Racial Equity and Transit-Oriented Development

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Our lenses
Elevated Chicago eHubs

7 CTA Train Stations
4 Parts of Town

• Logan Square
  • Blue Line | Logan Square
• Kedzie Corridor
  • Green line | Kedzie-Lake
  • Blue line | Kedzie-Homan
• Little Village
  • Pink line | California
• Green Line South
  • Green line | 51st
  • Green line | Garfield
  • Green line | Cottage Grove/63rd St.
Vulnerability to displacement
Organizational structure
A solid foundation

Adaptability
We work on complex issues in a changing environment that requires us to exercise agility and constant adjustment.

Impact
Our approach is data-driven, results-oriented and asset-based in order to make visible and meaningful change on the ground.

Inclusion
Our collaborative approach acknowledges, embraces and leverages the diversity of our communities in order to achieve better, more efficient and equitable results.

Innovation
We nurture creative experimentation, take risks, and see failures as opportunities to learn, building on community traditions and established best practices.

Transparency
We make our decisions openly and responsibly, communicate clearly, and keep each other mutually accountable.
Themes and priorities

Equitable Transit-Oriented Development
Highlights
Racial equity considerations

- Assessment
- Governance
- Organizational culture
- Grantmaking
- Capital strategy
  - Screen and Process
  - Pools and Products
  - TA, Readiness Assessments and Capacity Building
  - First investments
- Systems Change
  - DEI Framework recommendations
  - Community engagement/ownership process recommendations
Where to start?

Organizational assessment (multiple models)

Individual and team assessment (Intercultural Development Inventory)