



Dear Neighbor,

Please plan on participating, either in-person or virtually, in the third Town Hall this year to discuss important state issues that two of my Missouri House Colleagues and I are hosting from **1 to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, September 25, at Concord Fortress of Hope Church, 11050 W. Longview Parkway, in south Kansas City near Longview Lake.**

The other legislators are **Representatives Michael Johnson & Yolanda Young.** We will all stay after the formal part of the meeting to talk to persons individually to answer questions about state government and legislative matters and to offer assistance to persons having issues with state agencies.

Dr. Traci Johnson, MD, an expert in maternal health, will be our guest speaker who will explain the importance of COVID-19 vaccinations to protect the health of both mothers and children.

A special presentation will honor a southland resident who has devoted countless hours to improve our community.

In-person attendees will need to wear masks. We will meet in the sanctuary, so there will be ample room to maintain social distancing.

Persons wishing to participate virtually should go online to zoom.us and click on Join a Meeting. **The ZOOM webinar ID is 828 8862 5922, and the passcode is 569361.**

Other upcoming community events include:

Unlimited free on-site document shredding for KCMO residents at a **Marlborough East Shredding Event from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, September 18, in the parking lot of Urban Christian Academy, 2810 E. 80th St. at 80th & Chestnut.**

Shredding could stop before noon in the unlikely event the truck fills up before then.

Participants are required to wear masks.

The event is sponsored by City Council members Lee Barnes, Jr., & Ryana Parks-Shaw and the City Public Works Dept.

The last free movie that will be shown outside this season by the South Patrol Division of the Kansas City Police Dept. will be the **Disney animated family movie Soul which will be shown on Friday, September 24, at Colonial Presbyterian Church, 9500 Wornall Rd. with activities starting at 6 p.m. and the movie beginning at dusk.**

Activities will include a bouncy house, free hot dogs & popcorn and information about community organizations and resources.

The event is sponsored by Colonial Presbyterian, Cerner Corporation, International House of Prayer, Kansas City Police Dept. and City Council members Lee Barnes, Jr., Andrea Bough, Mayor Pro Tem Kevin McManus & Ryana Parks-Shaw.

The 6th District Fall Neighborhood Clean Up will be from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, October 2, with drop-off sites in the parking lots of Ruskin High School, 7000 E. 111th St., & South-Broadland Presbyterian Church, 7850 Holmes Rd.

There is no charge for KCMO residents to drop off bulky items such as old furniture, leaves & brush, tires with or without rims and trash at both sites, and free document shredding is available at both sites.

Electronics also may be dropped off at the Ruskin site, but there are different charges for certain items that are listed in the attached flyer.

Masks should be worn at all times.

The clean up is sponsored by City Council members Andrea Bough & Mayor Pro Tem Kevin McManus, Community Assistance Council and South Kansas City Alliance.

Email is probably the best way to reach my office. If you are unable to quickly reach me, my legislative aide, [Kaylee Bauer](#) is ready to help you.

Please scroll down to read about other state government matters and important upcoming local events.

Feel free to forward this newsletter to your friends and family who might want to know the latest news about what is happening in state government and about important local events. Be safe and God bless!

Yours in Service,
Mark A. Sharp

JOIN US SEPTEMBER 25 AT 1PM FOR OUR TOWN HALL EVENT

To learn about the safety of the COVID-19 vaccine from Dr. Traci Johnson, an expert in Black maternal health from Truman Medical Centers, and to discuss redistricting, crime, and critical race theory. Concluded by a ceremony to honor an outstanding citizen in South KC.

**HOSTED IN-PERSON AT CONCORD FORTRESS OF HOPE CHURCH
11050 W. LONGVIEW PARKWAY, KCMO 64134**

OR JOIN US ON ZOOM AT:

WEBINAR ID: 828 8862 5922 PASSCODE: 569361



REP. MICHAEL JOHNSON | REP. YOLANDA YOUNG | REP. MARK A. SHARP | DR. TRACI JOHNSON
DISTRICT 23 DISTRICT 22 DISTRICT 36 TRUMAN MEDICAL

Paid for by the Missouri House of Representatives.

In May, Missouri Governor, Mike Parson was joined by State Senator, Barbara Washington, State Representative, Mark Sharp and NLBM President, Bob Kendrick, at Kauffman Stadium to sign SB 189, which creates a special Missouri license plate commemorating the NLBM.

It gives motorists the option of donating \$10 to the museum, making them eligible to apply for the specialty license plate. The plate itself requires

another \$15 charge on top of the regular license plate registration fee. The law went into effect on August 28th.

The Negro Leagues Baseball Museum can begin collecting the 200 applications for Missouri Personalized and Special License Plate, Form 1716, along with the \$15 specialty plate fee and Emblem Use Authorization Statement (EUAS), for the one-time \$10 donation to the NLBM for each of the 200 applications submitted.

APPLY TODAY



Representative Sharp in front of the Missouri Capitol after the House of Representatives adjourned after a one day 2021 Veto session.

WEEKLY CAPITOL UPDATE

Friday, September 17, 2021

VETO OVERRIDE SPARKS SENATE INFIGHTING

An attempt to override one of Gov. Mike Parson's line-item budget vetoes sparked fierce infighting among Senate Republicans on Sept. 15, with members of the majority party spending several hours angrily arguing over whether the chamber's unwritten traditions should trump its formal procedural rules.

The annual veto session ultimately ended with no overrides.

Parson vetoed four bills lawmakers passed during the 2021 regular legislative session. He also issued 51 line-item budget vetoes that struck about \$115 million in spending authority from the \$35 billion state operating budget for the 2022 fiscal year which began July 1.

Lawmakers are constitutionally required to convene each September to consider whether to pursue any override attempts.

The House of Representatives voted to override four of Parson's line-item vetoes. Those involved \$150,000 for refunds to taxpayers affected by a changed interpretation in state sales tax laws, \$2.1 million for a pay increase for state Children's Division workers, \$300,000 for a Lincoln County program focusing on crimes against children and \$700,000 for a community

improvement district in Boone County. All but the last passed nearly unanimously with only 2 or 3 dissenting votes. I voted for all four overrides.

The override efforts then shifted to the Senate, where it is tradition – but not an actual rule – that only a bill’s handler can make an override motion. Nonetheless, state Sen. Mike Moon, R-Ash Grove, attempted to make an override motion on the tax refund veto even though he wasn’t the bill’s handler.

However, Lt. Gov. Mike Kehoe refused to recognize Moon’s motion. Although the lieutenant governor is the formal presiding officer of the Senate, the role is mostly ceremonial and carries little authority over chamber procedures.

After Senate President Pro Tem Dave Schatz, R-Sullivan, upheld Kehoe’s decision, the chamber’s conservative faction brought proceedings to a standstill arguing over the propriety of Kehoe’s action and interpretations of Senate rules.

The impasse was broken when state Sen. Dan Hegeman, R-Cosby and handler of the appropriations bills, agreed to make the override motion. However, Hegeman angrily complained of being “disrespected” by those senators who wouldn’t defer to his traditional prerogatives as the bill’s handler. The override effort ultimately failed on a vote of 13-15, falling 10 votes short of the 23 needed to approve it by the required two-thirds margin.

Hegeman later made a motion to override the veto of funding for the Lincoln County program focusing on crimes against children at the request of another senator, although he again made it clear he supported the governor’s veto. That override failed on a 16-13 vote.

Prior to the Senate meltdown, House Democrats pursued overrides which I voted for on three other budget vetoes – two involving a total of \$26.4 million in federal funds for rate increases for in-home care providers under the Medicaid program and one involving \$1 million to expand the Missouri Rx prescription drug program. However, none of those three efforts were successful.

REVENUE DOWN 22.5% SO FAR IN FY 2022

Net state general revenue collections for the first two months of the 2022 fiscal year were down 22.5 percent compared to the same period last year, going from \$2.15 billion to \$1.66 billion this year.

However, because the income tax deadline was pushed from April to July last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, state revenue collections during the early months of FY 2021 were drastically inflated, thus skewing comparisons with this year's collections.

Net general revenue collections for August 2021 only decreased 3 percent compared to those for August 2020, going from \$991.6 million last year to \$962.2 billion this year.

Missouri Governor — Michael L. Parson

Office of Communications

Governor Parson Announces Appointment of Jerri J. Zhang as Circuit Judge for 16th Judicial Circuit

(JEFFERSON CITY, MO) – Today, Governor Mike Parson announced the appointment of Jerri J. Zhang as Circuit Judge for Division 3 of the 16th Judicial Circuit. She will fill the Circuit Judge vacancy created by the retirement of the Honorable David M. Byrn.

Ms. Zhang, of Kansas City, currently serves as a Probate Commissioner in the 16th Judicial Circuit. She holds a Bachelor of Journalism from the University of Missouri-Columbia and a Juris Doctor from the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law.

Missouri task force to conduct third public hearing online on Sept. 22 to get input on rights of victims of sexual assault

Public hearing focused standards and practices to support sexual assault victims and investigations will be held Sept. 22 from 1 to 3 p.m.

JEFFERSON CITY – The state task force reviewing the treatment and support of sexual assault victims in Missouri will conduct its third public hearing on Wednesday Sept. 22 from 1 to 3 p.m. The Missouri Rights of Victims of Sexual Assault Task Force invites members of the public to listen to the hearing, which will be conducted online. The hearing will focus on survivor privacy recommendations to support and protect sexual assault survivors..

Missouri Rights of Victims of Sexual Assault Task Force Public Hearing
Sept. 22, 2021, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Topic: Survivor Privacy

Join the WebEx online meeting by computer:

<https://stateofmo.webex.com/stateofmo/j.php?MTID=m03f4e1d4c9bc1ffe1f0793774a5ef231>

Join by phone: Dial 1-650-479-3207

Meeting number/access code: 177 299 3872

Meeting password: e2bTmEmm3K3

PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

1:00 – 1:05 p.m. – Welcome and Introductions

1:05 – 1:10 p.m. – Administrative Matters, Sarah Ehrhard Reid,
Department of Health and Senior Services

1:10 – 2:55 p.m. – Public Testimony

1:10 – 1:25 p.m. – Julie Murray

1:25 – 1:40 p.m. – Jennifer Green, St. Luke's Health Care

1:40 – 1:55 p.m. – Dr. Jennifer Hansen, Children's Mercy

1:55 – 2:10 p.m. – Joe Taylor, Private Attorney

2:10 – 2:25 p.m. – Amy Fite, Christian County Prosecuting Attorney

2:25 – 2:40 p.m. – Kristi Patterson, Ripley County Prosecuting Attorney's
Office

2:40 – 3:00 p.m. – Final Questions and Closing

3:00 p.m. – Adjournment

This is the third of four public hearings the task force has scheduled. The remaining hearing will focus on Evidence Collection and will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. on Sept. 28. Information will be provided with details on how to listen to the sessions once it becomes available at <https://dps.mo.gov/dir/programs/cvsu/task-force.php>

The task force is also seeking comments and suggestions from the public on how to strengthen protections and services for Missouri sexual assault victims. Comments and suggestions are being gathered through an online survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MORightsTaskForce>. The survey closes Sept. 30, 2021.

The Missouri Rights of Victims of Sexual Assault Task Force was created through Senate Bill 569, which was signed into law by Governor Mike Parson in July 2020. In addition to including the "Justice for Survivors Act" and the "Sexual Assault Survivors' Bill of Rights," it mandated establishment of the task force, which must "collect feedback from stakeholders, practitioners, and leadership throughout the state and local law enforcement, victim services, forensic science practitioners, and health care communities to inform development of future best practices or clinical guidelines regarding the care and treatment of survivors."

SB 569 also requires the task force to study nationally recognized best

practices and make recommendations regarding the development and implementation of a method for tracking and investigating complaints about the handling of sexual assault investigations and reporting, and the development of documentation to be provided to sexual assault survivors informing them of their rights. It also directs the task force to determine when there is a need for additional employees or volunteers at rape crisis centers, determine the costs of meeting the potential need and methods for meeting the need.

The task force is required to submit a report on its findings, including any majority and dissenting opinions to the Governor and General Assembly by Dec. 31, 2021. The Department of Public Safety is tasked with providing administrative support to the task force.



News from the
City Communications Office

City of Kansas City, Missouri
kcmo.gov

Kansas City Emergency Rental Assistance Center opens Sept. 17

City looking to expedite assistance for tenants in need

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Sept. 14, 2021

The Kansas City Emergency Rental Assistance Center (KCERAC) is opening at 1 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 17. The new center will help tenants in need by expediting distribution of Federal Emergency Relief Act Program funding.

So if you need help applying for emergency rent and utility assistance, you'll find

it inside of our Housing and Community Development Department offices at 4400 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd (formerly 4400 Blue Parkway).

Since Aug. 30, 2021, we have distributed nearly 75 percent (\$10,219,701) of this federal funding, earning recognition from the National Low Income Housing Coalition as an overall leader nationwide in ERAP fund distribution. Nearly 2,400 households have received an average of \$4,249 in assistance.

“The biggest challenge issue we have in processing applications is incorrect or insufficient information, so this will help us process the applications faster and get the money out faster to those who need it most,” said Jennifer Tidwell, interim director of the Housing and Community Development Department. “The Housing Department would like to thank all of our community partners for their exceptional work in assisting KCMO residents.”

The KCERAC will be open by appointment only on Sept. 17 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. After that, the center will follow this schedule:

- Beginning Monday, Sept. 20, the center is open by appointment only on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to noon; and 1-4 p.m.
- On Thursdays from 1-6 p.m.

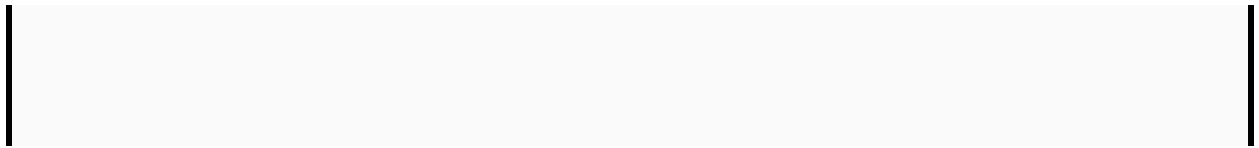
Residents who need assistance must call (816) 513-4501 to schedule an appointment and COVID-19 restrictions apply, so you must wear a mask. Please bring:

- Identification (driver’s license, birth certificate, etc.)
- Proof of Residency
- Proof of Income (pay stub, W-2 forms, 2020 tax return)
- Documentation of Need

There also will be opportunities for residents to learn more about the application process directly. There are three Saturday information sessions at Manual Career Technical High School, 1215 E. Truman Rd. The sessions run from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Here are the details:

- Sept. 25 – Congressman Emanuel Cleaver, II will be there to kick off the Saturday Center from 11-11:15 a.m.
- Oct. 2
- Oct. 9

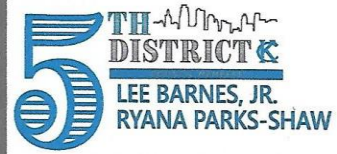
For more information, media can contact John Baccala at (816) 513-3202.





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Marlborough East Shredder Event

SEPTEMBER 18, 2021

8AM-NOON

80TH AND CHESTNUT AVE, KCMO, 64132 (PARKING LOT)

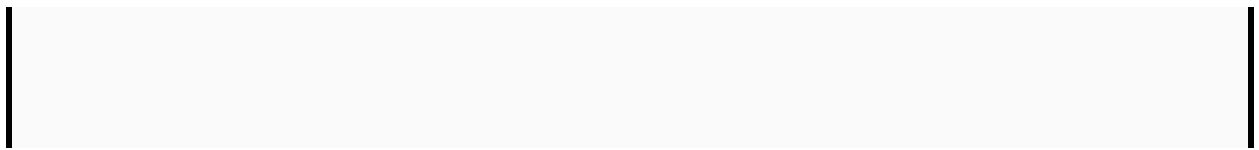
THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO ALL KCMO RESIDENTS
UNLIMITED NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS SHREDDED ON-SITE



MASK HAVE TO BE ON AT ALL TIMES



CONTACT ROBERT WOODS AT 816-513-8442
FOR ANY QUESTIONS





**Free
Family
Fun!**

Commemorating the Bicentennial of the

SANTA FE TRAIL

200 Years of Commerce, Conflict and Culture



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2021

10AM – 4PM

Trailside Center, 99th & Holmes Rd.

Kansas City, Missouri

- ❖ **Music from Prairie Dulcimer Club**
- ❖ **Exhibits including period quilts**
- ❖ **Historical speakers, including Col. Alexander Majors**

Santa Fe Trail logo used with permission of SFTA.

Background Photo: Santa Fe Trail Swales at Minor Park, Red Bridge Rd., Kansas City, MO.



The Kansas City Symphony offers a free outdoor chamber concert at the Library, with a woodwind quintet -- flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon and horn -- performing on a mobile stage in the parking area outside of the Waldo Branch. To maintain safety, the Library asks attendees to socially distance and wear masks where or when appropriate. Those wishing to sit should bring their own chairs,

Afternoon Serenade: The Kansas City Symphony

Waldo Branch, 201 East 75th Street

Sunday, September 19, 2021

Program: 4 p.m.

[RSVP for this event](#)

THE KC SPIRIT

PLAYBOOK



Join us for the third strategy session on Mobility, which is a virtual meeting set for 3:30-5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 22! To register, please fill out this form and an invitation with a meeting link will be sent to you closer to the meeting date: <https://forms.gle/MfyWtHQpKiELKaB69>

During the meeting, we will develop personas and write stories focused on the people you envision traveling within Kansas City's 2040 mobility network. We will also collect your thoughts on key recommendations needed to make the 2040 mobility experience happen. Topics will be centered on the theme of "What the City Can Control," and include:

- Streetscapes and Roadway Design Standards
- Parkways and Boulevards
- Active Transportation - Transit, Walking, and Biking
- Safety
- Equity and Historic Inequities
- Transportation, Land Use, and Real Estate Development
- Freight - Air, Rail, Trucks, and Curb Use
- Other considerations

Please share this information with anyone who may be interested in attending! Graphics that can be shared on social media are attached.

To stay up-to-date with future strategy session dates, follow KCMO's Planning and Development department on Twitter - [@kcmoplanning](https://twitter.com/kcmoplanning) and register your email with us at playbook.kcmo.gov.



September 24th | 6:00 PM

Colonial Presbyterian
9500 Wornall Rd, KCMO 64114

BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIR OR BLANKET



- POPCORN
- HOT DOGS
- BOUNCY HOUSE

RAIN? NO PROBLEM - WE'LL MOVE INSIDE!





SOUTH KANSAS CITY
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Connecting, Educating, Growing Together



Please make a life-saving blood donation at our upcoming blood drive.
Can you help us make our goal of collecting 30 units of blood?

Wednesday, September 29th
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Villa Ventura Senior Living
First Floor Activity Room
12100 Wornall Road
Kansas City MO, 64145

Cierra Pritchett – Community Blood Center Representative
cpritchett@cbckc.org or by text or call at 816.352.5372

Appointments are **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED**;
walk-ins will only be accepted as capacity allows.

Please wear a face mask to your donation. If you do not have one, we will provide you with a mask upon your arrival. Remember to bring a photo ID or donor ID card. For questions about eligibility due to travel outside the U.S., medications or medical conditions call 1.800.688.0900.

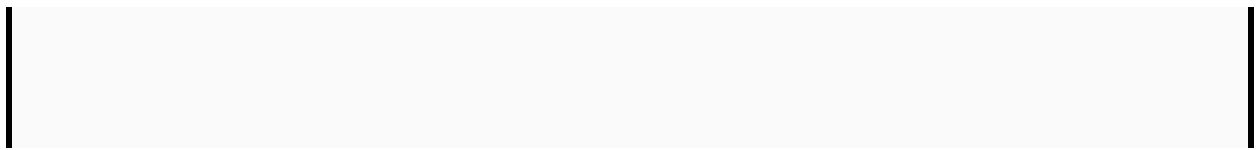
To learn more about the importance of donating at this time and to answer your questions about COVID-19, please visit www.savealifenow.org/coronavirus.

Did you receive the COVID-19 vaccine? You can still donate! To learn more, [click here](#).

DONORS PRESENTING:

- Must wear a mask or face covering
- Will have their temperature taken
- Must be 14 days symptom free if recovered from COVID-19
- May NOT donate if they have a positive diagnostic test or experienced symptoms of COVID-19 in the last 14 days
- May NOT donate if they are currently on self-quarantine restrictions

We do not test for COVID-19. Please see your health care provider if you want to be tested.



Sixth District

Fall Clean Up Event

October 2, 2021: 8 AM - NOON

Join us for our annual Sixth District Clean up event that is open to all KCMO residents

LOCATION:

RUSKIN HIGH SCHOOL
7000 E 111TH ST
KANSAS CITY, MO, 64134

Location:

South-Broadland Presbyterian
7850 Holmes Rd
KANSAS CITY, MO, 64131

Accepted items:

Bulky Items/Trash
Leaf and Brush
Tires
Document Shredding
Electronic Collection

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Leaf and Brush
Tires
Document Shredding

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

- CRT monitors \$5/ea
- CRT TVs 26" or less \$30/ea
- CRT TVs 27" or greater \$50/ea
- Wood console & true big screen/projection TVs \$50/ea
- LED/LCD/Plasma TVs \$20/ea
- Any freon containing unit \$10/ea



Councilmembers
McManus & Bough
Sixth District



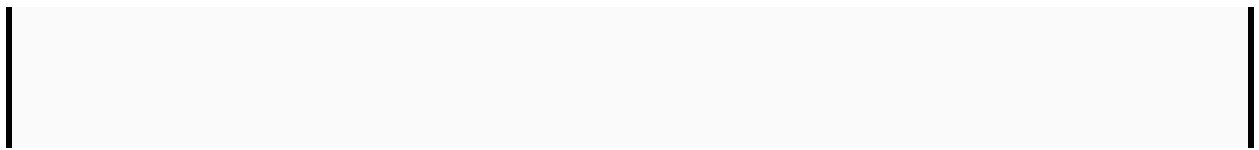
Masks should be worn at all times



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





Enhance your basketball skills with help from Coach Calvin Wainright & local college basketball players - all skill levels welcome!

PAL SOUTHLAND HOOP CLINICS

Free registration, lunch, drinks and T-shirt for all players



OCTOBER 2, 2021

Elementary & Middle School

9:00am-9:30am Check-In

9:30am-11:30am Hoop Clinics/ Resiliency Activities

11:30am-12:30pm Lunch/ Resiliency Activities

High School

1:00pm - 1:30pm Check-In

1:30pm - 3:30pm Hoop Clinics/ Resiliency Activities

3:30pm - 4:30pm Lunch/ Resiliency Activities

Click or Scan to Register:
<https://bit.ly/KCPALHoops>



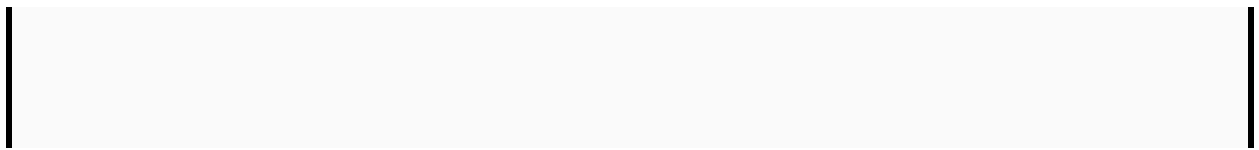
SOUTH PATROL DIVISION ANNEX BUILDING

9701 MARION PARK DRIVE
KANSAS CITY, MO 64137

PARENT ENRICHMENT SESSIONS

will also be held during the morning & afternoon Basketball clinics.

To register for the parent enrichment sessions, please call:
(816)497-4886



IN SPIRITUAL WARFARE ...

NO ONE IS LEFT BEHIND

MY BROTHER'S KEEPER

Join Us For A "Lights On KC" Family Movie Night

Friday ~ October 21, 2021 ~ 6:00-10:00pm

Location: **Hillcrest Community Center**
10401 Hillcrest Road, Kansas City, Missouri

Ticket Cost: \$ 5 per Person at: <https://faithcontentnetwork.brushfire.com/mybrotherskeeper/513605> (link to purchase)

~ Masks Are Required ~



JOIN US FOR A "LIGHTS ON KC" FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT
Friday ~ October 22, 2021 ~ 6:00-10:00pm



It's not over yet...



Location: St. Regis Catholic Church (in the Parish Hall)

8941 James A. Reed Road ~ KCMO

Ticket Cost: \$ 5 per Person IN ADVANCE at: <https://faithcontentnetwork.brushfire.com/heaven/513604>

Fifth District

FALL CLEAN UP

October 23, 2021 - 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
- 2801 E 80TH ST, KCMO, 64132:
Trash, bulky items, leaf & brush
- 8800 Blue Ridge Blvd, KCMO, 64138:
Trash, bulky items
- Center Alternative School, 8434 The Paseo, KCMO, 64131:
Tires (with or without rims), trash, bulky items, leaf & brush, glass collection, and electronic collection

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Robert Woods at 816-513-8442**



All staff will be abiding by social distancing policy and masks should be worn

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HALLOWEEN AT EVANGEL



COME OUT AND ENJOY A FUN FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENT, WITH INFLATABLES, PONY RIDES, PETTING ZOO, GAMES, FOOD, COSTUMES, AND EVERYONE'S FAVORITE....CANDY!!!!

OCTOBER 30, 2021, 11-2 PM

EVANGEL CHURCH 1414 E. 103RD ST, KCMO 64131

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT OUR WEBSITE
AT WWW.SERVETHEWORLDKC.ORG





Important SNAP/Food Stamp dates to remember

The Department of Social Services (DSS) is taking extra steps to keep SNAP/Food Stamp recipients aware of upcoming changes and to ease the return to regular SNAP program benefits and operation.

*Starting October 1, 2021, regular SNAP benefit amounts will increase. The regular SNAP maximum benefit amount a family of four can receive in September (which includes the temporary 15 percent increase) is \$782 and starting October 1, that amount increases to \$835.

How to apply for SNAP benefits

For your ease, you can apply for SNAP benefits 24/7 online by visiting [MyDSS.mo.gov](https://mydss.mo.gov), or sending a completed application and verification documents by email to FSD.Documents@dss.mo.gov, or by fax to 573-526-9400.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- It is important for you to report to the Family Support Division (FSD) if you now have an income above the maximum limit (contact information below).

- If you are an able-bodied adult without a dependent, you must report any change in your circumstances to FSD (contact information below).

Questions

- Visit myDSS.mo.gov to start a chat and get immediate answers to basic questions that are not specific to your case 24 hours a day.
- Call the FSD Information Line at **855-FSD-INFO** or (855-373-4636) Monday through Friday, 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Our Mission:

Empower Missourians to live safe, healthy, and productive lives.

September 14, 2021

Please forward and share this information.

September Food Appointments,

Diapers Available at CAC

CAC has **food appointments and diapers available 9 to 2:30 pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, plus 9 am to noon, Saturday, Sept. 18. Call 816-763-3277 x 100** for a food appointment. Hygiene items are distributed with food. Happy Bottoms diapers and pull-ups are available without an appointment 9 am to 2:30 pm, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Call 816-763-3277 x 100 to register for diapers. Food appointments are encouraged but drive-ups are acceptable if you see the red "Pantry Open" sign outside.

Help CAC Help

Our Community!

CAC needs volunteers to pick up extra baked goods at the new Price Chopper, 5665 Bannister, and bring back to CAC Tuesdays and Fridays, between 10 and 11 am. Volunteers are also needed to greet and check in pantry clients (outside) and take food out to cars Mondays and Tuesdays 9 am to 2:30 pm. Call Julie at 816-763-3277 x 110 if interested in any of these opportunities.

Need Basic Documents?

Missing a social security card, birth certificate, driver's license or state ID can be a barrier to jobs, services, housing, school or next steps to your future. If you live in south Kansas City and need assistance obtaining these documents, CAC may be able to help. Call Julie at 816-763-3277 x 110 to make an appointment.

HMC-1 Families, Sign Up to Get Empowered!

What would you need to help support your children's well-being and mental health, reduce your stress, further your education, improve your job and income and help stabilize your housing ? CAC's FREE Empower program is designed to help with many of these needs and more. Hickman Mills families can sign up now!

Empower case managers help parents and their students develop and reach goals. The program may have funds for some emergency needs, as well as cost to help parents further their education or get a better job, or support students

with healthy activities. Call or email Shari at 816-763-3277 x 105, shari.simmermon@cackc.org if interested. Empower is a partnership of CAC, Hickman Mills C-1, Children's Services Fund of Jackson County and United Way.

Community Assistance Council is the social services agency that covers South Kansas City, including all of Hickman Mills and Center School Districts, with a food pantry, Happy Bottom diapers and pull-ups, Giving the Basics hygiene items, KC Medicine Cabinet medicines and equipment, emergency rent and utilities assistance and limited case management. We'd love to give you a tour or provide a program for your organization!

South KC Mobile Food Pantries

Many families in south Kansas City are being forced to rely on community food pantries such as Community Assistance Council's to have enough to eat.

Fortunately, 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 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 4 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.

Center School District, 8701 Holmes Rd., from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. as long as food is left on the third 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.

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



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