

CHICAGO METRO PRESBYTERY

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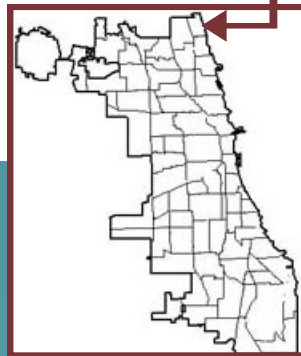
"You will be hard pressed to walk a block in Rogers Park without some great public art catching your eye."

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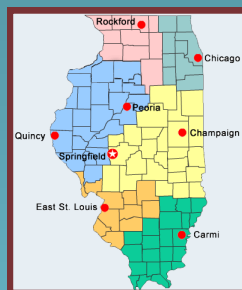
Rogers Park is one of the 77 Chicago community areas. It is the northernmost boundary of Chicago, Illinois. It is bounded by the city of Evanston to the north, Ridge Boulevard to the west, Devon Avenue to the south, and Lake Michigan to the east.

With people representing 80 countries and 40 different languages, Rogers Park is truly a gateway community.

The Chicago Metro Presbytery is committed to seeing the entire city renewed by the gospel by planting a church in every neighborhood in Chicago. A church plant in Irving Park will be one step toward that goal.



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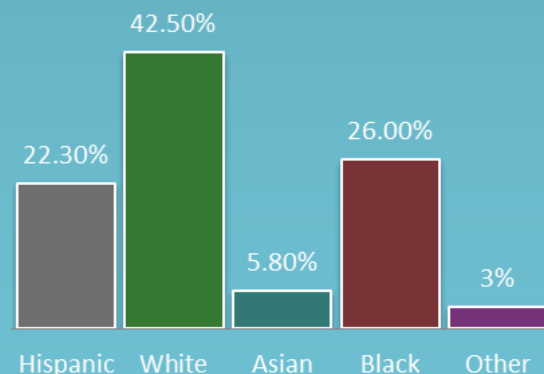
Illinois

A church planter who is feeling compelled to plant a church in this area will have the opportunity to be on staff of a local church while they pray, acclimate to the area, and do ethnographic research on the ground in the community. With God's blessing, a church will be formed that reflects the diversity of Rogers Park while also displaying the unity found in Christ.

By the Numbers

Population:	55,500
Median Family Income:	\$70,509
Poverty Rate:	20.9%
Median Rent:	\$1,069
Average estimated value of detached houses (21.8% of all units):	\$333,435
Married couple families with both working:	95%
Crime index for City:	510.7
(US Average 236.5)	

Racial Demographics



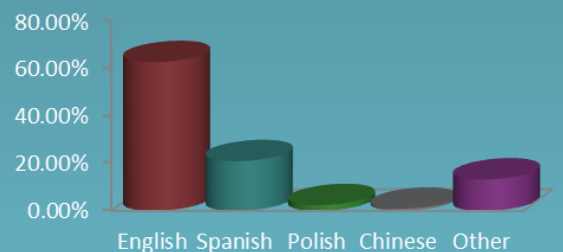
Education

(population over age 25)

25.5% Bachelor's Degree
17.4% Advanced Degree

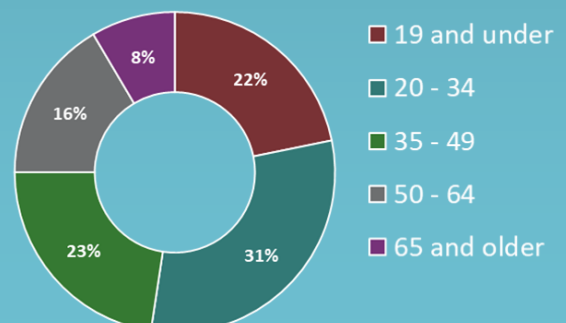
Language Spoken at Home

Speak English less than "very well" 15.7%



Population by Age

Median Age 33.8



2016 statistics from cmap.illinois.gov and city-data.com



Jogging at Loyola Beach



Traditional Eritrean meal at Denden Restaurant

Candidate Strengths

- Loves and trusts God far more than he loves or trusts anyone or anything else
- Intentional in evangelism and connects with unbelievers
- Effective communicator - able to communicate the gospel to a secular community
- Enjoys working within an ethnically diverse community

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Support Network

- Presbytery committed and mobilized for church planting
- Local church that can provide employment and mentoring during the planning stage



Vision

The kingdom of God expanding in Chicago

A committed, reformed, confessional church

A church plant that is multicultural, multigenerational, and community centered.

A gospel saturated, missional church plant in Rogers Park that joins hands with a presbytery committed to planting more churches.



Local Highlights

The flagship Lake Shore Campus of Loyola University is on the shores of Lake Michigan in the Rogers Park and Edgewater neighborhoods.

Northwestern University is just a few miles to the north.

The international Chicago Comedy Film Festival brings over 500 filmmakers, actors and agents to the neighborhood from around the world.

Struggling with gentrification and displacement.

A plethora of beaches line the shores of Lake Michigan through much of the neighborhood.

Part of the region's comprehensive planning organization, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP), which guides transportation investments and frames regional priorities on development, the environment, the economy, and other issues affecting quality of life.



2017 Mural Resilience

The Mile of Murals is a community-based public art initiative that will result in 19 large-scale murals along the CTA Red Line track



Rogers Park has excellent public transportation & about 15 bus, 1 rail and 3 subway lines passing through it.