

# Blocks Together Peoples Budget Initiative

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CHICAGO/CENTRAL PARK TIF

# Peoples Budget Initiative

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The Blocks Together Economic Justice Committee has been working for the past 7 years to ensure more **Transparency, Accountability** and **Direct Benefit** within the Chicago/Central Park TIF district.

# For 7 years BT's Economic Justice Committee has worked to organize:

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An Annual **State of the TIF Town Hall**, where residents, the Alderman and the Department of Housing and Economic Development go over the accounting, job creation, and community benefit for projects that were funded by the TIF.

**Chicago/Central Park TIF Advisory Council** whose main responsibility is to inform residents, maintain accurate and updated accounting data and ensure community residents have an opportunity to make recommendation for projects within the TIF district.

# With the Peoples Budget

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Residents living in the Chicago/Central Park TIF will have the opportunity to allocate **2 million dollars** from the TIF utilizing Participatory Budgeting Methods.

Residents will have the opportunity from now thru **September 14, 2014** to submit a proposal for a community project.

If the proposal meets all the criteria's for funding the project will be included on the ballot, where residents will vote for projects that will receive funding.

# Peoples Budget 4 Phases

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To accomplish this we had to breakdown the Peoples Budget into 4 Phases.

# Peoples Budget

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Phase 1

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Phase 4

# Peoples Budget

Phase 1

Phase 2

Phase 3

Phase 4

- Establish Oversight Committee.
- Identify Working Areas.
- Set criteria and eligibility for voting and project submission.
- Complete Application.



# Peoples Budget

Phase 1

**Phase 2**

Phase 3

Phase 4

- Outreach to community residents and organization to invite them to submit a proposal for a project.
- Provide Technical Assistance and Resources to applicants.

**Proposals are due September 14, 2014**



# Peoples Budget

Phase 1

Phase 2

**Phase 3**

Phase 4

- Organizing 3 Community Project Expos.
- Set Election date.
- Community residents vote on proposed projects.

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Phase 1

Phase 2

Phase 3

**Phase 4**

- Announce projects that were chosen to receive TIF funds.
- Work with Alderman and Department Housing and Economic Development to oversee project implementation.



If you are interested please take an application.

Carefully review the application, answer all questions and attach all supplemental material.

Incomplete applications will **NOT** be reviewed.

The deadline for application submission via mail or email is:

**September 14, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.**

**If you have any questions please call Caro at 773-276-2194**