# 75TH STREET CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECT Support for Community Education



In 2019, the CREATE partners began implementing education programs in Chicago neighborhoods near the 75<sup>th</sup> Street Corridor Improvement Project — Ashburn, Englewood, Auburn Gresham and West Chatham. These programs encourage elementary and high school students' interest in transportation, engineering and technical fields throughout final design and construction of the project. The CREATE partners include U.S. Department of Transportation, the State of Illinois, Cook County, the City of Chicago, Metra, Amtrak and the nation's freight railroads.



#### (REATE in the (lassroom

CREATE partners lead high school students in classroom presentations and discussions focused on engineering, government operations, urban planning, surveying, bridge building and railroad safety — inspiring students to explore careers in transportation.



## (REATE in the Community

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



## (REATE in the

CREATE partners 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 have hired several young adults from Chicago Public Schools for internships, giving them the opportunity to develop skills and experience in transportation, engineering and technical fields.



### Additional (REATE Supported Education Programs

CREATE partners provided funding to ensure that communities have access to skill building programs. These programs are being modified so community members can participate from home whenever possible.

#### Summer Brain Games

Organized by the Museum of Science and Industry, this program provides science activities with step-by-step instructions that use everyday items and interactive events at community parks and libraries.

#### At Chicago Public Library ((PL) Branches...

**Summer Learning Challenge** provides 8 weeks of activities for youth to encourage continued learning over the summer.

**CyberNavigators** provides computer tutors to help patrons build essential digital skills.

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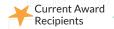
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## **Education Program Locations**









Thurgood Marshall branch, CPL

West Englewood branch, CPL

Scott Joplin Elementary School

Kelly branch, CPL

O'Hallaren Park

Richard J. Daley College

Brainerd branch, CPL

A. Phillip Randolph Elementary

Whitney M. Young branch, CPL

Englewood STEM High School

Simeon High School

Sarah E. Goode STEM Academy

Leo Catholic High School

Clara Barton Elementary School

Nicholson STEM Academy

The Forest Hill Flyover (P3) and 71st Street Grade Separation (GS19), on the western side of the corridor, began construction in October 2022. Schools with attendance boundaries nearest to these projects have been prioritized for CREATE partner inkind 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.

Ruggles Elementary STEAM School

