

Project Funding



From project planning to funding application submittal, Metro Strategies works with clients through every step of the process to help develop sound projects and secure funding for new initiatives for their communities. We have worked with many organizations from local governments to non-profit agencies seeking to plan and initiate new projects. Program areas that we have expertise in writing proposals for, include environmental projects, infrastructure improvements, transportation enhancements, health and human services, criminal justice, parks and recreation, green infrastructure, flood mitigation, economic development and energy efficiency.

We help clients define and articulate the vision and goals of new projects, engage strategic partners, and create a comprehensive plan with measurable outcomes. Our staff participates in and, if needed, facilitates planning meetings, researches best practices, assists with creating implementation timelines and budgets, and prepares all supporting materials.

Metro Strategies' success in securing over \$30 M in funding to date from a variety of highly competitive programs is because of our attention and commitment to helping clients design the strongest possible project and create compelling proposals. We identify conceptual and planning deficiencies in potential projects and provide guidance on critical issues that should be considered. The following list represents a few of the projects for which we have helped identify funding, developed funding strategies, grant applications and proposals.

Agency	Project	Funding Program	Amount
City of Northlake	Northwest Ave Multi-Use Path	CMAQ CMAQ	\$744,000
Village of Hillside	Butterfield Road Multi-Use Path	CMAQ CMAQ	\$452,000
DuPage County	Wetlands Project	EPA Region 5	\$118,369
Village of Oak Brook	Flood Mitigation Property Buyout	FEMA HMGP	\$1,178,291
Village of Riverside	Green Alleys (Permeable Pavement)	IEPA IGIG	\$503,000
Village of Elmwood Park	Green Commuter Parking Lot Project	IEPA IGIG	\$399,000
Village of Forest Park	Sewer Improvements	CDBG -DR	\$750,000
Village of Tinley Park	Harmony Square Project	ComEd Green Region	TBD
Audubon Elementary School	Village Schoolyard Project	IEPA IGIG	\$750,000
Village of Harwood Heights	Community Recreation Center	IDNR PARC	\$2,165,200
Village of Western Springs	Pedestrian Underpass	STP-L/ ICC/ METRA/ Invest in Cook	\$3,743,723
Village of Riverside	Burlington St Streetscape Project	IDOT ITEP	\$754,660
Village of Hillside	Mannheim Bridge Bicycle Path	IDOT ITEP	\$845,890
Village of Oak Brook	Pond Stabilization	IEPA Section 319	TBD
Village of Algonquin	Park Development	IDNR OSLAD	\$400,000
Village of Northlake	Sustainability Award	FEMA PDM 2020	TBD