

DRAFT KANE COUNTY 2040 PLAN

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1) What is the draft Kane County 2040 Plan?

The draft Kane County 2040 Plan proposes vision and direction for the Kane County Board and the county's 30 municipalities in order to plan for future growth and improving our quality of life.

2) Does Kane County already have such a plan?

Yes. Kane County has a long history of planning since 1958. The current plan in effect, the Kane County 2030 Plan, was adopted in 2004. The draft 2040 Plan extends the planning horizon to the year 2040 and updates the issues we currently face and will need to address.

3) Is the draft 2040 Plan connected to other planning efforts for Kane County?

Yes. On a regional level, the draft 2040 Plan is responsive to and proposes to help implement the GO TO 2040 Plan recently developed by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning for the region. On the county level, the draft 2040 Plan is part of the Quality of Kane initiative, combining the planning efforts for land use, transportation and health (www.QualityofKane.com).

4) What is new or different in the draft 2040 Plan?

- a. A new theme: *Healthy People, Healthy Living, Healthy Communities*
- b. Updated and new text and chapters
- c. A new Land Use Map reflecting changes since 2004 and proposing future land uses in the unincorporated areas including changes to the land use categories
- d. New focus on two road corridors: Illinois State Route 47 Corridor and the Randall/Orchard Road Corridor for potential future Bus Rapid Transit

5) How was the new theme selected?

The Kane County 2040 Plan is the first Kane County plan to integrate planning for community health with land use and transportation issues. This new approach was included in the *2040 Conceptual Land Use Strategy Report* adopted by the Kane County Board on October 12, 2010. This report also set the overarching theme for the 2040 Plan as *Healthy People, Healthy Living, Healthy Communities*.

6) Why was this theme selected?

This theme recognizes and emphasizes the connection between the most important resource in Kane County – its people – with the opportunities and barriers for healthy living created by the built and natural environment, and how together they shape the overall health of our communities.

7) Who wrote the draft 2040 Plan?

The draft 2040 Plan was written by planning staff in the Kane County Development & Community Services Department under the direction and review of the Kane County Regional Planning Commission, a volunteer group of citizens appointed by the Kane County Board.

8) How can I provide input on the draft plan? When is the deadline for comments?

Comments can be made in person at the Open Houses, via e-mail to QualityofKane@co.kane.il.us and on the internet at www.QualityofKane.com. Comments on this draft will be received until January 20, 2012. In addition, the adoption process below includes multiple public meetings providing additional opportunities for public comment.

9) What is the process and schedule for adoption?

After the public, municipalities and other agencies have provided input and comments, the Kane County Regional Planning Commission will review all input and give staff direction on revisions to the final draft and recommendations to the County Board for adoption. This process could be completed in March or April of 2012.

10) What happens after the 2040 Plan is adopted?

The draft 2040 Plan includes an implementation strategy. The strategy has four primary parts:

1. Creation of a Kane County Planning Cooperative
2. Continuing the Planning Workshop Series hosted by the County
3. County Funding Decisions Consistent with Plan Goals
4. Coordination with Municipalities

In addition, the 2040 Plan will be reviewed and updated every five years, as has been the pattern for the current 2030 Plan and previous 2020 Plan adopted in 1994.



Please email us at 2040Plan@countyofkane.org with any additional questions. The full draft 2040 Plan can be viewed at the Quality of Kane website (www.qualityofkane.org).