO Urban Farm and sending produce waste to the planned LVEJO commercial composting site;
- 4) Establish an open-access venue for consistent programming for both LVEJO and local advocates by 2023; and
- 5) Create a ripple effect from an estimated \$8 million in food cart revenues to increase economic sustainability and uplift community members by 2030.



Images:
Left: *Little Village Community Hub team, Jordan Campbell.*
Right: *Harvest Fest, Nancy Meza.*



Go Green on Racine: An Englewood Rising Project

Team: Inner-City Muslim Action Network (IMAN), Teamwork Englewood, Resident Association of Greater Englewood (R.A.G.E), E.G. Woode



Built on the community vision and aligned with Englewood Quality-of-Life Plans, Go Green on Racine: An Englewood Rising Project is a cutting-edge initiative to develop a thriving green node in the heart of Englewood with, by and for residents. Located around the 63rd & Racine intersection that connects Englewood and West Englewood zip codes 60621 and 60636, strategically close to the 63rd bus corridor and the closed Racine Green-Line Station, it will introduce three capital assets: a Fresh Market Co-operative; a mixed-use development of 12 residential units, E.G. Woode's business incubator and 24/7 coworking facility, and food retail; and a hyper-local recycling enterprise repurposing the vacant Woods Academy.

The project is intended to bolster community ownership, food access, holistic development, job creation, and local entrepreneurial activity, and transform the intersection into a green node of development along the East-West and North-South corridors. It will generate 55 permanent living-wage jobs; train and certify 120 returning citizens, young men and women navigating cycles of violence, and Englewood residents in the construction trades and green roofing technology; and support five local businesses annually.

In five years, it aims to create the momentum, density, and public/private investment that will lead to the re-opening of the Racine Green-Line Station.

Now Is the Time: Advancing North Lawndale Together

Team: Lawndale Christian Development Corporation, Lawndale Christian Legal Center, New Covenant CDC, North Lawndale Community Coordinating Council, North Lawndale Employment Network, Sinai Community Institute, Sinai Health System, Under the Grid



North Lawndale Employment Network
Creating a Community That Works



Images:

Top: Mother and child in new apartment, Lawndale Christian Dev. Corp.
Bottom: North Lawndale Employment Network construction.

Together we will create a bright future. The Chicago Prize will leverage investment of \$41 million for physical assets, following our Quality-of-Life Plan designed by and for residents. North Lawndale is on the brink of major revitalization with new employers like Cinespace and Lagunitas, national festivals in historic Douglas Park, and for-profit developers eyeing swaths of vacant property. It is up to us to ensure longtime residents reap the benefits of new jobs, housing, services, and infrastructure.

Key capital projects will catalyze the economic stability of thousands of longtime residents: working families ready to own their own home; low-income families in need of affordable rentals; Opportunity Youth at the highest risk of violence and a lifetime of incarceration; and residents ready to build skills and knowledge to secure quality, available jobs. All will benefit from access to healthcare. Blighted buildings and vacant lots will be restored to use and, tying it all together, residents will design greenspace and public art through placemaking.

With assets, challenges, and a deeply collaborative planning process, now is the time to advance together, to welcome new developments while protecting current residents from being priced out. We envision North Lawndale as a healthy, vibrant community with a diversified and innovative economy, competitive workforce, engaged citizens, and infrastructure that supports long-term, sustainable growth.

The Aspire Initiative: Building A Stronger Cradle-to-Career Pipeline in Austin

Team: Westside Health Authority, Austin Coming Together, By the Hand Club, United Way of Metropolitan Chicago, LISC Chicago, IFF, Lamar Johnson Collaborative, Purpose Built Communities, Applegate & Thorne-Thomsen

Aspire builds on the momentum of the Austin Quality-of-Life Plan to create four investments strategically clustered around existing assets in an area bound by Madison, Chicago, Central, and Laramie Avenues. These investments will result in a state-of-the-art early learning, health and recreation center, a vibrant neighborhood high school filled with students, an economic hub that connects low-income



residents with real economic opportunity, and 60 units of new affordable housing for purchase so that low-income residents have an opportunity to build wealth.

The Aspire Initiative is part of a collective vision for a powerful and highly collaborative community with the capacity to create a high-quality cradle-to-career educational system and a revitalized economy by and for Austin residents. These investments and the activity they catalyze will address low education outcomes, rising rates of poverty, and lower rates of homeownership in Austin.



Images:

Left: By the Hand Club, Eric Allix Rogers.

Right: The Kehrein Center for the Arts, Mariusz Mizera Photography.

Working Together to Reinvalidate South Chicago

Team: Claretian Associates, Interfaith Housing Development Corporation, Special Service Area #5, Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish/School, Pilgrim Baptist Church, NeighborSpace, 10th Ward Alderwoman Susan Garza

South Chicago is in the midst of creating a community focused project that will reinvigorate our neighborhood. The reminder of the economic devastation from the exodus of South Works in 1992, a once global provider of steel, is realized in every closed business and abandoned home. For too long, South Chicago has laid dormant as a forgotten community. Now we are taking action to create opportunities as we work to strengthen our diverse neighborhood. We will no longer accept decisions that are made at the expense of our assets. We will align ourselves with strategic priorities that champion our success.



Today, our plans will incorporate our local waterfront and business corridors connecting to Commercial Avenue, leveraging prime thoroughfares that embrace transit-oriented development and green technologies that make use of existing resources.

Projects such as a 78-unit affordable housing development with a quality grocery store, a redeveloped wellness center with a business incubator, two athletic facilities, a performing arts center and natural play space, and other developments, will make use of the nearby South Chicago Metra Line and six other CTA bus connections to re-ignite the area. We are creating a spark for our built environment, housing portfolio, and workforce development opportunities in three to five years, while bolstering in long-term sustainable efforts that vastly improve economic development and health outcomes.





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Loop →

OTHER TOP-RANKED PROPOSALS

Blueprint for Equity: Woodlawn 2030

Team: YWCA Metropolitan Chicago, Greenlining Realty, U.S.A.

With inclusive community engagement and cross-sector partnerships, YWCA Metropolitan Chicago's Blueprint for Equity promises socially-conscious economic development with meaningful and sustainable impact for Woodlawn.

Build Bronzeville: Building Bronzeville Through Culture, Community and Commerce

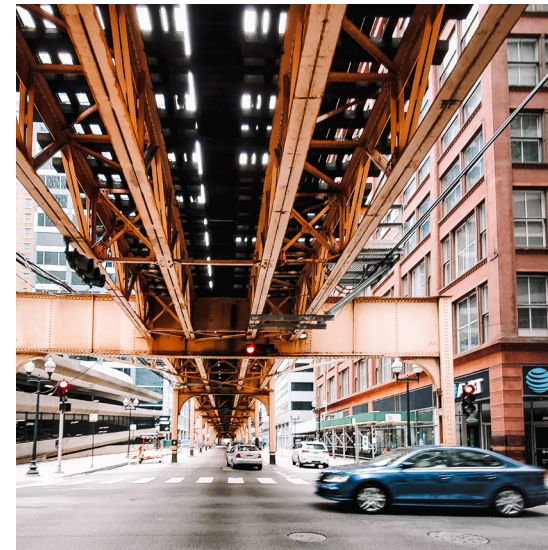
Team: Urban Juncture Foundation

Rooted in a rich Black Metropolis legacy, we're revitalizing Bronzeville, creating a critical mass of cultural, community and commercial activities at high traffic transit hubs.

Coming Home, Connecting Generations: Constructing the CCBA Service Center

Team: CCBA Service Center, T2 Development, Ivy Garden Learning Center, The Asian Health Coalition, The University of Chicago Medicine

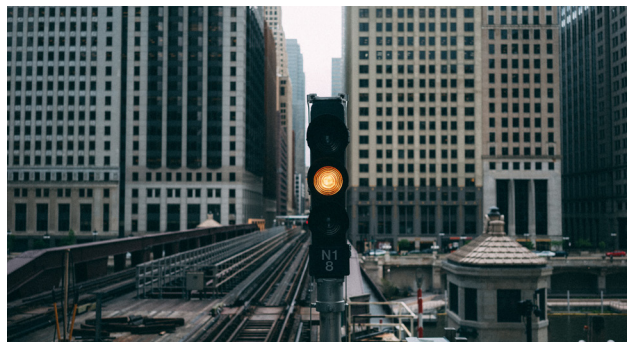
CCBA Service Center will construct a multi-story affordable senior housing complex complete with a community center that serves as an innovative, multigenerational hub for families in Armour Square.



Continuing A Legacy: Catalyzing Community Vision in Homan Square

Team: Foundation of Homan Square, IFF

Homan Square has a vision. We are bridging deep community roots with finance and development expertise to drive equitable impact and achieve tangible transformation.



Growing Englewood: Mile Square Social Equity Center

Team: Board of Trustees-University of Illinois d/b/a Mile Square Health Center, Growing Home Inc., One Health Englewood, YWCA Metropolitan Chicago, Kennedy King College, Howard Brown Health Center

The Mile Square Social Equity Center Growing Englewood initiative aims to build sustainable community wellness through economic development, health equity and food justice.

Imani Village: Thriving Community, Flourishing Economy, Healthy Residents

Team: Trinity United Church of Christ, Advocate Aurora Health, The Nature Conservancy, University of Illinois at Chicago, Brinshore Development, Imani Works!, the Cornerstone Fund of the United Church of Christ, Trinity 95th, Cottage Grove Planned Community Development

Imani Village will be a model sustainable, mixed-use, vibrant community on Chicago's South Side that demonstrates the social and environmental determinants of wellness.

Laundry Linen Cooperative: A Wealth-Building Model for Chicago's West Side

Team: World Business Chicago, West Side United

World Business Chicago and West Side United will inform and lead the development of a Laundry Linen Cooperative on Chicago's West Side.

North Lawndale Ogden Corridor Partnership

Team: Lawndale Christian Health Center, Westside Association for Community Action, Windy City Harvest at Chicago Botanic Garden

Revitalizing the neglected Ogden corridor with 100,000 square feet of vibrant community infrastructure creating new employment and services to catalyze the development of North Lawndale.

Reclaiming 69th St

Team: Southwest Organizing Project (SWOP), Brinshore Development, United Power

SWOP will reclaim 69th Street by organizing people and developing real estate to improve the physical space and reweave the social fabric of the community.



Shoot for the Stars, Aiming for Healthy Outcomes in Englewood

Team: St. Bernard Hospital Development Corporation, Teamwork Englewood, Neighborhood Housing Services of Chicago, Chicago Neighborhood Initiatives, Greater Southwest Community Development Corporation

A holistic approach that addresses economic and housing development, in tandem with health and wellness, returning a sense of community to the area.

St. Laurence Arts & Industry

Team: Rebuild Foundation, Ignite Technologies, Sunshine Enterprises, Chef Erick Williams

St. Laurence Arts & Industry will empower a new generation of creative and cultural entrepreneurs to rebuild and revitalize Greater Grand Crossing's economy.

Transformation without Gentrification in East Garfield Park

Team: GMP Labs

GMP Labs provides training and employment for opportunity youth through the construction of affordable housing, empowering them to become agents of change in their communities.



Washington Park Live! Activating A Place-Based Revolution

Team: Chicago Community Loan Fund, Emerald South Economic Development Corporation, KLEO Center, UChicago Arts + Public Life

Washington Park Live! is an ambitious, aspirational community-led initiative leveraging underutilized physical assets and social capital to jumpstart equitable, transit-oriented, arts and culture-driven neighborhood revitalization.

Woodlawn / NOW Community Plan for Economic Development

Team: NOW (Network of Woodlawn), LISC Chicago, Citibank, the Public Building Commission, Skidmore, Owings, and Merrill

Build and organize Woodlawn as an institution with an infrastructure that creates a self-determined and self-sufficient community and achieves growth in human capital.



CHICAGO PRIZE PROPOSALS

A Catalyst for Neighborhood Prosperity: The Chicago Main Street Program

Team: National Main Street Center Inc., 51st Street Business Association, South Shore Chamber of Commerce, Morgan Park/Beverly Hills Business Association

A Chicago Settlement House for People Returning from Prison

Team: Precious Blood Ministry of Reconciliation, Skender, Chicago Public Schools, Chicago Federation of Labor

A One Stop Cultural Center for Children of All Ages

Team: I Am That Kid Foundation

Advancing Community Health and Child Well-Being through Play Infrastructure Investments

Team: KaBOOM! Inc., SGA Youth and Family Services

Anchoring Businesses for Community Revitalization and Development

Team: Cosmopolitan Community Church, The University of Chicago, Washington Park Chamber of Commerce

AREA.63: A Cannabis Business Incubator and Community Marketplace

Team: Chicago NORML, P3 Markets

Blacks in Green Sustainable Square Mile Pilot

Team: BIG NFP, Blacks in Green, Self-Help Credit Union

Block by Block: Uniting for A Better BOTY (BBOTY)

Team: The Resurrection Project, Peace and Education Coalition, Precious Blood Ministry of Reconciliation, Back of the Yards Neighborhood Council

Brighton Park Neighborhood Council's (BPNC) Neighborhood Network Community Center

Team: Brighton Park Neighborhood Council, St. Anthony Hospital, Mujeres Latina en Accion

Bronzeville ICON: Intergenerational Corridor in the Oakwood Neighborhood

Team: The Community Builders Inc., Oakwood Shores Community Association, National Initiative on Mixed-Income Communities

Bronzeville: Inclusive Construction and Entrepreneurship

Team: CCDI Inc., Emerald South, Hire 360, The GRIT team at Burnham Lakefront (Farpoint Development, Bronzeville Community Development Partnership, Chicago Neighborhood Initiatives, Draper and Kramer, Loop Capital, and McLaurin Development)

Build the Future

Team: BUILD Incorporated, Ter Molen Watkins & Brandt, Landon Bone Baker

Building One Lawndale

Team: Latinos Progresando, Raza Development Fund, Marshall Square Resource Group

CAPs Workforce Campus and Residential Center - Greater Grand Crossing

Team: Community Assistance Programs, IFF

Central Woodlawn Initiative: Building A Vibrant 63rd/Cottage Grove Intersection

Team: Preservation of Affordable Housing Inc., Friend Health, The University of Chicago

Chicago City & Country School

Team: Lawrence Hall, Equity Schools

Chicago Scholars Southside Leadership Institute

Team: Chicago Scholars

Chicago Skill School: Reinventing Education-to-Workforce Pathways

Team: Empower Illinois, Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership, IUOE Local

Communities Amplified: Bridging Communities by Amplifying Voices

Team: Tender House Project, Public Media Institute

Community Center

Team: Project Hood Communities Development Corporation, New Beginnings, Baker Development Corporation

Community Health and Wealth through Food: East Garfield Park

Team: Accion Chicago, ICNC, Farpoint, Brinshore, Garfield Park Community Council

Cultivating Lawndale

Team: KLEO Community Family Life Center, Cresco Labs, Fusion Integrated Solutions

Development without Displacement: An Anti-Gentrification Strategy for Belmont Cragin

Team: Northwest Side Housing Center, LISC, Associated Bank, Women’s Business Development Center, Active Transportation Alliance

DuSable Arts & Culture District and Entrepreneurship Hub

Team: The DuSable Museum, Gensler, SITE, Chicago Police Department

East Side Memorial Plaza : The Hub of the Calumet Region

Team: Calumet Collaborative, East Side Chamber, University of Illinois at Chicago

Family Technology Innovation Center

Team: Chicago Pre-College Science and Engineering, Family Technology Innovation Center

Greater Bronzeville Community Development, Economic Investment for Families and Seniors

Team: Bright Star Community Outreach, MZ Capital, Northwestern Medicine, The University of Chicago, United Way of Metropolitan Chicago, MacArthur Foundation, Blue Cross Blue Shield of IL, Centers for Disease Control, Cigna

Greater Chatham – A Live, Work and Dine Hyperlocal & TDL Community

Team: Greater Chatham Initiative, Women Employed

Holsten Human Capital Development, Guyon Hotel Mixed-Income Housing Revitalization

Team: Holsten Human Capital Development NFP

Innovation Metropolis: Chicago’s Smart Tech Innovation District

Team: South Side Community Economic Development Center, University of Illinois at Chicago, AECOM

Internee to Entrepreneurship, Fostering Business Development for Returning Citizens

Team: Chatham Business Association, A&D Property Services

LeClaire Courts Integrative Transformation – Purposefully Reinventing Chicago’s Southwest Side

Team: Academy for Global Citizenship, LeClaire Partners, Generations Housing Initiative, Chicago Housing Authority, Purpose Built Communities

Legacy & Community Transformation: Chicago's South Side Dance Center (SSDC)

Team: Deeply Rooted Productions, Inner City Entertainment, The University of Chicago, Logan Center

Major Taylor Trail Revitalization and Development Project (MTTRDP)

Team: Community and Neighborhood Improvement Project, Major Taylor Trail, Friends of the Major Taylor Trail, Arcadis/CallisonRTKL

Pinwheel: A Community-Led Plan for Clean-Energy and Next-Economy Job Creation

Team: Elevate Energy, Washington Park Development Group, Chicago Bar Foundation, Emerald South

Power of Place: Campaign for the National Public Housing Museum

Team: National Public Housing Museum, Landon Bone Architects, Chicago Housing Authority, Community Advisory Council

Raising the Roof for the National Museum of Gospel Music

Team: National Museum of Gospel Music, Pilgrim Baptist, Dirk Logan, Wight & Company, Dusable Museum, DL3, Sawyer Enterprises

Rebirth of a Neighborhood: The Power of Affordable Senior Housing

Team: Meadows Mennonite Retirement Community Association

Re-Creating Diversity in Bronzeville: Socially Impacting Its Grass Roots

Team: The Renaissance Collaborative Inc., Elevate Energy, ComEd, Farr Architects

Redux: Achieving Economic Inclusivity in the Quad Communities

Team: Quad Communities Development Corp., Urban Equities, Applegate & Thorne-Thomsen, Prim Lawrence Group, 37Oaks Consulting, ETL Collaborative, CARA Program, South East Chicago Commission, Urban Land Institute Chicago, Chicago Trends, Senior Talk with Clare Hubbard, Sagesse Lumiere

Riverdale 54 Community Hub

Team: People for Community Recovery, Golden Gate Homeowners Association, We Keep You Rollin' Bike & Wellness Group, Metropolitan Planning Council, Forest Preserves of Cook County, Field Museum, Openlands

Roseland Rising

Team: Chicago Neighborhood Initiatives Inc.

South Shore Elevated: Community Revitalization By Strengthening Local Industries

Team: South Shore Chamber of Commerce, South Shore Works, Association for Enterprise Opportunity

Southside Inclusive Housing & Economic Development Initiative (SIHEDI)

Team: Envision Unlimited, CNI, Videnovich Farms

Southside Renaissance and New (95th Street) Station in Life

Team: The Endealeo Institute Inc., Metropolitan Planning Council, Chicago Public Library, Chicago Housing Authority, Chicago Transit Authority, Chicago State, IFF, Providence Bank, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, Cook County Land Bank Authority, American Heart Association

Springboard Communities

Team: Community Development Institute, Springboard Communities, Community Youth Development Institute, Fulcrum Development Corp.

The 61-63 Project: Experimental Station Community Investment Zone

Team: The Experimental Station 6100 Blackstone, IFF, Civic Projects

The Chicago Prize: A Community Response to Reducing Gun Violence

Team: Literacy Volunteers of Illinois, Save One Life Foundation, 548 Capital

The Jackson Renaissance Project in the Greater Grand Crossing Neighborhood

Team: Ada S. McKinley Community Services, St. Mark AME Church, E&S Development, Chicagoland Prison Outreach

The Jorja Palmer Institute for Black Womanism and Inquiry

Team: Black United Fund of Illinois

The Justice Hotel

Team: 6018NORTH, ChiDesign

The MAD District: Madison Area Development Westside Transformation Initiative

Team: Habilitative Systems Inc.

The New HotHouse

Team: HotHouse

The New KLEO Center for the Well-Being of All Generations

Team: KLEO Community Family Life Center, St. Edmund's Redevelopment Corporation, Emerald South Economic Development Collaborative, Washington Park Chamber of Commerce, The University of Chicago, Imagine Development, JGMA

The Of/For/By Project

Team: The Neighborhood Network Alliance, SAFER, Platform, Silver Room, Prime Legal

The West Side Mile – A Revitalized West Humboldt Park

Team: Neighborhood Housing Services of Chicago, West Humboldt Park Development Council, Kells Park Community Council, Bickerdike Redevelopment Corporation

West Garfield Park Community Center

Team: Legal Prep Charter Academies, West Garfield Park Community Stakeholders, St. Martin de Porres

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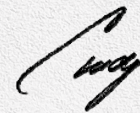
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With gratitude,



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