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# KANE COUNTY 2040 PLAN

## *Kane County Planning Cooperative*

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## Climate Action Plan Survey

Kane County seeks community input for Climate Action Plan



Kane County has launched an [online survey](#) to collect input from residents and businesses for its first Climate Action Plan. The information collected in the survey will help the County identify perceptions, needs, opportunities, priorities, and issues to help shape the County's sustainability priorities.

Kane County's Climate Action Plan will include a toolkit with resources to help municipalities implement sustainability initiatives in their communities.

Please share the survey with your family, friends and neighbors. The survey takes approximately 7 minutes to complete. Those that submit the survey before April 1, 2023 will have a chance to win a Kane County 'Sustain Kane' prize (stainless steel water bottle, snack bag and more.)

The [survey](#) is open until the end of May 2023 in order to receive ongoing participation from respondents.

[Take Survey](#)

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## Fox River Summit and Events

Registration is open for the 11th annual Fox River Summit



Registration for the 11th Annual Fox River Summit is now open. The Summit will be held on March 16th, 2023 in Burlington, WI with the option to participate virtually.

This full day event will continue to examine watershed management issues and challenges in both the Wisconsin and Illinois portions of the river basin. A key goal will be to continue the dialogue between stakeholders in Wisconsin and Illinois on many shared topics including recreation, economics, fisheries and other wildlife, soil health, water quality, stewardship and other ongoing activities to improve this shared resource.

Check out the [program website](#) for event details, speakers, and topics with State, Local, and Federal perspectives.



Additional upcoming events include...

The Conservation Foundation [Annual Membership & Awards Luncheon](#) on February 16, 2023.

[A River Flows Through it](#) - a series of monthly lectures beginning in January will put a spotlight on the importance of the Fox River.

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## Greater Chicagoland Economic Partnership

A new economic development partnership launches to advance growth and equity across the region



The [Greater Chicagoland Economic Partnership](#) launched this month, and regional leaders will work together in a first-of-its-kind collaboration among the seven counties of northeastern Illinois and the City of Chicago to drive economic growth and advance equity across the region.

The Partnership is made up of economic development leaders across the public, private, and civic sectors. It will focus on promoting the region's many assets, including extensive freight infrastructure, diverse talent, strong exporting industries, and world-class institutions of innovation, research, and culture to develop a competitive global identity.

World Business Chicago will manage the partnership and will expand its services region-wide, complementing existing municipal and county programs. Each of the partners have made a financial commitment totaling \$1 million for the first in a three-year pilot. The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) set this work in motion in 2020 at the request of the county board chairs and the mayor of Chicago.

To learn more about this partnership and its objectives, view this [recent article](#) published by CMAP.

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## Plan Commissioner Training

The APA-IL Planning Officials Development Committee creates training opportunities for planning officials around Illinois



The [148th Plan Commissioner Training](#) was held in the Village of Maple Park on January 21st. The Village President, Public Works Director, commissioners, and other elected officials attended the session. In-depth discussion was held on reviewing variation and special use requests, interactions with the public, and commissioner responsibilities during public hearings.

APA-IL offers an in-depth curriculum for planning officials available to communities across Illinois. The Plan Commissioner Training covers a range of topics including:

- Planning History
- Tools of the Trade - master plans, zoning codes, etc.
- Role of the Commissioners
- Role of Others in the Process
- Basics of "Findings of Fact"
- Open Meetings/Ethics
- Regional Planning

Visit the Plan Commissioner Training [website](#) to learn more and contact the APA-IL Planning Officials Development Officer, Michael Blue, FAICP at [poddo@ilapa.org](mailto:poddo@ilapa.org).

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