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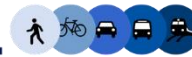
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KKCOM Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee

Agenda

Thursday, February 20, 2020

2:00 P.M.

Forest Preserve District of Kane County

- I. Opening of Meeting..... Chair Meyers**
 - A. Introductions..... Everyone
 - B. Approval of September 19, 2019 minutes..... Chair Meyers
Action: Approval

- II. Special Presentation: Fox Valley Robotics – Fox River Trail Accessibility Improvements**

- III. General Business**
 - A. Planning Liaison Update Troy Simpson
 - 1. Council Updates
Action: Information

- IV. Announcements/Updates**
Everyone is welcome to provide an update, give information or share an announcement during this portion of the meeting.

- A. Coordinator Updates..... Ryan Peterson
 - 1. Bike Share System Update
 - 2. Chicagoland Bike Share Forum
 - 3. Kane County Cycle Club
 - 4. Funding Updates
- B. Director Updates Chair Meyers
- C. Public/Local Agency Updates..... Everyone

Action: Information

- V. KKCOM Bike & Highway Map Update**
KKCOM Staff will present the proposed updates to the KKCOM Bike & Pedestrian map. Staff will be requesting suggestions on the updates and ask for input on any missing bike trails and/or roadway segments.

Action: Information

- VI. Next Meeting(s)**
June 16th
September 17th
December 2nd

- VII. Adjournment**

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Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee

September 19th, 2019 2:00 p.m.

Forest Preserve District of Kane County Headquarters

Meeting Minutes

Attendance

Monica Meyers - Chair
Chris Adesso
Jackie Forbes
John Nevenhoven
Ken Jay
Troy Simpson
Ryan Peterson
Jerry Culp
Ed Barsotti
Roopa Anjanappa
Bob Greene
Colleen Jaltuch
Natalie Zine
Susan Quasney
Amanda Rafter
Parker Thompson
Jerad Chipman
Brian Dewey
Bruce Heidlauf
Ryan Sikes
Abby St. George
Andrea Podraza

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(General Public)
Assistant City Engineer

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City of St. Charles
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Village of Elburn
City of St. Charles
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KKCOM
Geneva Park District
Ride Illinois
City of Aurora
City of Aurora
EEI
Village of Oswego
Village of Oswego
Village of East Dundee
Elgin Bike Hub
Village of Montgomery
Koloni
Mill Race Cyclery
WBK Engineering
(Geneva Resident)
City of Batavia

I. Opening of Meeting

- a. Bike Ped Committee Chair Monica Meyers called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

- b. Approval of May 9th, 2019 Minutes
A motion was made by Ed Barsotti to approve the minutes from the May 9th KKCOM Bike Ped Committee Meeting. The motion was seconded by John Nevenhoven and passed unanimously.

II. General Business

- a. Planning Liaison Update

Troy Simpson gave the PL Update

Upcoming Meetings

The next KKCOM Transportation Policy Committee will be taking place on Thursday, October 17th in the Kane County Auditorium at 1:00 p.m., with lunch served at 12:30 p.m.

The next KKCOM Full Council Meeting will be taking place on Wednesday, November 6th at the Batavia City Council Chambers at 9:30 a.m., with breakfast served at 9:00 a.m.

Funding Opportunities

Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program: The 2020 ITEP Call for Projects has been postponed until summer/ early fall of 2020 to allow time to thoroughly develop a program that incorporates both the federal funds and the recent supplemental state funding being set aside from the Road Fund.

2019 CMAP Call for Transportation Projects Update:

At the September 5th STP Project Selection Committee Meeting and CMAQ project selection committee meetings, several projects in the KKCOM region were selected to be part of the final program for the FY20-24 CMAP joint call for transportation projects, subject to final approval at the October 10th Joint CMAP Board/MPO Policy Committee meeting.

Fund sources involved include STP (Shared Fund), CMAQ, and TAP-L. The STP-Shared Fund program is implemented over Federal Fiscal Years 2020 to 2024, and the CMAQ/TAP-L program from Federal Fiscal Years 2020-2024 (CMAQ) and 2020-2022 TAP-L).

From the STP program are E New York St from Farnsworth Ave to Welsh Ave in the City of Aurora and Prairie St from Pine St to Wilson St in the City of Batavia. Both projects contain bicycle facility improvements; a shared-use path and bicycle lanes, respectively.

From the CMAQ and TAP-L program are Orchard Rd at U.S. 30, Montgomery Rd at Hill Ave in the City of Aurora.

2019 Illinois APA Conference

The 2019 Illinois APA Conference will be held from September 25 – September 27, 2019 in Evanston. The event will include standard APA conference features, such as Ethics and Law, Plan Commissioner Training, and AICP Exam Prep among others.

The event will also include a series of mobile workshops and sessions, covering topics such as comfortable bicycle corridors, dealing with density, planning with modern GIS, climate resilience, urban highways, disability awareness, suburban Chicago office campus strategies, street safety and equity, federal policy updates, and more! Registration is currently open and can be found on the IL APA website.

KKCOM Staff Activities

KKCOM Staff attended the Transportation Chicago Conference on June 14, 2019. The headlining speaker was John D. Porcari, former Deputy Secretary and Chief Operating Officer of the USDOT and Former Maryland Secretary of Transportation.

Session category groups included shared mobility options, rapid transit operational improvements, public outreach, suburban transformation, making use of big data, and more.

KKCOM staff gave a presentation on Regional Mobility Strategies with Dr. Sriraj of the UIC Urban Transportation Center, discussing suburban mobility strategies in Chicagoland.

Other CMAP News

CMAP is hosting the fall event series at various locations around the region. The next session to occur in the Fox Valley is entitled "Harnessing technology for a safer future" and will be held at Waubensee Community College's downtown Aurora campus, September 17, 2019, 3:00pm to 6:00pm.

The event focuses on how municipalities in the Chicago region can best approach technology changes, responsibly share data, and leverage the research and innovation services CMAP offers to help their communities prosper, improve safety, and bolster inclusive growth. Registration is available [here](#).

IDOT Agreement Process Change

Effective from the September 20, 2019 letting moving forward, Local Public Agencies sponsoring a project will be required to have locally executed agreements into their District on the close-of-business 2 days prior to the service bulletin date listed on the IDOT letting schedule.

For example, if a project is targeting the Nov. 2019 letting, the service bulletin date would be Oct. 4 and thus the Locally Executed Agreement due date would be Oct. 2.

IDOT Forms Update

In a continuing effort to revise and update BLRS forms, the Bureau of Local Roads and Streets has issued another set of forms which have been revised or updated. The 5310 local agency agreement is included in the most recent updates.

Significant revisions include instructions on how to complete forms as well as the conversion of word documents to fillable PDF forms with drop down and auto-fill elements. Forms will be released on a rolling basis, and may also include eliminations where fit. Local agencies with agreements or other documents in processing may continue to use the older versions until August 1, but must use new forms where applicable when making new submissions.

A full list of forms that have been updated as of June 13, 2019 is available in IDOT's Circular Letter.

New KKCOM Seminar

KKCOM will be hosting a Roadway Design Seminar on Friday, October 11th at the Kane County Government Center from 10:00 am until 11:00 am. Tim Gustafson of Epstein Consulting will be speaking on the NACTO design guide as well as giving attendees opportunities to ask about specific projects and concepts. To register for the event, visit the registration website.

III. Implementation Updates

a. Director Updates

Monica Meyers gave updates on behalf of the Kane County Forest Preserve.

Fabyan Causeway Removal

The new bridge for the Fabyan Causeway is due to be brought in by next week. Once the bridge is installed, the causeway will come out. The project will be complete in the Fall of 2019, but the bridge will be open as soon as it is installed.

Raymond Street Tunnel

A Pre-Construction Meeting was held for the Raymond Street Tunnel project revealing that the long-eared bat species was affected by the project. Construction on the project will extend into the Winter.

Great Western Trail Extension

IDOT approved the Phase 1 PDR. Patrick Engineering has been selected as the consultant to conduct Phase 2 engineering. The St. Charles Park District will be responsible for taking the project beyond the Randall Rd tunnel east across the river.

b. Local Agency Updates

City of St. Charles

(No updates)

City of Batavia

(No updates)

Ride Illinois

Ride Illinois received an injury prevention grant from IDOT which they are using to incentivize the implementation of the Bike Safety Quiz in driver's education for high school students. Batavia High School has taken advantage of this but not others in the KKCOM area to date.

IDOT came out with a major re-write of Chapter 17 of the BD & E Manual. IDOT will now accept design guidelines not previously used in their own projects. Local agencies can request features to be added to the designs. It is expected that with these revisions, IDOT BLRS will eventually modernize so IDOT approval of bicycle/pedestrian accommodations may not face as many hurdles.

Elburn

(No updates)

Aurora

(No updates)

Oswego

(No updates)

East Dundee

(No updates)

Elgin Bike Hub

The Elgin Bike Hub will be screening Motherload- a documentary on cargo bikes. The screening is free and will take place on November 9th:

<https://www.elginbikehub.com/motherload>

Montgomery

Bike path construction was completed for the season. Village is currently working on re-doing the 5 year bike gap plan.

c. Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator Updates

Kane County Bike Share System Updates

KKCOM staff has continued to work towards a regional bike share network that will offer its residents and visitors an additional transportation option and recreational amenity. Momentum for the program began earlier this year with the hosting of multiple seminars and webinars on the topic of bike sharing.

Most recently, staff requested that all interested parties (municipalities, private companies, park districts, forest preserves, etc.) sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to announce their interest. All parties that signed the MOU were granted the opportunity to provide comments on the draft Request for Proposal (RFP), which will be used to choose the vendor that will provide the bike sharing services for the system. In total, 19 local agencies signed the MOU. These 19 local agencies were scattered throughout Kane County, and also included those within Kendall County. The following agencies signed the MOU:

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| 1. Advocate Sherman Hospital | 11. Forest Preserve District of Kane County |
| 2. Village of Algonquin | 12. City of Geneva |
| 3. City of Aurora | 13. Hampshire Township Park District |
| 4. Batavia Public Library | 14. Village of Montgomery |
| 5. City of Batavia | 15. Village of Oswego |
| 6. Village of East Dundee | 16. Village of South Elgin |
| 7. Village of Elburn | 17. City of St. Charles |
| 8. Elgin Downtown Neighborhood Association | 18. St. Charles Park District |
| 9. City of Elgin | 19. Village of Yorkville |
| 10. Elgin Community College | |

Several agencies provided valuable comments that were included within the final version of the RFP. KKCOM staff wants to thank all those who took the time to review and provide comments on the RFP.

The RFP was released on September 9, 2019. KDOT will receive bids on the bike sharing program until October 7, 2019, at which point the bidding process will close. After collecting all bids, KDOT staff will rank all the bids. Staff will identify the three strongest bids from those received and invite those companies for in-person interviews.

In October, all interested parties will be invited to take part in the in-person interview with the three bike share companies identified as the three strongest. The interviews will consist of a presentation on the company, opportunities for attendees to ask questions, and a chance to test any provided products. These interviews will take place on Thursday, October 24th from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm at the Kane County Government Center Auditorium. Only those agencies that have signed the MOU will be invited to take part in these interviews.

The final selection of the vendor will be based on the reviews provided by attendees of the in-person interviews along with the criteria outlined in the RFP. The preferred vendor will be announced on October 29th.

Chicagoland Bike Share Forum

CMAAP staff has recently decided that their role within the development of bike sharing in the suburbs, through the RAMP Initiative, is coming to a close. With their absence, there will no longer be a space for dialogue between various agencies about starting, implementing, and operating bike share systems. KKCOM staff has volunteered to organize a new group that will help lead the conversation surrounding bike share in the region, the Chicagoland Bike Share Forum.

The first meeting of this group will take place on Monday, October 21st from 10:00 am until noon. The meeting will be hosted at the Kane County Government Center (719 S Batavia Avenue, Geneva, IL 60134). The meeting is completely free and open to anyone who is interested in taking part in the discussion. If you plan on attending, please register using our

online registration.

The meeting will be focused primarily on sharing information and engaging in discussion regarding topics surrounding bike share. The Forum will provide stakeholders in the region to opportunity to ask questions of other bike share administrators that can share their advice based on their experiences. The Forum will also allow for collaboration across jurisdictions by gathering various agencies in one place.

Kane County Cycle Club

The Kane County Cycle Club is a new program being co-sponsored by the Kane County Division of Transportation and the Kane County Health Department. The main goal of the program is encourage residents of Kane County, especially younger age groups, to choose healthy, sustainable forms of transportation that not only keep them healthy and fit, but help to keep our communities healthy. Biking has shown to have great benefits, including relieving stress, exercising cardiovascular muscles, enhancing social skills, and strengthening emotional wellness.

The Cycle Club will be a month-long program lasting from mid-April to mid-May 2020. For four weeks, participating students will be encouraged to bike with their friends, family, and classmates. Parents will be asked to track how many minutes their children bike per week and then submit their progress at the end of the program.

Each student will be given a goal based on their age and biking experience level. This goal will be time-based and will correspond to an appropriate amount of time for a four week time span based on their age and experience. Each student that accomplishes their goal will be given a ticket to a Kane County Cougars baseball game (Geneva) and a ticket to a Windy City Bulls basketball game (Hoffman Estates). If they accomplish their goal they will also be eligible to enter to win any of the raffle prizes donated by one of the program's sponsors.

For the first year, five Kane County schools will be chosen to participate in the Cycle Club. The program is open to any Kane County School (grades K-8), public or private that wishes to participate. In order to participate, schools must apply through the registration portal, which will be open soon.

As part of the program, staff is working with local bike shops and non-profits to provide bikes for students that do not have access to a bike. Working Bikes, a non-profit in Chicago, has agreed to donate 15 bikes for the program. Staff will be organizing bicycle donation drives leading up to the start of the program. Local bike shops have offered to collect the bikes and repair them before distributing them to participants in the program. Donation sites will be announced at a later time. When registering, parents will have the opportunity to indicate that their child does not have access to a bike.

IV. Bike and Pedestrian Funding Roundtable

KKCOM staff led a discussion on funding sources for bicycle and pedestrian projects. Those included the Surface Transportation Program (Local), Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program, Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program, Transportation Alternatives Program, Highway Safety Improvement Program, Recreational Trails Program, Off-Highway Vehicle Recreational Trails Program, Illinois Bicycle Path Grant, Open Lands ComEd Green Region Grant, Doppelt Family Trail Development Fund, Federal Lands Transportation Program, Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program, Formula Grants for Rural Areas, TOD Planning Pilot Grants, Safe Routes to School, Access to Transit, RTA Community Planning Program, Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program, America Walks Community Change Grant, People for Bikes Community Grant, and AARP Community Challenge Grant.

Following the overview presentation, those present were asked about their personal experiences with some of the grant programs and whether or not some had been used/heard of.

Ed Barsotti mentioned that the Illinois Bicycle Path Grant Program specifically was underutilized after being reintroduced in 2019.

V. Next Meeting

The next KKCOM Bike Ped Committee Meeting will be TBD. The December 5, 2019 Meeting is cancelled, due to limited content.

VI. Adjournment

John Nevenhoven made a motion to adjourn at 2:39 p.m. The motion was seconded by Ed Barsotti, passed unanimously, and the meeting concluded.

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DATE: February 20th, 2020
TO: KKCOM Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee
FROM: Council Staff
RE: Council / Planning Activities Update

Upcoming Meetings

The next KKCOM Transportation Policy Committee will be taking place on **Thursday, April 16th** in the Kane County Auditorium at 1:00 p.m., with lunch served at 12:30 p.m.

Funding Opportunities

Local Council STP-L Calls for Projects: With the opening of the KKCOM STP-L Call for Projects on January 15th, council staff would like to point out that several other adjacent local councils have also opened their application periods:

- DuPage COM: January 15th – March 16th, 2020
- McHenry COM: January 15th – March 15th, 2020
- Will County GL: January 6th – March 6th, 2020

IDNR Grants 2020: IDNR is accepting grant applications for-

- The Rec Trails Program (80/20) (**Due March 2, 2020**)
- The Off-Highway Vehicle Program (100/0) (**Due March 2, 2020**)
- The Illinois Bicycle Path Grant Program (50/50) (**Due March 16, 2020**)

More information on the IDNR [website](#).

IDOT State Planning and Research Funds: The FY 2021 IDOT SPR call is currently open and is accepting applications until **March 13, 2020 at 11:59:59 P.M.** Proposed projects should be related to studying or implementing a goal, strategy, or objective within the state's [Long-Range Transportation Plan](#) or one from its associate suite of plans, implementing asset management, benefiting a disadvantaged/economically distressed community, or implementing performance based program development.

An informational webinar is scheduled for the funding call **Friday, February 14th, 2020 from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.** Information on the webinar as well as other aspects of the funding call can be found in IDOT's [Circular Letter](#).

IDOT Truck Access Route Program: The FY 2021 IDOT Truck Access Route Program call is currently open and accepting applications until **March 6, 2020 at 5:00 P.M.** This year's program is available at the \$7 million funding level, with \$45,000 allowable per lane mile and \$22,000 allowable per eligible intersection. Maximum funding will be \$900,000 per project, only expendable on project construction. To learn more or apply, check out the [Circular Letter](#).

Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program: The 2020 ITEP Call for Projects has been postponed until summer/early fall of 2020 to allow time to thoroughly develop a program that incorporates both the federal funds and the recent supplemental state funding being set aside from the Road Fund. *(No official status change from previous bike/ped committee)*

Current version of the ITEP supplemental funding [bill](#):

- Sliding scale for local match based on community size, median income, and total property tax base.
- Phase 1 studies and Phase 1 Engineering reports are not required to be completed before the application is made.
- 25% of funding must be made available for high-need communities, with measures TBD.

An amendment is currently being considered to make all application and scoring information publicly available once determined and as currently written, maintains the 2 year cycle as opposed to an annual cycle.

KKCOM Staff Activities

Jackie presented at the Metropolitan Planning Council's (MPC) "Toward Universal Mobility" event, speaking on the sponsorship model of the Ride in Kane Paratransit service. The event was part of the release of MPC's Universal Mobility Report, which contains 32 policy recommendations designed to unlock opportunities for older adults and people living with disabilities through transportation system access. Several issues were covered at the event, including the fragmentation of the service areas with specific limitations on services provided, which can create accessibility issues and confusion for users. These points were made in support of a Regional Mobility Coordinator for the Chicago region, which could potentially provide the capacity needed to coordinate between agencies. A full video can be found [here](#). The full report can be found [here](#).

KKCOM Staff will be attending the National Shared Mobility Summit from March 17th to March 19th, 2020. It will be located in McCormick Place in the South Loop. Program details are still under development.

CMAP News

Transportation Data Resources on the Horizon

CMAP has issued a Request for Proposals ([RFP No. 218](#)) for assistance with developing a model capable of generating commercial services vehicles tours for the CMAP region. CMAP's existing models include commercial vehicles; however, they are limited to trucks moving freight between buyers and sellers. The intent of this resource will be to capture the large and growing share of commercial vehicles that travel between businesses and residences to provide a variety of services.

CMAP has issued an Invitation for Bids ([IFB No. 231](#)) for the purchasing of datasets for (Transportation Network Company) TNC vehicle movements within the Chicago region. The City of Chicago currently negotiates data provision with three TNC providers, Uber, Lyft and Via that is maintained on the city's [Data Portal](#). The purchasing of this data would make such trip information more accessible for the region.

2016-2020 CMAP Region Highway Safety Rolling Targets

On November 15th, CMAP's Transportation Committee moved to support IDOT safety targets for 2016-2020 five year averages, denoting a 2% reduction in the previous 5 year averages for Total Fatalities, the Fatality Rate per 100 Million VMT, Total Serious Injuries, Serious Injury Rate per 100 Million VMT, and Non-Motorized Serious Injuries and Fatalities.

IDOT Forms/Documents:

-IDOT has updated the Letting and Submittals Schedule through FY2022. The updated letting schedule can be found on the KKCOM STP Program [page](#).

-On November 20, 2019, IDOT updated the Project Program Information (PPI) Form. The updated form can be found on IDOT's [forms page](#) under "D1", or on the Council Website in the [STP program page](#).

KKCOM Seminar: KKCOM will be hosting an ADA/PROWAG seminar at the **Kane County Government Center on April 27th from 10:00AM to 12:00PM**. The session will be a condensed version of the session available through IDOT's fall training program. Details to come.

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DATE: February 20, 2020

TO: Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee

FROM: Council Staff

RE: Bicycle & Pedestrian Coordinator Update

Kane County Bike Share System Updates

KKCOM staff has continued to work towards a regional bike share network that will offer its residents and visitors an additional transportation option and recreational amenity.

Most recently, staff completed the Master Agreement to be signed between KDOT and the vendor, Koloni. The Master Agreement describes the policies and rules that will govern the system for all participants (users, vendor, and participating municipalities). Below is a brief overview of many of the major policies discussed in the Master Agreement:

- User Fees
 - Long-term memberships
 - Yearly: \$50
 - Yearly (College students): \$40
 - Monthly: \$10
 - Daily: \$7
 - Out of zone penalty: \$10
 - Hourly Rates
 - \$4 per hour for standard pedal bikes
 - \$9 per hour for e-bikes
- Station Owner Privileges
 - Ability to create temporary geofenced stations for events
 - Collects 80% of membership fees; collects ~92% of hourly rental fees
 - Receive marketing/advertising assistance from Koloni
 - Ability to advertise on all bikes and stations
- Vendor Responsibilities
 - Rebalancing bikes
 - Repairing and maintaining bikes
 - Storing bikes during winter months
 - Attending municipal events to promote system
 - Providing insurance to station owners and users
 - Hosting launch party in mid-June
 - Providing monthly financial, ridership, and maintenance reports to all participants
 - Maintain agreed-upon standards of services or face fines from KDOT

All participating municipalities/agencies will sign a Sub-Agreement that will accept the terms outlined in the Master Agreement, with the ability to include any specific local language that pertains to each one specifically.

seven agencies have confirmed their participation (included within italicized are their preferred location, if identified):

- City of Elgin
- Elgin Community College
- Village of South Elgin
 - *SEBA Park*
- City of Batavia
- Batavia Public Library
 - *Batavia Public Library (Downtown Batavia)*
- St. Charles Park District
- City of St. Charles
- City of Aurora
- Village of Montgomery

Chicagoland Bike Share Forum

Following the conclusion of the RAMP Initiative, KKCOM staff created the Chicagoland Bike Sharing Forum to provide a space for elected officials, transportation professionals, and advocates to discuss launching, operating, and promoting bike share systems and the infrastructure to assist it.

The first meeting of the group was held on Monday, October 21st at the Kane County Government Center in Geneva. There were 30 attendees that took part in the first meeting. Presentations were given by representatives from Kankakee County Visitors Bureau, Chicago Department of Transportation, and Kane County Division of Transportation. A majority of the meeting was focused on allowing time for discussions about marketing bike sharing systems, finding sustainable funding for these programs, and the evolution of additional shared mobility vehicles.

The next meeting will take place on **Thursday, February 27th** from 10:00 am until noon. The meeting will be hosted at the Caterpillar Auditorium at the Joliet Area Historical Museum (204 N Ottawa St, Joliet, IL 60432). The meeting is completely free and open to anyone who is interested in taking part in the discussion. If you plan on attending, please register using our online registration.

The meeting will be focused primarily on sharing information and engaging in discussion regarding topics surrounding bike share. Topics to be discussed at this meeting will include: in-depth marketing strategies for bike sharing and sustainable transportation programs; overview of the I&M Canal Bike Share System; and finding funding for bike sharing. Two bike sharing companies, Koloni and Zagster, will also present about their companies and their opinions on the current state of shared mobility.

The Forum will provide stakeholders in the region to opportunity to ask questions of other bike share administrators that can share their advice based on their experiences. The Forum will also allow for collaboration across jurisdictions by gathering various agencies in one place.

Kane County Cycle Club

The Kane County Cycle Club is a new program being co-sponsored by the Kane County Division of Transportation and the Kane County Health Department. The main goal of the program is

encourage residents of Kane County, especially younger age groups, to choose healthy, sustainable forms of transportation that not only keep them healthy and fit, but help to keep our communities healthy. Biking has shown to have great benefits, including relieving stress, exercising cardiovascular muscles, enhancing social skills, and strengthening emotional wellness.

The Cycle Club will be a month-long program lasting from April 13th until May 15th. For four weeks, participating students will be encouraged to bike with their friends, family, and classmates. Parents will be asked to track how many minutes their children bike per week and then submit their progress at the end of the program.

Each student will be given a goal based on their age and biking experience level. This goal will be time-based and will correspond to an appropriate amount of time for a four week time span based on their age and experience. Each student that accomplishes their goal will be given a ticket to a Kane County Cougars baseball game (Geneva) and a ticket to a Windy City Bulls basketball game (Hoffman Estates). If they accomplish their goal they will also be eligible to enter to win any of the raffle prizes donated by one of the program's sponsors (Bike Rack, Fox Valley Ice Arena, Color Me Mine, Fox River Trolley Museum, Paramount Theater, Ultimate Ninjas).

For the first year, five Kane County schools were chosen to participate in the Cycle Club. The chosen schools are listed below:

- Hoover Wood Elementary School (Batavia)
- Clinton Elementary School (South Elgin)
- Ronald D. O'Neal Elementary School (Elgin)
- H.C. Strom Elementary School (Batavia)
- Lily Lake Grade School (Maple Park)

Currently, 43 students have been registered for the program. Parents are able to register their children for the program until the program ends. There is no limit to the amount of participants, all students within the eligible grades are able to apply for the program.

As part of the program, staff is working with local bike shops and non-profits to provide bikes for students that do not have access to a bike. Working Bikes, a non-profit in Chicago, has already donated 15 bikes for the program. Two registrants indicated that they would like a donated bike; both requests will be completed within the coming weeks.

Three of the schools indicated on their registration that they will be hosting bike donation drives at their schools during the spring months leading up to the start of the program. Unused bikes will be collected during the bike donation drives and then stored and repaired at local bike shops around the County. After they're repaired, they will be matched with a student in need of a bicycle for the program.

Funding Updates

Several funding sources for bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure/programming have recently been announced or have opened their call for projects. Below is a list of funding sources, with their project types and their deadlines for submissions.

- **2020 AARP Community Challenge Grants:** Funds projects that help communities

become great places to live for residents of all ages. No funding limit. *Deadline: April 1, 2020.*

- **IDNR's Recreational Trails Program:** Funds for recreational trails and bike paths. Maximum of \$200,000 awarded per project. *Deadline: March 2, 2020*
- **IDNR's Illinois Bicycle Path Grant Program:** Funds for bike path enhancement and development. Maximum of \$200,000 awarded per project. *Deadline: March 16, 2020*
- **Local Surface Transportation Program (STP):** Funds that support local and regional transportation projects. Funding limit varies by Council. *KKCOM Deadline: March 15, 2020.*