IMAGINE A CHICAGO THAT WORKS FOR ALL OF US.

WHAT WERE YOUR BIG IDEAS?

We put out a call. You answered with almost 300 ideas on how to make our city more fair to promote a racially just city. While your ideas were wide and diverse, there were clear themes of what you want to see change in ‘the Chicago Way.’ Here are those key themes:

1. WHO HOLDS POWER
   For a more equitable Chicago, you told us we need to change how elections work, to ensure that elected officials represent all of Chicago. You told us we need more transparency to hold elected officials accountable to your vision.

2. HOW AND WHERE CITY DOLLARS ARE SPENT
   You had a clear set of ideas that focused on changing how the city raises money, and how and where those dollars are spent. You raised this issue in how education, housing, and community investment dollars are spent.

3. WHO BENEFITS FROM DEVELOPMENT
   Your ideas aimed to ensure that new development in our city benefits the people who already live here. You had many ideas about housing and the responsibilities we should be assigning to developers who wish to build in Chicago.

4. WHAT WE DESERVE FROM OUR CITY
   - **Access to Basic Needs:** You are pushing to level the playing field by making sure every family has what the most privileged Chicagoans have: healthcare, affordable childcare, and education through college.
   - **Education:** In education, you want to see changes on how decision-makers are chosen, how funding is allocated, and how community voices guide decisions. 
   - **Safety:** Your ideas focused on safety being built from investments in education and public health, not old-school policing and incarceration.
   - **Transit:** Your ideas on transit see the link between good jobs and how we get focused on where it should connect communities, how regular it should be, and how affordable it must be to be accessible as a public good. Many of you drew the connection between transit and job access, noting sub-standard transit access in Black and Latinx communities limits access to good jobs.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

From January 1st to 31st, 2019, Chicagoans will be voting on the ideas submitted to decide the key priorities they want our next elected leaders to pursue. Vote and learn more at ChicagoForAll.org.