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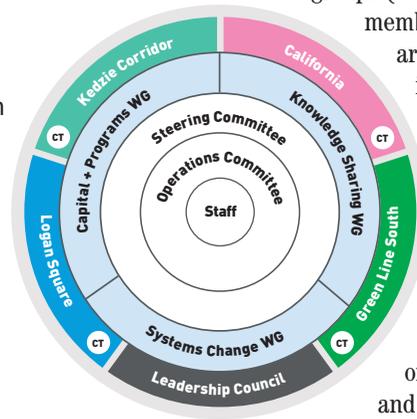
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Elevated Chicago's Steering Committee*

- Arts + Public Life
- Center for Neighborhood Technology
- City of Chicago Department of Public Health
- Enterprise Community Partners Chicago
- Esperanza Health Centers
- Foundation for Homan Square
- Garfield Park Community Council
- IFF
- Latinos Progresando
- Latin United Community Housing Association
- Logan Square Neighborhood Association
- Metropolitan Planning Council
- Sunshine Enterprises
- The Chicago Community Trust
- ThoughtWorks
- Urban Juncture
- Washington Park Development Group

A list of individuals serving on our committee and working groups is available at ElevatedChicago.org.

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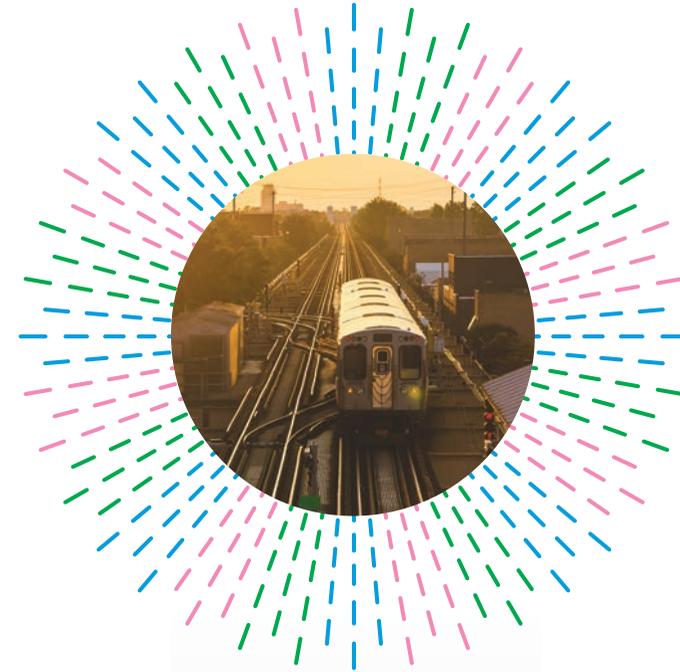
Elevated Chicago member **Urban Juncture** brought together community leaders, artists and residents to dedicate a new mural promoting resiliency near the **51st St. Green Line** station.

Our governance

A Steering Committee is guiding, implementing and evaluating the initiative's work plan. Three working groups (WG) comprised of steering committee members and other key stakeholders are charged with designing and implementing strategies around Capital and Programs, Systems Change and Knowledge Sharing. Inclusive Community Tables (CT) at our sites inform our strategies and determine our priorities in support of capital projects, programs, policies, narratives, data and technical assistance. A council of senior leaders from across the city and region will help advance systemic change and work plan implementation.



Elevated Chicago members **Logan Square Neighborhood Association** and **LUCHA** led a community resiliency event at the **Logan Square-Blue Line** station, which included a mural dedication.



We are nonprofit, business and governmental organizations collaborating to promote racial equity, prosperity and resiliency in Chicago communities through **equitable transit-oriented development—or (eTOD)**.



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ELEVATED Chicago

is a new initiative formed to promote racial equity, prosperity and resiliency in Chicago communities by using **equitable transit-oriented development**—or **eTOD**—as the catalyst for change.

Led by a collaborative of nonprofit, public and private organizations, Elevated Chicago aims to turn the ½-mile around transit stations into racially equitable centers for climate resiliency, health and culture. Our work is guided by the core principles of adaptability, impact, inclusion, innovation and transparency. By enabling community-driven development, Elevated Chicago will position station areas as civic assets where programming and the built environment converge to create nodes of opportunity and connection across the region's vast transit system.

Our work has started within the half-mile radius around seven Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) or **eTOD hubs**, located in the following areas (see map):

- Green Line South
- California—Pink Line
- Kedzie Corridor
- Logan Square—Blue Line

In 2017, Elevated Chicago awarded \$700,000 in grants to nonprofits to fund:

- our working groups and community tables
- the activation of our station areas through community events and engagement
- racial equity within our collaborative
- capacity building for organizations developing housing, community centers, retail, vacant land, and other capital projects
- projects advancing climate and cultural resiliency

In the next few years, we expect to deploy millions more in grants and capital investments for projects and programs within a half-mile radius of each **eTOD hub** in collaboration with national and local funders and investors.



The Time Is Now

The Chicago region is among the most segregated in the country—the result of a century of racially motivated disinvestment and wealth extraction in which the built environment was used to separate communities of color from opportunity. As a result, health and economic indicators show stark differences between communities: average life expectancy in communities of color, for example, can be up to 17 years shorter than in majority-white neighborhoods. (Source: Chicago Health Atlas) Elevated Chicago builds on a catalytic moment spurred by new local and regional planning, policy and finance tools designed to promote an inclusive built environment (such as Healthy Chicago 2.0 or the Chicago Community Catalyst Fund). We aim to facilitate implementation of community-led projects by deploying resources, building capacity and removing structural barriers.

What Is eTOD?

Transit-oriented development, or TOD, is a great tool to develop our cities around public transit assets, rather than around automobiles. Equitable TOD, or **eTOD**, is transit-oriented development that keeps equity in mind every step of the way, from design and planning to construction to operations, striving to avoid or stop the displacement of community residents and local businesses, and to close the gaps that exist in socioeconomic indicators between communities where the majority of residents are people of color and majority-white communities.



Green Line South eTOD hubs (three stations):
51st
Garfield
Cottage Grove & 63rd

Kedzie Corridor eTOD hubs (two stations):
Kedzie
Kedzie-Homan

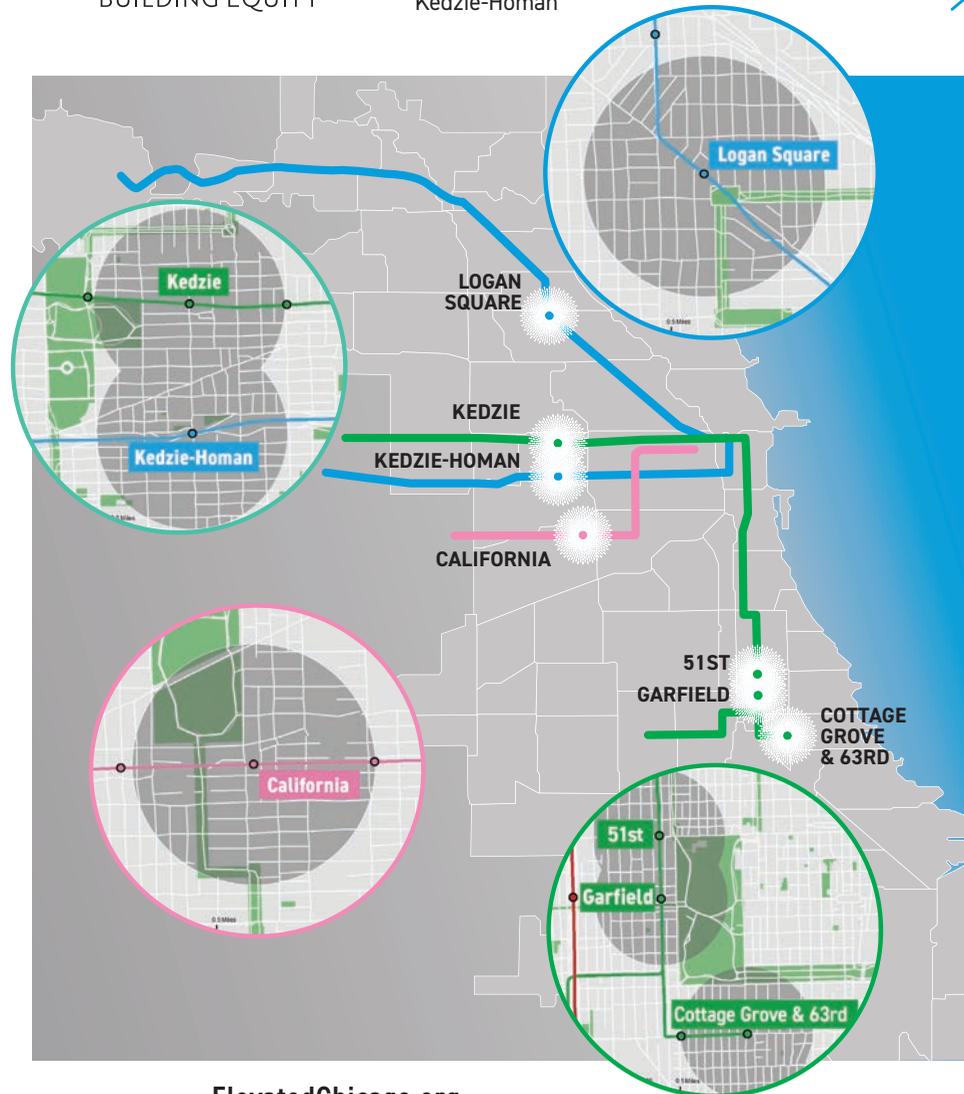
California—Pink Line eTOD hub:
California

Logan Square—Blue Line eTOD hub:
Logan Square



Where We Work

Elevated Chicago has begun its work at strategic locations along the Green, Pink and Blue lines of the Chicago Transit Authority system. These locations represent a spectrum of market conditions and equitable development opportunities—from rapid gentrification to stark disinvestment. Leaders from the communities where the stations are located are part of Elevated Chicago's steering committee



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