Program impact

The Go Garfield Park team surveyed participants after the program ended. Nearly 300 participants took the survey. Here are some of the survey results:

- **64%** participants felt more informed about their transportation options.
- **7 out of 10** participants felt more encouraged to walk, bike, or take transit in the future.
- **6 out of 10** participants felt more connected to the community.

Many participants told us Go Garfield Park encouraged them to use transportation options more often:

- **walk, bike, use Divvy bike share, or take transit more often.**

Another **1,000 people** attended community events with Go Garfield Park staff.

Neighborhood outreach

According to post-program survey responses, the top four reasons for participating in Go Garfield Park were a desire to:

- **Gain personal health benefits**
- **Explore the neighborhood**
- **Obtain more transportation information**
- **Meet neighbors and community groups**

Confidence in all modes, especially walking and using the bus, increased after residents participated in Go Garfield Park:

- "The program helped me get a senior card to ride transportation."
- "I have lost 15 pounds since getting involved with Go Garfield Park. No diet change. I just get up and move more."

How community members heard about Go Garfield Park:

- **60%** Direct mail
- **25%** Word of mouth
- **18%** Community organization

The Go Garfield Park team attended **19 community events** with over **1,000 community members** and spoke directly to more than **900 community members**.
6,282 printed walking, biking, and transit resources were requested and delivered to program participants.

"Go Garfield Park gave me insight on the laws of biking. I’m a safer biker now."

OVER 200 bicycle helmets were distributed to residents thanks to a donation from Lurie Children’s Hospital.

GO KITS: CUSTOMIZED RESOURCE PACKETS

POPULAR BIKING & WALKING EVENTS

Go Garfield Park fostered greater community connections:

"Go Garfield Park is a really good program that brought the community together. It brought life and joy and a sense of care to the community."

"The program helped 20+ homeless men from Breakthrough Urban Ministries get involved in the community."

"I loved this program! I met a lot of new people!"

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Community groups who helped support the Go Garfield Park program:

Alderman Burnett and the 27th Ward Office
Alderman Ervin and the 28th Ward Office
Bethel Lutheran Church
Breakthrough Urban Ministries
CAPS District 11
Chappell Housing Complex
Chicago Bike Polo
Divvy Bike Share
First Church of the Brethren
Empowerment through Education and Exposure (EEE)
Fathers Who Care
Greencastle Senior Community
Garfield Park Advisory Council (GPAC)
Garfield Park ARISE
Garfield Park Community Council (GPCC)
Garfield Park Conservatory Alliance (GPCA)
Garfield Park Neighborhood Market
Garfield Workforce Center
GirlTrek
Greater Holy Temple Church
Herban Produce
Marillac House
Slow Roll Chicago

CONTINUATION OF GO GARFIELD PARK

The Kelly Family from East Garfield Park are hoping to organize future community bike rides as a continuation of the ideas and programming from Go Garfield Park. Follow Go Garfield Park’s Facebook page for future community event announcements and transportation news.

facebook.com/GoGarfieldPark