From the Spring of 2017 through Summer 2018, CDOT will be working with community members to identify traffic and safety improvements to Milwaukee Avenue from West Logan Boulevard to Belmont Avenue.

This study includes potential updates to Logan Square, building off the Logan Square Bicentennial Improvements Project. We will seek to maintain the Square’s historic integrity while balancing the needs of the area’s diverse residents, businesses, and commuters.
About the study

Key goals of this study are to:

- Create public space and improve walkability
- Achieve Vision Zero* by enhancing traffic safety and access to the area
- Harmonize the various modes of transportation

North Milwaukee Avenue is a local and regional street for multiple modes of transportation. It is officially zoned and functions as a Pedestrian Street southeast of Diversey.

*Vision Zero will reduce the number of roadway crashes with the goal of eliminating traffic fatalities and serious injuries in Chicago by 2026.

PROJECT MILESTONES

2017

GATHER
- data and identify stakeholders

REVIEW
- existing conditions and affirm project goals

DEVELOP
- concepts

PRESENT
- options

SELECT
- a preferred direction

PREPARE
- final design

START
- construction

North Milwaukee Ave.
From Logan Square to Belmont
How do residents get to work?

The percentage of residents using public transit in the area has **increased since 2000**.

The percentage of residents who use public transit to commute is **higher here than the city as a whole**.

The percentage of residents who bike to work is **higher here than the city as a whole**.

While more than half of residents drive to work, **25% of households did not own personal vehicles in 2015**.

Commute data represents residents living within 1/2 mile of the corridor (Milwaukee Avenue from Logan Square to Belmont).

Milwaukee Avenue is a multi-modal corridor used by people walking, biking, taking transit, and driving.

Over 5,200 pedestrians per day use the sidewalks on Milwaukee Avenue northwest of Logan Square.

Bicycles make up 4% to 7% of daily traffic on Milwaukee Avenue, and approximately 11% of inbound morning traffic and outbound afternoon rush hour traffic south of Logan.

Traffic counts conducted in May 2017

How are people traveling in the study area?

The numbers on the map show how many different modes of transportation travel along Milwaukee Ave. daily.
How is space in the corridor used?
Each area dedicates different portions of space to auto use, green space, and sidewalks.

From Logan Square to Belmont, two-thirds of the space is dedicated to cars.

Milwaukee Ave between Logan Square and Belmont Ave dedicates about one-third of space for sidewalk.

The Logan Square intersection dedicates about half of space for autos.

The Logan Square intersection dedicates about one-third of space for green parkland.
Logan Square has the second highest ridership of any Blue Line station outside the loop (O’Hare is first).

AVERAGE WEEKDAY ‘L’ BOARDINGS (2016)

Logan Square Blue Line Station 7,380
Belmont Blue Line Station 5,725

Three of the six CTA bus routes that go through the area are in the top 10 highest ridership routes citywide.

BUS ROUTE RIDERSHIP RANKINGS*

#3 | 77 Belmont
#6 | 53 Pulaski
#7 | 82 Kimball

#21 | 74 Fullerton
#25 | 76 Diversey
#41 | 56 Milwaukee

*out of 131 routes

There are three Divvy stations in the area. The station at Logan Square ranks 148 out of 580 for trips per day.

May 2016-April 2017

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Kimball and Diversey has the most crash incidents in the area across all modes of transportation.

Pedestrian and bike crashes are included in 'All Intersection-Related Crashes'

K = Person killed in crash
*= Combined crashes of intersections of Milwaukee Ave, Kedzie Ave, and Logan Blvd

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