



75th Street Corridor Improvement Project Support for Community Education

The CREATE Program partners are engaged in a unique collaboration with schools and other places of learning to enhance educational opportunities in the communities surrounding 75th Street Corridor Improvement Project (75th St. CIP). In fall 2019, the CREATE partners began implementing education programs in the community to encourage students' interest in transportation, engineering and technical fields throughout final design and construction of the project.

Elementary and high school students in the Chicago neighborhoods of Ashburn, Englewood, Auburn Gresham and West Chatham can interact with the 75th St. CIP through:

CREATE in the Classroom

CREATE partners will lead elementary students in classroom activities focused on engineering, government operations, urban planning, surveying, bridge building and railroad safety, inspiring students to explore careers in transportation.

CREATE in the Community

CREATE partners will host field trips for elementary school students to rail-related sites, providing hands-on experiences that foster students' engagement with transportation, engineering and technical fields.

CREATE in the Lab

CREATE partners will meet with high school students, exposing them to technical and soft skills required to design and build transportation infrastructure.

Junior Mentor Protégé Internships

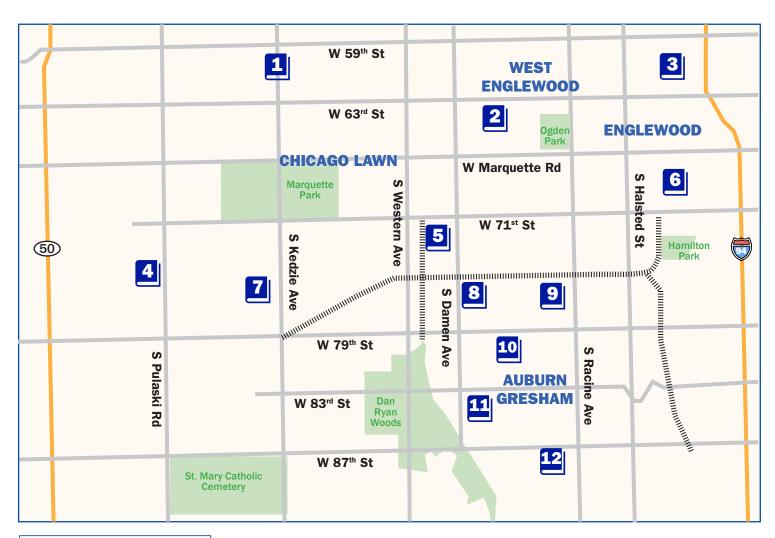
CREATE partners will hire young adults from the community for internships, giving them the opportunity to develop skills and experience in transportation, engineering and technical fields.

Other CREATE Supported Education Programs

The CREATE partners are providing funding to ensure the local community has access to the following skill building programs:

- Summer Brain Games, organized by the Museum of Science and Industry, provides science activities with step-by-step instructions that use everyday items and interactive events at community parks and libraries.
- **Daley College** offers hands-on activities introducing students of all ages to science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) concepts and careers, with a special focus on advanced manufacturing and engineering.
- At Chicago Public Library (CPL) branches:
 - o Teachers in the Library provides free homework help for students from accredited educators.
 - o **Summer Learning Challenge** provides 8 weeks of programs, activities, books and field trips for youth to encourage continued learning over the summer.
 - o **ScienceConnections** provides hands-on science, technology, engineering, art and math programs taught by subject experts.
 - o CyberNavigators provides computer tutors to help patrons build essential digital skills.

Locations of Education Program



Legend

- 1. Chicago Lawn branch, CPL
- 2. West Englewood branch, CPL
- 3. Kelly branch, CPL
- 4. Richard J. Daley College
- 5. A. Phillip Randolph Elementary School
- 6. Englewood STEM High School

- 7. Sarah E. Goode STEM Academy
- 8. Clara Barton Elementary School
- 9. Thurgood Marshall branch, CPL
- 10. Scott Joplin Elementary School
- 11. O'Hallaren Park
- 12. Brainerd branch, CPL

The Forest Hill Flyover (P3) and 71st Street Grade Separation (GS19), on the western side of the corridor, are funded for final design and construction. Schools with attendance boundaries nearest to these projects have been prioritized for CREATE partner in-kind resources. The CREATE partners continue to seek funding to construct the Rock Island Connection (P2) and Belt Junction and 80th Street Junction Replacements (EW2) and provide support in that project area.