



New Proposals for Board Consideration

1.1 Healthcare – \$21,700,000

Program Name	Description
NT045 - Hyperlocal Vaccination Program (Near-Term)	The Cook County Department of Public Health's Hyperlocal Vaccination Program will fund vaccination providers to continue mobile clinics for COVID-19 vaccination, including boosters and annual influenza vaccinations. The program will also fund associated community engagement, education, and outreach needed to develop and promote mobile vaccination clinics in high-risk communities, including those with low vaccination rates and a high COVID-19 Community Vulnerability Index. Funded community-based organizations will provide education to address vaccine hesitancy as well as co-host and promote vaccination clinics.
NT046 - In-Home Vaccination Program (Near-Term)	The Cook County Department of Public Health's In-Home Vaccination Program will fund vaccination providers to continue in-home vaccinations for COVID-19 vaccination, including boosters and annual influenza vaccinations.

1.2 Mental & Behavioral Health – \$16,386,500

Program Name	Description
NT513_BD – Crisis Intervention Pilot Program for Cook County (Transformative)	The Crisis Intervention Pilot Program for Cook County will provide an alternative to law enforcement officers responding to people in behavioral health crises. The program will hire an administrator, generate a small stakeholder team charged with program development, document a system to appropriately triage non-emergency calls, dispatch a response team skilled in prevention and behavioral health and reduce the number of calls where law enforcement officers are sent to respond to non-violent situations. The response team consists of a crisis or street health intervention specialist and a medic trained to respond, deescalate, and redirect persons to wrap-around services.



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1.3 Public Health Education & Outreach – \$9,011,666

Program Name	Description
NT041 - Building Healthy Communities Initiative (Near Term)	The Cook County Department of Public Health’s Building Healthy Communities Initiative is an overall community engagement strategy that builds power and capacity of grassroots, community-based organizations to advance community solutions towards racial and health equity. The initiative specifically supports them in implementing evidence-informed programs and policy and systems and environmental change strategies that make suburban Cook County a healthier place to live, work, learn, and play. Working with grassroots organizations is critical in reaching priority populations and building trust with communities for sustainable, transformative change.
NT884 - Community Health Worker Initiative (Longer Term)	The Cook County Department of Public Health’s Community Health Worker Initiative will leverage community health workers (CHWs) to improve access to healthcare, social resources, and health education in suburban Cook County. This initiative will support Cook County Department of Public Health CHWs in providing resource coordination and COVID-19 mitigation education to residents living in communities most impacted by health inequities and the COVID-19 pandemic. Funding will also support the development and maintenance of a suburban Cook County CHW learning collaborative in which community-based organizations and healthcare partners who employ CHWs can resource and information share.



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\$100,000,000

\$37.1m

Small Business Agenda

\$28.7m

Household Assistance & Social Services

\$8.1m

Sector Support & Regional Development

\$7.5m

Housing

\$6.6m

Working Support & Workforce Development

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2.2 Household Assistance & Social Services – \$28,700,000

Program Name	Description
TR005 - Transforming Places (Transformative)	Coordinated through the Bureau of Economic Development and the Equity Fund Taskforce, Cook County will identify high vulnerability communities and co-design a process to meet community-defined needs for economic development, community building, community safety, public health, education or social services. The County will support communities over a sustained period to ensure implementation and capacity-building, as well as helping attract additional public, private, and philanthropic resources. This place-based approach will be a paradigm shift for the County and will be community-driven and community-led.
TR008 - Community Information Exchange (Transformative)	Cook County will support the development of a Community Information Exchange (CIE) for suburban Cook County and the City of Chicago to enhance the 211 system already being collaboratively developed by Cook County, the City of Chicago and a range of partners. A CIE is an interconnected and linked network of health, behavioral health, human, and social service providers that share information and coordinate services so that an individual receives the whole person care they need to be healthy and thrive, regardless of how they initially enter services, creating a “no wrong door” access to the social and health services system. Having a CIE will transform systems of care in Cook County by reducing or eliminating the significant barriers created when individuals, families and organizations need to navigate many systems to access care and services and endlessly repeat processes like intake, record-transfers and referrals because systems cannot communicate..





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2.4 Housing - \$7,466,667

Program Name	Description
NT093 - Emergency Mortgage Assistance (Near Term)	The Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program will provide funds to support residents who are behind on mortgage, insurance escrow, and residential real estate tax escrow payments. The program will also fund additional housing services supports to offset foreclosure and further increase household stability. Cook County will administer this program in partnership with the Housing Authority of Cook County. Cook County's program will be coordinated closely with the Illinois Housing Development Authority and other agencies administering mortgage assistance programs to encourage broad reach and impact for the County's residents.
NT094 - Emergency Rental Assistance (Near Term)	The Emergency Rental Assistance Program will provide funds to support residents who are behind on rent, utilities, and household expenses and will cover forward rent to support renter household stability. The program will also fund additional housing services and supports to offset evictions and further increase household stability. Cook County will administer this program in partnership with the Housing Authority of Cook County.
NT095 - Permanent Supportive Housing for People Experiencing Homelessness (Longer Term)	Cook County will create 250 new units of permanent supportive housing, a nationally recognized best practice for ending homelessness. Permanent supportive housing is a housing model that pairs non-time-limited rental subsidies with individualized, intensive, supportive services to help households maintain independent living and housing stability.

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Environmental Justice

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Climate Resiliency

\$3.1m

Energy Efficiency & Renewable
Energy

4.1 Hazard Mitigation & Pollution Prevention – \$20,666,667

Program Name

Description

NT007 - Businesses
Reducing Impact on the
Environment (BRITE) Fund

(Longer Term)

The Department of Environment and Sustainability will create the Businesses Reducing Impact on the Environment (BRITE) Fund to support assessments, recommendations, and a grant pool for commercial, industrial, and institutional facilities. The BRITE Fund will provide grants for toxics and pollution reduction, renewable energy, energy and water efficiency and waste reduction projects. The BRITE Fund will also support technologies and equipment for commercial, industrial, and institutional facilities located within environmental justice, minority, and under-resourced communities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, reduce release of toxics and other waste to the environment, and conserve water, materials, and energy.



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4.3 Climate Resiliency – \$9,873,225

Program Name	Description
NT015 - Climate Resiliency Plan Development (Longer Term)	The Department of Environment and Sustainability will identify up to five environmental justice communities that want to develop Climate Resiliency Plans but need staff or funding to do so. Together with community partners, we will generate actionable goals that support planning, policy, and funding decisions to reduce threats from a changing climate and promote resiliency. Upon completion of Climate Resiliency Plans for each community, Cook County will issue grants to implement select projects, prioritized by community impact and regional importance. This support will emphasize green infrastructure, tree planting, job training, and maintenance in each community.
TR004 - Resilience Hubs (Transformative)	The Department of Environment and Sustainability and the Department of Emergency Management and Regional Security will create a Resilience Hub in 3 - 5 communities in Cook County's South Suburbs. Resilience Hubs are existing physical facilities that provide day-to-day services that address community chronic stressors and support the community during disaster events, addressing both capacity-building and emergency functions. Resilience Hubs work at the nexus of climate mitigation, adaptation, and equity to improve community sustainability and resilience through a bottom-up approach centered on community co-development and building local power and leadership. This exciting model has been implemented in Baltimore and Minneapolis.
NT893 - Implementing the Southeast Cook County Land Acquisition Plan (Longer Term)	The Forest Preserve District of Cook County completed its Southeast Cook County Land Acquisition Plan in 2019, which outlines an integrated model of land conservation and enhanced quality of life with healthy active communities. In alignment with this Plan, the Forest Preserves will acquire up to 500 acres from willing sellers in this area, promoting land conservation while reducing flooding and building greater resilience to storm events and impacts from climate change. The preservation and restoration of public open space is a nature-based solution to reduce future flooding and build community resilience. The preservation of public land will also provide outdoor recreation activities that promote improved public health, aid in the generation of economic benefits and boost community and social resilience.
NT894 - Riparian Restoration (Longer Term)	The Forest Preserve District of Cook County's nearly 70,000 acres of public land provide significant ecosystem services to Cook County residents, including reducing flooding and improving air and water quality. The Riparian Restoration will conduct restoration of creek banks and drainages and restore floodplains, reducing flooding and soil erosion and improving community resilience to impacts from climate change. Flooding is a growing concern as climate change triggers more frequent storms and heavier, more intense rainfalls. Many Cook County creeks have suffered from damaged banks, soil erosion, and intense flood stage damage. Restoration contractors and Conservation Corps Crews will conduct the work including engineering, removal of invasive plants and brush, stabilizing banks and surrounding soils, and replanting and reseeding the natural areas with native plants.



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4.4 Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy – \$3,085,155

Program Name	Description
NT010 - Residential Renewable Energy Subsidy (Near Term)	The Department of Environment and Sustainability will offer financial support for residential renewable energy installations, expanding affordability to residents for whom renewable energy may not be attainable because they lack the up-front capital to pay for installations even though savings will pay back the investment over time. This program reduces barriers to clean energy for residents, reducing their energy burden and their utility bills over the lifetime of renewable energy installations, as well as helping to combat climate change.

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\$55,000,000

\$30.5m

Transportation

\$15.0m

Water Infrastructure

\$6.3m

Digital Equity

\$3.0m

Capital Improvements

5.2 Water Infrastructure – \$15,047,300

Program Name	Description
NT875 - Stormwater Management Project (Transformative)	Coordinated by the Department of Transportation and Highways, Cook County will provide funding to the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) to allow the agency to expand the scope of its existing stormwater management program beyond funding to include overall responsibility for project implementation. Currently local capacity constraints limit the existing program's impact. Expanding the MWRD initiative with County funds will build climate resiliency within more Cook County communities through increased identification and implementation of flood mitigation projects. Over the long-term, this project will help communities build local capacity, allowing their staff to perform more of this work internally.
NT097 - Lead, Leaking & Obsolete Service Line Replacement Pilot Program (Longer Term)	Coordinated by the Bureau of Economic Development, Cook County will work in partnership with municipal water utilities to oversee and manage lead, leaking, and obsolete service line replacement across Cook County. This program will target high-risk communities, including improvements to individual homes, and high-risk facilities, including preschools, daycare centers, home daycare providers, group daycare homes, parks, playgrounds, hospitals and clinics.
NT012 - Rain Ready Implementation (Longer Term)	Cook County partnered with the Center for Neighborhood Technology to create a Rain Ready plan for the Calumet Corridor, which includes Blue Island, Calumet City, Calumet Park, Dolton, Riverdale, and Robbins and has a history of both disinvestment and flooding. The Department of Environment and Sustainability will put these six communities on a path towards greater resilience by implementing many of the recommended projects to improve stormwater management through green infrastructure and sustainable economic development. Prior to implementation, we will work with communities, the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, and other partner organizations to prioritize efforts by community impact and regional importance.



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5.3 Digital Equity – \$6,333,333

Program Name	Description
NT096 – Chicago Southland Fiber Network Expansion (Longer Term)	The Chicago Southland Fiber Network provides gigabit broadband to government, education, healthcare, and businesses. Cook County will support the extension of the broadband infrastructure into south suburban communities with the highest Social Vulnerability Index (SVI) scores in the State of Illinois. Cook County will also add public WiFi access in certain anchor institutions, education institutions and government institutions that serve vulnerable communities.

5.4 Capital Improvement – \$3,000,000

Program Name	Description
NT099 - Municipal Capacity for Capital Improvements (Longer Term)	Coordinated by the Bureau of Economic Development, Cook County will provide technical assistance to suburban Cook communities to use existing resources and attract additional, sustainable funding for critical capital improvement projects. Cook County will provide priority and deeper assistance to municipalities disproportionately impacted by COVID or by disinvestment. This initiative will leverage existing expertise within the County to benefit municipalities that need assistance. It will also provide new capacity via County staff or other partners to understand the universe of needed or desired projects, help municipalities prioritize projects, and identify the most appropriate resource for implementation.