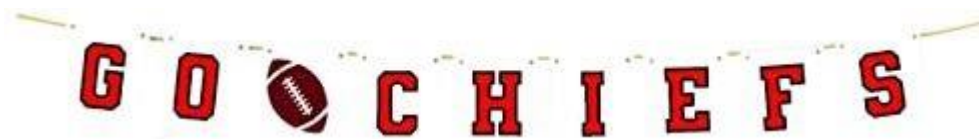




**Capitol Report**

**September 17, 2021**

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*Dear Neighbor,*

The annual Veto Session has just ended with no overrides on any of the governor's vetoes. Gov. Parson had vetoed four bills and 51 line items from the budget. The House of Representative voted to override four of the line items in the budget but ultimately the Senate could not reach a consensus and the Veto Session ended.

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Beginning on October 1st, we will begin bill drafting in the House and December 1st is the first day of filing. I expect to see bills similar to the Texas Right to Life bill and anti-labor bills to be filed as well as a number of criminal justice reform bills in the early days of pre-filing.

I want to continue to encourage you to take care of yourself as we are still in the midst of the worst pandemic the world has known. Please continue to wash your hands, social distance and wear a mask where and when appropriate. It has been a long pandemic and we are all in this together.

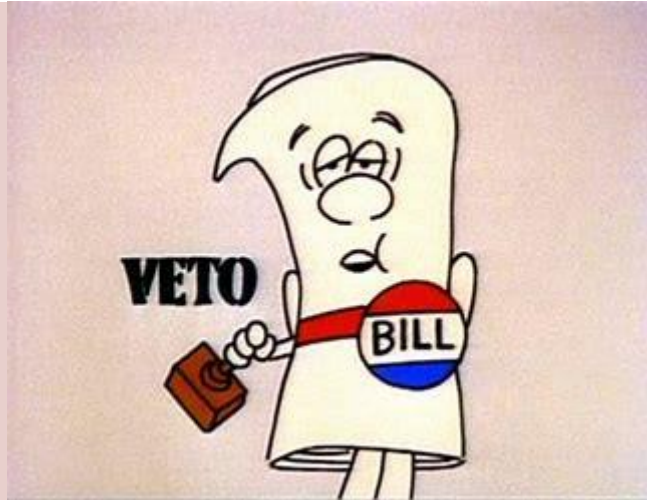
In the meantime, it's football season again so let's root for our favorite team as we go into fall.

*Yours in Service,*

*Rich*

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## **BUDGET VETO OVERRIDE SPARKS SENATE GOP 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 actual procedural rules. The annual veto session ultimately ended with no overrides.

Parson, a Republican, 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.

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The House of Representatives voted to override four of Parson's line-item vetoes. Those involved \$150,000 for refunds to certain taxpayers affected by a changed interpretation in state tax laws, \$2.1 million for a pay increase for state Children's Division workers, \$300,000 for a Lincoln County program to address crimes against children and \$700,000 for a special taxing district in Boone County. All but last passed on near-unanimous votes.

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, a close ally of Parson, refused to recognize Moon's motion. Although the lieutenant governor is the Senate's presiding officer, 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

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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 complete it.

Hegeman later made a motion to override on anti-child violence program veto at the request of another senator, although he again made it clear he supported the governor’s vetoes. That override failed on a 16-13 vote.

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

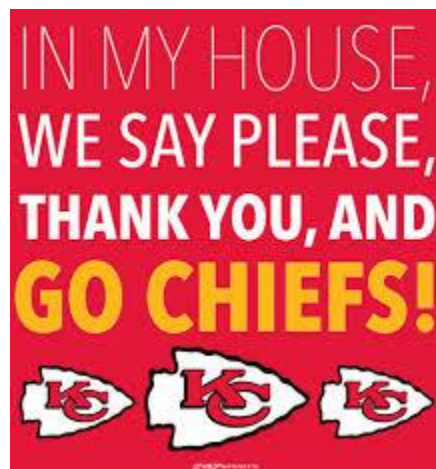
## **NET STATE REVENUE DOWN 22.5 PERCENT SO FAR IN FY 2022**

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 in 2020, going from \$2.15 billion last year to \$1.66

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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 early months of FY 2021 were drastically inflated, thus skewing comparisons with this year's collections.

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





# HMC-1's School Meal Program Faces Impacts from Nationwide Food Shortage

The Hickman Mills C-1 School District continues to work nonstop to find a solution to the current nationwide food supply chain issues currently impacting our district and school districts nationwide.

These school food service disruptions are highly driven by staffing shortages among commercial distributors and truck drivers, according to the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). These labor shortages are forcing vendors to drop customers, which are often the schools they serve. Effective November, Hickman Mills C-1 School District will be in this situation with our current food vendor. The Nutrition Service Department staff is working to secure a vendor that will continue to support our school meal programs before then.

Hickman Mills is one of very few school districts in the state that provides every student with free breakfast, lunch and dinner as all students enrolled in the district qualify for free meals. Many of our families face food insecurities, and rely on these free meals to support their child's health and wellbeing. Our commitment to provide these meals for our students and families, despite not having the same number of menu choices typically offered, will not waver.

We are asking our community partners for support. Below are some highly requested items to support the school meal program:

- Disposable cutlery (forks, spoons, napkins and to-go foam hinged containers)

- Hand sanitizer

- Hand soap

- Individually wrapped snack items in bulk (ie: cereal and granola bars, goldfish)

Contact Marissa Cleaver Wamble at 816.316.7003 or [marissaw@hickmanmills.org](mailto:marissaw@hickmanmills.org) if you would like to donate items.

## COMMUNITY NEWS AND HAPPENINGS

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*Missouri 2021*

**BICENTENNIAL**

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**SUN.**  
**SEPTEMBER**  
**19TH**  
@ 1 - 4 PM

*Free*

Household Essentials-  
Ruskin High School

Haircuts, Underwear  
& Socks-  
Christian Charity Church  
11000 Ruskin Way

COVID Vaccinations &  
Health Screenings-  
Bethel Family Worship Center  
10801 Ruskin Way

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**CARE**

**COMMUNITY GIVEAWAY**

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**Registration Ends:**

**SEPTEMBER 12TH**

**SPONSORED BY:**



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Sept. 18, 10 am - 4 pm, Commemoration of the Santa Fe Trail, Trailside Center, 9901 Holmes Rd, Kansas City, MO.  
Download the flyer [HERE](#).

Sept. 19, 1 pm - 4 pm, Because We Care, Ruskin H.S., 7000 E 111th St, Kansas City, MO. Link [HERE](#).

Sept. 25, 11 - 3 pm, SKC Hickman Mills United Neighborhoods Community Day, St. James/St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 9420 James A Reed Rd, Kansas City, MO. Community organizations and resources, give-aways, bouncy house. Download flyer [HERE](#).

Oct. 2, 8 am - noon, Sixth District Clean-up, Ruskin High School, 7000 E. 111th, and South Broadland Presbyterian Church, 7850 Holmes Rd. Bring your bulky items, tires, brush, shredding, plus electronics for a fee to Ruskin. Download the flyer [HERE](#).

Oct. 9, 10 am - 5 pm, South KC Chamber Block Party, Red Bridge Shopping Center. Lots of fun, vendors and resources. Download the flyer [HERE](#).

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My good friend and seatmate, Rep. Jerome Barnes ( D-Raytown) and I unmasked so we could smile for the camera as we prepared for veto session.

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**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.**

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# NEGRO LEAGUES BASEBALL MUSEUM

*101 Years of Baseball*

**Apply for a NLBM License Plate Today!**

Make a \$10 donation to the museum and complete the form on the back of this flyer to apply. Send applications and required fees to the Museum at 1616 E 18th St., KCMO, 64108.  
Call 816-221-1920 for more information.







**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, 99<sup>th</sup> & Holmes Rd.**

**Kansas City, Missouri**

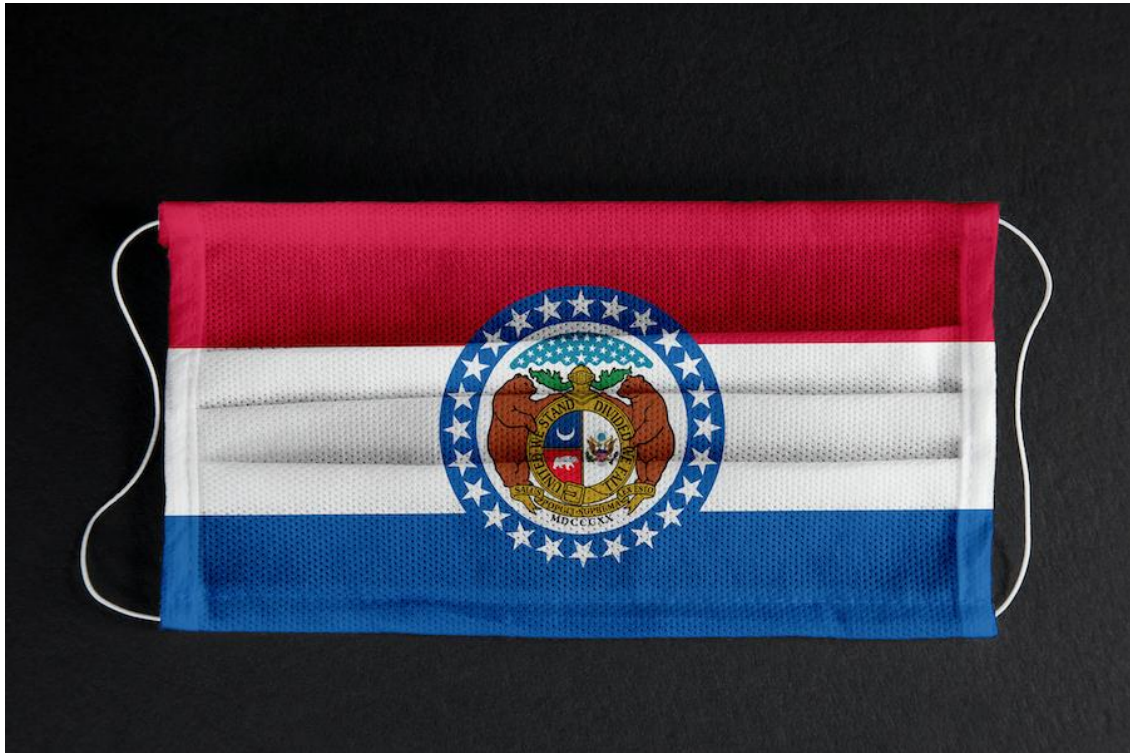
- ❖ **Music from Prairie Dulcimer Club**
- ❖ **Exhibits including period quilts**
- ❖ **Historical speakers, including Col. Alexander Majors**

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# The Pandemic aint over!

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The reward has been raised to  
**\$30,000** for Dominic



**GREATER KANSAS CITY CRIME STOPPERS  
816-474-TIPS HOTLINE**

**PRESS RELEASE  
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**FROM: Det. Kevin Boehm, Crime Stoppers Coordinator**

**SUBJECT: Reward Increase – 9 Year Old Dominic Young Homicide**

**KANSAS CITY, MO --- The Kansas City, Missouri Police Department and the Greater KC Crime Stoppers TIPS Hotline continue to seek information in the January 20, 2018 homicide of 9 year old Dominic Young Jr. at 71 Highway and Emanuel Cleaver II Blvd.**

**Dominic Young Jr. was apparently hit by a stray gunshot while occupying a vehicle driven by his father and died as a result of his injuries. Dominic, his father and brother**

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were en route to Grandview at the time. The vehicle driven by Dominic's father was hit by gunshots from other vehicles apparently engaged in a gunfight according to statements.

KCPD found a possible crime scene near the intersection where the father said the shooting happened. When the father arrived home in Grandview, Dominic was not responsive. Grandview police initially responded to the father's home and found the boy in critical condition. He was later pronounced dead at a hospital.

A number of community leaders and organizations including State Representative Richard Brown, Mayor Pro Tem Kevin McManus, former City Councilmen Scott Taylor, Scott Wagner, John Sharp; the City of KCMO and Concord Fortress of Hope Church (Pastor Ron Lindsay) have come forward to increase the existing reward in the case up to \$30,000.00. Those leaders are available for comment in regard to the case.

Anyone with information is urged to contact Crime Stoppers Greater Kansas City TIPS Hotline at 816-474-TIPS (8477), TIPS may also be submitted electronically at [www.KCcrimestoppers.com](http://www.KCcrimestoppers.com), or by downloading our NEW mobile app, P3TIPS, on Google Play or the Apple iOS stores for FREE. Information leading to an arrest and/or filing of charges could be eligible for up to \$30,000.00 in reward money. ALL INFORMATION IS ANONYMOUS.



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\* A program of the KC Metropolitan Crime Commission

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My office in Jefferson City is available to assist you with questions you may have about state government or legislative issues. Please call, email or write anytime. If you are unable to reach me, my assistant, Donna Gentzsch is ready to help you. If you are in Jefferson City, come by my Capitol office in room 134, and introduce yourself. The door is always open and I encourage you to visit.

Please forward this email to your friends and family who want to know how what is happening in Jefferson City will impact them here at home.



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