

Survey Research Laboratory (MC 336)
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412 South Peoria Street
Chicago, Illinois 60607

Dear Resident:

We are writing to ask for your help with a study for the U.S. Department of Transportation that is being conducted by the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC). The study is about how people in your area travel, and how those choices are affected by opportunities in your neighborhood and beyond.

Your household was chosen to take part in this study because of where your home is located within the Chicagoland area. Enclosed you will find a form letter with a few questions that an adult from your household can complete to express interest in participating. Once you return the letter to us in the enclosed, postage-paid envelope, we will determine your eligibility based on your answers. If you are eligible, we will mail you a packet of information that includes a travel diary, some images, and additional information about this research study. We will also ask you to participate in a telephone interview that asks questions about what you've recorded in your travel diary. Participation is voluntary and you are free to withdraw at any time. To express our appreciation for your time and effort contributing to this research, we will mail you a \$50 check upon completion of the phone interview.

Your answers to the interview will be connected to a unique case-id number and will not be connected to your phone number or address. Your phone number and address will never be used except to contact you, and to mail your check after your phone interview. Once you return the letter, if you are eligible, you will receive a study packet within 2-3 weeks from UIC. If you don't hear from us, you are not eligible to participate. No phone calls, please.

I am the principal investigator of this study, and I am a professor and researcher at UIC. All data collection is being managed by the Survey Research Laboratory (SRL) here at UIC. You can access more information about this study on this website: <http://www.srl.uic.edu/1107FAQ-1.htm>

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Dr. Moira Zellner
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This collection of information is voluntary and will be used to gauge potential travel-behavior response to far-reaching improvements in the pedestrian, cycling, and transit environments of neighborhoods. Public reporting burden is estimated to average 1 hour and 45 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Please note that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control number for this collection is 2125-XXXX (state OMB #). Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: Information Collection Clearance Officer, Federal Highway Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590.

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