

NORTH RIVER COMMISSION

Albany Park has long been a port of entry for immigrants and continues to be a springboard to the middle class for new families and entrepreneurs. Today, one bustling shopping plaza is home to a Saudi Arabian bakery, Korean BBQ, Albanian-owned New York style pizza restaurant, Iraqi pita place and Jordanian jeweler. The Chicago River defines Albany Park, serving as its eastern and northern boundaries.

Founded in 1962, North River Commission (NRC) focuses on comprehensive community development including arts and cultural programming, education organizing, economic development, affordable housing and park and open space planning.

NRC's ACCOMPLISHMENTS INCLUDE:

Organized for construction of Northside College Prep High School and Thurgood Marshall and Irving Park Middle Schools.

Mobilized residents and organizations to create the 151-acre North Park Village.

Leveraged \$350 million of commercial investment.

Created or rehabilitated 1,400 units of affordable housing.

NRC's BOLD PLANS INCLUDE:

Building a multiethnic sculpture park and healing garden on the Chicago River.

Launching transit-oriented development at the terminus of the CTA Brown Line.

Building affordable senior housing.



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COMMUNITY SHOWCASE TOURS

The Burnham Plan Centennial's Community Showcase Tours introduce new audiences to the unique stories and bold plans of Chicago's neighborhoods. Told through the voices of community leaders and residents, the tours cover these six neighborhoods:

ALBANY PARK Chicago's Gateway to the World: *A legacy of culture, nature and movement on Chicago's Northwest side.* **HOSTED BY:** North River Commission www.northrivercommission.org

AUBURN GRESHAM Rebuilding a Classic Chicago Community: *Using our people and assets to make a great place great again!* **HOSTED BY:** Greater Auburn-Gresham Development Corporation www.gagdc.org

PILSEN Discover Pilsen: *Healthy, vibrant and organized!* **HOSTED BY:** The Resurrection Project www.resurrectionproject.org

QUAD COMMUNITIES From Civil War to Civil Rights and Beyond: *Come experience the second urban renaissance in the capital of Black America.* **HOSTED BY:** Quad Communities Development Corporation www.qcdc.org and Bronzeville Visitor Information Center www.bronzevilleonline.com

SOUTH CHICAGO From Pollution to Solution: *'LEED-ing' the way in the Midwest!* **HOSTED BY:** Claretian Associates www.claretinassociates.org

WEST RIDGE Gateway to India in Chicago: *Explore dynamic diversity and global connections on Devon Avenue.* **HOSTED BY:** Indo-American Heritage Museum www.iahmuseum.org and Chicago Cultural Alliance www.chicagoculturalalliance.org

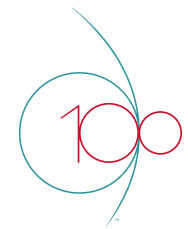


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CHICAGO'S GATEWAY TO THE WORLD

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COMMUNITY SHOWCASE

**ALBANY PARK:
CHICAGO'S GATEWAY TO THE WORLD**

1. **Ravenswood Manor Historic District**, one of Albany Park's two bungalow belts, placed on National Register of Historic Places in 2008. *Lawrence to Montrose, Chicago River to Sacramento*
2. **Cambodian American Heritage Museum and Killing Fields Memorial**, the first U.S. memorial to the 1970s genocide in Cambodia. *2831 W. Lawrence*
3. **"Restaurant Row,"** where international markets, restaurants and bakeries abound. *Kedzie from Lawrence to Montrose*
4. **River Park**, home to the waterfall marking the beginning of the North Shore Channel. *5100 N. Francisco*
5. **Northside College Prep High School**, the top-ranked high school in the state. *5501 N. Kedzie*
6. **North Park University**, a 116-year old liberal arts university and symbol of the area's Swedish history. *3225 W. Foster*

7. **Von Steuben Metropolitan Science Center**, a magnet school detailed in terra cotta bas reliefs. *5039 N. Kimball*
8. **Terminus of CTA Brown Line**, site of a proposed transit-oriented development. *Kimball and Lawrence.*
9. **Lawrence Avenue**, a fusion of global markets, restaurants and shops, nicknamed "Seoul Drive" because of its concentration of Korean businesses and culture. *Lawrence from Chicago River to Cicero*
10. **Irish American Heritage Center**, featuring a theater, museum, gallery, pub and step dance studios. *4626 N. Knox*
11. **North Mayfair Bungalow Historic District**, placed on National Register of Historic Places in 2006, exemplifies the "Bungalow Belt." *Foster to Lawrence, Pulaski to Kilbourn*
12. **Bohemian National Cemetery**, founded in 1877, burial site of Chicago Mayor Anton Cermak. *5255 N. Pulaski*
13. **North Park Village**, a 151-acre site with 46-acre nature preserve. *5801 N. Pulaski*

