



WEEKLY CAPITOL UPDATE

Monday, September 26th, 2022

SENATE ADVANCES MAJOR INCOME TAX CUT

The Missouri Senate voted 24-4 on Sept. 21 to pass a major income tax cut that would reduce state revenue by roughly \$371 million a year once fully implemented in fiscal year 2028, according to the legislation's official fiscal summary.

The four dissenting senators all were Democrats.

The legislation (Senate Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bills 3 & 5) is now awaiting consideration in the Missouri House where the House Budget Committee is slated to hear it at noon Sept. 28 along with three House bills reducing income taxes sponsored by Committee Chair Cody Smith.

Tax cuts are generally politically popular and can often stimulate economic growth by attracting new businesses to a political jurisdiction and encouraging the expansion of existing businesses. Missouri state government is currently on good fiscal footing due to an influx of federal aid in response to the pandemic.

However, Missouri still underfunds many essential state services such as public education, and state employees generally rank among the lowest paid in the nation, making it difficult to attract and retain top notch employees. This has led many observers to believe major income tax reductions will actually jeopardize the state's growth over the long run by necessitating future cuts to essential state services.

Under the constitution, the special session can last through Nov. 5, but some lawmakers are hoping to get it wrapped up much sooner so they can focus on their reelection campaigns before the Nov. 8 general election.

URBAN FARM TAX INCENTIVES ADVANCE

Nearly identical bills to approve several tax incentives to benefit Missouri agriculture including identical new state income tax credits to encourage investments to establish or improve urban farms passed the Missouri House and Senate on Sept. 21 and now await action by the other branch of the legislature.

Both House Committee Substitute for House Bill 3 and Senate Substitute for Senate Bill 8 provide tax credits equal

to 50% of a taxpayer's eligible expenses up to \$5,000 for establishing or improving an urban farm including a community-run garden that produces food for distribution to the public by sale or donation.

Present and potential urban farmers in Kansas City should be well positioned to benefit from the proposed tax credits since city ordinances permit many types of urban farming in much of the city unlike many Missouri cities that have stringent restrictions on urban farming.

In written testimony provided to the House Agricultural Policy Committee, Ami Freeberg, metro farms & food systems program manager for Cultivate Kansas City, a nonprofit that promotes urban agriculture in the metro area, said "The tax credits would encourage investment in and development of urban farms and community-run gardens to help provide fresh, healthy produce to residents of Kansas City, as well as enhance the economic viability of urban farms."

Brien Darby, executive director of Cultivate Kansas City, in her written testimony said "As the price of land continues to rise, a tax credit like this could help existing urban farmers acquire more land and could help new farmers start a business in the neighborhood in which they live."

Both bills provide that the total tax credits allowed for all taxpayers for any specific urban farm not exceed \$25,000, and that the total statewide amount of urban farm tax credits not exceed \$200,000 in any calendar year.

They specify that the term “urban farm” not include residential lots for personal use and that “eligible expenses” not include expenses for labor or for growing medical marijuana or industrial hemp.

The urban farm tax credits would first be available for the 2023 tax year and continue through 2028 before requiring reauthorization by new legislation.

The bills also extend several existing income tax credits, create new ones and provide additional incentives to benefit Missouri agriculture besides the urban farm tax credits.

The Senate bill (Senate Substitute for Senate Bill 8) passed the Senate 26-4, and an emergency clause was adopted making it effective as soon as it is signed into law by the governor if it passes the legislature. The four dissenting senators all were Republicans.

It has not yet been assigned to a committee in the House for a hearing.

The House bill (House Committee Substitute for House Bill 3) only passed the House 83-28 with just one vote to spare since 82 votes are constitutionally required for passage. There were 19 Republicans and 9 Democrats who voted no.

There also were 20 representatives who voted “present”, all of them Democrats, indicating the dissatisfaction of many members of their party with the decision by the House

Republican leadership to quickly cut off debate on the bill.

Although more representatives voted to adopt the bill's emergency clause than voted to pass the bill (94 compared to 83), the vote for adoption still fell well short of the two-thirds majority of the entire House (109 votes) needed for adoption. Without an emergency clause, the bill won't take effect until 90 days after the special session adjourns assuming it wins final passage and is signed by the governor.

The House bill has been assigned to the Senate Appropriations Committee (that recommended the Senate version of the bill for passage) for a hearing, but a hearing date has not yet been announced.

Both bills include a number of incentives to benefit agriculture that weren't authorized by the governor to be considered during the special session. However, the sponsors of both bills said they expect the governor to expand the special session's authority to cover those added provisions once final legislation is approved.

NO OVERRIDES DURING DELAYED VETO SESSION

Lawmakers wrapped up their annual veto session on Sept. 21 without overriding the governor on any of the four bills or 32 appropriation line items he rejected from this year's regular legislative session.

The constitutionally mandated veto session allows the General Assembly to attempt to override gubernatorial vetoes of any

legislation or line-item vetoes of any appropriations. It takes two-thirds of all the members of both the House and Senate to override a veto.

After convening the veto session on Sept. 14, Republican legislative leaders opted not to consider the vetoed items until later as they worked to formulate a plan for a simultaneous special session of the legislature called by Governor Mike Parson to consider approving a major income tax cut and tax credits to benefit Missouri agriculture.

The special session was supposed to begin Sept. 6, but GOP legislative leaders instructed lawmakers not to attend until the start of the veto session on Sept. 14.

The vetoed bills included a measure to provide income tax credits to benefit Missouri agriculture that the governor said he vetoed because that bill required the credits to be reauthorized after just two years which he said was too short a time to effectively boost agricultural investments.

The other three vetoed bills included separate measures regarding regulation of kratom products and county government financial statements and a controversial bill to grant one-time income tax rebates to certain taxpayers.

The governor's 32 line-item vetoes eliminated \$644 million in spending authority from this fiscal year's state operating budget, most of which came from vetoing \$500 million in spending authority for the vetoed tax rebates.

No override votes were taken on any vetoed items.

Fifth District

CLEAN UP

October 8, 2022 8 AM - NOON

LOCATIONS:

- Southeast High School
3500 E Meyer Blvd
KCMO, 64132:

Tires (with or without rims), trash,
bulky items, leaf & brush, glass
collections

- 3001 East 81st Street
KCMO, 64132:

Trash, bulky items, leaf & brush

- 8800 Blue Ridge Blvd
KCMO, 64138:

Trash, bulky items

- 5915 Park Ave , 64130(parking lot)
Trash, bulky items, leaf & brush

- Center Academy for Success
8434 The Paseo
KCMO, 64131:

Tires (with or without rims), trash,
bulky items, leaf & brush, clothes, and
tools, toys, document shredder
Electronics no charge: Desktop, laptop
computers, computer flat screen
monitors, wires, cables, networking
equipment, ink, and toner

Electronics cash only charge:

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



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33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

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Parenting Skills Training

A CAPA Parent Education Class

Parenthood isn't always easy and CAPA understands that sometimes parents need a helping hand. CAPA's **Parenting Skills Training Class** is offered to families with one main goal:

**To help parents develop skills that
create strong and resilient families.**

Topics Include:

- ♥ Positive discipline techniques
- ♥ Effective communication skills
- ♥ Problem-solving skills
- ♥ Child development
- ♥ Conflict management

Upcoming Virtual Classes

Fall/Winter 2022 Sessions

Saturday, Oct. 15 & 22

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 29

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 5 & 12

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 19

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 3 & 10

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 17

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Internet required. Once registered, you will receive a link to connect using Zoom. Visit <https://zoom.us> for use and compatibility information.

If needed, a certificate of completion will be provided to those individuals who have completed all sessions of a scheduled class.



To register, call Lexi Wright,
Community Education
Manager, at (816) 534-0623 or
sign-up online at:
capacares.org/what-we-do/education



capa capacares.org

PUBLIC WORKS

Sixth District Clean Up

Open to all KCMO residents

Saturday, October 22, 2022: 8 AM - Noon

Location:

Ruskin High School
7000 E 111TH ST
Kansas City, MO, 64134

Accepted items:

- Bulky items/Trash
- Leaf and Brush
- Tires
- Clothes/Tools
- Document Shredding
- Free Electronic Collection:
 - All Desktop and Laptop Computers
 - Computer Flat Screen Monitors
 - Wires, Cables, Networking Equipment, Ink, Toner

There will be a cash charge for electronic items listed below:

- All flat Screen TVs- \$20
- Wood Console TVs, DLP Rear Projection TVs- \$40
- CRT Monitors-\$40
- Small Personal Printers- \$20
- Large Printers/Copiers- \$40

Location:

South-Broadland Presbyterian
7850 Holmes Rd
Kansas City, MO, 64131

Accepted items:

- Bulky items/Trash
- Leaf and Brush
- Tires
- Electronics (Will be at both locations)
- Document Shredding



Councilmembers
McManus & Bough
Sixth District



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- arts and crafts
- bounce house
- soft play for babies
and more!

OPERATION BREAKTHROUGH

3039 TROOST KCMO 64109

OCTOBER 22ND 11AM-3PM



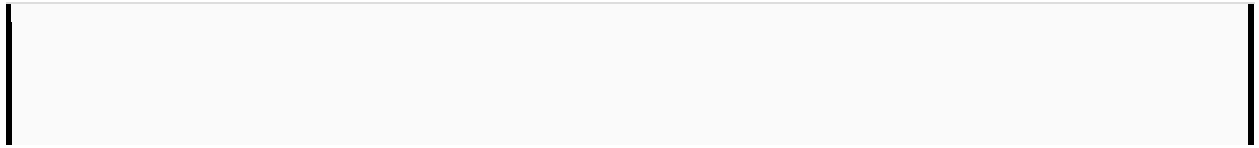
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SAVE THE DATE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29th UN-DUMPSTER DAY 8a-12p
Southeast High School - 3500 E Meyer Blvd KCMO 64132

Items accepted

- Small and large appliances in good working order (no dishwashers)
- Arts, books, and crafts supplies
- Baby supplies (no car seats or cribs)
- Bicycles in good working order
- Shredded documents, tires with or without rims.
- Building materials
 - Large, usable pieces of sheetrock and wood
 - Tile or wood/LVP flooring (new and in the box)
 - Reclaimed wood with nails and screws removed
 - No scrap wood, sheetrock or other building materials
- Wearable men's, women's and children's clothing
- Clothing hangers
- Bedroom, living room and dining room furniture
- Games and puzzles | Gardening equipment | Home decor

New hygiene products, such as soap, shampoo, deodorant, tampons/pads

Kitchenware | Linens and towels

Medical equipment, such as crutches, wheelchairs

Clean and usable mattresses

Musical instruments | Office supplies | School supplies

Sports equipment (no treadmills, exercise bikes or ellipticals)

Hand tools and power tools in good working order

Flat screen TVs in good working order (no console TVs)

Toys

In addition, PCs for People will be on site to accept electronics and computers*.

***Electronics Recycling Guidelines**

Items PCs for People will take at NO charge to you:

- All desktop and laptop computers
- Computer flat screen monitors
- Wires, cables, networking equipment, ink, toner

Items PCs for People will take but requires a charge to recycle for you:

- Flat Screen TVs up to 40 inches - **\$20**
- Flat Screen TVs over 40 inches, Wood Console TVs, DLP Rear Projection TVs - **\$40**
- CRT Monitors - **\$40**
- Small Personal Printers - **\$20**
- Large Printers/Copiers - **\$40**

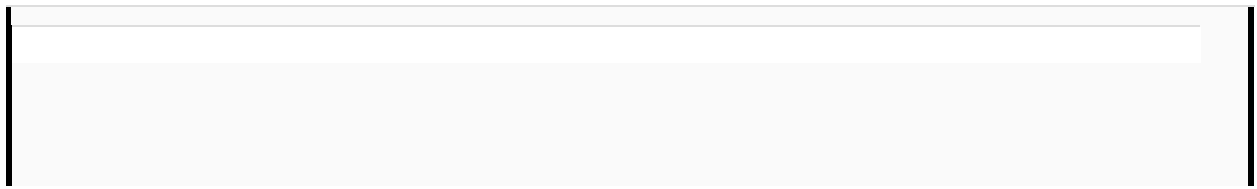
Items PCs for People does not accept:

- Air Conditioners
- Batteries - of any kind
- Broken Glass
- Computer Discs
- Dehumidifiers
- Electric Fixtures
- Fluorescent Lights or Bulbs
- Large Household Appliances
- Liquid or Chemical Waste
- Microwave Ovens
- Paint Cans
- Packing Materials
- Fire Extinguishers
- Refrigerators
- Small Household Appliances
- Smoke and Fire Detectors
- VHS/Cassette Tapes, CDs, DVDs, nor their cases
- Wood Speakers

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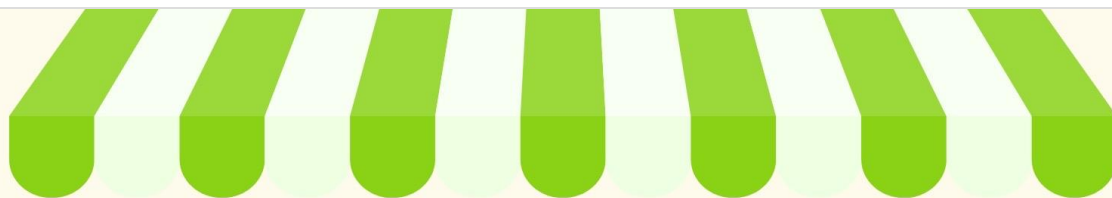
TREAT



1:00 - 3:00 PM

**KCPD SOUTH PATROL DIVISION
9701 MARION PARK DR, KCMO 64137**

ALL AGES welcome!



FREE MEALS

Breakfast & lunch

MONDAY - FRIDAY
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How do I apply?

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Applying is easy, and there are several convenient and accessible ways to do it!

Online:

Visit <https://mydss.mo.gov/healthcare/apply> to apply quickly via the DHSS web portal

By Phone:

Call the Missouri Family Support Division at (855)-373-4636 or (855)-373-9994

By Mail or Email:

Print and fill out an application provided at the web address listed above and mail to:

Family Support Division
615 E 13th St
Kansas City, MO 64106

Or email to:

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FRIDAY'S 3PM - 6PM

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT 314.701.7245 OR EMAIL US
AT KIDSEATFREE@INFLUENCECHURCH.COM

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South KC Food Pantries

South Kansas City is fortunate to have several food pantries to help less-fortunate residents have enough healthy food to eat. These include:

Community Assistance Council, 10901 Blue Ridge Blvd. on the north end of the Ruskin High School campus, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Persons should call 816-763-3277, ext. 100, or email info@cackc.org for appointments or questions.

Red Bridge Area Food Pantry, 100 W. Red Bridge Rd. in the First Baptist Church of Kansas City, from 10 a.m. to noon on the third Saturday each month. Persons must call 913-313-0250 for appointments by the prior Wednesday.

Harvesters (the community food network) brings the semi-truck that serves as its mobile food pantry to seven sites in south Kansas City monthly to distribute fresh produce and other healthy food to families in need. The sites are:

Center School District, 8701 Holmes Rd., from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. as long as food is left on the first Saturday of the month. Persons should drive through the bus parking lot to the district warehouse. The event is sponsored by Three Trails Community church in partnership with the Center School District.

Center District Warehouse, 8701 Holmes Rd., from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. the second Friday of each month. Persons should go to the entrance to the Center Administrative Office and drive through the bus parking lot to the warehouse where volunteers will load the food. Persons should take the Troost Ave exit. The event is sponsored by the Center Education Foundation in partnership with the Center School District.

Evangel Church, 1414 E. 103rd St., from 7 to 8:30 a.m. the second Saturday of the month. Persons may remain in their vehicles, and food will be brought to them.

United Believers Community Church, 5600 E. 112th Terr., with vehicles lining up at 8:30 a.m. and contactless food distribution running from 9 to 11 a.m. the third Wednesday of the month.

Ruskin High School, 7000 E. 111th St., from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month. Vehicles should line up on Ruskin Way on the east side of the school, and staff and students will load the food when vehicles reach the school.

Colonial Presbyterian Church, 9500 Wornall Rd., with registration beginning at 8 a.m. and food distribution running from about 8:30 to 10 a.m. on the third Saturday of the month. Families are asked to bring two cardboard boxes for volunteers to put the food in.

Red Bridge United Methodist Church, 636 E. 117th St., from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. on the fourth Friday of the month in the church parking lot.



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