

HISTORY

Albany Park has long been a gateway for immigrants from all over the world. The area was also known as Koreatown, due to the Korean immigrant community's impact on the neighborhood's vibrancy. The neighborhood today has residents from all kinds of backgrounds and is home to the **American Indian Center** and the **Cambodian American Heritage Museum**. As you might imagine, that means all good things when it comes to grabbing a bite to eat, especially if you're craving perfect Persian rice, refreshing Mexican paletas, or Kyrgyzstani hand-pulled noodles.

Another large part of Albany Park's history includes its access to the riverfront and outdoor activities. The neighborhood has grown from a small farming community in the early 1800s to hosting some of the biggest parks in the area. Stroll along the neighborhood's scenic waterfront at **River Park** and **Ronan Park**. River Park is a 30-acre green space home to a wildlife habitat, fishing spots, a canoe launch, and an interactive water playground. Ronan Park contains a river path, perfect for bird watching, and several works of public art that celebrate the community's multicultural heritage.



Cambodian American Heritage Museum

CULTURE



Albany Park Theater Project

The neighborhood's global influence extends to its cultural scene, too. The **Albany Park Theater Project** is the recipient of numerous accolades, with a diverse team creating original productions that perfectly represent the neighborhood's inclusive spirit. **Albany Park Community Center, 2nd Story, TUTA Theater**, and many other organizations add to the neighborhood's dynamic artistic community.

FUN FACT

Albany Park hosts several large community events. **Flavors of Albany Park** is Chicago's biggest single-day restaurant crawl with more than 70 restaurants with flavors from around the world. **The Northwest Brewfest** brings together more than 15 unique brewers from the Northwest Side of Chicago.

The neighborhood's walkability is another added perk. Stroll down **Lawrence Avenue** to begin your culinary experience and be sure to stop by **Lawrence Fish Market**. Satisfy your sweet tooth at some of the bakeries, like **New Dokil Bakery, Golden Grain**, and **Donya Bakery**. You can find energetic students and young professionals walking the streets of Albany Park with its proximity to Northeastern Illinois University and North Park University. If walking isn't an option, buses run on every main street in Albany Park, and it's a destination that can be easily accessed by train.

GETTING THERE

BY TRAIN

Several CTA brown line stops are in Albany Park: **Kimball, Kedzie**, and **Francisco**.

BY BUS

Several CTA lines service the Albany Park neighborhood: **81 Lawrence, 78 Montrose, 80 Irving Park, 93 California/Dodge, 82 Kimball**, and **53 Pulaski**.

Please confirm routes and schedules at www.transitchicago.com

BY CAR

Albany Park is conveniently located off of the **I-90/I-94** interstate. Travel north from the Loop via **I-90/I-94**, take exit **44b**, and head to **N Pulaski Ave**.

BY BIKE

Albany Park is connected to several bike and pedestrian trails including the **North Shore Channel Trail** (at River Park), **North Branch Trail** (at Gompers Park), and the **Riverview Bridge & 312 River Run** (at Horner Park). Local streets with bike lanes include the **Manor Avenue Greenway, Kedzie Ave, California Ave, Montrose Ave**, and **Lawrence Ave**. There are many Divvy stations throughout the community!

VISIT ALBANY PARK



Sahar International Market



Kimball Brown Line



Lawrence's Fish Market

ALBANY PARK

Want to take a trip around the world in a few blocks? Explore the **Global Roots and Local Heart of Albany Park**, one of the most diverse spots in the United States. The neighborhood's culinary scene reflects this quintessential melting pot, with a dynamic array of restaurants representing Mexican, South American, Filipino, Korean, Indian, Cambodian, Somali, Romanian, and Middle Eastern cultures. Visit and see why Albany Park is called Chicago's "Gateway to the World!"

INSIDER TIP

Albany Park is home to several fresh markets serving different immigrant communities and taste buds. Snack on international street food while you explore endless aisles of fresh produce and specialty ingredients at **Sahar International Supermarket**.

For more info on this and other neighborhoods:



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WHAT TO DO?

- Taste your way around the world. Head to **Chicago Kalbi** for Korean-Japanese barbecue, **Antepli Turkish Gourmet** for baklava, **SUBO Filipino Kitchen** for Filipino classics, and **Noon-O-Kabab**, a local favorite for kebabs.
- Albany Park is perfect for families, with many parks and riverwalks to enjoy every season. **Gompers Park, Eugene Field Park, Horner Park**, and **River Park** are the biggest parks in the area and offer year-round indoor and outdoor activities for people of all ages!
- This neighborhood has an endless amount of food and drink options. Try a signature margarita at **La Fogata**, a delicious Manhattan at **Nighthawk**, a delightful Fernet cocktail at **Bokeh**, choose from a remarkable wine list at **Angelo's Wine Bar**, and get your artisanally roasted coffee at **Brü Coffeeworks**.



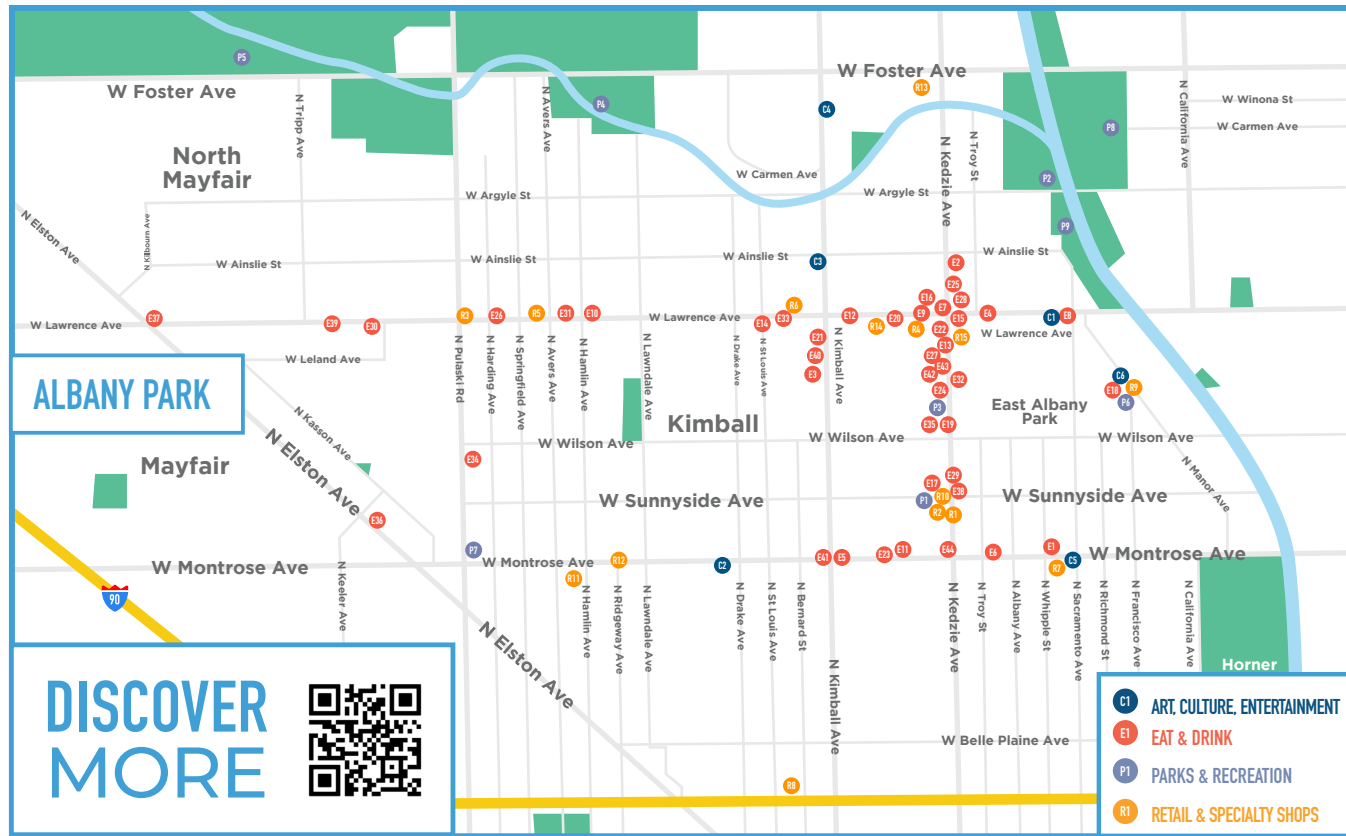
Ronan Park Sculpture Park & Healing Garden

ART, CULTURE, & ENTERTAINMENT

- 2nd Story** 3001 W Lawrence Ave **C1**
Albany Park Theater Project 3549 W Montrose Ave ... **C2**
American Indian Center 3401 W Ainslie St **C3**
Carol Robertson Center for Learning **C4**
 5101 N Kimball Ave
Joel Hall Dancer's and Center (opening soon) **C5**
 2951 W Montrose Ave
TUTA Theater 4670 N Manor Ave **C6**

EAT & DRINK

- Angelo's Wine Bar** 3026 W Montrose Ave **E1**
Antepli Turkish Gourmet 4849 N Kedzie Ave **E2**
Arzan Market & Cafe 4702 N Kimball Ave **E3**
Atitlan Restaurant 3119 W Lawrence Ave **E4**
Aztlan Mexican Grill 3358 W Montrose Ave **E5**
Brasa Roja 3120 W Montrose Ave **E6**
Brazilian Bowl Grill 3200 W Lawrence Ave **E7**
Brü Coffeeworks 3005 W Lawrence Ave **E8**
Campesino Restaurant 3207-09 W Lawrence Ave **E9**
Chicago Kalbi BBQ 3752 W Lawrence Ave **E10**
Chim Thai Cuisine 3254 W Montrose Ave **E11**
Cilantro Taco House 3336 W Lawrence Ave **E12**
Donya Bakery 4738 N Kedzie Ave **E13**
Dulce de Leche Cafe 3441 W Lawrence Ave **E14**
El Fogón de Elena 3149 W Lawrence Ave **E15**
El Tikal Restaurante 3216 W Lawrence Ave **E16**
Feyroux Pastries & Groceries 4510 N Kedzie Ave **E17**
First Slice Pie Cafe 4664 N Manor Ave **E18**
Fruityland Ice Cream 4610 N Kedzie Ave **E19**
Great Sea Restaurant 3253 W Lawrence Ave **E20**
Hot Dog Station 4742 N Kimball Ave **E21**
Kabobi Persian and Mediterranean Grill **E22**
 4748 N Kedzie Ave
Kale My Name 3300 W Montrose Ave **E23**
Khepri Cafe 4650 N Kedzie Ave **E24**
Kim's Home Cooking 4829 N Kedzie Ave **E25**
Lawrence Fish Market 3920 W Lawrence Ave **E26**
LD Phở 4722 N Kedzie Ave **E27**
Lindo Michoacan Restaurant & Supermarket **E28**
 3142 W Lawrence Ave
Machetes Big Quesadillas 4503 N Kedzie Ave **E29**
Marie's Pizza & Liquors 4129 W Lawrence Ave **E30**
New Dokil Bakery 3844 W Lawrence Ave **E31**
Noon-O-Kabab 4701 N Kedzie Ave **E32**
Peking Mandarin Restaurant 3459 W Lawrence Ave .. **E33**
Ruby's Fast Food 4551 N Pulaski Rd **E34**
Salam Restaurant 4636 N Kedzie Ave **E35**
Second City Meadery 4465 N Elston Ave **E36**



EAT & DRINK

- Shibam Yemeni Kitchen** 4807 N Elston Ave **E37**
Somethin' Sweet Donuts 4456 N Kedzie Ave **E38**
Ssyal Ginseng House 4201 W Lawrence Ave **E39**
SUBO Filipino Kitchen 4712 N Kimball Ave **E40**
Taco Max Mexican Grill 3402 W Montrose Ave **E41**
Taqueria San Juanito 4714 N Kedzie Ave **E42**
Wabi Sabi 4720 N Kedzie Ave **E43**
West River Cafe 4400 N Kedzie Ave **E44**

PARKS & RECREATION

- Chicago Northside Kung Fu** **P1**
 4432 N Kedzie Ave Unit 200
Chicago RiverLab 5100 N Francisco Ave **P2**
Embodystudio Chicago 4645 N Kedzie Ave **P3**
Eugene Field Park 5100 N Ridgeway Ave **P4**
Gompers Park 4222 W Foster Ave **P5**
Le Ballet Petit School of Dance **P6**
 4630 N Francisco Ave
Nick's Billiard Academy 4445 N Pulaski Rd **P7**
River Park 5100 N Francisco Ave **P8**
Ronan Park 3000 W Argyle St **P9**

RETAIL & SPECIALTY SHOPS

- a favorite design** 4432 N Kedzie Ave **R1**
Anchor Baby Vintage and Upcycled **R2**
& Urban Markets Collective 4432 N Kedzie Ave
Bliss Shop 4809 N Pulaski Rd **R3**
Chica's 3227 W Lawrence Ave **R4**
Cremeria La Ordeña 2 3810 W Lawrence Ave **R5**
Grisel's Bridal 3432 W Lawrence Ave #5117 **R6**
Green Spaces Plant Shop 3003 W Montrose **R7**
Him + Her Vintage 3434 W Irving Park Rd **R8**
PandaPops & Collectibles 4668 N Manor Ave **R9**
Revival Wellness Spa 4507 N Kedzie Ave **R10**
The Jade Vine 3806 W Montrose Ave **R11**
The Scent Queens Candle Company **R12**
and Apothecary Shoppe 3728 W Montrose Ave
Sweden Shop 3304 W Foster Ave **R13**
Tailwind Cycles 3259 W Lawrence Ave **R14**
Titos Flower Shop and Gifts 4757 N Kedzie Ave **R15**