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To: [Brown, Don](#)
Subject: [External] West Chicago Waste Transfer-Opposition Pollution
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Dear Mr. Brown,

The West Chicago community has long been seen as a less than community in DuPage County. If approved there would only be two waste transfer stations in all of DuPage County and both would be in West Chicago, the community with the highest Latino population in the county. Other more affluent communities have fought off such projects, but our city council chose not to listen to residents who strongly oppose this and were not swayed by the lack of evidence that this would create "no harm."

West Chicago is already home to a superfund site and has long struggled with environmental racism. This Waste Transfer station will bring more trucks, more air pollution and more contaminants into the air. As a home owner and business owner in West Chicago and a member of the Mexican American community here, I strongly oppose this expansion. As a mother whose children play in the area directly to the west of this expansion, I strongly oppose this expansion. West Chicago has one of the highest levels of childhood obesity and chronic health problems in the entire county. Adding more pollution to our town further negatively impacts our already disadvantaged community. Please help us have a fighting chance of health and wellness for ourselves and our children.

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