Meeting of the Board of Directors ("Board") of The Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce

Date: Wednesday, October 19, 2022 Time: 3:00 p.m.

Place: 2657 Independence Avenue, Kansas City, MO. The meeting will be held on site with social distancing measures in place; directors and all interested parties may also attend remotely. Please call 816-215-6813 to receive a link or to be added by telephone.

Call to Order Chairman Jerry Potocnik
 Board Minutes Secretary Manny Abarca IV
 Financial Reports Treasurer Jessica Johnson

P&L and Balance Sheet

4. Board Committee Reports

Executive Jerry Potocnik
Admin/Finance Jessica Johnson
Resource Development Bobbi Baker
Planning & Development Andrea Wilt
Governmental Affairs Manny Abarca IV
Membership Jerry Potocnik

CID Reports CID District Manager Bobbi Baker

Historic NE Events NE Reports

Chamber Reports Events Director Rebecca Koop

CEO/President Report Bobbi Baker HNE Media Report Michael Bushnell

New Business

Jessica Johnson serving until December 2022 Schedule Nomination Committee meeting

Old Business

Taste & Tour upday

Critical Community Improvement update

Vacation/Holiday policy

8. Adjournment

Vision: The Chamber is the go-to place for Northeast businesses, a clearing house for collaborative problem-solving. It is the gatekeeper and advocate for plans and projects that generate economic and social vitality for Northeast businesses, institutions and neighborhoods. It is the mentor of tomorrow's leaders and the guardian of the Northeast's historic and cultural assets.

Mission: The Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce strives to be a financially sound, well-managed business association that enhances the quality of life and economic competitiveness in the historic, contemporary and multi-cultural Northeast district of Kansas City, Missouri. The Chamber works through partnership and collaboration to comprehensively serve the diverse entrepreneurial, cultural, artistic, commercial, industrial and civic interests of its members. The Chamber seeks as members caring volunteers eager to promote the general well-being and economic growth of the Northeast community.

MONARCH NATION



COMMUNITY STRONG



YOUR LAST PRESENTATION DATE:

NEKC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

INDEPENDENCE AVE CID

8/21/2022 9/26/2022

2022 BOARD REPORT



PRESENTED BY: BOBBI BAKER, PRESIDENT/CEO: NEKC CHAMBER & MANAGER: IA CID

AGENDA: OCTOBER 19, 2022

- BUSINESS ABASSADOR'S REPORT
- RECENT EVENTS
- THE EGG EVENTS
- HAPPENING ON & OFF THE AVENUE
- PASEO GATEWAY FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT
- CID, TITAN ANGELS & ALLEYWAY REPORT
- REPEAT NUISANCE OFFENDERS/HOUSELESS
- THE NE NEWSPAPER'S "CID CENTERFOLDS"
- TITAN 'FOUR CORNERS'
- UPCOMING EVENTS



NEKC CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Total Members: 183 - 19 New Membership; 89 Renewal Since 1/1/2022

OCTOBER 2022

New Members: 0

Renewals: 1

Facebook POSTS People Reached: 98,594



Facebook LIKES: 20,987

OCTOBER - TO DATE

1) Cosentino' Food Store

BUSINESS AMBASSADOR'S ACTIVATIES

- 1) Store Visits 8 per day.
- 2) **Posts** 1 store every day on Facebook.
- 3) Facebook Page reviewed business's advertising promotions.
- 4) Google reviewed business info "coaching" done accordingly.
- 5) Twitter do they have for promotions?
- Yelp do they have? "Coaching" done accordingly.
- 7) Website do they have?
- 8) Instagram do they have?
- 9) Business logo do they have?
- 10) Membership dues remind, collect, and record.









NEKC CHAMBER LUNCHEON, AUG 23 ATTENDEES: 13 including staff

Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce added an event. August 23 at 10:01 AM \cdot \odot





NEKC Chamber Luncheon

3218 Gladstone Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64123-1111, United States 0 Went · 0 Interested

People reached

Engagement

Boost a post

LEFT IMAGE, ABOVE

Originally built in 1905 for Joseph Crews English and his family, this prairie-influenced, classic American Four Square has been restored by Dylan VanGerpen and Scott Hale.

RIGHT IMAGE, ABOVE

Artist Rebecca Koop at Back Door Pottery, a business she started in 1979 and located on St. John Avenue since 1986.



COFFEE, CULTURE, &... CONVERSATION!









Northeast KC Chamber of Commerce
Coffee, Culture and Conversation
THURSDAY Sept 8, 2022

At PH Coffee, 2200 Lexington and Brooklyn

IT IS A FREE TICKET CLICK BELOW TO RSVP



Thu, Sep 8, 2022 10:00 AM CST
Coffee , Culture &
Conversation, Member
Recognition at PH Coffee
PH Coffee, Kansas City

Tickets

Mingle & Meet with NE Business Owners, Residents, Movers & Shakers. Bring your business cards and literature.

RSVP Now! Coffee break 10 - 11 am.

Come in for a COMPLIMENTARY cup of International coffee and travel around the world **Every Second Thursday** of the month.

Bring your business cards!

Member Business
PH Coffee
2200 Lexington Ave.
KCMO 64124

TIME

Thursday Sept 8, 2022 10:00 - 11:00am

Our September Coffee, Culture & Conversation will be on the 2200 block of Lexington Ave. and Brooklyn.

Our host is:

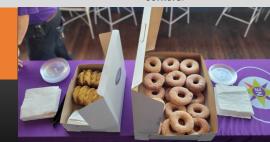
Eric Rosell will share with us what is going on at PH and the gallery space next door.
This Coffee shop is a hub in the Pendleton Heights
Neighborhood for great coffee, food, music, meetings, art and more.

Coffee and Pastries are complimentary for this event so please RSVP for your FREE ticket.

Look for the NEKC Chamber and Independence Avenue CID tents on the corners.

CORE COFFEE, SEPTEMBER 8, 2022

ATTENDEES: 23 including staff



Tasty Topic Talk about Medicare for Employers & amp; Employees

Tuesday Sep 27th 11:45 am

Medicare for Employers and EmployeesGuests: Chris and Andrea Wilt owners of YOUR MEDICARE HELPERSThis session would cover two major







Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce * Favorites - 1d - 3

Your Medicare Helpers, welcome to the #NEKCChamber as NEW MEMBER 29 4 @ the #NEKCChamber & #InternationalMarketplace.

Thank you, Chris & Andrea Wilt, you two gave a very informative presentation at our last luncheon on the types of benefit plans and services offered with Medicare. If you need information on choosing a plan we encourage you to seek them out and give them a call 816-363-2657. They can help you find the most affordable plan with the most benefits.

www.ne... See more





You and 1 other

SAFETY & SECURITY MEETING

AUGUST 29, 2022 ATTENDEES: 14 including staff

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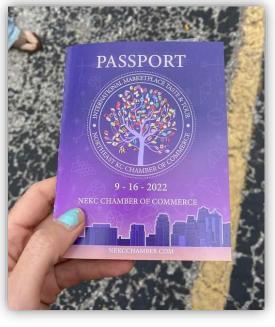
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EXPLORE · DISCOVER · EXPERIENCE





The Northwest Keeses City Chember of Commerce is peoring up for its 10th associal international Marketplace Taste & Tour along Independence Avenue, Friday, September 16 from 11-30 p. m. to 2:30 p.m. will be filled with delicious seacks, treats and drinks from 14 international restaurants and coffee shops that call the

Begin your increey in Italy at the American Sons of Columbus, where you will receive a passport and map, and board the trolley that will take you to each stop. The International Marketplace Teste and Your will start and end at the American Sons of Columbus, 1915 Independence Blvd. Taste and Tour tickets are qualiable unline at www.eventhrite.com or at the American Sons of Columbus on Friday, September 16.

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If all probably recognize this place from the privately assertationed exerci. This leader plup has remained dused for the past few years, but starting Blooding. Supervisor 12, they will be respecting and taking Interest to carbon.

Join as most friday at 5.00 when our most four Corners Community Call will be at ...

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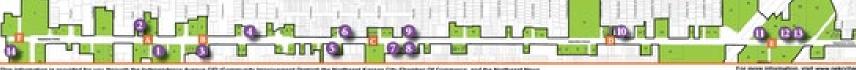












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NORTHEAST KANSAS CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE











NORTHEAST CLEAN UP

October 1, 2022 - 8 AM - NOON

Bulky & Trash Locations:

- Lykins Square:
 4115 E 7th St, KCMO, 64124
- Budd Park: 5001 St John Ave, KCMO, 64123
- The Concourse Park:
 200 Benton Ave, KCMO, 64123
- Sheffield Park: 6900 E 12th St, KCMO, 64126
- Carquest Auto Parts: 7806 US-24, KCMO, 64126
- Independence Boulevard Christian Church (Dumpsters only):
 606 Gladstone Blvd., KCMO, 64124

Tire Collection and Document Shredder Location:

The Concourse Park:
 200 Benton Ave, KCMO, 64123

Tire Collection

Carquest Auto Parts:
 7806 US-24, KCMO, 64126

Clothing, Appliances, Donations,

Electronics <u>no charge</u>: Desktop and laptop computers, computer flat screens monitors, wires, cables, networking equipment, ink, and toner

Electronics cash only charge:

Flat screen TVs-\$20 Wood console TVs, DLP rear projection TVs-\$40 CRT monitors-\$40 Small Personal Printers-\$20 Large printers/copiers-\$40

Location: 9th and Van Brunt Athletic Fields KCMO, 64124

Sponsors:









For more information, contact Robert Woods at 816-513-8442









Kansas City's Northeast News is in Northeast Kansas City, Kansas City, Missouri. October 5 at 11:38 AM · ❸

Historic Northeast residents took advantage of almost perfect weather Saturday morning to clean up their community. Dumpsters were placed at six centralized loc... See more

Three Events on one Day Tue. Oct. 18, 2022

Tuesday, October 18, 2022 Three Events on the same day same Independence Blvd.

Independence Plaza Park North, Independence Boulevard & Brooklyn Ave.

Join Kansas City Parks and Recreation for a ribbon cutting in celebration of improvements to this Historic Northeast Park including:

- . A new, attractive universally accessible playground for children regardless of their degree of mobility on the North side
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Yet another Ribbon Cutting Event / Coffee, Culture, Conversation

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Ted's Barber Shop Lina's Nails

And an available storefront

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12:30p.m. - 4:00p.m.

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INDEPENDENCE PLAZA NORTH **GRAND OPENING RIBBON CUTTING** October 18, 2022 - Tons of Attendees!





HASNA SAL ART INSTALLATION



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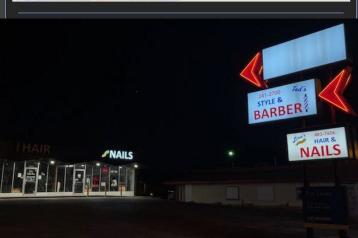
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TED'S BARBER SHOP





LINA'S NAILS & HAIR

AVAILABLE SPACE

COFFEE, CULTURE, &... **CONVERSATION!**

TUESDAY, OCT 18, 2022

ATTENDEES: 20 including staff



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'LIVE IN LIGHT'

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Location:

EGG (Economic Growth Gallery), 2659 Independence Blvd, Kansas City MO

Private Wine & Hors d'oeuvres Reception : Friday October 14th, 2022. 6-7.30 pm Hosted by NorthEast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce.

Public Opening: Monday October 17th, 2022 to November 17th 2022.

Time: 9 am to 4 pm







CCI FACADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

PROGRESS REPORT: Summer 2022

PROJECT 1

2627-33 Independence (South Side of Street)



PROJECT 2

Independence & Prospect (Northwest Corner)







PROJECT 3

2415 Independence (South Side of Street)



PROJECT 4

2415 Independence (South Side of Street)



PROJECT 5

611-17 Prospect (South Side of Avenue)





CCI FACADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

PROGRESS REPORT: Summer 2022

RECEIVED SECTION 3 EXEMPTION FOR PROJECTS

PROJECT 1

2627-33 Independence (South Side of Street)









RECEIVED PROGRESS

PROJECT 2

Independence & Prospect (Northwest Corner)



PHASE ONE DONE! The "crowning" of Prospect Center (Independence Blvd & Prospect) in all it's NEW glory! Thank you Westport Glass & Chappell Electric for your trustworthy service. Photo courtesy of TITAN Officer, Richard Boboljov.

Stay tuned for the 2nd and final phase...along with a NEKC Chamber ribbon cutting event, soon!

#internationalmarketplace

#IndependenceAve





8 Comments 7 Shares









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PROGRESS REPORT: Summer 2022







PLACEMAKING 2022

New Identity → Bales to Indiana North of Avenue

BRIAN MAPES "ALLEY ART"

Pulling Weeds of Despair & Planting Seeds of Hope









NON-MUNICIPAL FUNDING AND SERVICES CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN

THE CITY OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
AND
NDEPENDENCE AVENUE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMEN

THIS CONTRACT, made and entered into this fire City 1018 by and between KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, a constitutionally corporation of the State of Missouri, through its CITY DEVELOPME MISSOURI, hereinafter referred to as "CITY", and the INDEPENDENCE AVENUATION OF TWO parts: PART I, SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

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17 ALLEYWAYS

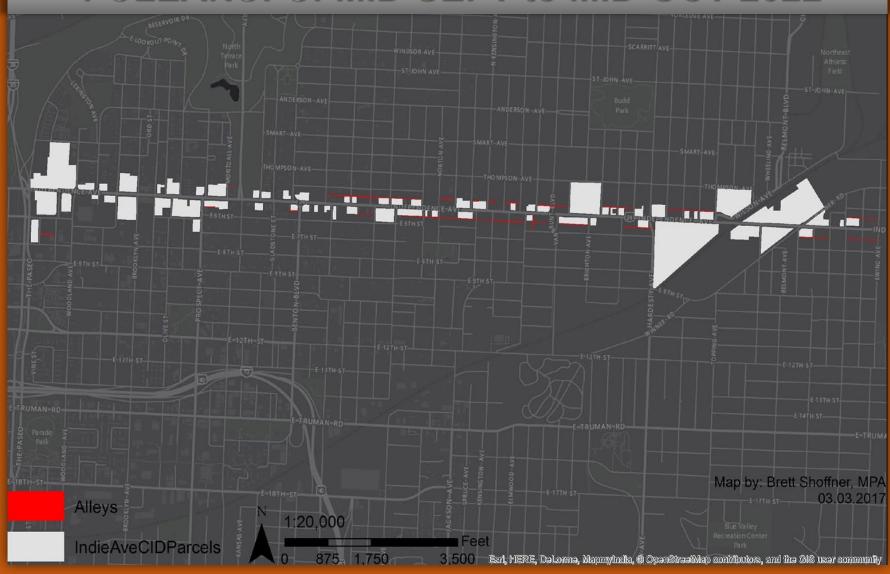
MANAGED BY: **NEKC CHAMBER**

IMPLEMENTED BY:
INDEPENDENCE AVE CID



Independence Avenue CID Alleys

1 CLEANUPS: MID-SEPT to MID-OCT 2022



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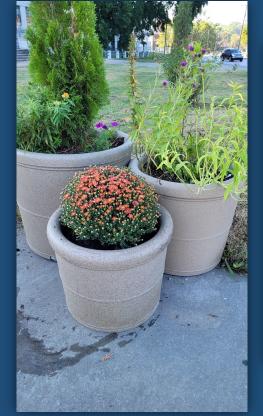
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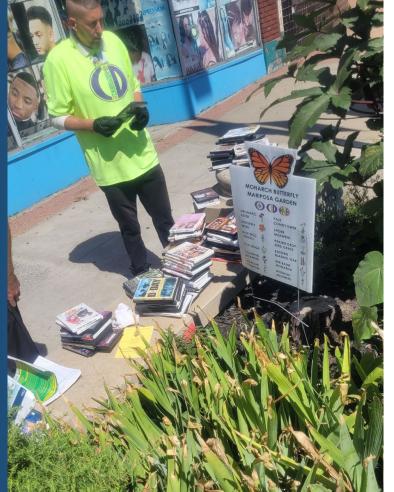
















































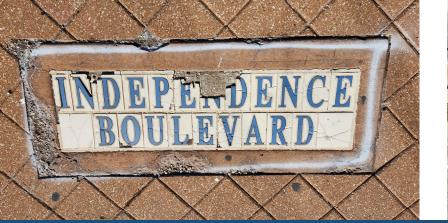






















PUBLIC WORKS CAPITAL



- 1. VERY POOR CONDITION-BROKEN AND/OR MISSING ELEMENTS





4. GOOD CONDITION-SLIGHT WEAR AND TEAR





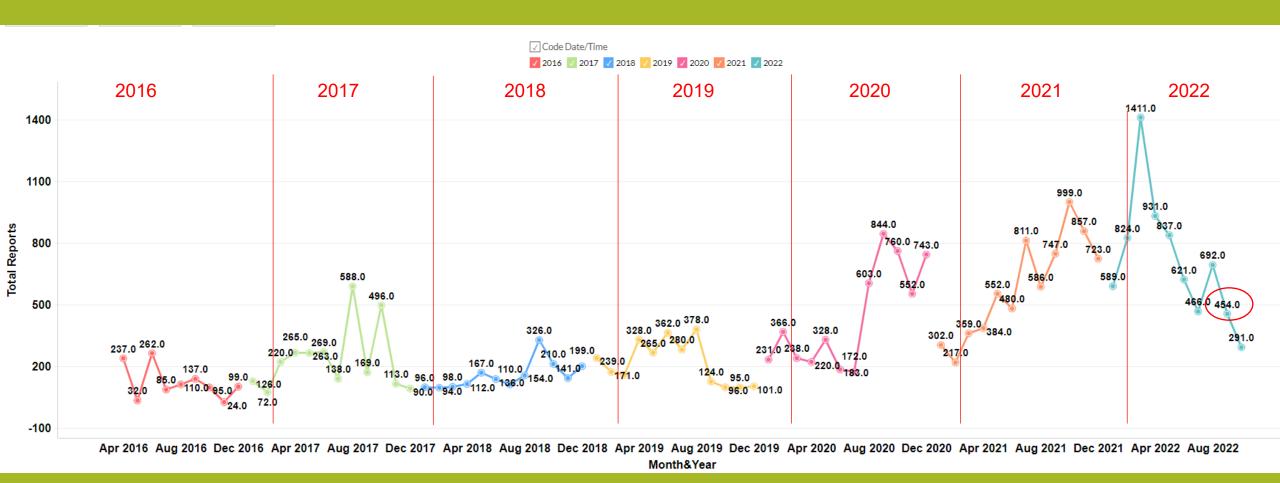


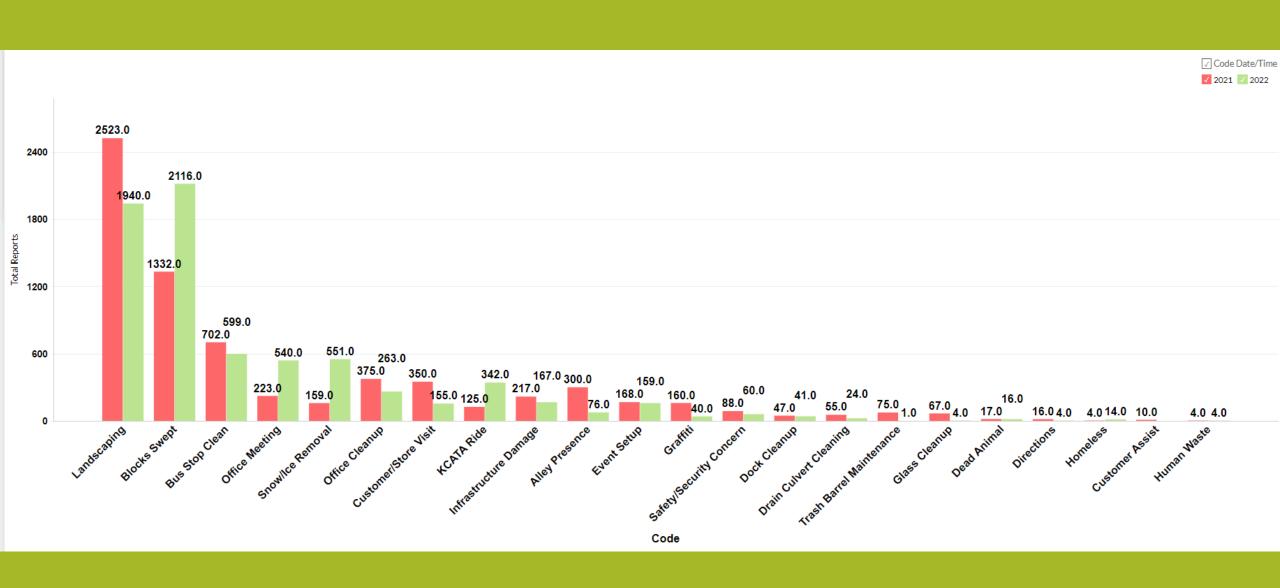




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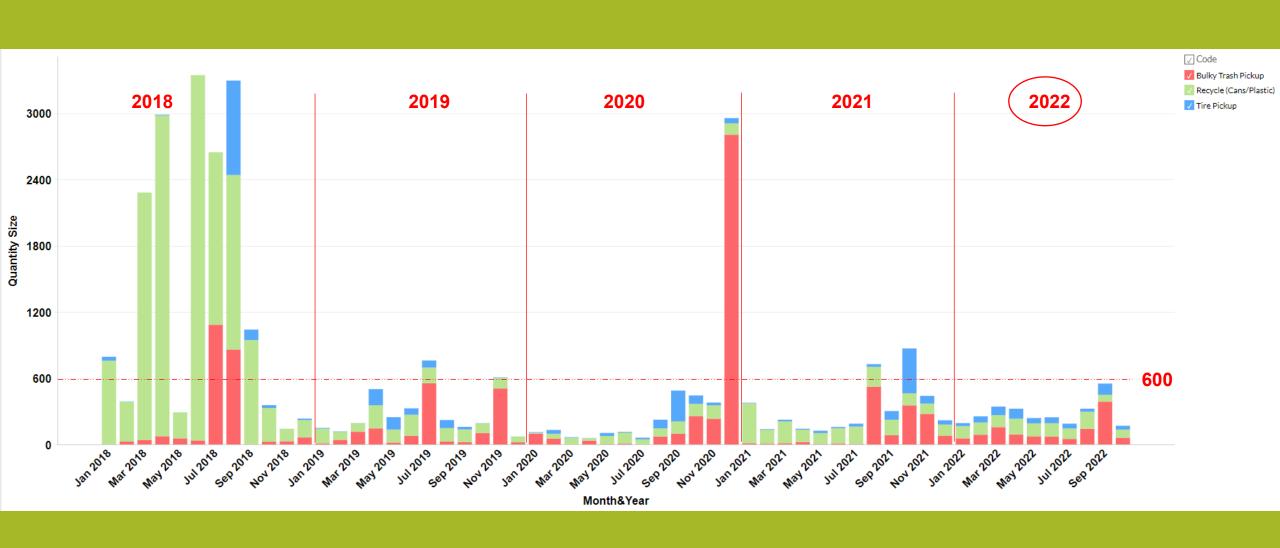
OVERALL ACTIVITY OVER THE YEARS





USA REPORT

CLEAN UP (BY THE POUND)



OVERALL ACTIVITY OVER THE YEARS



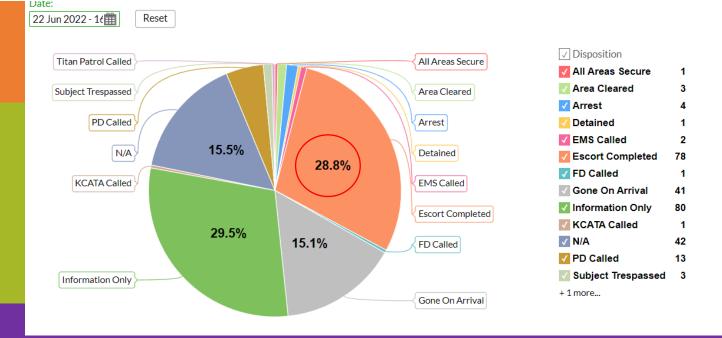
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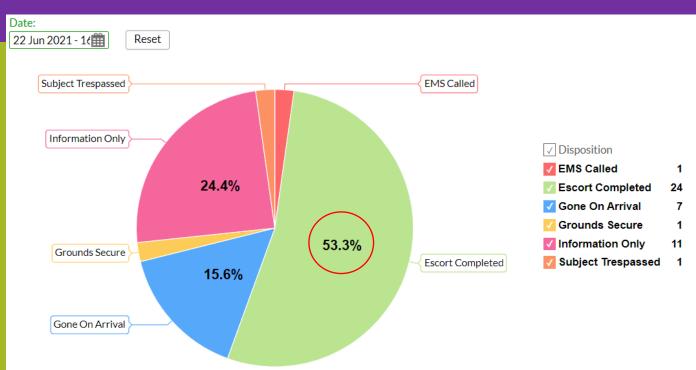
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OVERALL ANALYSIS

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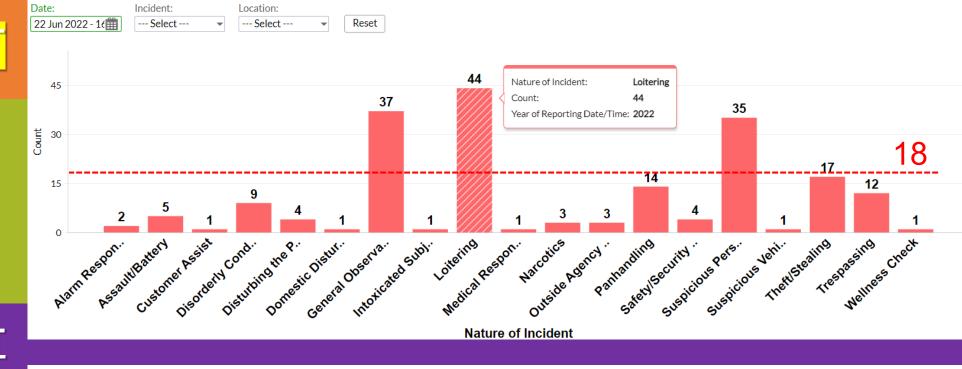


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REPORTS BY **INCIDENT**

2021







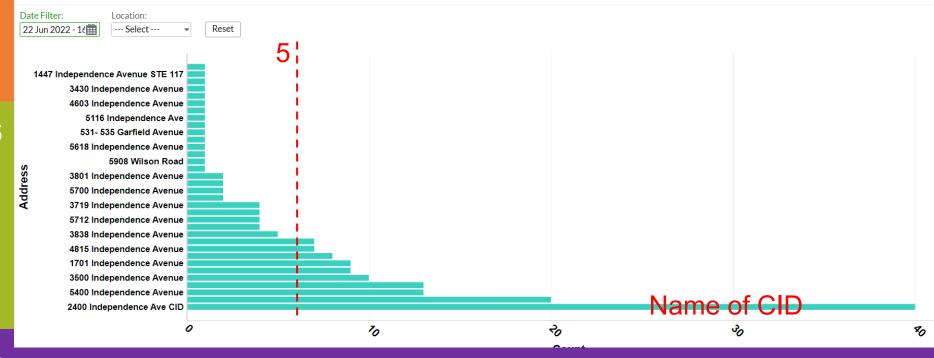
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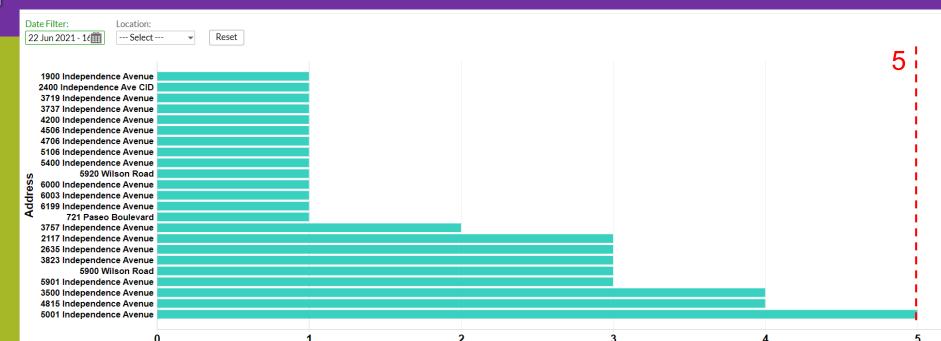
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REPORTS BY INCIDENT

2021







REPEAT NUISANCE OFFENDERS/HOUSELESS OUTREACH



Artist, Kye, had a houseless woman paint until assistance could arrive from our office, USA member, Laura Cardwell, to find help for her.



IBCC Church & Care Beyond
Boulevard donated a
wheelchair to a legless &
houseless person, Anthony.





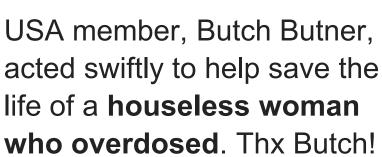




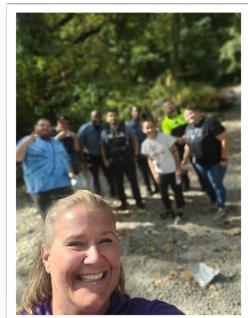
Houseless Eric, has an inflicting psychosis, got help from staff member, Laura Cardwell, to a crisis center. Thx KCPD!

REPEAT NUISANCE OFFENDERS/HOUSELESS OUTREACH









USA member, Laura Caldwell, & TITAN officers handed out resources to a houseless camp.





A **lost puppy** was rescued by USA member, Laura Cardwell, that got donated to Healing House.





9-2-2022 SCHOOL



9-16-2022 NEW MALL



9-9-2022 KASANOVE STUDIO



9-23-2022 NE NEWS



9-30-2022 PASS BROS



10-7-2022 KC MED



The EGG | EVENTS



EGG REVENUE SINCE 1/1/2022

2 BABY SHOWERS \$100 **WHIM** \$270

\$370

Book Your Event @ theEGG Online!



BOARD DEVELOPMENT

Ongoing Monthly...





ART EXHIBIT













PROSPECT & INDEPENDENCE AVE



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2811 INDEPENDENCE AVE



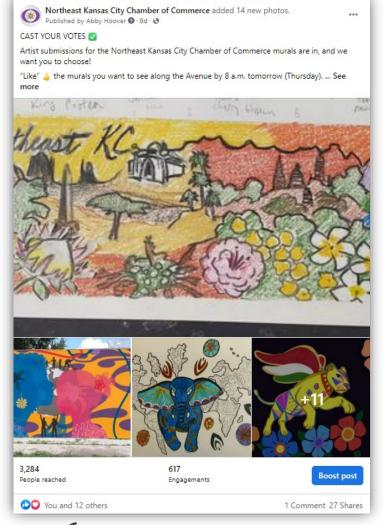
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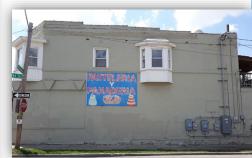












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PROSPECT & INDEPENDENCE

INDEPENDENCE PLAZA PARK(S) RENOVATIONS OCT 18





NORTH

SOUTH









4 Comments 1 Share

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MJ Jones, Andrea Bough, Councilwoman and 14 others



















People reached

Engagements

3 Comments 10 Shares

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BUDD PARK RENOVATION BEGINS







Free NARCAN given out on the Avenue

By Michael Bushnell | Posted September 7th, 2022 | 🚈



Michael Bushnell Publisher

Last Wednesday, Aug. 31, was International Overdose Awareness Day and representatives from Benilde Hall, a local substance abuse counseling center near 23rd and Benton Boulevard, teamed up with Independence Avenue Community Improvement District (CID) Ambassador Laura Cardwell to distribute over 100 doses of NARCAN to homeless camps located along the Independence Avenue corridor.

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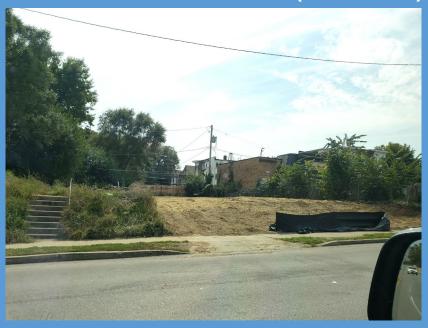








3211 INDEPENDENCE (BENTON)



"BUS RAPID TRANSIT" (BRT) KC



INDEPENDENCE AVE PROPOSAL



CAPITAL & OPERATING COST ESTIMATION

Critical to the implementation and operation of the Independence Avenue MAX project are reliable capital and annual operation cost estimations. Current unit price information from the Prospect MAX construction project was used to develop a conservative capital cost estimate for the Independence Avenue MAX project. Capital costs were escalated to the assumed year of expenditure, 2024. Total capital costs for the project are estimated between \$60 - \$64 million. A summary of the capital cost estimate details is provided in **Table**











Capital Elements	Total
Guideway/Roadway	\$607,042
Stations/Terminals	\$15,707,311
Support Facilities	\$0
Sitework and Special Conditions	\$12,464,591
Systems	\$7,319,189
ROW, Land, Existing Improvements	\$462,508
Vehicles	\$8,672,025
Professional Services	\$5,426,094
Subtotal	\$50,658,760
Contingency (20%)	\$10,131,752
Total Capital Cost	\$60,790,512







Potential BRT station features include translucent panels, decorative roof panels, station markers with integrated information panel, sloped concrete bench, ramps on both sides of platform, and raised boarding platform.



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Bi-State Sustainable Reinvestment Corridor Project gets \$5.6 Million RAISE Grant

By Abby Hoover | Posted August 24th, 2022 | [28]



Abby Hoover Managing Editor

The Department of Transportation (DOT) has awarded the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) a \$5,600,000 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability & Equity (RAISE) Grant for the Bi-State Sustainable Reinvestment Corridor project along State Avenue, Independence Avenue and Truman Road.

"SUSTAINABILITY & EQUALITY"

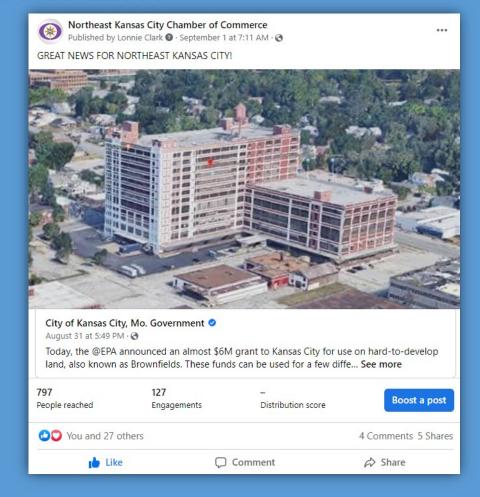












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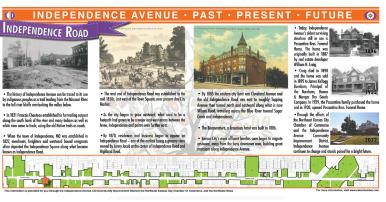
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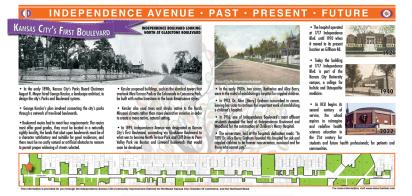
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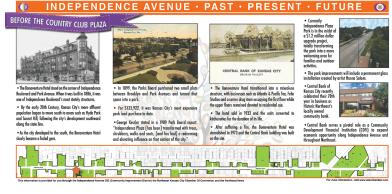




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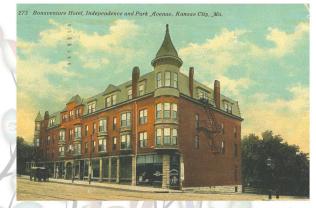
INDEPENDENCE ROAD



- The history of Independence Avenue can be traced to its use by indigenous peoples as a trail leading from the Missouri River to the tall river bluffs overlooking the valley below.
- In 1821 Francois Chouteau established his fur trading outpost along the south bank of the river and many Indians as well as white men came to trade, using the old Native trails as roads.
- When the town of Independence, MO was established in 1827, merchants, freighters and westward bound emigrants often departed the Independence Square along what became known as Independence Road.

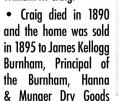


- The west end of Independence Road was established in the mid 1850s, just west of the Town Square, near present day City Market.
- As the city began to grow eastward, what used to be a footpath had grown to be a major east-west artery between the levee, Independence and points even further east.
- By 1870, residences and business began to appear on Independence Road one of the earliest being a grocery store owned by Jenny Jacob at the corner of Independence Road and Highland Road.



- By 1885 the eastern city limit was Cleveland Avenue and the old Independence Road ran east to roughly Topping Avenue then turned north and eastward along what is now Wilson Road, traveling across the Blue River toward Sugar Creek and Independence.
- The Bonaventure, a luxurious hotel was built in 1886.
- Kansas City's more affluent families soon began to migrate eastward, away from the busy downtown area, building great mansions along Independence Avenue.

• Today, Independence Avenue's oldest surviving structure still in use is Passantino Bros. Funeral Home. The home was originally built in 1887 by real estate developer William H. Craig.





Company. In 1929, the Passantino family purchased the home and in 1930, opened Passantino Bros. Funeral Home.

• Through the efforts of the Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce and the Independence Avenue Community Improvement District, Independence Avenue



continues to change and stands poised for a bright future.



UPCOMING EVENTS

HNE-RE-EMPLOYMENT EXCHANGE THURSDAY, OCT 20





THIS THURSDAY AT 5 PM

HNE Re-Employment After Hour Mixer

2657 Independence Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124-9998, United States Bobbi is going

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NEKC LUNCHEON TUESDAY, OCT 25

Tasty Topic Talk LUNCHEON Tuesday October 25, 2022

Arrive @ 11:45 am - 1:00 pm NEKC Chamber office 2657 Independence Ave Community Room.



Plan to attend this insightful presentation and learn more about grant processes and how specific grants have changed the Northeast.

Our speaker for the Tuesday, Oct 25th Chamber luncheon is **Jill Lawlor**,

> Executive Fellow, with the Office of the Mayor, City of Kansas City, Missouri.

As a member of FUSE Corps, she works closely with a range of critical stakeholders – including staff across city departments. The ultimate goal of her efforts is to create processes, procedures and approaches to grantmaking on both issues-specific and cross-departmental applications throughout the city.

Questions and Answers to follow

Serving Food from Around the World Fee for lunch and program \$25 tickets below

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MURAL REVEAL CELEBRATION

Friday October 21, 2022

12:00 pm Noon to 1:00 pm 3430 Independence Ave. El Paso del Norte

3500 Independence Ave. EXPRESS STOP

FREE hot dogs, chips, drinks
Entertainment by our favorite drum squad
Come see the transformation of one alley,
two walls and many lives.





Brian Mapes II, on the El Paso del Norte wall and alley

Kye Benjamin Stone, on the EXPRESS STOP wall.

Images above are only Half finished

Come see the FINISHED ART MURALS FRIDAY AT NOON- 1PM

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