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The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
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May 18, 2023

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

I am writing in support of the City of Chicago's FY2023 Charging & Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Community Program grant. The request is for \$15 million to fund the *Charge Up Chicago! Chicago Community Resources and Charging Infrastructure Implementation (CUC)*.

Funding from CFI Community Program will provide equitable access to electric vehicles and E-mobility options across the City and in the most underserved neighborhoods through CUC. Additionally, it will help address the demand gap for EV charging infrastructure in Chicago through robust community engagement and outreach process with technical assistance workshops for community-based organizations, strategic transportation decarbonization planning, and workforce training with those communities. City-owned stations will be deployed to fill gaps in existing charging infrastructure through partnership with Chicago Public Libraries. Moreover, they will support multifamily housing communities, and shared use charging access to expand the City's EV fleet and rideshare or taxi.

For these reasons, I ask that you give this application all appropriate consideration. If you have questions, please contact my Grants Specialist, Adal Regis, at 202-604-7514 or at Adal.Regis@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,



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Friday, May 19, 2023

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The Honorable Shailen Bhatt
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Dear Secretary Buttigieg and Administrator Bhatt,

I write today in support of the City of Chicago's application for the FY2023 Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Community Program grant to fund the *Charge Up Chicago! Chicago Community Resources and Charging Infrastructure Implementation (CUC)*. This proposal will facilitate equitable access to electric vehicles and E-mobility options in Chicago's most underserved neighborhoods.

The benefits of having robustly funded clean charging infrastructure in America's third-largest city are innumerable, including improved air quality, significantly reduced GHG emissions, and equitably distributed charging stations in historically disadvantaged neighborhoods. The climate crisis disproportionately affects low-income communities and people of color, as we make historic investments in our nation's infrastructure, equitable decarbonization must be central to policy implementation. *Charge Up Chicago!* will be a charging infrastructure implementation project with community input, community-based organizations, and a coalition of City departments that are driven by a mission of equitable decarbonization.

Charge Up Chicago! will support environmental justice initiatives, increase economic opportunity, and accelerate broad public access to a national charging and alternative fuel infrastructure network. In particular, the project will:

- **Address the demand gap for EV charging infrastructure in Chicago** – this will be done through a robust community engagement & outreach process with technical assistance workshops for community-based organizations, strategic transportation decarbonization planning, and workforce training with those communities.

- **The project will invest in community-developed and owned charging stations to supplement existing City stations.** Through a partnership with Chicago Public Libraries, City-owned stations will be deployed to fill gaps in existing charging infrastructure, support multifamily housing communities, and shared use charging access to expand the City's EV fleet and rideshare or taxi.
- **Midway International Airport Cell Phone Lot Community Charging Stations** – Chicago Department of Aviation proposes placing 16 DC Fast Chargers community electric vehicle charging stations at the Midway cell phone lot. The chargers will be free of charge, convenient, and readily accessible to the public. Utilizing the cell phone lot ultimately results in less roadway traffic and congestion, less air pollution, and increased auto fuel savings.

Charge Up Chicago! will leverage existing facilities and charging infrastructure to support highly dense multifamily housing communities and create shared-use charging access to expand the City's EV fleet in addition to ride hail and taxi EV fleets serving Midway Airport. The project's success will rely on significant support from federal, state, and local governments, as well as input from our local partners and residents – providing for an equity-driven and inclusive process that will yield results for the residents of Chicago.

I am thrilled to support *Charge Up Chicago!* The project will significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions in Chicago's transportation sector and support the local green job workforce. In keeping with all applicable existing rules and regulations, I urge you to give this proposal your full and fair consideration.

Sincerely,

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Jonathan L. Jackson
Member of Congress



Metropolitan Planning Council

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The benefits of having robustly funded clean charging infrastructure in America's third largest city are innumerable, including improved air quality, significantly reduced GHG emissions, and equitably distributed charging stations in historically disadvantaged neighborhoods. *Charge Up Chicago!* will be a charging infrastructure implementation project with community input, community-based organizations, federal funds, and a coalition of City departments that are driven by a mission of equitable decarbonization. It will:

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- **Develop Midway International Airport Cell Phone Lot Community Charging Stations** – Chicago Department of Aviation proposes placing 16 level 3 community electric vehicle charging stations at the Midway cell phone lot. The chargers will be free of charge, convenient, and readily accessible to the public. Utilizing the cell phone lot ultimately results in less roadway traffic and congestion, less air pollution and increased auto fuel savings.

The Metropolitan Planning Council (MPC) is a 90-year-old independent, nonprofit policy, planning and advocacy organization that seeks to advance thriving communities, equitable infrastructure and just public systems in the greater Chicago region. We seek to improve access to environmentally friendly, affordable, and accessible transportation options in our region.

MPC is thrilled to support *Charge Up Chicago!* There are numerous benefits of this project proposal including reduced air pollution, and clean, accessible, and sustainable infrastructure for the benefit of all Chicagoans, especially those that live in disadvantaged and underserved areas. The project's success will depend on significant support from federal, state, and local governments, as well as input from our local partners and residents. I urge you to give this proposal your full consideration.

Sincerely,



Darlene O. Hightower
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May 24, 2023

Secretary Pete Buttigieg
U.S. Department of Transportation
Federal Highway Administration
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: Department of Transportation's Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant Opportunity, Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Number 693JJ323NF00004

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

I am pleased to provide my strong support for the City of Chicago's application to receive the Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary program funds provided by the U.S. Department of Transportation. The *Charge Up Chicago!* Chicago Community Resources and Charging Infrastructure Implementation (CUC) project seeks to enable equitable access to electric vehicles and E-mobility options across Chicago.

With this funding, the City of Chicago plans to work across numerous departments including Aviation, Transportation, Climate, and Assets & Information Services, in addition to the Chicago Public Libraries to ensure access to robust and reliable charging infrastructure across the city. Through community engagement, outreach, technical assistance, strategic transportation, decarbonization planning, and workforce training in underserved communities, the city will ensure that all residents have fair access to this forward-thinking infrastructure. CUC will invest in community developed and owned charging station projects in addition to City of Chicago owned public charging stations. Leveraging existing city-owned parking facilities, city-owned stations will fill gaps in existing charging infrastructure and will support dense multifamily housing communities.

I would like to reiterate my full support for the City of Chicago's application. I greatly appreciate your careful consideration.

Sincerely,



Raja Krishnamoorthi
Member of Congress

Congress of the United States
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Washington, DC

May 19, 2023

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
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1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
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Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

I write in support of the City of Chicago's application for the FY2023 Charging & Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Community Program grant to fund the *Charge Up Chicago!* Chicago Community Resources and Charging Infrastructure Implementation (CUC). This proposal would benefit community members by enabling equitable access to electric vehicles and E-mobility options across the city through community-informed events and infrastructure projects in the most underserved neighborhoods.

Charge Up Chicago! will be a charging infrastructure implementation project with community input, community-based organizations, federal funds, and a coalition of city departments that are driven by a mission of equitable decarbonization. This will be done through community engagement and outreach processes with technical assistance workshops. The proposal funds clean transportation to underserved communities.

Through partnerships with the Chicago Public Libraries and the Chicago Department of Aviation, the project will invest in community-developed and owned charging stations to supplement existing City stations. The Chicago Department of Aviation proposes placing 16 Direct Current (DC) Fast Chargers community electric vehicle charging stations at the Midway cell phone lot. The chargers will be free of charge, convenient, and readily accessible to the public. Utilizing the cell phone lot ultimately results in less roadway traffic and congestion, less air pollution and increased auto fuel savings. Installing public stations fairly and equitably in the City of Chicago allows all residents access to vehicle charging.

Given the positive impact this proposal will have for the district, I strongly support the City of Chicago's *Charge Up Chicago!* Initiative for federal funding. Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please contact my Chief of Staff and District Director, Dr. Patty Garcia, at Patty.Garcia@mail.house.gov or 773-475-0833.

Sincerely,



Jesús G. "Chuy" García
Member of Congress
Illinois' 4th Congressional District

United States Senate
WASHINGTON, DC 20510-1304

May 24, 2023

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
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1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
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Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

I am writing regarding the City of Chicago's application for the FY2023 Charging & Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Community Program through the U.S. Department of Transportation. This federal funding will enable the City of Chicago to fund its Charge up Chicago! program to create equitable access to electric vehicles and E-mobility options across Chicago through community-informed events and infrastructure projects in the most underserved neighborhoods.

The benefits of clean charging infrastructure in America's third largest city are innumerable, including improved air quality, significantly reduced GHG emissions, and equitably distribution of charging stations in historically disadvantaged neighborhoods. Charge Up Chicago! will be a charging infrastructure implementation project with community input, community-based organizations, and a coalition of City departments that are driven by a mission of equitable decarbonization.

This federal funding will address the demand gap for EV charging infrastructure in Chicago through a robust community engagement & outreach process, which will include: technical assistance workshops for community-based organizations, strategic transportation decarbonization planning, and workforce training with those communities. Furthermore, this project will invest in community-developed and owned charging stations to supplement existing stations. Through a partnership with Chicago Public Libraries, City-owned stations will fill gaps in existing charging infrastructure, support multifamily housing communities, and utilize shared use charging access to expand the City's EV fleet and rideshare industry.

This project would also create Community Charging Stations at Midway International Airport. The Chicago Department of Aviation will add 16 DC Fast Chargers community electric vehicle charging stations at the Midway cell phone lot. The chargers will be free of charge, convenient, and readily accessible to the public. Utilizing the cell phone lot ultimately results in less roadway traffic and congestion, less air pollution, and increased auto fuel savings.

Please give full and fair consideration to City of Chicago's application. If you require additional information, please contact my State Director, Clarisol Duque, at (312) 353-4952.

Sincerely,



Richard J. Durbin
United States Senator

United States Senate

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The Honorable Shailen Bhatt
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Dear Administrator Bhatt:

I write to express my support of the City of Chicago's application to the FY2023 Charging & Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Community Program grant to fund the *Charge Up Chicago! Chicago Community Resources and Charging Infrastructure Implementation* (CUC). Funding from the CFI program will enable the City of Chicago to equitably improve access to electric vehicles and E-mobility options across the City through community-informed events and infrastructure projects in the most underserved neighborhoods.

As our nation's third largest city, it is crucial that Chicago be a leader in clean energy innovation. The benefits of having robustly funded clean charging infrastructure are innumerable and include improved air quality and significantly reduced GHG emissions. *Charge Up Chicago!* will be a charging infrastructure implementation project with community input, community-based organizations, federal funds and a coalition of City departments that are driven by a mission of equitable decarbonization.

As a U.S. Senator representing Illinois and member of the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, I have made it a priority to modernize Illinois' transportation and infrastructure through targeted, equitable federal investments. Additionally, funding from these funds will enable improvements to Midway International Airport's Cell Phone Lot for Community Charging Stations. They include 16 DC Fast Chargers that will be free of charge, convenient and readily accessible to the public.

Please accept this letter of support for the City of Chicago's application for the FY2023 Charging & Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Community Program grant to fund the *Charge Up Chicago! Chicago Community Resources and Charging Infrastructure Implementation* (CUC). In keeping with your existing rules and regulations, I urge you to give this proposal full and fair consideration. Should you have any questions, please contact my Director of Strategic Initiatives, Dan McManus, at (312) 886-3506.

Sincerely,



Tammy Duckworth
United States Senator

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Sincerely,

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Danny K. Davis
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We are thrilled to support *Charge Up Chicago!* There are numerous benefits of this project proposal including reduced air pollution, and clean, accessible, and sustainable infrastructure for the benefit of all Chicagoans, but especially those that live in disadvantaged and underserved areas. The project's success will depend on significant support from federal, state, and local governments, as well as input from our local partners and residents. In keeping with all applicable existing rules and regulations, I urge you to give this proposal your full and fair consideration.

Sincerely,



Sean Casten
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The benefits of having robustly funded clean charging infrastructure in America's third largest city include improved air quality, significantly reduced GHG emissions, and equitably distributed charging stations in historically disadvantaged neighborhoods. Importantly, Charge Up Chicago! will be a charging infrastructure implementation project with community input, community-based organizations, federal funds, and a coalition of City departments that are driven by a mission of equitable decarbonization.

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The Active Transportation Alliance supports Charge Up Chicago! and is eager to see the benefits realized including reduced air pollution, and clean, accessible, and sustainable infrastructure for the benefit of all Chicagoans, but especially those in disadvantaged and underserved areas. The project's success will depend on support from federal, state, and local governments, as well as input from local partners and residents.

Sincerely,

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Amy Rynell
Executive Director



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Dear Secretary Buttigieg and Administrator Bhatt,

I'm writing today to support the *City of Chicago's FY2023 Charging & Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Community Program* grant application. They aim to fund *Charge Up Chicago! Chicago Community Resources and Charging Infrastructure Implementation (CUC)* project. This proposal seeks to bring community benefits to the people of Chicago by ensuring everyone has fair access to electric vehicles and E-mobility options. It will focus on organizing community events in underserved neighborhoods, taking their input into account.

Expanding the network of well-funded clean charging infrastructure in America's third-largest city has countless advantages. It means better air quality, significantly lower greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and more charging stations in historically disadvantaged neighborhoods. "Charge Up Chicago!" is not just about implementing charging infrastructure; it's a project that values community involvement, works with local organizations, utilizes federal funds, and involves various City departments dedicated to achieving equitable decarbonization.

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Sincerely,



Benjamin de la Peña

CEO

Shared-Use Mobility Center



MIKE QUIGLEY
CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
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May 22, 2023

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The benefits of having robustly funded clean charging infrastructure in America's third largest city include improved air quality, significantly reduced GHG emissions, and equitably distributed charging stations in historically disadvantaged neighborhoods. *Charge Up Chicago!* will be a charging infrastructure implementation project with input from community-based organizations and a coalition of City departments that are driven by a mission of equitable decarbonization. Benefits of this project include:

- **Addressing the demand gap for EV charging infrastructure in Chicago** – this will be done through a robust community engagement & outreach process with technical assistance workshops for community-based organizations, strategic transportation decarbonization planning, and workforce training within those communities.
- **Investing in community-developed and owned charging stations to supplement existing stations.** In partnership with Chicago Public Libraries, City-owned stations will be deployed to fill gaps in existing charging infrastructure, support multifamily housing communities, and shared use charging access to expand the City's EV fleet as well as rideshare and taxis fleets.
- **Developing the Midway International Airport Cell Phone Lot Community Charging Station** – Chicago Department of Aviation proposes placing 16 DC Fast Chargers community electric vehicle charging stations at the Midway cell phone lot. The chargers will be free of charge, convenient, and readily accessible to the public. Utilizing the cell phone lot

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ultimately results in less roadway traffic and congestion, less air pollution and increased auto fuel savings.

There are numerous benefits of this project proposal including reduced air pollution, and clean, accessible, and sustainable infrastructure for the benefit of all Chicagoans, but especially those that live in disadvantaged and underserved areas. The project's success will depend on significant support from federal, state, and local governments, as well as input from our local partners and residents. In keeping with all applicable existing rules and regulations, I urge you to give this proposal your full and fair consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mike Quigley".

Mike Quigley
Member of Congress



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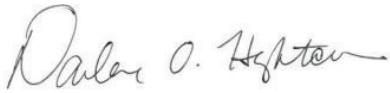
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- **Develop Midway International Airport Cell Phone Lot Community Charging Stations** – Chicago Department of Aviation proposes placing 16 level 3 community electric vehicle charging stations at the Midway cell phone lot. The chargers will be free of charge, convenient, and readily accessible to the public. Utilizing the cell phone lot ultimately results in less roadway traffic and congestion, less air pollution and increased auto fuel savings.

The Metropolitan Planning Council (MPC) is a 90-year-old independent, nonprofit policy, planning and advocacy organization that seeks to advance thriving communities, equitable infrastructure and just public systems in the greater Chicago region. We seek to improve access to environmentally friendly, affordable, and accessible transportation options in our region.

MPC is thrilled to support *Charge Up Chicago!* There are numerous benefits of this project proposal including reduced air pollution, and clean, accessible, and sustainable infrastructure for the benefit of all Chicagoans, especially those that live in disadvantaged and underserved areas. The project's success will depend on significant support from federal, state, and local governments, as well as input from our local partners and residents. I urge you to give this proposal your full consideration.

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