PARTNERS IN COMMUNITY FORESTRY

2024 CONFERENCE

Arbor Day Foundation™

Active Engagement

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AGENDA:

Openlands

Urban and Community Forestry at Openlands

TreeKeepers Program

L.E.A.F Model

Defining Success

Openlands Mission

Founded in 1963, Openlands protects the natural and open spaces of northeastern Illinois and the surrounding region to ensure cleaner air and water, protect natural habitats and wildlife and help balance and enrich our lives.

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Openlands Forestry Programs

TREEKEEPERS	COMMUNITY TREE PLANTING	ADVOCACY	WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

> “To have people value the urban forest and actively care and advocate for it”

TreeKeepers

- 35 year old program
- Certified 2K residents, industry professionals and other ‘arbor-curious residents.
- 4 week course that consists of virtual and in person learning, roleplaying, technical skill practicals and a final exam
- Taught by regional urban forestry professionals- consulting arborists, City Foresters, USFS, commercial tree care professionals, social/environmental scientists, community organizers, and TreeKeepers

Learn!
Experience!
Activate!
Foster!

LEARN

TreeKeepers Course, Trees, Tree ID, Pruning, Planting, Outreach, Advocate, Stewardship, Continuing Education

EXPERIENCE

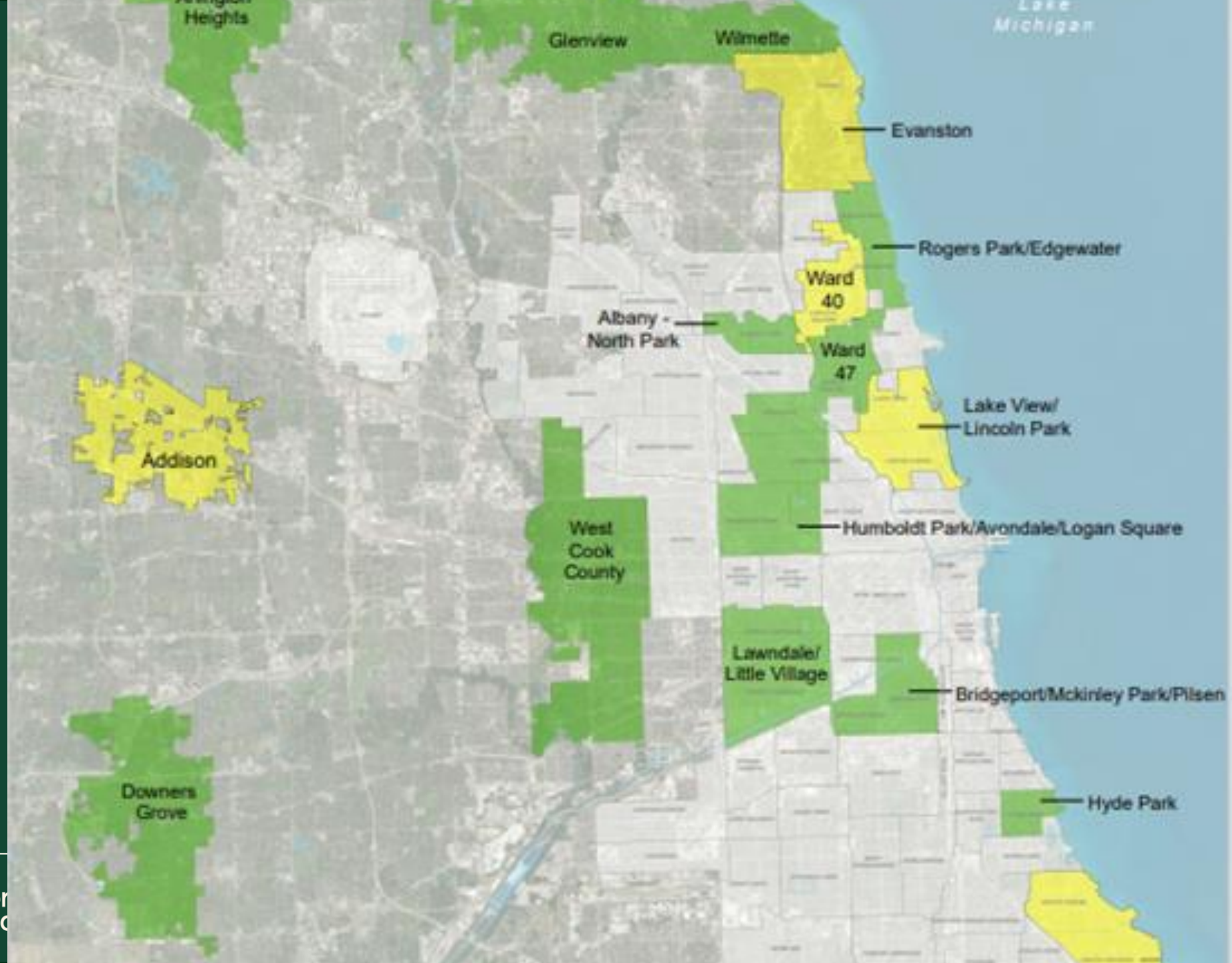
Community Stewardship Days, Tree Plantings, Pruning Events, Tree Walks, Leadership Training, Inventory Days

ACTIVATE

Host a TreePlanters Grant, Organize a Tree Walk, Run a Stewardship Day, Lead Events

FOSTER

Teach the TK Course, Engage with Elected Officials, Speak for the Trees, Recruit arbor-curious friends, start or join TK Chapter


Heights
Glenview
Wilmette
Lake Michigan
Evanston
Rogers Park/Edgewater
Ward 40
Albany - North Park
Ward 47
Lake View/ Lincoln Park
Addison
West Cook County
Humboldt Park/Avondale/Logan Square
Lawndale/ Little Village
Bridgeport/Mckinley Park/Pilsen
Downers Grove
Hyde Park

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Speakers:

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