

City of Lawrence CDBG/HOME Programs Grant Application

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Organization Name:					
Mailing Address:					
Agency Address (if different than above):					
DUNS Number:					
Contact Name:				Phone:	
Contact Title:					
Email:				Fax:	
Organization Mission Statement:					
Proposed Program or Activity Name:					
Proposed Program Address:					
Brief summary of Proposed Program or Activity:					
Funding Requested:		\$			
Request is:		% of project budget and		% of organization budget	
Which National Objective will be met? (Page 3 above)					
Which Local Priority will be met? (Page 8 above)					
<p>Certification: "I certify that I have reviewed this application and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all of the information provided is true and correct. I also certify that I am officially authorized to represent the submitting organization by its governing board in the filing of this application."</p>					
Signature:				Date:	
Print Name and Title:					
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I. Narrative

1. What is the situation, problem or opportunity this grant will address?

Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas has dedicated itself to serving the needs of those within our service areas. Catholic Charities dedicated services and resources to the Lawrence area in 2014 to help fight poverty and homelessness increases in the area. While the state of Kansas has faced specific challenges with rising rates of displaced individuals, Lawrence specifically has struggled with chronic homelessness. The agency has a long-standing and well-developed relationship with organizations, private and governmental, that help provide funding to address the growing homelessness rates in the area. Additional funding was allocated outside specific requests in 2015 through an emergency services grant. This funding allowed CCNEK to increase assistance from 697 individuals to 2,522 but funding returned to normal levels in 2016 reducing services available to 587 for housing assistance. The 2015 funding was a temporary allocation and a testament to the trust local support systems have in the operations and assistance of the agency, and was a great help within the community expanding services and meeting the needs within the community; however, the additional funding expired but the need within this community did not.

Government funding and programs limit and specifically define those the agency can categorize as "homeless", the reality is many more within the community who require assistance are actually doubled-up, "couch surfers" or live in over-crowded situation daily, surviving.

HUD funding is a necessity and assists with the agency mission exponentially but leaves a gap in services provided and those in need. CDBG funding helps fill those gaps while helping assist those in crisis but not always the most in-need.

Funding requested will be used specifically and directly to address the homelessness and crisis of those served. Funding will help place those in-need in housing that are within a gap in definition, not need. Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas is requesting CDBG funding to help meet housing needs within the Douglas County, Kansas area.

2. How will this grant support the mission of the organization?

The mission of Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas is to provide unconditional love and necessary help to people of all faiths by stabilizing and strengthening individuals and families in need in the 21 counties of northeast Kansas. CDBG funds from the City of Lawrence would directly support this mission by providing the direct financial assistance for individuals and families in need and thereby offering them with a first step toward stability to move forward. After addressing their immediate financial need, case managers will also work with each individual to move toward maintaining that stability and address the root cause issues, such as budgeting and un- or under-employment. Directing those at risk to resources within the community helps the individual to further create stability.

3. How many people will be served by this grant and what percentage are low-moderate income (describe method of verification)?

It is anticipated that with a grant of \$15,000, more than 60 Lawrence families (or 150 individuals) can be provided with utility or rental assistance. At 150% of the poverty level, 100% of the individuals and families that would be served using CDBG funds are low-moderate income. Upon intake, each individual is required to verify their income. This verification includes proof of earned income, child support, Social Security payments, pensions, unemployment. If the individual has no income, individuals need to provide supporting documents such as statement proving support from DCF, statement from their last employer or last paycheck stub. If individuals are paid in cash, a letter from the employer is required. All income verification is copied and added to the individual's file.

4. What resources are currently available to dedicate to the program or activity, including staff, volunteers, existing funds and community partners?

Nickie Daneke, LMSW has been the Director of emergency assistance programming in Lawrence since 2010 and has worked as a social worker for 15 years. Francis Rico is currently the site manager and Jacob Schooler is the newest case manager with his undergraduate degree in Human Development. Jacob has worked in foster care and is a resourceful asset to some of our most vulnerable populations. Jacob and Namaste also support individuals in the CCNEK housing programs with the Kansas Loan Pool program. The Kansas Loan Pool assistance is designed to help stabilize individual by transferring high interest title or payday loans to lower interest credit union loans.

Additionally, the center currently benefits from two AmeriCorps volunteers, one MSW foundation level intern and one MSW clinical level intern who both make a one-year commitment to the agency as KU social work students. Dedicating 32 hours per week, these interns assist individuals and families in need with immediate financial crises, employment searches, wellness programming, financial literacy education, and other needs as necessary. They work closely with community resources to provide the assistance necessary to improve each individual's situation. Catholic Charities and the United Way of Douglas County have collaborated to fund these positions, which have broadened the reach of Lawrence operations immensely.

After nearly 5 years of having the support of St. John's Catholic Parish with their donation of office space out of the Parish offices on 1229 Vermont Street, the parish extended its support of our programming in 2014 by donating a house to Catholic Charities at 1247 Kentucky to be used for office and programming space. In addition to this donation, St. John's also contributes approximately \$30,000 per year for emergency assistance (food, rent, utilities, medication and clothing). Other important contributors to the services of Catholic Charities in Lawrence include the Heartland Community Health Center as well as other smaller foundations and corporations in the community and the United Way of Douglas County.

Catholic Charities works closely with several Lawrence service providers to ensure that services are not duplicated and that the community continues to work together to support those in need. Some of these organizations include Bert Nash Community Health Center, ECKAN, Heartland Community Mental Health Center, Heartland Regional Alcohol and Drug Assessment Center (RADAC), Lawrence Community Shelter, Salvation Army – Lawrence, and Willow Domestic Violence Center.

5. How is this approach to the issue unique or collaborative and what gives it a high likelihood of success?

Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas offers an approach to providing emergency assistance that is unique in that it utilizes the agency's strength of excellence in case management. The agency has emerged as a leader in emergency assistance services in the community. Over the past three years, the program has developed from solely providing emergency assistance to include providing services that stabilize individuals and equip them to thrive. Rather than simply providing financial assistance to solely meet a presenting crisis such as eviction or loss of utilities, case management also addresses causal factors that precipitated the crisis such as poor budgeting practices or insufficient assets and positions beneficiaries to avoid subsequent crises. Asset development, including Kansas Loan Pool and financial literacy were instituted as requirements for individuals seeking direct financial assistance, emphasizing pathways out of poverty. Catholic Charities also has onsite food, clothing, employment center and wellness programs.

Highly trained social work staff at the Lawrence site that have come to know and have developed relationships with many of the individuals served through one-on-one guidance and can connect individuals in need with a whole host of services provided by Catholic Charities to help them to break down their barriers and gain self-sufficiency and allowing a higher likelihood of long-term success of clients. Catholic Charities also offers extended hours on set weekdays and having some weekend appointment times available to better serve working clientele.

6. How will success be measured and how will you continue to fund this project once grant funds are expended?

The Center's data collection method is through the Mid America Assistance Coalition's database system, MAACLink. This system is used in tracking clients and the services received, assuring that clients receive the type of help they need to improve their situation. This system markedly promotes collaboration among nonprofits to minimize duplication. MAACLink data is stored and evaluated in conjunction with case management notes. Further, advancements at MAACLink are being made to better track long-term measurable results through case management.

The outcome for the program is that client's immediate basic needs are met, congruent with the provision of immediate, survival services to clients. Indicators and target numbers listed below support this outcome. As seen below, the site performed above our targeted numbers for food distribution substantially, reduced housing based on available funding

but supports the need for additional and continued funding, assistance for transportation was considerably higher than anticipated while need for assistance with prescriptions and assistance offered was reduced based on available unrestricted funding to provide services.

Outcome	FY16 Target	FY16 Actual	FY16 Target
Number of individuals that sustain housing for 30 days	2250	587	750
Number of individuals who sustain utility service for 30 days	925	846	925
Number of individuals who receive food	9800	15,911	20,000
Number of individuals that receive transportation assistance	415	598	600
Number of individuals that receive assistance to purchase medication or supplies	225	61	225

Once CDBG grant funds are expended, financial assistance will continue to be provided as long as other grant funds are available. The Lawrence case managers spread out the available dollars for financial assistance throughout the year to ensure that there is always funding to meet at least some of the need that they are faced with each day.

7. What is the organization’s timeline for achieving the objectives of the grant?

Funds for financial assistance will be utilized as needed up to one year from their receipt.

8. What other funding sources have been approached and what have the responses been?

Collective Brands Foundation (Payless Shoe Source) - \$5,000 awarded – second year of two-year award
 Kansas Housing Resources Corporation (Emergency Solutions Grant)-\$66,000 awarded
 United Way-\$35,000 – Pending
 Douglas County Community – LiveWell Grant for increased healthy choices – Pending
 Ethel and Raymond rice Foundation - \$5,000 – Pending

Rev. Larry Bowers

Cure of Ars

Term: 10/2014 – 10/2017

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Vice Superintendent of Catholic
Schools in Northeast Kansas

Committee: *Nominating*

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CFO Kansas City Chiefs

Committee: *Audit (Chair)*

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Committee: *Finance*

Term: 10/2015 – 10/2018

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CEO/President Ad Veritas

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Committee: *Nominating*

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Committee: *Executive, Audit*

Term: 10/2013 – 10/2016

Ken Williams (Diane)

President / CEO


Proposed Project/Activity Budget

Explanation should describe how you arrived at amounts. See example.
If lines are inserted, remember to add calculated fields.

Budget Items	Explanation	CDBG Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds
PERSONNEL				
(Ex. Project Director)	(ex. 70 hours @ \$20/hour)			-
Manager/Case Manger/Mobile			97,810	97,810
Benefits			21,268	21,268
Payroll Taxes			8,403	8,403
				-
				-
Other (specify below)				-
				-
COMMUNICATIONS				
Telephone			4,139	4,139
Printing			200	200
Postage			100	100
Publicity				
Other (specify below)				
SUPPLIES				
Office			3,000	3,000
Equipment				
Space Rental				-
OTHER COSTS (specify below)				
Contract Services			5500	5500
Assistance to Individuals		15000	117700	132700
Contributed Goods			500000	500000
Travel			2000	2000
Volunteer			400	400
Depreciation			350	350
Dues and Subscriptions			30	30
Professional Services			200	200
TOTALS		15000	761100	776100

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Organization Name:		Housing and Credit Counseling, Inc. (HCCI)	
Mailing Address:		2518 Ridge Court, Suite 208 Lawrence, KS 66046	
Agency Address (if different than above):		1195 SW Buchanan, Topeka, KS 66604	
DUNS Number:	030698641		
Contact Name:	Terry Leatherman / Marilyn Stanley	Phone:	785-749-4224
Contact Title: Housing and Consumer Credit Counselor			
Email:	tleatherman@hcci-ks.org / mstanley@hcci-ks.org	Fax:	785-749-2203
Organization Mission Statement:			
HCCI's mission is to counsel and educate all people to achieve their personal housing and financial goals.			
Proposed Program or Activity Name: Housing and Consumer Credit Counseling for Low-income Lawrence Households			
Proposed Program Address: 2518 Ridge Court, Lawrence, KS 66046			
Brief summary of Proposed Program or Activity:			
This project provides HUD approved housing and consumer credit counseling for low-income families who are (for example) financially overextended due to job loss, underemployment, divorce and medical issues. Counseling will address budgeting, credit building, debt payment, mortgage and rent delinquency. This counseling keeps low-income people in their homes and promotes financial stability.			
Funding Requested:	\$ 10,540		
Request is:	25	% of project budget and < 1	% of organization budget
Which National Objective will be met? (Page 3 above)		Benefiting Low-and Moderate-Income (LMI) Persons	
Which Local Priority will be met? (Page 8 above)		Provides housing stabilization services described in Step Up To Better Housing.	
Certification:			
"I certify that I have reviewed this application and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all of the information provided is true and correct. I also certify that I am officially authorized to represent the submitting organization by its governing board in the filing of this application."			
Signature: 			Date: 11/23/16
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I. Narrative

Please use attachments to answer the following questions in the order presented. If you are requesting funds for more than one program or activity, please address the following questions for each one. Limit your total response to four pages, using standard one-inch margins, single-spacing and 12-point font.

1. What is the situation, problem or opportunity this grant will address?

HCCI expects to counsel and educate 124 low-income Lawrence families August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018. The objectives of HCCI's Housing and Consumer Credit Counseling Program are to help low-income families develop a workable budget, access community resources as needed, and find ways to consistently save for emergencies and non-monthly expenses.

Lawrence families earning low wages often lack the knowledge and confidence to budget wisely, set goals, and develop and take specific action steps to reach their goals to achieve financial stability. HCCI's Counseling is based on a best practice model to educate and empower people to increase their financial stability. Low-income families are:

- at risk of losing their homes for non-payment of rent or mortgage.
- falling deeper into debt and/or are not addressing credit issues.
- perhaps using pay-day loans and incurring spiraling debt;
- coping with high monthly expenses such as childcare and transportation costs.
- coping with high non-monthly expenses such as healthcare.
- balancing student loan debt obligations with other expenses.
- considering bankruptcy because they think they have no other options.

HCCI's counseling for low and moderately-low income households focuses on:

- identifying "wants" vs. "needs."
- prioritizing and decision making for monthly and non-monthly expenses.
- student loan repayment options.
- using tax refunds, Earned Income Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit wisely.
- identifying a "pro-active" rather than a "reactive" response to financial issues to anticipate and avoid (whenever possible) a crisis mode situation.

HCCI's counseling gives a "hand up" by helping people earning low wages learn to manage the money they have and utilize community resources wisely. As attitudes change about money, banking, credit and saving for emergencies, people become more confident in their ability to "take charge" of their personal spending. They are empowered through HCCI's counseling to consistently do what they can to achieve financial stability. Children in these families benefit as they watch their family cope with financial difficulties, establish realistic goals and meet financial obligations to build a more stable financial future.

2. How will this grant support the mission of the organization?

HCCI's mission is met as low-income families are able to consistently budget, reduce debt and begin to

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save for emergencies. HCCI Counselors specifically counsel people to budget for and meet basic monthly obligations of housing, utilities, transportation, groceries and childcare by earning more when it is possible, reducing debt and using community resources, when needed, to attain financial self-sufficiency.

3. How many people will be served by this grant and what percentage are low- moderate income (describe method of verification)?

HCCI expects to serve 124 unduplicated households and 100% of these households will have low and moderately-low incomes. All clients served will be asked to verbally report their annual income as part of the counseling process. In most cases, this data can be verified as HCCI instructs each client to bring pay stubs, creditor statements and a list of monthly expenses with them to the initial counseling session. Income tax statements are also requested, when available. In some cases, the client either does not have documentation of income at the time of the counseling appointment or does not readily share that information with HCCI. In compliance with HUD guidelines, HCCI then uses the client's self-reported income as data for these individuals.

The counselor's notes of each client's visit and follow-up contact are documented in HCCI's electronic database maintained by Paragon Financial Systems. Monthly and quarterly reports track individual, unduplicated clients based on their name and client number.

4. What resources are currently available to dedicate to the program or activity, including staff, volunteers, existing funds and community partners?

Dedicated staff for this project include:

Chris Burk, Housing and Credit Counseling Supervisor (certified since 2002). Chris provides oversight of the program, support and continuing education for counselors, and is responsible for work to document outcomes. Chris is HCCI's Homebuyer Counselor and Educator and provides expertise in budgeting, credit building, home buying, mortgage and rent default. Chris has a BS in Education from Washburn University and taught junior high math before joining the HCCI staff.

Anju Mishra, Counselor, HCCI's Lawrence office (certified since 2006). Anju provides counseling from the HCCI Lawrence office face-to-face, as FaceTime web based video-counseling, and by phone. Anju has counseling expertise in budgeting, credit building, and Home Equity Conversion Mortgages (HECM reverse mortgages). Anju has a BS in Economics with honors from the University of Delhi, India.

Sandra Zepeda, Counselor, HCCI's Lawrence and Topeka offices (certified 2016). Sandra provides counseling from the HCCI Lawrence office face-to-face, as FaceTime web based video-counseling, and by phone. Sandra is fluent in Spanish (native language) and English. She has counseling expertise in budgeting and credit building. Sandra comes to HCCI from her position as a Vice President for Capital City Bank, Topeka for seven years. Sandra has a BS in Business Administration from Miguel de Cervantes Institute, San Salvador, El Salvador.

Rogers Brazier, Counselor providing FaceTime and phone counseling for this project from HCCI's Topeka

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office (certified since 2016). Rogers has counseling expertise in budgeting and credit building. He was nationally certified in October 2016 to counsel regarding student loan debt repayment options. Rogers joined HCCI's staff after a long career with the State of Kansas Department of Administration and in other high level management positions. Rogers served as the Management Systems Analyst for the Kansas Department of Administration where his responsibilities included preparing PowerPoint presentations related to state budgets and related training material for CPAs and Kansas municipal officials. Rogers holds a Juris Doctorate degree from Washburn University's School of Law and a Bachelor of Science in Political Science from Kansas State University.

Existing funds include grants from the following to help support HCCI's Lawrence work.

- HUD – for housing and consumer credit counseling;
- United Way of Douglas County – for housing and consumer credit counseling;
- Douglas County Community Foundation – for laptop computers and related technical support.
- contributions from local employers using HCCI's Employee Assistance Financial Counseling Plan.

Community partners are listed in question #5 below.

5. How is this approach to the issue unique or collaborative and what gives it a high likelihood of success?

HCCI's unique credentials:

HCCI is the only HUD approved nonprofit agency providing comprehensive housing and credit counseling and education in Lawrence. While other Lawrence nonprofit agencies may provide a cursory overview of budgeting principles, no other local Lawrence agency provides the comprehensive financial counseling and financial literacy education programs HCCI offers that address budgeting, credit building, debt repayment, mortgage default, bankruptcy, reverse mortgages for seniors, and student loan repayment options.

In addition to HUD certification, HCCI is accredited by the Council on Accreditation of Services for Families and Children and is approved and regulated by the Office of the Kansas State Bank Commissioner. HCCI is a member of the National Foundation for Credit Counseling. HCCI was recognized by the Better Business Bureau of the Great Plains as an Integrity Award Winner for nonprofit agencies serving Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas and South Dakota.

Collaboration:

HCCI has served the Lawrence community since 1988 when the City of Lawrence requested that HCCI establish a local office – located now in the United Way building on Ridge Court. HCCI is proud to be a United Way of Douglas County partner and collaborates with the following agencies to provide budgeting and credit building counseling for low and moderately-low income households: American Red Cross, Catholic Charities, Cottonwood, Independence, Inc., Just Food, Lawrence Community Shelter, Salvation Army, Tenants To Homeowners, and Willow Domestic Violence Center.

Likelihood of Success:

HCCI's work is measured by these three outcomes for low and moderately-low income households.

1) Following an initial 1.5 hour counseling visit:

- 100% of families counseled will develop a personal budget with assistance from their counselor.

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- 100% of families counseled will have a specific Action Plan and know specific Action Steps they can take to reduce overall debt, pay bills, and live within their means.
- 2) Within three to six months of counseling, HCCI expects the following outcomes:
- 50% of families counseled will report they have balanced their financial obligations, meaning they have taken steps to reduce expenses, increase income, and live within their means.
 - 50% of families counseled will report they have lowered total unsecured debt payments within six months. Debt reduction takes time and commitment. All persons counseled by HCCI have continuing access to an HCCI Counselor whenever they have questions, concerns or need to discuss budget changes.

The Lawrence residents described in the two paragraphs below are at risk of becoming dependent on more government services and/or homeless if they do not have access to HCCI's certified counseling.

Situational Poverty: HCCI's counseling can be a morale booster and confidence builder for people in situational poverty due to underemployment, unemployment, aging and/or compromising health issues. Some are already working more than one low-paying job and are struggling to pay for basic needs.

Generational Poverty: HCCI's counseling can be a morale booster and strong motivator for households who grew up in poverty. Many are resourceful and eager workers but are struggling with transportation or childcare issues. For whatever reasons they have been unable to meet monthly expenses.

HCCI's response to reducing poverty: HCCI's Housing and Consumer Credit Counseling guides low and very-low income households to develop their own personal spending plan (budget) and each person counseled is given specific Action Steps they may follow to reach their personal goal to be financially self-sufficient. HCCI is a continuing resource for the individuals served by phone, e-mail and in person.

6. How will success be measured and how will you continue to fund this project once grant funds are expended?

Please see HCCI's outcomes for measuring client success in question #5 above. HCCI funds this project in part through grants from HUD and the United Way of Douglas County.

7. What is the organization's timeline for achieving the objectives of the grant?

Please see the client outcomes in question #5 above that includes a timeline for clients to meet objectives to budget, reduce debt and begin to save. Most families counseled are able to begin to budget consistently and reduce debt within six months of counseling. All families may continue counseling for up to one year – or longer.

8. What other funding sources have been approached and what have the responses been?

Existing funds for 2017 include grants from the following to help support HCCI's Lawrence work.

- HUD – for housing and consumer credit counseling;
- United Way of Douglas County – for housing and consumer credit counseling;
- Douglas County Community Foundation – for laptop computers and related technical support;
- contributions from local employers using HCCI's Employee Assistance Financial Counseling Plan.

II. Program/Activity Budget

Neighborhood Associations - Please provide an itemized budget detailing **all association expenses** on the attached Neighborhood Budget template.

Agencies – Please provide an itemized budget detailing **all program/activity expenses** on the attached Proposed Project/Activity Budget template.

Any proposal containing repair, rehabilitation, improvements, construction, demolition, acquisition or disposition of real property must include a detailed description including:

- project location and scope
- line-item budget
- bid proposals including labor and materials
- timeline for program/activity

Proposed Project/Activity Budget

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Budget Items	Explanation	CDBG Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds
PERSONNEL				
Housing & Credit Counselor	(1,700 hours @ \$18/hour)	\$10,540	\$20,060	\$30,600
Housing & Credit Counselor	12% Fringe		\$ 3,762	\$3,762
Contractual	Accounting & Audit		\$ 1,949	\$1,949
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COMMUNICATIONS				
Telephone	In-Kind by HCCI		\$1,925	\$1,925
Printing	In-Kind by HCCI		\$ 900	\$900
Postage	In-Kind by HCCI		\$ 225	\$225
Publicity	In-Kind by HCCI		\$ 300	\$300
SUPPLIES				
Office	In-Kind by HCCI		\$ 135	\$135
Equipment	In-Kind by HCCI		\$ 90	\$90
Space Rental	In-Kind by HCCI		\$1,925	\$1,925
OTHER COSTS (specify below)				
Insurance/Bonding	In-Kind by HCCI		\$ 90	\$90
Dues	In-Kind by HCCI		\$ 45	\$45
TOTALS		\$10,540	\$31,316	\$41,856



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Mission: to counsel and educate all people to achieve their personal housing and financial goals.

Services and Programs

Consumer Credit Counseling Serves:

- People who want to get ahead - stay ahead – and be financially stable.
- Families and individuals working hard to make ends meet.
- Teens and young adults concerned about student loan debt.
- Individuals filing bankruptcy when there is no other way out.
- Mortgage default and mortgage foreclosure.
- People age 62 and older with questions about reverse mortgages.

... And people like you. People who want a plan to meet their current and future financial goals.



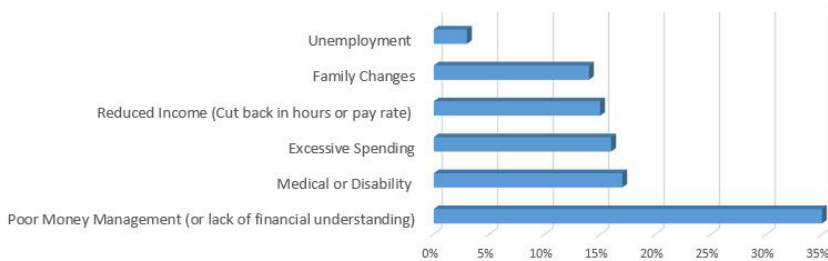
Demographics

Average Age: 45

Average Income: \$30,193

Average Amount of Debt: \$25,940

Reasons for Financial Counseling



65% of clients paid down debt.

46% of clients took pro-active steps towards their goals.

50% of clients began saving for the future.

Amount paid back to creditors in 2015: \$1,117,154

Amount paid back to creditors 2010 - 2015: \$ 12,954,896

SUCCESS STORY

Jim, an Army vet, was denied a Small Business Loan to open his own café. He had good work experience, a drive to succeed and family members willing to help. When Jim contacted HCCI in 2013, he also had a credit score of 610, two over extended credit cards and a collection agency calling him often. Jim was slowly paying down the credit cards but the interest on unpaid balances kept compounding. At HCCI, Jim learned he could start a Debt Management Plan (DMP) for a \$5 set up fee. HCCI helped Jim contact his creditors, negotiate lower interest rates on his credit cards, and set up one monthly payment to HCCI that in turn made monthly payments on his behalf to his creditors. Two years later, Jim has raised his credit score, established solid banking connections and should be eligible to apply for a Small Business Loan within six months. Good news for a hard working guy that paid down \$14,000 in debt in two years.

In Topeka, HCCI's HOPE Program is a model that can be replicated in other communities.

HOPE provides financial counseling and mentoring by trained volunteers to working families who are struggling to get ahead.

SUCCESS STORY

Sarah, a recently divorced mother of two, called HCCI to ask for guidance about her debt of \$65,000 in student loans and \$3,300 in unsecured debts. She has a Master's degree and a good job, but in her words, "I'm drowning in student loan debt because it took me so long to land a job. I love my work now but I can't get ahead." By carefully following a budget plan developed with her HCCI Counselor, and with help from parents with childcare, Sarah was able to find \$200 of "wiggle room" in her budget each month to pay debts. Sarah says, "I've learned to sacrifice over the past 6 months and I can now breathe again. My mentor has been amazing."



Primary Sponsor of HOPE:



Rental Housing Counseling Serves Renters and Landlords who have questions about:

- Maintenance issues.
- Lease questions.
- Noisy neighbors and guests that don't leave.
- Security and pet deposits.
- Bedbugs, mold, roaches and spiders.
- Rent delinquency, the eviction process, and more.



Demographics

Average Age: 27
 Average Income: \$24,367
 Average rent: \$555

98% of clients feel more confident to solve their issue.
86% of clients took action following HCCL counsel.
93% of clients reported they maintained rental housing.

HCCL counsels renters, landlords, property managers and concerned neighbors about their rights and responsibilities based on the Kansas Residential Landlord and Tenant Act, Fair Housing Law and city codes.

Reasons for Rental Counseling

Lease disputes: 30%
 Evictions/Early Termination: 28%
 Maintenance Issue: 23%
 Security Deposits: 14%
 Other: 5%



Sponsored by grants from:

- Kansas Housing Resource Corporation
- United Way Agencies
- Cities of Topeka, Lawrence, Manhattan, Olathe

SUCCESS STORY

Santiago and Milay (pseudonyms) called HCCL in a panic saying their landlord claimed he was evicting them because they had not paid rent on time and in full. They paid rent in cash but always got a receipt. They suspected the real reason the landlord wanted to evict was because they complained about bugs and needed repairs. They had already received a court summons and were frightened. HCCL's Counselor determined they had a 6 month lease. The couple had receipts for all rent payments. HCCL counseled that typically, a judge will ask the tenant if he agrees, disagrees or pleads "no contest" to a charge that rent is owed. If the tenant says he does not owe rent, then he may be given a court date to explain his case. HCCL instructed the couple to take their lease and paid rent receipts with them to the initial eviction hearing. Follow up: Milay was very happy when she told HCCL the judge dropped the eviction charge when he saw the paid rent receipts. This appears to be a case of landlord retaliation for complaining about needed repairs. This young couple was smart to maintain records. They now are more confident to act on their rights as tenants thanks to extensive information provided by HCCL.

Homebuyer Counseling Serves

- First-time buyers and former home owners.
- Anyone who wants to raise their credit score to get the very best mortgage rate possible.

Demographics

Average Age: 37
 Average Income: \$24,752
 Average Household Size: 2

Purchased a house in 2015: 13
 Expect to be mortgage eligible within 12 months: 5
 Expect to be mortgage eligible long term: 20



Owning a home is still a strong goal for young families and for single individuals too. Mortgage lenders offered exceptionally low interest rates in 2015 and buyers with credit scores in the 720 to 740 range plus a good work history were pre-approved to purchase.

SUCCESS STORY

"Thanks, HCCL. We came for financial counseling in 2013 as part of our New Year's Resolution to buy a house. We now qualify for a TOTO home. It's like a dream come true." Anna and Edwin

TOTO - Topeka Opportunity to Own

- Helping Topeka first-time homebuyers since 1992.
- Maximum purchase price of a TOTO home is \$65,000.
- 30 year fixed mortgage.



TOTO is a collaboration with:

- City of Topeka: \$20,000 subsidy for home repairs and up to \$30,000 if home is located within one of four Topeka Opportunity Areas.
- HCCI: financial reviews and counseling to help people raise their credit scores to pre-qualify for a mortgage loan.
- Capitol Federal: primary business partner and lender for TOTO mortgage loans.
- Federal Home Loan Bank Topeka: helps with closing costs for each TOTO Homebuyer.



Financial Literacy Education

Giving back through education.

Fees are never charged for any of the public education classes HCCI provides.

- Spending/Consumer Credit/Debt Management
- Rental Housing Issues
- Homebuying
- Life After Bankruptcy



Primary Sponsor: Office of the State Bank Commissioner

HCCI comes to you. Ask about special classes and counseling at your workplace, public library and school.

**351 Classes with
5,153 participants
in 2015**



Serving the Business Community - Employee Financial Wellness Check-Ups

Follow the lead of Stormont Vail HealthCare and other major employers offering a valuable benefit of financial counseling and brown bag learning sessions from HCCI. For details go to www.hcci-ks.org for details.

Women & Money

A community collaboration with the Johnson County Library and the Topeka and Shawnee County Public Library. In 2015, 112 women enrolled and attended classes about credit building, banking, budgeting, investing and life planning.

Primary Sponsor: Office of the Kansas Securities Commissioner



Revenue

United Ways	\$196,704.00	20%
Federal & State Gov't	\$168,075.00	17%
Local Gov't	\$171,375.00	17%
Private Foundation Grants	\$67,011.00	7%
Corporate Grants	\$130,315.00	13%
Business Contributions & Events	\$42,805.00	4%
Fees for Service	\$158,453.00	16%
Interest & Dividends	\$27,987.00	3%
Individual Contributions	\$23,202.00	2%
Total	\$985,927.00	

Expenses

Salary & Benefits	\$753,281.00	73%
Operations	\$281,123.00	27%
Total	\$1,034,404.00	

*Not Audited

Agency Milestones

Rental Housing Counseling	43 years
Consumer Credit Counseling	30 years
Homebuyer Counseling	23 years
Reverse Mortgage Counseling	12 years
Bankruptcy Counseling	10 years
Targeted Student Loan Repayment	6 years

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Go to www.hcci-ks.org to find out more about:

- HCCI's special Employee Assistant Program through employers
- HCCI's Homebuyer 101 Workshops
- HCCI's Women & Money classes
- HCCI Contributors

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A message from the Board and HCCI's President/CEO



It has been very rewarding for me to serve on HCCI's Board of Directors since 2012. HCCI provides counseling and financial literacy education classes for about 10,000 people each year. A majority of the people served are facing daunting financial challenges of unemployment or underemployment in a challenging economy. They struggle with rising costs for basic needs – food, housing, transportation. Some are simply overspending while others cope with life challenges such as poor health, divorce, and lack of opportunity.

The economy is slowly recovering but, unfortunately, not everyone is getting ahead. HCCI is very concerned about the increasing numbers of families that are falling into poverty. Labeled “the working poor,” they are often working two jobs – but they can't make ends meet and many are losing hope of ever being financially self-sufficient again. HCCI offers these struggling households practical budgeting guidance, help with setting financial goals, and straight talk about realistic steps they can take to get back on a solid financial track again.

HCCI's HOPE Program, sponsored by the United Way of Greater Topeka, is a shining example of an innovative program HCCI developed in 2012 that is helping working families' budget to meet their monthly expenses, reduce debts and save for emergencies.

It is especially rewarding for the HCCI Board to hear the progress clients make with continuing guidance from HCCI's staff of highly qualified counselors. All of us on the HCCI Board of Directors are proud to talk about how HCCI gives a “hand up” for people who want to become financially stable. We help people have a brighter future when they achieve their personal housing and financial goals.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Kongs".

Mike Kongs, Board President

In 2016, HCCI will be celebrating its 44th year of service. What began as a grassroots project by VISTA volunteers to help low income Topeka families secure safe and decent housing has grown into a powerful organization helping thousands of people each year reach their housing and financial goals through dynamic education and compassionate counseling.

The epicenter of HCCI operations remains Topeka, where the majority of our professional team works in the historic Buchanan Center. Early in 2016, HCCI plans to invest in improvements to our longtime headquarters near downtown, that will make counseling and education services in Topeka even more inviting. HCCI is also very much an active participant in the social service networks in Manhattan and Lawrence, where we provide comprehensive services from our branch offices in those communities. Through the many partnerships we have cultivated, HCCI delivers financial education services in communities throughout eastern Kansas. Thanks to our partnership with the Kansas Housing Resources Corporation, HCCI provides rental housing counseling and education services throughout the state of Kansas.

This is a different world than when HCCI first opened its doors in 1972. For instance, 70% of the people we counseled in 2015 had student loan debt. Our professional team works hard to understand the financial and housing challenges our clients face in today's world. One constant that HCCI has maintained throughout the years is the determination of the entire HCCI team to arm everyone who seeks our help with the direction they need to achieve their financial and housing goals.

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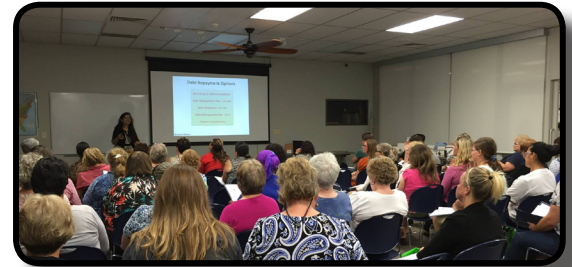
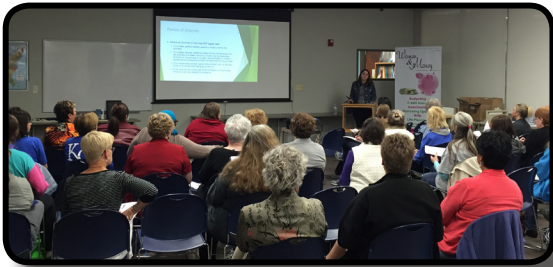
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In 2015, Hundreds of People in the Douglas County United Way Region Benefitted from HCCI Services

- 231 People Participated in Financial Counseling Services
- 201 People Participated in Rental Housing Counseling Services
- 27 Financial Literacy Education Classes Were Held, with 387 People Participating
- 4 Rental Housing Education Classes Were Held, With 68 People Participating
- HCCI Provided 16 Overview Presentations on our Programs and Services, attended by 338 People



SUCCESS STORY

Mrs. Smith (pseudonym) first came to Housing and Credit Counseling, Inc. in 2006 and HCCI has been a constant and trusted local resource for her since. Mrs. Smith scheduled, and then cancelled, four appointments before she finally kept her first appointment with Anju Mishra, her HCCI counselor. She was embarrassed and afraid. Now, Mrs. Smith is debt free and self-confident again.

Mrs. Smith was over spending her personal budget by about \$400 each month. Her husband had died suddenly and she was alone. Shopping made her feel better. She received a pension and she worked. She had handled the family's finances but now that she was alone she found she could not concentrate on the details of monitoring the budget her HCCI Counselor had helped her establish.

When her utilities were shut off several times, she came back to HCCI for help. After reviewing her income and spending patterns, Anju recommended she begin a Debt Management Plan. Anju contacted Mrs. Smith's creditors. She owed a total of \$28,937 including balances on credit cards that were charging 19% to 29.99% revolving interest.

After Anju negotiated with each creditor to reduce the interest charged and waive a portion of the late fees that had been billed, a reasonable solution was reached with the seven creditors that included the original debt of \$28,937 plus interest of \$8,248 resulting in a total of \$37,185 to be paid over five years at \$650 per month. HCCI's counseling and follow-up with clients is subsidized by grants and donations including a grant from the United Way of Douglas County.

When Mrs. Smith was trying to juggle monthly minimum payments on her own on her various credit cards she was sending checks totaling \$1,041 per month while she watched the interest rates on some of her cards climb to 29.99%. HCCI was able to negotiate a monthly payment \$391 less than she was paying on her own.

When Anju presented Mrs. Smith with the option of making one payment of \$650 per month for five years Mrs. Smith quickly agreed as she told Anju this option would relieve much of the pressure she was feeling to juggle payments and other routine expenses each month.

With periodic encouragement and counseling from Anju, Mrs. Smith found the self-determination to stick to her plan. Within five years of establishing her Debt Management Plan, Mrs. Smith was debt-free. She credits HCCI with helping her live within her budget and she now enjoys saving for the special shopping trips she treats herself to periodically.

Although her Debt Management Plan is "closed," Mrs. Smith knows HCCI counselors are just a phone call away should she need help in the future balancing her budget. Mrs. Smith thanks Anju for helping her put her financial life in order. She has referred several family members to HCCI.

HCCI was founded in Topeka in 1972 and established the Lawrence office in 1988. HCCI provides counseling face-to-face, by video-conferencing and phone about budgeting, credit building, debt repayment, mortgage delinquency, rental housing issues, student loan repayment, homeownership opportunities, reverse mortgages for seniors, and bankruptcy education that meets federal legal requirements. HCCI provides financial literacy education classes for adults and young adults ages 16 – 24 addressing all of the financial and housing topics HCCI counsels about.

HCCI is certified by HUD and accredited by the Council on Accreditation. HCCI is a member of the National Foundation for Credit Counseling and is registered and regulated in Kansas by the Office of the State Bank Commissioner. The Better Business Bureau of the Great Plains named HCCI as their 2013 Integrity Award Winner for a four-state region.

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City of Lawrence CDBG/HOME Programs Grant Application

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Organization Name:		Lawrence Community Shelter			
Mailing Address:		3655 E. 25th Street, Lawrence, KS, 66046			
Agency Address (if different than above):					
DUNS Number:	006306877				
Contact Name:	Trey Meyer			Phone:	(785) 832-8864
Contact Title: Executive Director					
Email: treym@lawrenceshelter.org				Fax:	(785) 832-1053
<p>Organization Mission Statement:</p> <p>The mission of the Lawrence Community Shelter is to provide a safe shelter, offer comprehensive services, and administer programs that together pave a path to a positive future for individuals and families currently experiencing or at risk of homelessness.</p>					
Proposed Program or Activity Name: LCS Case Management and Community Support					
Proposed Program Address: 3655 E. 25th Street, Lawrence, KS, 66046					
<p>Brief summary of Proposed Program or Activity:</p> <p>LCS provides services to persons who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. In the short term, LCS provides shelter, warmth, food and water. In the long term, we seek to help our guests learn and re-learn mindsets, worldviews and life skills that give them the best chance possible to live independently in a dignified, sustainable way. We accomplish this objective through our comprehensive case management process and in partnership with many community agencies in and around Lawrence.</p>					
Funding Requested:		\$ 62,802			
Request is:	15	% of project budget and	6.3	% of organization budget	
Which National Objective will be met? (Page 3 above)			CDBG National Objectives 1, 2 and 3		
Which Local Priority will be met? (Page 8 above)			See attached.		
<p>Certification:</p> <p>"I certify that I have reviewed this application and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all of the information provided is true and correct. I also certify that I am officially authorized to represent the submitting organization by its governing board in the filing of this application."</p>					
Signature:					Date: 12/01/2016
Print Name and Title: Trey Meyer, Executive Director					
FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STAFF USE ONLY					
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City of Lawrence CDBG/HOME Programs Grant Application

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I. Narrative

Please use attachments to answer the following questions in the order presented. If you are requesting funds for more than one program or activity, please address the following questions for each one. Limit your total response to four pages, using standard one-inch margins, single-spacing and 12-point font.

1. What is the situation, problem or opportunity this grant will address?
2. How will this grant support the mission of the organization?
3. How many people will be served by this grant and what percentage are low-moderate income (describe method of verification)?
4. What resources are currently available to dedicate to the program or activity, including staff, volunteers, existing funds and community partners?
5. How is this approach to the issue unique or collaborative and what gives it a high likelihood of success?
6. How will success be measured and how will you continue to fund this project once grant funds are expended?
7. What is the organization's timeline for achieving the objectives of the grant?
8. What other funding sources have been approached and what have the responses been?

II. Program/Activity Budget

Neighborhood Associations - Please provide an itemized budget detailing **all association expenses** on the attached Neighborhood Budget template.

Agencies – Please provide an itemized budget detailing **all program/activity expenses** on the attached Proposed Project/Activity Budget template.

Any proposal containing repair, rehabilitation, improvements, construction, demolition, acquisition or disposition of real property must include a detailed description including:

- project location and scope
- line-item budget
- bid proposals including labor and materials
- timeline for program/activity

Application of Lawrence Community Shelter for CDBG Grant Narrative

The local priorities that will be met by the activities funded by this CDBG grant are as follows:

- LCS provides services that respond to critical, identifiable and unmet needs in both the near term and the long term. In the short term, when a person seeks to be admitted as a guest at LCS, he or she typically has many critical, identifiable and unmet needs, including, without limitation, shelter, warmth, food and water. A person can go about 21 days without food, about one week without water, and mere hours in cold weather without shelter. As such, “critical”, in the context of the things LCS provides, should be read to mean “fatal” if such need ultimately remains unmet. In the long term, we seek to help our guests learn and re-learn mindsets, worldviews and life skills that give them the best chance possible to live independently in a dignified, sustainable way. We accomplish this objective through our comprehensive case management process and in partnership with many community agencies in and around Lawrence, including, without limitation, Bert Nash Community Mental Health Center, DCCCA, Lawrence/Douglas County Housing Authority, The Willow Domestic Violence Center, Health Care Access, Heartland Community Health Center, and many others.

- These services indeed have a high benefit to low-income persons, as the vast majority of LCS guests fall within the definition of not only “Low Income” but “Extremely Low Income”, as those terms are defined by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

- The priorities served by LCS and its activities are clearly defined as to:
 - Scope. As mentioned herein, we help people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

 - Location. The vast majority of our activities occur in Lawrence and Douglas County.

 - Need. The need is obvious and is perhaps best illustrated by the fact that the Point-In-Time Count conducted in January every year routinely identifies around 300 persons who are homeless in Douglas County.

 - Budget. See attached.

 - Goals. Our goal is to provide immediate food, warmth and shelter to persons who are homeless or at risk of homelessness, with the long-term goal of helping our

guests learn and re-learn mindsets, worldviews and life skills that give them the best chance possible to live independently in a dignified, sustainable way.

- Beneficiaries. The beneficiaries of our programs are our guests, all of whom are homeless or at risk of homelessness.
- Means for evaluation of program progress, with evaluation criteria that are specific, measurable, and realistic. We measure our progress with the following metrics, among others:
 - Total unique individuals served annually.
 - Total unique individuals served daily.
 - Total guests who obtain at least one job while at LCS.
 - Average wage of working guests.
 - Total guests referred to partner agencies for mental health issues, physical health issues, and substance use disorders.
 - Average length of stay at LCS.
 - Numbers of guests to whom LCS provides prescription/medication assistance.
- This application presents a reasonable, sound budget and a clear plan of action that is consistent with the budget. While we are committed to constant learning and improvement, we believe that LCS's recent performance amply demonstrates that we have the capacity and the capability to implement the proposed plan successfully.
- LCS consistently maximizes the use of outside funds, including non-CDBG or other City funds, to accomplish its mission.
- LCS provides a housing or neighborhood benefit as described in the "Step Up to Better Housing" strategy, to wit, "Emergency Housing".

1. What is the situation, problem or opportunity this grant will address?

At the most basic level, this grant will help LCS to address the problem of serving our fellow citizens who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. In a certain sense, homelessness is a manifestation of personal challenges and difficulties, such as mental illness, substance use disorders, and lack of access to affordable housing and meaningful employment. As such, we are really addressing our guests' deficits in those areas and working with them to apply resources to remedy those deficits.

2. How will this grant support the mission of the organization?

This grant directly supports the mission of LCS by helping us fund the programs and activities that provide assistance to our fellow citizens who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

3. How many people will be served by this grant and what percentage are low-moderate income (describe method of verification)?

LCS typically serves 700-800 unique individuals per year, including about 40 families and 70 children. Our daily capacity is 125 persons, with an allowance from the City of Lawrence to shelter an additional 15 persons when the outside temperature is less than 40 degrees. 100% of LCS clients meet the low-moderate income definition. Any source of income (job, disability, etc.) that can be documented is ascertained and confirmed by our case management team.

4. What resources are currently available to dedicate to the program or activity, including staff, volunteers, existing funds and community partners?

LCS currently employs 20 staff members and utilizes three Americorps workers, three interns from the University of Kansas School of Social Welfare, and over 250 volunteers to meet the needs of the agency and its guests. The projected annual budget for LCS for 2017 is approximately \$1,000,000. LCS collaborates with numerous community partners for the benefit of LCS guests, including the following:

- DCCA
- Lawrence/Douglas County Housing Authority
- The Willow
- STA Care Center
- Bert Nash Community Mental Health Center
- Health Care Access
- HCCI
- Independence, Inc.
- Heartland Community Health Center
- Vocational Rehabilitation through the Department for Children and Families
- Salvation Army
- United Way and Americorps
- Success by 6
- Boys & Girls Club
- City of Lawrence
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- Dwayne Peaslee Technical Training Center

5. How is this approach to the issue unique or collaborative and what gives it a high likelihood of success?

When a guest first arrives, he or she is directed to meet with a case manager to develop a case plan. This case plan is intended to help the guest identify and meaningfully address the root causes of his or her homelessness, whether that be mental or physical illness, a substance use disorder, or challenges related to finding and obtaining suitable employment and appropriate housing.

The guest and case manager next work together to connect the guest with agencies and resources to help him or her deal with these challenges. This is accomplished primarily through referrals to the above agencies and LCS's vocational rehabilitation program.

We work with many persons and agencies, but the primary referrals are typically as follows:

- Bert Nash Community Mental Health Center for a mental health assessment
- Heartland and Health Care Access for issues of physical health
- LCS's vocational rehabilitation program for job assistance
- Referral for assistance evaluating and applying for disability assistance
- Lawrence/Douglas County Housing Authority for housing assistance

We strongly encourage all guests wishing to remain at LCS to develop and work on a plan for finding work or qualifying for benefits. Once a guest has a legitimate income they are required to participate in the financial programs offered at the shelter and save a portion of their income towards future deposits, first month's rent and other costs associated with moving to stable housing. Guests with a legitimate income will also be expected to develop a budget with their case manager and help pay for their own transportation, meals, medications, and other needs.

LCS programs are both unique and increase the chances that the individual guests will succeed in finding stable housing. As illustrated above we have many collaborations that help us address the myriad reasons an individual or family may be homeless including addictions, physical disability, unemployment, mental health and many others.

6. How will success be measured and how will you continue to fund this project once grant funds are expended?

LCS will measure success as follows:

- Total unique individuals served annually.
- Total unique individuals served daily.
- Total guests who obtain at least one job while at LCS.
- Average wage of working guests.

- Total guests referred to partner agencies for mental health issues, physical health issues, and substance use disorders.
- Average length of stay at LCS.
- Numbers of guests to whom LCS provides prescription/medication assistance.

Because this grant does not fund all LCS program and activity costs, the remainder of the LCS budget will be funded primarily through other grants and private donations.

7. What is the organization's timeline for achieving the objectives of the grant?

LCS is open 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. Because our objectives are continuous and ongoing, we achieve the objectives of this grant on a daily basis.

8. What other funding sources have been approached and what have the responses been?

LCS receives financial support locally from the City of Lawrence, Douglas County, the Douglas County Community Foundation and United Way. In addition to those local sources we also receive federal funding like ESG, and we seek funding from numerous private foundations and individual donors. We also will be hiring a director of development who will oversee and implement a comprehensive fundraising strategy.

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3. How have you impacted the citizens of Lawrence?

With our programs for housing, jobs and job training, benefits, and intervention, under the guidance of our case managers and in collaboration with other area agencies, LCS strives to be the lead agency working to reduce homelessness in Lawrence and to afford such persons to support to become self-sustaining. LCS is the conduit agency for homeless people in Douglas County and surrounding area. Many such persons present to LCS suffering mental and/or physical illness, drug and/or alcohol addiction, and chronic and systematic joblessness. Through our programs, and with the help of many valuable service partners, many LCS guests are able to find temporary or permanent employment, treatment for mental and physical illness and substance use disorders, and transitional and permanent housing. Ultimately, some of our guests are able to get back up on their feet and become valuable and contributing members of our community. We believe that this is a substantial and highly valuable impact to our fellow citizens, both those who are guests here at LCS and also citizens at large of Lawrence.

4. What barriers, if any, have you encountered?

The main barriers to accomplishing the goal of self-sustainability for our guests are as follows:

- a. Residential options for mentally ill guests. There are very few long-term housing options for guests suffering from severe and persistent mental illness, especially for those with no source of income. Although serving as a long-term care facility is outside the scope of our mission, LCS ultimately serves that role for many of these guests because they have no other option. We continually search for options for these guests related to mental health treatment, employment, education, and housing, but it is very difficult to place them in independent, sustainable living situations.
- b. Mental health treatment. Due to funding cuts at the state and federal level, we find it very difficult to find suitable mental health treatment for our guests who suffer from severe and persistent mental illness. We work closely with the Bert Nash Community Mental Health Center, but we still struggle to get guests connected with the resources they need to treat their mental health issues.
- c. Substance abuse treatment. For many guests, a major driver of their homelessness is severe addiction and alcoholism. In-patient treatment options are limited, especially for guests with no insurance or source of income. We work with DCCCA to get such guests into treatment of some sort, but it is a constant challenge to persuade many such guests to attend an evaluation and/or comply with the resulting treatment recommendations. We also do not have a medical detox center in Lawrence, so we use LMH or the Johnson County detox facility.
- d. Housing inventory. There are also very few housing options for guests attempting to transition out of homelessness, especially those guests that have extensive criminal histories or rental history/eviction issues. We work closely with the Lawrence-Douglas County Housing Authority to get as many qualifying guests as possible into the Housing Authority system. Due to the limited number of vouchers issued by HUD to the Lawrence area, the wait time is typically 18 to 24 months. For guests capable of living on their own, we attempt to get them prepared to leave LCS in approximately 90 days. It is often very difficult to find a suitable housing option for a guest between checking out of LCS and getting into a HUD unit.
- e. Financial literacy and decision making. Financial illiteracy and poor financial decision-making are epidemics among our guests, from a failure or refusal to save money to a lack of budgeting to a destructive willingness to take on consumer debt to impulse purchasing. We spend a great deal of time counseling and coaching guests to learn about money and budgeting, and we work with HCCI to offer financial literacy and educational opportunities, but this is a vexing problem.

- f. Hopelessness. This is such a pervasive phenomenon that I will include in every report to every constituency that supports LCS. At the end of the day, one of the most difficult things we do is to try to instill a little hope in people who have many, many reasons to not have any hope about anything. When the answer to every inquiry is "Why should I? It will never work.", it can be a challenge to get some folks in the right frame of mind to move forward. Accordingly, in one way or another, in small ways and big ways, everything we do is designed to give a person a reason, if only the slightest reason, to have a tiny bit of hope. That tiny bit of hope can be the foundation, however small, for moving forward.

5. Review the line-item budget you provided in your application. How much of your allocation has been spent?

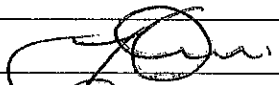
We received 50% of our allocation on June 28, 2016. This allocation totaled \$92,000 and was comprised of \$50,000 from the general fund and \$42,000 from the alcohol fund. We have not yet used any of this allocation. Per our budget plan and agreement with the City, we plan to receive the second half of the allocation in October 2016.

LCS Proposed Grant Budget

Budget Items	Explanation	CDBG Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds
PERSONNEL				
Case Management Supervisor	1.0 FTE @ \$39,000	5,850	33,150	39,000
Employment Counselor	1.0 FTE @ \$30,000	4,500	25,500	30,000
Case Manager	1.0 FTE @ \$31,000	4,650	26,350	31,000
Family Case Manager	1.0 FTE @ \$30,000	4,500	25,500	30,000
Kitchen Staff	2.0 PTE @ \$12,240	3,672	20,808	24,480
Monitors	8.0 FTE @ \$20,000	24,000	136,000	160,000
Other (specify below)				
Americorps Members	2.0 FTE @ \$5,000	1,500	8,500	10,000
COMMUNICATIONS				
Telephone	12 months @ \$800.00	1,440	8,160	9,600
Printing	12 months @ \$400.00	720	4,080	4,800
Postage	12 months @ \$50.00	90	510	600
Publicity				
Other (specify below)				
SUPPLIES				
Office	12 months @ \$300.00	540	3,060	3,600
Space Rental				-
Food	12 months @ \$3,000	5,400	30,600	36,000
OTHER COSTS (specify below)				
Utilites	12 months @ \$3,300	5,940	33,660	39,600
TOTALS				
		62,802	355,878	418,680

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Organization Name:		The Salvation Army		
Mailing Address:		946 New Hampshire, Lawrence KS 66044		
Agency Address (if different than above):				
DUNS Number:	827154142			
Contact Name:	Lt. Marisa McCluer		Phone:	785-843-4188 Ext 102
Contact Title: Corps Officer				
Email:	marisa_mccluer@usc.salvationarmy.org		Fax:	785-843-1716
Organization Mission Statement:				
<p>The mission of the Salvation Army in Lawrence, Kansas is to meet the basic needs of individuals without discrimination. The Salvation Army utilizes two steps to achieve this mission. First, stabilize crisis using preventative assistance. Second, help families recognize, prevent or address barriers to stability.</p>				
Proposed Program or Activity Name: Emergency Services Council				
Proposed Program Address: 946 New Hampshire, Lawrence KS 66044				
Brief summary of Proposed Program or Activity:				
<p>The Emergency Service Council (ESC) is a collaborative effort between The Salvation Army (TSA), Ballard Community Services (BCS), ECKAN, the Willow Domestic Violence Center, and Douglas County Senior Services to prevent loss of utility service and/or homelessness through a coordinated effort. Ballard Community Services has been the program administrator for ESC, and has traditionally applied for funding for ESC through this and other grants. Beginning in 2017, The Salvation Army will provide administration support for the ESC and will work closely with ESC partners to benefit our community.</p>				
Funding Requested:	\$16,500			
Request is:	<27	% of project budget and	<3	% of organization budget
Which National Objective will be met? (Page 3 above)			#1 and #3	
Which Local Priority will be met? (Page 8 above)			Provide services that respond to critical, identifiable and unmet needs; have a high benefit to low-income persons;	
Certification:				
"I certify that I have reviewed this application and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all of the information provided is true and correct. I also certify that I am officially authorized to represent the submitting organization by its governing board in the filing of this application."				
Signature: 				Date: 12.5.16
Print Name and Title: Phillip Maxwell - Divisional Commander				
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Date Received: Amended 12/5/16	Application :	Complete <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Incomplete <input type="checkbox"/>	
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I. Narrative

Please use attachments to answer the following questions in the order presented. If you are requesting funds for more than one program or activity, please address the following questions for each one. Limit your total response to four pages, using standard one-inch margins, single-spacing and 12-point font.

1. What is the situation, problem or opportunity this grant will address?
2. How will this grant support the mission of the organization?
3. How many people will be served by this grant and what percentage are low-moderate income (describe method of verification)?
4. What resources are currently available to dedicate to the program or activity, including staff, volunteers, existing funds and community partners?
5. How is this approach to the issue unique or collaborative and what gives it a high likelihood of success?
6. How will success be measured and how will you continue to fund this project once grant funds are expended?
7. What is the organization's timeline for achieving the objectives of the grant?
8. What other funding sources have been approached and what have the responses been?

II. Program/Activity Budget

Neighborhood Associations - Please provide an itemized budget detailing **all association expenses** on the attached Neighborhood Budget template.

Agencies – Please provide an itemized budget detailing **all program/activity expenses** on the attached Proposed Project/Activity Budget template.

Any proposal containing repair, rehabilitation, improvements, construction, demolition, acquisition or disposition of real property must include a detailed description including:

- project location and scope
- line-item budget
- bid proposals including labor and materials
- timeline for program/activity

Narrative

1. What is the situation, problem or opportunity this grant will address?

The Salvation Army plans to address immediate crisis situations caused by poverty, and experienced by Douglas County residents, through the Emergency Service Council's collaborative interventions and initiatives.

The Emergency Service Council (ESC) is a collaborative effort between The Salvation Army (TSA), Ballard Community Services (BCS), ECKAN, the Willow Domestic Violence Center, and Douglas County Senior Services to prevent loss of utility service and/or homelessness through a coordinated effort. Ballard Community Services has been the program administrator for ESC, and has traditionally applied for funding for ESC through this and other grants. Beginning in 2017, The Salvation Army will provide administration support for the ESC and will work closely with ESC partners to benefit our community.

Though poverty is frequently blamed on personal failings or a series of unlucky events, a group of researchers at Princeton University is arguing that financial pressures can actually impair the way people's brains function, leading them to make poor decisions that initiate and perpetuate poverty... We're arguing that the lack of financial resources itself can lead to impaired cognitive functioning... The very condition of not having enough can actually be a cause of poverty."¹

In 2013, the City of Lawrence had a 22% rate of residents with income below the poverty level, or 4% higher than the State of Kansas² and 8% higher than the average national poverty level³; and a 10.1% rate of residents who are below 50% of the poverty level, 4.2% higher than the State of Kansas.

The poverty rate among disabled males in the city of Lawrence was 17.9% as compared to the 12.6% poverty rate in the State of Kansas. The poverty rate among disabled females in the city of Lawrence was 23.7% as compared to the 17% poverty rate in the State of Kansas⁴.

Poverty is a known contributor to negative outcomes for both individuals and communities such as heart disease, anxiety and depression⁵, negative child developmental outcomes such as a reduced ability to provide needed care, reduced ability to foster parent and child relationships, higher rates of child neglect and abuse⁶, and negative effects on communities⁷. Poverty is inextricably linked with rising levels of homelessness and food insecurity/hunger for many Americans and children are particularly affected by these conditions. There are a myriad of

¹ <http://www.usnews.com/news/articles/2013/08/29/study-poverty-contributes-to-poor-concentration-extends-financial-woes>

² <http://www.city-data.com/poverty/poverty-Lawrence-Kansas.html#ixzz4QkpFkIMw>

³ <http://www.census.gov/library/publications/2016/demo/p60-256.html>

⁴ <http://www.city-data.com/poverty/poverty-Lawrence-Kansas.html#ixzz4QkpFkIMw>

⁵ Evans, G. W., & Kim, P. (2007). Childhood poverty and health cumulative risk exposure and stress dysregulation. *Psychological Science*, 18(11), 953-957.

⁶ Aber, J. L., Bennett, N. G., Conley, D. C., & Li, J. (1997). The effects of poverty on child health and development. *Annual review of public health*, 18(1), 463-483.

⁷ Tienda, M. (1990). Poor people and poor places: deciphering neighborhood effects on poverty outcomes.

effects stemming from the conditions of poverty, homelessness, and hunger on children and youth.⁸ Without intervention, these conditions can perpetuate and even worsen.

PERCENTAGE OF FAMILIES AND PEOPLE WHOSE INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS IS BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL (in Douglas County, Kansas)⁹

All families	7.7%
With related children under 18 years	12.6%
With related children under 5 years only	16.0%
Married couple families	3.8%
With related children under 18 years	6.7%
With related children under 5 years only	9.0%
Families with female householder, no husband present	22.0%
With related children under 18 years	29.9%
With related children under 5 years only	46.9%
All people	18.5%
Under 18 years	13.4%
Related children under 18 years	13.3%
Related children under 5 years	16.2%
Related children 5 to 17 years	12.2%
18 years and over	19.7%
18 to 64 years	21.8%
65 years and over	5.3%
People in families	8.2%
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	39.6%

2. How will this grant support the mission of the organization?

The mission of the Salvation Army in Lawrence, Kansas is to meet the basic needs of individuals without discrimination. The Salvation Army utilizes two steps to achieve this mission. First, stabilize crisis using preventative assistance. Second, help families recognize, prevent or address barriers to stability.

The Emergency Assistance Program is an integral part of The Salvation Army of Douglas County, providing services to families on an emergency basis. These services are available to any resident of Douglas County to help provide aid for families who need rent, utility, clothing, food or other required assistance. Our case manager meets with families to assess their needs and discuss what assistance might be available.¹⁰

Funds awarded to the ESC program will support this mission by directly supporting the needs of those individuals who are facing critical situations due to short term crisis. ESC funds are used to

⁸ <http://www.apa.org/pi/families/poverty.aspx>

⁹ <http://factfinder.census.gov/faces/tableservices/jsf/pages/productview.xhtml?src=CF>

¹⁰ <http://www.lawrence.salvationarmy.us/>

alleviate immediate crisis by preventing homelessness or unsanitary living situations by providing up to \$200 to Douglas County residents who are in danger of eviction or utility disconnect. In order to be eligible, applicants must show proof of eviction or disconnect, Douglas County residency, and must have income and way to pay off the rest of the debt owed.

3. How many people will be served by this grant and what percentage are low moderate income (describe method of verification).

It is anticipated that a grant of \$15,000 allocated to the ESC program will alleviate approximately 100 – 150 families, approximately 400 individuals in Douglas County, from immediate crisis. The number of households served using this fund could increase since many households will not require the maximum allocation per household of \$200. Applicant must provide proof of eviction or disconnect, photo ID, social security or tax ID, and proof of income. Eligibility is determined by household income level, which must be below 185% of Federal poverty level.

4. What resources are currently available to dedicate to the program or activity, including staff, volunteers, existing funds and community partners?

All five partners of the ESC have dedicated staff members to complete applications and obtain required documentation, including eviction or shut off notice, identification and social security or tax identification number and income verification, for processing.

Community is important to the case management program, as one of the goals is to integrate clients into healthy support networks. Toward this end, the Salvation Army utilizes the network of community agencies in the Lawrence Douglas County area and has created a committee of community volunteers dedicated to finding resources identified by clients that is not provided through traditional agency funding streams. To date, our committee has furnished three homes, obtained a washer and dryer set, provided tools, helped clients find employment and have provided clothing and baby items and other numerous items and cash based on individual need.

5. How is this approach to the issue collaborative and what gives it a high likelihood of success?

The ESC provides an avenue for its partners to deliver services in a collaborative manner, ensuring high quality services and preventing duplication. Case workers at each agency are trained to gather all appropriate documentation, including eviction or shut off notice, proof of income, and identification. During the initial interview process, clients are screened to identify underlying root causes of the crisis, and if warranted, clients can be referred to other more intensive case management programs, such as the case management program offered by the Salvation Army. Finally, all applications taken by each partner are submitted through a single program administrator, thus eliminating any potential duplication.

The Salvation Army's case management program has a high success rate because case managers work alongside the clients as barriers are identified and resolved, and see the client through until there is evidence that clients have increased income or stability. This provides the client and case worker the ability to identify multiple or layered problems, giving clients a better chance at addressing what they need to in order to succeed.

6. How will success be measured and how will you continue to fund this project once grant funds are expended?

The outcome measurements for ESC were originally developed in collaboration with the KU School of Welfare, Ballard Community Services and agency partners.

Administrative costs identified in the budget include collaboration with partner agencies, data entry and tracking outcome measurements that will be collected in follow up contacts on or about 30-, 60- and 180-day intervals post-assistance in order to measure immediate, intermediate and long term results of an ESC investment. Measures of success of ESC include ESC clients who have been able to maintain uninterrupted utility service, remain housed, remain in school or remain employed. ESC has a proven record of preventing utility disconnection or eviction through small, focused investment.

- a) Immediate targeted outcome: 100% of clients are able to maintain residency and keep utilities on for thirty days after receiving ESC services. This outcome is guaranteed due to vendor agreement to maintain residency or utility for at least an additional 30 days post ESC investment.
- b) Medium range targeted outcome: 90% of clients are able to maintain their residency and keep their utilities on for 60 days after receiving ESC services.
- c) Long term targeted outcome: 75% of clients are able to maintain their residency and keep their utilities on for 180 days after receiving ESC services.

The Salvation Army case management program utilizes the Mid America Assistance Coalition's (MAACLInk) database to track services provided to individual households. The information from this database is able to provide a clearer picture of what it takes to move families out of poverty. Along with client information, the database tracks referrals, monies spent, activities engaged in, services and items provided, along with case notes and results from various standardized measurements.

7. What is the organization's timeline for achieving the objectives of this grant?

The objectives of the ESC program are a continuation of prior CDBG funding awards and thus without interruption in order to provide continuity of service and assistance. Funds from this grant will be used to stop eviction or utility disconnect upon verification of client eligibility and pledge of payment.

8. What other funding sources have been approached and what have the responses been?

Outside of CDBG funding, we applied in 2016 to Douglas County and received \$25,000 for 2017. Funding resources dedicated to emergency assistance and case management for the Salvation Army include \$40,000 from the RICE foundation, \$5,000 from private foundations and other donors. The Salvation Army Advisory Board is dedicated to procuring in-kind donations from the community.

Proposed Project/Activity Budget

Explanation should describe how you arrived at amounts. See example.
If lines are inserted, remember to add calculated fields.


Budget Items	Explanation	CDBG Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds
PERSONNEL				
(Ex. Project Director)	(ex. 70 hours @ \$20/hour)			
10% allocation for personnel	Staff time dedicated to coordinating grant monies with other partner agencies i.e. processing paperwork check requests, verifying eligibility, etc.	\$1,500.00		1,500
Other (specify below)				
COMMUNICATIONS				
Telephone				
Printing				
Postage				
Publicity				
Other (specify below)				
SUPPLIES				
Office				
Equipment				
Space Rental				
OTHER COSTS (specify below)				
Rent/Utility assistance to households experiencing low- to mid-level poverty	\$200 max assistance per household			\$15,000
TOTALS		1500	0	16500

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Organization Name:		Success By 6 Coalition of Douglas County			
Mailing Address:		1525 West 6 th Street			
Agency Address (if different than above):					
DUNS Number:	148806511				
Contact Name:	Rich Minder			Phone:	785-842-8719
Contact Title: Collaborative Projects Coordinator					
Email: docofamily2family@gmail.com				Fax:	785-842-1412
Organization Mission Statement: To ensure that all Douglas County families of children under 6 have what they need to successfully parent their young children, thereby fostering positive parent-child relationships and preparing children for success in school and in life.					
Proposed Program or Activity Name: Strengthening Families with Rent & Utility Assistance					
Proposed Program Address: 1525 West 6 th Street, Lawrence, KS 66044					
Brief summary of Proposed Program or Activity: SB6 proposes to use CDBG funds to provide rent and utility assistance to families of young children served by The Strengthening Families Network of agencies.					
Funding Requested:		\$ 7,000			
Request is:	65%	% of project budget and	.77%	% of organization budget	
Which National Objective will be met? (Page 3 above)			Benefiting Low – and Moderate – Income Persons; Meeting Urgent Needs		
Which Local Priority will be met? (Page 8 above)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provide services that respond to critical, identifiable and unmet needs; • have a high benefit to low-income persons; • are clearly defined as to scope, location, need, budget, goals, beneficiaries and means for evaluation of program progress, with evaluation criteria that are specific, measurable, and realistic; • present a reasonable, sound budget and have a clear plan of action that is consistent with the budget and that demonstrates that the applicant has the capacity and the capability to implement the proposed plan successfully; • maximize the use of outside funds (non-CDBG or other City funds); • support or coordinate with other community development efforts; and • provide a housing or neighborhood benefit as described in the "Step Up to Better Housing" strategy. 			
<p>Certification:</p> <p>"I certify that I have reviewed this application and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all of the information provided is true and correct. I also certify that I am officially authorized to represent the submitting organization by its governing board in the filing of this application."</p>					
Signature: 				Date: 11/30/2016	
Print Name and Title: Rich Minder, Collaborative Projects Coordinator					
FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STAFF USE ONLY					
Date Received: 12/1/16		Application :		Complete <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Incomplete <input type="checkbox"/>
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Grant Application
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I. Narrative

Please use attachments to answer the following questions in the order presented. If you are requesting funds for more than one program or activity, please address the following questions for each one. Limit your total response to four pages, using standard one-inch margins, single-spacing and 12-point font.

1. What is the situation, problem or opportunity this grant will address?
2. How will this grant support the mission of the organization?
3. How many people will be served by this grant and what percentage are low-moderate income (describe method of verification)?
4. What resources are currently available to dedicate to the program or activity, including staff, volunteers, existing funds and community partners?
5. How is this approach to the issue unique or collaborative and what gives it a high likelihood of success?
6. How will success be measured and how will you continue to fund this project once grant funds are expended?
7. What is the organization's timeline for achieving the objectives of the grant?
8. What other funding sources have been approached and what have the responses been?

II. Program/Activity Budget

Neighborhood Associations - Please provide an itemized budget detailing **all association expenses** on the attached Neighborhood Budget template.

Agencies – Please provide an itemized budget detailing **all program/activity expenses** on the attached Proposed Project/Activity Budget template.

Any proposal containing repair, rehabilitation, improvements, construction, demolition, acquisition or disposition of real property must include a detailed description including:

- project location and scope
- line-item budget
- bid proposals including labor and materials
- timeline for program/activity

II Narrative

1. What is the situation, problem or opportunity this grant will address?

Problem description

Many Lawrence families with young children struggle financially. A *demographic description* of this problem includes the following figures:

- During the 2015 calendar year the *Strengthening Families Network partners* submitted 74 applications for FLEX Funds to help families *with young children* to access protective factors. 32 of these applications were for rent (21) or utility (11) assistance. A total of \$9,496 was spent on these families for rent (\$ 7,847.87) and utility (\$1,621.61) assistance during this time.
- The Willow Domestic Violence Center provided short term shelter for 51 homeless families over the period 11/1/15 through 10/31/16. The Lawrence Community Shelter served 15 families over the same period. Seven of these families were successfully housed due to community support. Bert Nash’s Homeless Outreach program reports to have served 44 children under age 5 in the first 11 months of 2016. This program provides some funds to help persons become housed.
- In the first 11 months of 2016 *the Strengthening Families Network* requested support for access to protective factors for 46 families with children under the age of five. 34 requests were for rent (19) or utility (15) assistance
- We asked agencies which assist families with rent and utility assistance from where they were able to secure this assistance. The following sources were listed as providing funds to help persons needing rent or utility assistance:
 - Ballard Center, Penn House
 - ECKAN,
 - Plymouth Congregational Church,
 - First United Methodist Church,
 - Pastor’s fund,
 - Corpus Christi Church
 - First Presbyterian Church
 - Lawrence Free Methodist Church
 - Saint Claire Center,
 - Salvation Army,
 - St. Johns,
 - Trinity Lutheran
 - Catholic Charities
 - Shelter Inc.,
 - Heartland Community Health Center
 - KS Department for Children & Families
 - Kaw Valley Center
 - Utility Co.’s Bill payment plans,
 - Bert Nash homeless for deposit help when moving in,
 - United Way, Fairy Godmother Fund,
 - Kaw Valley Center,
 - Pregnancy Care Center,
 - Success by 6,
 - The Shelter, Inc.,
 - Willow DVC
 - Federal Funds
- According to the 2015 figures from the American Community Survey from the U.S. Census, 93,917 people live in Lawrence. Approximately 4,884 are under the age of 5. If

the percentage of children living in poverty for Douglas County is applied to the population of children under 5 in Lawrence, an estimated 750 young children in Lawrence live at or below the Federal Poverty Level. Of 11,700 students at USD 497 , 4,662 are classified as economically disadvantaged. If this same economically disadvantaged percentage is applied to the estimated population of children in Lawrence 0-5 years of age, there would be an estimated 1,946 young children economically disadvantaged during the years of their most active brain development. YET, in Douglas County a monthly average of only 304 children are in families receiving TANF Cash Assistance; only 3,274 children received Food Assistance (SNAP); and only 474 children received Child Care Assistance.

- SB6 asked a variety of agencies who serve families with young children for the most recent 12 month recording period, the number of *families with young children served*, the number of these families accessing rent or utility assistance, and the amount of funds accessed.

Table 1: Families with Young Children Served in Recent 12 Period

Agency	# Families	# Accessing Rent/Utility Asst.	\$ Rent Asst.	\$ Utility Asst.
Do. Co. Child Development Association	130 (Therapy and Case Management Only)	9	\$1,052	\$738
Centro Hispano	50 (Therapy, Case Management)	8	\$1,060	\$638
Family Promise	98	40	Not Tracked	Not Tracked
Parents As Teachers	16 (“at risk” only)	9	\$4,175	\$185
Lawrence Community Shelter	15 (Homeless)	7 (Those who secured housing)	\$665	\$315
Housing Authority	161	23	\$7,503	\$622
Ballard Community Services	Thousands from multiple programs	48	\$4,410	\$3,805
Catholic Charities of NE Kansas	372	68	\$4,000	\$4,066
ECKAN	12	12	\$750	\$1,500
Healthy Families	20	3	\$818	\$61

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 A *functional description* of the problem provides another profile than that provided by demographic imagery alone and includes the following dynamics. Families with young children often are early in their careers and thus have lower incomes. Families with young children face expenses associated with the first five years that are not covered with existing public

investments. For example, early care and education expenses are primarily financed by parents (89% of all costs of early care & education come from parent tuition) whereas nearly all the cost of K-12 education is publicly funded. Families with young children have had less time to build up assets to draw on in times of crisis and emergency. The emotional and time resources required to properly parent young children can draw parents away from attending to jobs.

Opportunity Description

In addition to describing the situation as a problem, it can be understood as an opportunity. Lawrence families with young children have the potential to make significant contribution overall economic and community health. When we reduce or eliminate the impact of toxic stress that comes from poverty young children have the opportunity to thrive and develop academically, socially, and emotionally. Families with young children seek out and quickly recognize the benefits of predictability and stability. Communities that provide opportunities to provide this stability reap the benefits that come from citizenry that is able and willing to reinforce that stability with commitments that strengthen neighborhoods and communities.

2. How will this grant support the mission of the organization?

“Concrete Supports in Times of Need” is one of the five protective factors for families that reduce child abuse and neglect rates and increase child outcomes. This grant provides resources to ensure that “families have what they need to successfully parent their young children” a key phrase in SB6’s mission statement. This grant provides resources to the parents so they can attend to healthy relationships and so that we as a community can successfully prepare children for success in school and in life.

3. How many people will be served by this grant and what percentage are low-moderate income (describe method of verification)?

This grant will serve a total of 19 families with young children. This is based on the number of families that were served from City of Lawrence CDBG funds administered by SB6 for the period November 1, 2015 through October 31, 2016 and on the average dollar amount of assistance these families accessed during this time period.

4. What resources are currently available to dedicate to the program or activity, including staff, volunteers, existing funds and community partners?

Staff: Staffs dedicated to this program are drawn from a cadre employed at community partners that coordinate under the auspices of the Strengthening Families Network. Table 1 provides a listing of these partners and the staff authorized to access the funds in this rent assistance program:

Table 2: Strengthening Families Network

Partner	Staff
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Lawrence-Douglas County Housing Authority	Early Childhood Case Manager
Healthy Families (Health Department)	Healthy Families Home Visitors
Douglas County Child Development Association	Family Resource Team
Lawrence Community Shelter	Family Program Director
Willow Domestic Violence Center	Children's Program Director
Ballard Community Services	Family Connections Coordinator
tiny-k Early Intervention Services	Early Childhood Mental Health Specialist
Family Promise of Lawrence	Case Managers
USD 497 Parents As Teachers	Coordinator
USD 348 Parents As Teachers	Parent Educator
USD 497 Preschool Classrooms	Family Advocate
Bert Nash Community Mental Health Center	Parent Support Specialist

Existing Funds: \$77,265 in Early Childhood Block Grant funds awarded to SB6 for use by the Strengthening Families Network for the period January 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 exists for the purposes of improving families' access to the five protective factors. \$60,000 is already allocated for child care tuition assistance. The remaining \$17,285 from the Early Childhood Block Grant is allocated for a variety of concrete supports in times of need for this 18 month period. These Children's Initiatives Funds are augmented in 2016 with an allocation of \$25,050 and in 2017 with an allocation of \$25,030 for child care financial assistance from the City of Lawrence General Fund. Both the tuition assistance and the concrete supports funded in the Early Childhood Block Grant are necessarily limited to those families that are enrolled in services provided by parent educators, case managers, and clinical mental health professionals that are also funded by the Early Childhood Block Grant. This application for City of Lawrence Community Development Block Grant Funds would be available to families served by the larger Strengthening Families Network. Regardless of funding source, the lion's share of the funds for concrete supports (excluding those specifically set aside for child care financial aid) has gone to rent and utility assistance.

5. How is this approach to the issue unique or collaborative and what gives it a high likelihood of success?

The Strengthening Families Network uses the evidence-based Wrap around Case Management model to increase families' access to the five protective factors. This model includes a five step protocol:

1. Assessment
2. Goal setting and team formation
3. Intervention, treatment and coaching
4. Evaluation
5. Transition

The Strengthening Families Network adheres to 10 principles of Wrap around Case Management:

1. Family Voice and Choice
2. Team Based
3. Natural Supports
4. Collaboration
5. Community Based
6. Culturally Competent
7. Individualized
8. Strengths Based
9. Persistence
10. Outcome Based

Our proposal builds on and weaves resources into an existing Early Childhood Block Grant program investment from the KS Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund's Children's Initiatives Fund. These programs are evidence-based and are extensively evaluated to determine success in seven outcomes two of which are family outcomes and one of which pertain directly to access to protective factors.

6. How will success be measured and how will you continue to fund this project once grant funds are expended?

A measure of success is the direct avoidance of housing disruption including number of families able to obtain or retain housing, number of landlords receiving stable rental income, numbers of families and children not counted as homeless. Secondary impacts of family access to other protective factors including access to services that increase child social emotional health and family functioning in the form of the families' capacities to afford early learning opportunities for their children can be ascertained using family budget analyses.

Our intention is to continue soliciting funds from the KS Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund and expand the overall pool of funds available to help increase families' access to protective factors generally and specifically for housing/utility assistance and for child care financial aid.

7. What is the organization's timeline for achieving the objectives of the grant?

August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018.

8. What other funding sources have been approached and what have the responses been?

We have continued to approach the KS Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund. The Cabinet has awarded SB6 funding a Strengthening Families Network FLEX Fund. This award provides an additional source of funds for the program. While this program targets families with young children, the SF Network expects that the program will compliment rather than duplicate other programs such as are managed by the resources listed above in section 1 of this narrative.

Success By 6 Coalition of Douglas County 2016 Board of Directors & Officers, Principal Occupations & Employers

Name	SB6 Role	Title	Principal Occupation	Employer	Address
Lori Alvarado	Director	Executive Director	Administrator	DCCCA, Inc.	3312 Clinton Parkway, Lawrence, KS 66047
Julie Boydston	Director	Executive Director	Clinical Director / Psychologist	KU Child & Family Services Clinic	1000 Sunnyside Avenue, #2021, Lawrence, KS 66045
Cammie Braden, Board Co-Chair	Director	Coordinator	Parenting Educator	Keystone Learning	500 Sunflower, Ozawie, KS 66070
Jessica Brown, Board Treasurer	Director	Grant Officer	Grant Administration	University of Kansas Center for Research	2385 Irving Hill Road, Lawrence, KS 66045
Jenny Cook	Director	Librarian	Librarian	Lawrence Public Library	707 Vermont Street, Lawrence, KS 66044
Jeremy Fite	Director	Executive Director	Early Childhood Education Director	Hilltop Child Development Center	1605 Irving Hill Road, Lawrence, KS 66045
Lindsay Galindo	Director	School Psychologist	Psychologist	Baldwin Public Schools	500 Lawrence Street, Baldwin City, KS 66006
Staci Hendrickson	Director	Executive Director	Administrator, Dietician	tiny-k Early Intervention of Douglas County	2145 Louisiana Street, Lawrence, KS 66046
Jenn Preston	Director	Case Management Supervisor	Social Worker	Lawrence-Douglas County Health Department	200 Maine Street, Lawrence, KS 66044
Joan Schultz, Board Co-Chair	Director	Executive Director	Administrator	The Willow Domestic Violence Center	1920 Moodie Road, Lawrence, KS 66046
Sandy Wainwright	Director	Early Childhood Special Education Teacher	Early Childhood Special Educator	Lawrence Public Schools	1605 Davis Road, Lawrence, KS 66046
Richard Minder	Officer	Collaborative Projects Coordinator	Administration	Success By 6 Coalition of Douglas County	1525 West 6th Street, Lawrence, KS 66044

SUCCESS BY 6 COALITION OF DOUGLAS COUNTY

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 2015

TOGETHER WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

SUCCESS BY 6 COALITION OF DOUGLAS COUNTY

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2015**

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors of
Success by 6 Coalition of Douglas County

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Success by 6 Coalition of Douglas County (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2015 and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Success by 6 Coalition of Douglas County as of December 31, 2015 and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Summers, Spencer & Company P.A.

Summers, Spencer & Company, P.A.

Lawrence, Kansas
September 16, 2016

SUCCESS BY 6 COALITION OF DOUGLAS COUNTY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

December 31,	2015
ASSETS	
Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,136
Grants and contracts receivable	<u>97,450</u>
<i>Total assets</i>	<u><u>\$ 100,586</u></u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 99,290
Accrued payroll and vacation	<u>10,740</u>
<i>Total liabilities</i>	<u>110,030</u>
Net assets deficit	
Unrestricted	<u>(9,444)</u>
<i>Total net assets deficit</i>	<u>(9,444)</u>
<i>Total liabilities and net assets</i>	<u><u>\$ 100,586</u></u>

SUCCESS BY 6 COALITION OF DOUGLAS COUNTY

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the year ended December 31, 2015	2015
Revenue and support	
Grants, contracts and contributions	\$ 1,104,603
Other revenue	2,324
<i>Total revenue and support</i>	<u>1,106,927</u>
Expenses	
Grant expenses	924,273
Salaries and benefits	180,731
Direct family support	18,200
Building expenses	3,864
Professional services	2,470
Staff training and education	7,469
Supplies and printing	10,742
Travel	3,379
<i>Total expenses</i>	<u>1,151,128</u>
Decrease in net assets	(44,201)
Net assets, beginning of year	<u>34,757</u>
Net assets deficit, end of year	<u><u>\$ (9,444)</u></u>

SUCCESS BY 6 COALITION OF DOUGLAS COUNTY

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended December 31,	2015
Cash flows from operating activities	
Decrease in net assets	\$ (44,201)
Adjustments to reconcile decrease in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:	
(Increase) decrease in assets:	
Grants and contracts receivable	76,038
Increase (decrease) in liabilities:	
Accounts payable and bank overdraft	(38,270)
Accrued payroll and vacation	8,567
	2,134
<i>Net cash provided by operating activities</i>	2,134
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	2,134
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	1,002
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	\$ 3,136

SUCCESS BY 6 COALITION OF DOUGLAS COUNTY

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1 - Nature of organization

Success by 6 Coalition of Douglas County (the Coalition) was incorporated in Kansas in 2004. It was established as a broad-based community coalition to work collaboratively to ensure that all Douglas County families of children under age 6 have what they need to successfully parent their young children.

Note 2 – Summary of significant accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements of the Coalition have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP).

Financial statement presentation

The Coalition is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted, temporarily restricted, and permanently restricted. Classification of restricted net assets is determined by the nature of donor imposed restrictions.

- Unrestricted net assets represent expendable funds available for operations which are not otherwise limited by donor restrictions.
- Temporarily restricted net assets consist of contributed funds subject to specific donor-imposed restrictions contingent upon specific performance of a future event or specific passage of time before the Coalition may spend the funds.
- Permanently restricted net assets are subject to irrevocable donor restrictions requiring that the assets be maintained in perpetuity usually for the purpose of generating investment income to fund the donor's intentions.

There were no temporarily or permanently restricted net assets as of December 31, 2015.

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Revenue recognition

Certain grants received by the Coalition include grantor imposed restrictions. The income for these grants is recognized as expenses are incurred. Expenses incurred but not yet received are recorded as grants and contracts receivable on the Statement of Financial Position.

The Coalition recognizes unrestricted donations when received. Donations with donor imposed restrictions that are met in the current reporting period are reported as unrestricted contributions.

Donated services

No amounts have been reflected in the financial statements for donated services. The Coalition pays for most services requiring specific expertise. However, many individuals volunteer their time and perform a variety of tasks that assist the Coalition.

SUCCESS BY 6 COALITION OF DOUGLAS COUNTY

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Cash and cash equivalents

The Coalition considers all cash and invested cash with original maturities not in excess of three months to be cash equivalents.

Income taxes

The Coalition is exempt from income taxes under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code as provided by a determination letter received from the Internal Revenue Service.

The Coalition has adopted the provisions of FASB ASC 740-10, Accounting for Income Taxes. This standard clarifies the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an organization's financial statements. The standard prescribes recognition and the measurement of tax positions taken or expected to be taken on a tax return that are not certain to be realized. The Organization has not identified any uncertain tax positions for the year ended December 31, 2015.

The Coalition's income tax returns are subject to review and examination by federal authorities. The Coalition is not aware of any activities that are subject to tax on unrelated business income or excise or other taxes. The tax returns for the years 2012 to 2014 and 2015, when filed, are open to examination by taxing authorities.

Functional expenses

The Coalition's expenses are reported in the accompanying Statement of Activities by natural classification. U.S. GAAP requires expenses to be reported by functional classification among the programs and supporting services benefited. A schedule of functional expenses, as determined by management, is presented in note 3 to these financial statements.

Concentration of credit risk

The Coalition maintains cash in bank accounts which at times may exceed their federally insured limits of \$250,000 set by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). The accounts are held by banks that are well established and highly regarded. The Coalition has not experienced any losses in these accounts and believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on these balances. As of December 31, 2015, the Coalition did not maintain balances in excess of federally insured limits.

The Coalition receives a substantial amount of funding from the state and federal governments. A significant reduction in this funding would have a significant effect on the operations of the Coalition. The Coalition depends on grants to continue its daily operations.

Note 3 – Functional expenses

The Coalition's expenses by function for the year December 31, 2015 are as follows:

Program	\$ 1,062,600
General and administrative	<u>88,528</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,151,128</u>

Note 4 – Compensated absences

The Coalition provides for time off for its employees at varying rates depending on their length of employment. Upon termination, unused vacation is paid at the employee's base rate of pay. The Coalition has recorded \$3,763 of accrued vacation as of December 31, 2015.

SUCCESS BY 6 COALITION OF DOUGLAS COUNTY

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 5 – Operating Lease

The Coalition leases office space under an operating lease with a one-year term. Rental payments are charged to expense as incurred. Rent expense for the year ended December 31, 2015 was \$2,200.

Note 6 – Commitments and contingencies

All grant expenditures are subject to the review of grantors. The Coalition believes it has complied with all aspects of grant agreements and has not been notified of any disallowed costs.

As shown in the accompanying financial statements, the Coalition incurred a decrease in net assets of \$44,201 for the year ended December 31, 2015, and as of that date, total liabilities exceeded its total assets by \$9,444. Those factors create uncertainty about the Coalition's ability to continue as a going concern. Management of the Coalition has evaluated these conditions and determined that the continuation of funding from Kansas Department for Children and Families through June 30, 2017 alleviates this uncertainty.

Note 7 – Concentrations of credit risk

Approximately 92% of the Coalition's revenue and support is from one grantor agency. This grantor agency also comprises approximately 93% of the Coalition's grant and contract receivables at December 31, 2015. This revenue and the resulting accounts receivable are paid by the State of Kansas; thus, the Coalition is highly dependent on the State of Kansas' budget and reimbursement system.

Approximately 51% of the Coalition's grant expenses are paid to one vendor. This vendor also comprises approximately 51% of the Coalition's accounts payable at December 31, 2015.

Note 8 – Subsequent events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through September 16, 2016, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-0047

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

2015

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.

▶ Information about Form 990 and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning		, 2015, and ending		, 20	
B Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization <u>SUCCESS BY 6 COALITION OF DOUGLAS COUNTY</u>			D Employer identification number	
	Doing business as			74-3130758	
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)		Room/suite	E Telephone number	
	1525 W. 6TH STREET			785-872-8719	
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code			G Gross receipts \$		1,106,927
LAWRENCE, KS 66044			F Name and address of principal officer: <u>RICHARD MINDER</u>		H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Same as above					H(b) Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
					If "No," attach a list. (see instructions)
I Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () ◀ (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527			H(c) Group exemption number ▶		
J Website: ▶ <u>www.douglascountysuccessby6.org</u>			L Year of formation: <u>2004</u>		M State of legal domicile: <u>KS</u>
K Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶					

Part I Summary			
Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>To ensure that all Douglas County families of children under the age of 6 have what they need to successfully parent their young children, thereby fostering positive parent-child relationships and preparing children for success in school and life.</u>		
	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	12
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	12
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2015 (Part V, line 2a)	5	3
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	12
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0	
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	124,190	1,106,927
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	1,100,281	
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	2	
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1,224,473	1,106,927
Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)		
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	141,102	180,730
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	1,062,582	970,398
18 Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	1,203,684	1,151,128	
19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	20,789	-44,201	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	169,414	100,586
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	134,657	110,030
		34,757	-9,444

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here	<u>Jessica Brown</u> Signature of officer	11/14/16 Date
	<u>Jessica Brown</u> Type or print name and title	

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	Firm's name ▶	Firm's EIN ▶			
	Firm's address ▶	Phone no.			

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) Yes No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:
To ensure that all Douglas County families of children under the age of 6 have what they need to successfully parent their young children, thereby fostering positive parent-child relationships and preparing children for success in school and life.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No
If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No
If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 1,062,600 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 1,106,927)
Fostering positive parent-child relationships and preparing children for success in school and life.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses **▶** 1,062,600

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i>	✓	
2 Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> (see instructions)?		✓
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		✓
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>		✓
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		✓
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i>		✓
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>		✓
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i>		✓
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i>		✓
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i>		✓
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i>		✓
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i>		✓
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i>		✓
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i>		✓
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>		✓
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i>		✓
12 a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i>		✓
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i>		✓
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i>		✓
14 a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?		✓
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV.</i>		✓
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i>		✓
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV.</i>		✓
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)</i>		✓
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>		✓
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		✓

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
20 a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		✓
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?		✓
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	✓	
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	✓	
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>		✓
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>		✓
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		✓
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		✓
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		✓
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		✓
b Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		✓
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		✓
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		✓
28 Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		✓
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		✓
c An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		✓
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		✓
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		✓
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		✓
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		✓
33 Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		✓
34 Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>		✓
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		✓
b If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		✓
36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		✓
37 Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		✓
38 Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	✓	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable		
1b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
1c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?		
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return		
2b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)	✓	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		✓
3b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O		
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		✓
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ▶ _____ See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		✓
5b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		✓
5c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?		✓
6b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?		✓
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		✓
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		✓
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		✓
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?		
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.		
a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12		
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities		
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders		
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)		
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year		
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.		
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.		
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans		
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand		
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?		✓
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions. Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.		
	1a 12		
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
	1b 12		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7b			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
a	The governing body?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
8a			
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8b			
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9			

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10a			
b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?		
10b			
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
11a			
b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12a			
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12b			
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12c			
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
13			
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14			
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
15a			
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
15b			
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).		
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
16a			
b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		
16b			

Section C. Disclosure

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► NONE
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
 Own website Another's website Upon request Other (explain in Schedule O)
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
- 20** State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: ►
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Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) CAMMIE BRADEN ----- DIRECTOR	1 0	✓						0	0	0
(2) ROBYN ELDER ----- DIRECTOR	1 0	✓						0	0	0
(3) JEREMY FITE ----- DIRECTOR	1 0	✓						0	0	0
(4) MELISSA HOFFMAN ----- DIRECTOR	1 0	✓						0	0	0
(5) KRISTEN MAGETTE ----- DIRECTOR	1 0	✓						0	0	0
(6) CHRISTINA MANN ----- DIRECTOR	1 0	✓						0	0	0
(7) AMY MENDENHALL ----- CO-CHAIR	1 0	✓						0	0	0
(8) DAN PARTRIDGE ----- DIRECTOR	1 0	✓						0	0	0
(9) JOAN SCHULTZ ----- DIRECTOR	1 0	✓						0	0	0
(10) LORI ALVARADO ----- CO-CHAIR	1 0	✓						0	0	0
(11) JON STEWART ----- TREASURER	1 0	✓						0	0	0
(12) CAROL WOLFORD ----- DIRECTOR	1 0	✓						0	0	0
(13) RICHARD MINDER ----- EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	40 0			✓				58,000		
(14) ----- -----										

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(15)										
(16)										
(17)										
(18)										
(19)										
(20)										
(21)										
(22)										
(23)										
(24)										
(25)										
1b Sub-total							58,000	0	0	
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A							0	0	0	
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							58,000	0	0	

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization ▶

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		✓
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		✓
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		✓

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization ▶

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Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a					
	b Membership dues	1b					
	c Fundraising events	1c					
	d Related organizations	1d					
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e	1,014,216				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	92,711				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$						
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f ▶		1,106,927				
Program Service Revenue			Business Code				
	2a						
	b						
	c						
	d						
	e						
	f All other program service revenue .						
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f ▶							
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) ▶						
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds ▶						
	5 Royalties ▶						
		(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
	6a Gross rents						
	b Less: rental expenses						
	c Rental income or (loss)						
	d Net rental income or (loss) ▶						
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses						
	c Gain or (loss)						
	d Net gain or (loss) ▶						
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 a						
	b Less: direct expenses b						
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . ▶						
	9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 a						
	b Less: direct expenses b						
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . ▶						
	10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances a						
	b Less: cost of goods sold b						
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . ▶							
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11a							
b							
c							
d All other revenue							
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d ▶							
12 Total revenue. See instructions. ▶			1,106,927				

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	918,072	918,072		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22	18,200	18,200		
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	58,000	38,048	19,952	
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	95,826	62,862	32,964	
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits	12,816	8,407	4,409	
10 Payroll taxes	14,090	9,244	4,846	
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting	3,500		3,500	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	3,280		3,280	
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	9,872		9,872	
14 Information technology	869	174	695	
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	3,864		3,864	
17 Travel	3,379	2,365	1,014	
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
23 Insurance	1,891		1,891	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a Staff Training & Education	7,469	5,228	2,241	
b -----				
c -----				
d -----				
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	1,151,128	1,062,600	88,528	
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)	1,151,128	1,062,600	88,528	

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year	
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing		3,136	
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments			
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net			
	4 Accounts receivable, net	169,414	97,450	
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L			
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L			
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net			
	8 Inventories for sale or use			
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b	10c	
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities			
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11			
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11			
	14 Intangible assets			
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11			
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	169,414	100,586		
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	79,492	110,030	
	18 Grants payable			
	19 Deferred revenue			
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities			
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D			
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L			
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties			
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties			
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	55,165		
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	134,657	110,030	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	34,757	-9,444	
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets			
	29 Permanently restricted net assets			
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds			
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund			
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds			
33 Total net assets or fund balances	34,757	-9,444		
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	169,414	100,586		

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	1,106,927
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	1,151,128
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-44,201
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	34,757
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	-9,444

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? . . . If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		✓
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	✓	
c	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.	✓	
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		✓
b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization <u>Success by 6 Coalition of Douglas County</u>	Employer identification number <u>74-3130758</u>
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Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ).)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box in lines 11a through 11d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e, 11f, and 11g.
 - a **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
 - b **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
 - c **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
 - d **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
 - e Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
 - f Enter the number of supported organizations
- g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1–9 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
Total						

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	1,170,480	1,237,254	1,212,424	1,224,471	1,106,927	5,951,556
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	1,170,480	1,237,254	1,212,424	1,224,471	1,106,927	5,951,556
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						5,951,556

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	1,170,480	1,237,254	1,212,424	1,224,471	1,106,927	5,951,556
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	209	23	34	2		268
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						5,951,824
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						<input type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2015 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	99.99 %
15 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	99.99 %
16a 33 1/3% support test—2015. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b 33 1/3% support test—2014. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	► <input type="checkbox"/>	
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2015. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	► <input type="checkbox"/>	
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2014. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	► <input type="checkbox"/>	
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions	► <input type="checkbox"/>	

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here**

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2015 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2015 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a 33 1/3% support tests—2015. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b 33 1/3% support tests—2014. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box in line 11 on Part I. If you checked 11a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 11b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 11c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 11d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.</i>		
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>		
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes," and if you checked 11a or 11b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.</i>		
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.</i>		
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).</i>		
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer 10b below.</i>		
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>		

Part IV Supporting Organizations *(continued)*

		Yes	No
11	Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a	A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
b	A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
c	A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? <i>If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI.</i>		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i>		
2	Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.</i>		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).</i>		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
2	Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i>		
3	By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i>		

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations

1	Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions) :		
a	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.		
b	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
c	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions) .		
2	Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.	Yes	No
a	Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? <i>If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.</i>		
b	Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.</i>		
3	Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a	Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? <i>Provide details in Part VI.</i>		
b	Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.</i>		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

- 1 Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970. See instructions. All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)	8	
Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):			
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):			
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by .035	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	
Section C - Distributable Amount			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1	
2	Enter 85% of line 1	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6	
7	<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations *(continued)*

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	
9 Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2015	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2015
1 Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2015 (reasonable cause required-see instructions)			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015:			
a			
b			
c			
d From 2013			
e From 2014			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2010 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2015 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2015, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions).			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2015. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions).			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a			
b			
c Excess from 2013 . . .			
d Excess from 2014 . . .			
e Excess from 2015 . . .			

**SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)**

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Name of the organization

► Information about Schedule I (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Success by 6 Coalition of Douglas County

Employer identification number
74-3130758

Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? Yes No
- 2** Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) DG County Child Dev. Assoc. 1525 W 6th, Lawrence, KS 66044	48-0912460	3	545,432				Therapy, ECE COI, Afford
(2) St. John Evangelist Catholic Chu 1234 Kentucky, Lawrence, KS 66044	48-0930227	3	84,321				Therapy, Case Management
(3) Lawrence DG County Health Dep 200 Maine, Lawrence, KS 66044	48-6061048	Gov	67,267				Home Visiting
(4) KS Assoc. Child Care RR Agenci 1508 Iron, Salina, KS 67401	48-1102008	3	56,950				ECE Cont. Quality Improv.
(5) USD 497 Lawrence Public Schoo 110 McDonald, Lawrence, KS 66044	48-0724592	Gov	45,000				Home Visiting
(6) Bert Nash Cmnty Mental Health C 200 Maine, Lawrence, KS 66044	48-0775739	3	38,796				Parent Support
(7) Tiny K Early Intervention, Inc. 2145 Louisiana, Lawrence, KS 66046	46-0502119	3	37,451				Therapy, Case Management
(8) DG County Dental Clinic 2110 Yale, Lawrence, KS 66049	48-1216770	3	22,289				Case Management
(9) Child Care Aware of Eastern KS 110 SW Wannamaker, Topeka 66604	48-0888057	3	19,326				ECE COI
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table **9**

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table **0**

Part III **Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22.

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
1 Assistance to various individuals all < \$5,000	86	18,200			Direct support for families in need
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

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**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part VI, Section B, Line 11b

Board reviews Form 990 prior to filing. Once the 990 has been approved the Executive Director submits to the IRS.

Part VI, Section B, Line 12B and 12C

Board members review matters of decision prior to any votes. Members with a conflict recuse themselves from the issue.

Part VI, Section B, Line 15b

Board performed extensive review of compensation levels for comparable positions to determine the appropriate compensation level

of the Executive Director. Any change to compensation is reviewed and approved by the Board.

Part VI, Section C, Line 19

Any governing documents, COI policy, and/or financial statements will be made available to the public upon request.

Proposed Project/Activity Budget

Explanation should describe how you arrived at amounts. See example.
If lines are inserted, remember to add calculated fields.

Budget Items	Explanation	CDBG Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds
PERSONNEL				
Collaborative Projects Coordinator	12 hours @ \$28/hr		336	336
Benefits Prorated	Health Ins \$2.07/hr		25	25
Taxes	FICA/MED (Sal X 7.65%)		26	26
				-
				-
				-
Other (specify below)				-
				-
COMMUNICATIONS				
Telephone				-
Printing				-
Postage				-
Publicity				-
Other (specify below)				-
				-
SUPPLIES				
Office	Submittals and Applications		1	1
Equipment				-
Space Rental				-
				-
				-
OTHER COSTS (specify below)				
Rent/Utility Assistance	19 Requests @ AVG \$368.42	7000		7,000
Leveraged Funds for Rent/Utility Asst.	Pending ECBG Funds		3400	3,400
				-
TOTALS		7000	3787.43	10787.43

Any proposal containing repair, rehabilitation, improvements, construction, demolition, acquisition or disposition of real property must include a detailed description including:

- project location and scope
- line-item budget
- bid proposals including labor and materials
- timeline for program/activity

Organization Name:	The Willow Domestic Violence Center, Inc.		
Mailing Address:	1920 Moodie Road, Lawrence, ks. 66046		
Agency Address (if different than above):	SAME		
DUNS Number:	033362626		
Contact Name:	Joan Schultz	Phone:	785-331-2034 x 106
Contact Title:	Executive Director		
Email:	Jschultz@willowdvcenter.org	Fax:	785-856-2043
Organization Mission Statement:	To eliminate domestic violence AND restore safety, health and well-being to those impacted by it. This project will increase safety for those staying at the shelter by allowing advocates to view a more comprehensive area and to have a recording of the area in order to ensure a safer place for those fleeing domestic violence. It will increase well-being for residents at the shelter as well.		
Proposed Program or Activity Name:	Security Measures @ Emergency Shelter		
Proposed Program Address:	Confidential DV Emergency Shelter Address		
Brief summary of Proposed Program or Activity:	To provide for a security camera and equipment and online recording capabilities. See Attached		
Funding Requested:	\$ 784.95		
Request is:	100 % of project budget and	.066 % of organization budget	
Which National Objective will be met? (Page 3 above)	Benefiting low and moderate income persons		
Which Local Priority will be met? (Page 8 above)	Benefit to low income persons		
Certification:	"I certify that I have reviewed this application and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all of the information provided is true and correct. I also certify that I am officially authorized to represent the submitting organization by its governing board in the filing of this application."		
Signature:	<i>Joan M. Schultz</i>	Date:	12/1/16
Print Name and Title:	Joan M. Schultz		
FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STAFF USE ONLY			
Date Received:	Application :	Complete <input type="checkbox"/>	Incomplete <input type="checkbox"/>
Received by:			
Method Received:	Mail <input type="checkbox"/>	Hand Delivery <input type="checkbox"/>	Electronic <input type="checkbox"/>

2017 CDBG Application
Proposed Program or Activity

Security Camera Equipment and Online Video Recording Capabilities

What is the situation, problem or opportunity this grant will address?

The area outside of the Willow Domestic Violence Center office and resident door and the back yard are currently not adequately monitored and secured. This 2017 CDBG proposal asks to remedy that using CDBG funds. We propose to purchase a video monitoring system that will give us the ability to view activity surrounding the entrances and exits of the emergency safe shelter.

Recently, the Willow has experienced an increase of abusers finding our confidential location and attempting to interfere with residents and staff. This creates a severe security risk to all involved. A system that provides a recording of activity can deter trespassers. It will increase our ability to collaborate with law enforcement when legal action is required. The initial purchase price of this system is cost effective in terms of the return on investment of increased security and staff and resident safety.

How will this grant support the mission of the organization?

The mission of the Willow is to eliminate domestic violence and restore the safety, health, and well-being of those impacted by it. This assists in ensuring the safety of those experiencing domestic violence and those that provide services to survivors.

How many people will be served by this grant and what percentage are low-moderate income (describe method of verification)?

Last state fiscal year our emergency shelter served 316 people in the emergency shelter and 30 staff and volunteers. 100% of the persons we serve in the emergency safe shelter are low to moderate income. The staff of the emergency shelter verify this by self-certification documentation.

What resources are currently available to dedicate to the program or activity including staff, volunteers, existing funds and community partners?

Staff hours will be used to install and monitor the system.

How is this approach to the issue unique or collaborative and what gives it a high likelihood of success?

This program is unique in its collaborative effort to include law enforcement in the increased security of victims of crime. The Willow anticipates the very existence of this monitoring system will reduce security concerns at the shelter. Success will be measured by reduced calls to law enforcement or by the availability of evidence and identification abilities when law enforcement is called. We believe that the success of this project is interwoven into the increased safety of residents, staff and volunteers.

How will success be measured and how will you continue to fund this project once grant funds are expended?

We will utilize other funds or grants to continue the yearly operation fee.

What is the organizations timeline for achieving the objectives of the grant?

The installation of this monitoring system will occur with-in ten days upon notification of the CDBG grant.

What other funding sources have been approached and what have the responses been?

There are no other funding sources at this time that will cover the initial purchase of this monitoring security system.

Willow Domestic Violence Center

Proposed Project/Activity Budget

Explanation should describe how you arrived at amounts. See example.
If lines are inserted, remember to add calculated fields.

Budget Items	Explanation	CDBG Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds
PERSONNEL				
(Ex. Project Director)	(ex. 70 hours @ \$20/hour)			-
				-
				-
				-
				-
Other (specify below)				-
				-
COMMUNICATIONS				
Telephone				-
Printing				-
Postage				-
Publicity				-
Other (specify below)				-
				-
SUPPLIES				
Office				-
Equipment	Security camera etc	675.95		675.95
Space Rental				-
				-
OTHER COSTS (specify below)				
Recording (one year)	Recording	90.00		90.00
Mounting	Mounting supplies	19.00		19.00
TOTALS		0	0	784.95 0

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- bid proposals including labor and materials
- timeline for program/activity

The Willow Domestic Violence Center
FY15 Board of Directors

4/23/2015

Term	Name	Address	Email	Home	Work	Occupation
2011-2016	Janet Dehnert, President	2130 Vermont Lawrence, KS 66046	jantz2754@gmail.com	913-940-3736		Retired
2016-2018	Shannon Portillo, Vice Pres.	736N. 3rd St Lawrence, KS 66044	sportillo@ku.edu	913-908-3983		KU professor
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2013-2017	Edwina Glass, Treasurer	1117 Lawrence Lawrence, KS 66049	edwina.glass@cpa.com	785-979-8383	785-838-3708	CPA
2017-2019	Elizabeth Kronk Warner	1818 Indiana Street Lawrence, KS 66044	ekronk@willowdvcenter.org	785-864-1139	202-253-0940	Professor of Law
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2017-2019	Charles Branson	111 East 11th, Lawrence, KS 66044	cbranson@douglas-county.com	1027 Rhode Island	785-841-0211	Douglas Co. District attorney
2015-2017	Judy Brynds	1501 Kasold Lawrence, KS 66047	judy@askmcgrew.com	691-9414	691-9414	Realtor
STAFF						
	Joan Schultz, Exec. Director	2800 SW 10th Topeka, KS. 66604	jschultzwillowdvcenter.org	785-221-3314	785-843-3333	HR Director
ADVISORY SEATS						
	Alpha Chi Omega - KU	Marina	axophi.philanthropy@gmail.com			
Ad-Hoc Community Members						
	Kelly Calvert (Org Devo)	645 New Hampshire, 66044	kcalvert@theworldco.info	785-749-0981	785-423-0679	HR Director
	Allen Ford (Finance)	1723 1100 Road, Law, Ks66049	aford@ku.edu	785-841-4557	785-864-7523	KU Professor

The Following Information is Confidential DO NOT give out			internal use only		
Staff	Phone Numbers		Moodie Rd. Extension	Title	E-mail
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Becca Burns	785.554.8570		104	Director of Volunteer Services	bburns@willowdvcenter.org
Kristine Chapman	785.760.1573		105	Director Of Community Engagement	kchapman@willowdvcenter.org
Joan Schultz	785.221.3314		106	Executive Director	jschultz@willowdvcenter.org
Nita Redmond	785.865.8709		107	Bookkeeper	nredmond@willowdvcenter.org
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Jamie Love	316.641.0064	785-330-3595 (work)		Jefferson County Advocate/Lethality Assessment Coordinator	jlove@willowdvcenter.org
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Alicia Cusano-Weissenbach	913.680.5130		111/shelter	Health and Wellness Program Coordinator	acusano@willowdvcenter.org
Rachelle Feuillerat	316.312.2993		108	Prevention Education Specialist	rfeuillerat@willowdvcenter.org
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Nikki Richardson	785.213.4514		112	Director of Community Services	nrichardson@willowdvcenter.org
Breanna Kirkhart	316.371.4990		shelter	Children's Program Coordinator	bkirkhart@willowdvcenter.org
Amanda Martinez (4.27.15)	785.979.3029		shelter	Art Program Coordinator/PT-Time Weekend	amartinez@willowdvcenter.org
Shawn Patterson	620.481.1914		shelter	Overnight Advocate/Database Coordinator	spatterson@willowdvcenter.org
Melissa Haenchen	785.393.9829	785.214.8965 (work)	785.242.6300	Franklin County Program Coordinator	franklincounty@willowdvcenter.org
Jack Hawthorn	316.300.1452			Overnight Shelter Advocate	jhawthorn@willowdvcenter.org
Vacant				Part-time HT Shelter Advocate	
Katie Divel	785.479.6845			Child Safety Advocate	kdivel@willowdvcenter.org

Other Contact Info also CONFIDENTIAL:	
Willow Contact	Phone Numbers
Shelter Residents' phone	785.843.0753
Shelter cell phone	785.979.4949

Contact Information That Can be Given Out:		
	Staff/Contact	Phone Number
Lawrence Court Advocate	Shannon Reid	785.840.8623 (Court Cell)
Jefferson County	Jamie Love	785.330.3595 (Jefferson Co. Cell)
Franklin County	Melissa Haenchen	785.242.6300 (Franklin Co. Office)

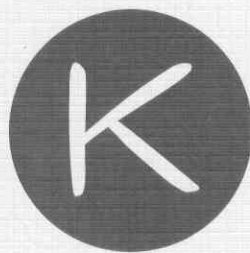
WILLOW CONTACT INFO			
WDVC Admin office	785.331.2034	Admin Fax	785.856.2043
Crisis Lines	785.843.3333		
Toll-free Crisis Line	800.770.3030		
Shelter Business Line	785.865.3956	Shelter Fax	785.841.0627
WDVC mailing address	P.O. Box 633, Lawrence, KS 66044		
WDVC website	www.willowdvcenter.org		
Office address	1920 Moodie Road		

THE WILLOW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER, INC.
LAWRENCE, KANSAS

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT



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THE WILLOW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER, INC.
Lawrence, Kansas

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To the Board of Directors
The Willow Domestic Violence Center, Inc.

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of The Willow Domestic Violence Center, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), as of June 30, 2016 and 2015; and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Willow Domestic Violence Center, Inc. as of June 30, 2016 and 2015 and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Kohart Accounting, PA

Kohart Accounting, PA
A Professional Association
Certified Public Accountant

November 30, 2016

THE WILLOW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER, INC.
Lawrence, Kansas

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
As of June 30, 2016 and 2015

Assets	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Current assets		
Cash	\$ 221,099	\$ 150,066
Grants receivable	68,181	89,805
Unconditional promises to give	34,245	37,026
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Total current assets	323,525	276,897
Investments		
Sustainability Fund	32,067	27,203
Property and equipment, net	69,481	81,839
Loan costs, net	-	-
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	<u>\$ 425,073</u>	<u>\$ 385,939</u>
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 4,869	\$ 3,125
Accrued compensation	23,934	25,870
Accrued payroll	40,066	30,068
Grant overpayment	9,160	3,236
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Total current liabilities	78,029	62,299
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	312,799	286,614
Temporarily restricted	34,245	37,026
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Total net assets	347,044	323,640
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Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 425,073</u>	<u>\$ 385,939</u>

The accompanying notes to financial statements
are an integral part of this statement.

THE WILLOW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER, INC.
Lawrence, Kansas

STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES
For the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015

	2016			2015
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total	Summarized
Revenue				
Contributions	\$ 129,927	\$ -	\$ 129,927	\$ 172,433
Federal grant income	392,673	-	392,673	322,664
State grant income	347,761	-	347,761	336,007
Local grant income	28,097	-	28,097	35,288
United Way	21,624	34,245	55,869	72,244
Fundraising	14,411	-	14,411	19,485
Special events	17,994	-	17,994	20,906
Miscellaneous	215	-	215	442
Investment income	(76)	-	(76)	(572)
Assets released from restrictions	37,026	(37,026)	-	-
Total revenues	<u>989,652</u>	<u>(2,781)</u>	<u>986,871</u>	<u>978,897</u>
Expenditures				
Program services	708,325	-	708,325	659,895
Management and general	181,602	-	181,602	165,259
Fundraising	73,540	-	73,540	64,666
Total expenditures	<u>963,467</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>963,467</u>	<u>889,820</u>
Change in Net Assets	26,185	(2,781)	23,404	89,077
Net assets, beginning of year	<u>286,614</u>	<u>37,026</u>	<u>323,640</u>	<u>234,563</u>
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 312,799</u>	<u>\$ 34,245</u>	<u>\$ 347,044</u>	<u>\$ 323,640</u>

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are an integral part of this statement.

THE WILLOW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER, INC.
Lawrence, Kansas

STATEMENTS OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
For the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015

	2016				2015
	Program Services	Management and General	Fundraising	Total	Summarized
Salaries	\$ 453,777	\$ 118,805	\$ 55,047	\$ 627,629	\$ 557,197
Payroll taxes	34,821	9,117	4,224	48,162	48,503
Employee benefits	40,908	10,710	4,963	56,581	53,550
Rent	26,972	2,997	-	29,969	29,519
Telecommunications	11,915	1,324	-	13,239	13,404
Office expense	11,741	7,787	208	19,736	15,441
Repairs and maintenance	13,242	1,471	-	14,713	15,610
Utilities	15,831	1,759	-	17,590	16,810
Program supplies	2,852	-	-	2,852	5,154
Food and household	12,129	-	-	12,129	12,601
Client expenses	13,617	-	-	13,617	17,488
Postage	-	1,016	-	1,016	1,252
Printing and copying	10,116	-	-	10,116	8,305
Advertising	1,360	926	-	2,286	1,710
Fundraising supplies	-	-	7,228	7,228	5,400
Travel	11,576	2,375	-	13,951	12,842
Meetings and conferences	3,343	1,900	177	5,420	5,061
Insurance	8,037	11,246	975	20,258	18,453
Dues and fees	1,478	763	143	2,384	2,939
Outside services	18,406	4,290	575	23,271	17,161
Interest	2	-	-	2	1,775
Amortization	-	-	-	-	588
Depreciation	16,202	5,116	-	21,318	29,057
Total Expenses	\$ 708,325	\$ 181,602	\$ 73,540	\$ 963,467	\$ 889,820

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are an integral part of this statement

THE WILLOW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER, INC.
Lawrence, Kansas

STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
For the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015

	2016	2015
Cash flows from operating activities		
Reconciliation of changes in net assets to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Increase (decrease) in net assets	\$ 23,404	\$ 89,077
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation	21,318	29,057
Amortization	-	588
Unrealized (gain) or loss	1,912	704
(Increase) decrease in:		
Grants receivable	21,624	(43,637)
Promises to give	2,781	(7,828)
Increase (decrease) in:		
Accounts payable	1,744	1,465
Accrued payroll	9,998	7,084
Accrued compensation	(1,936)	5,143
Grant overpayments	5,924	(6)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	86,769	81,646
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of marketable securities	(6,070)	(15,866)
Reinvestment of investment income	(706)	(89)
Purchase of depreciable assets	(8,960)	(10,580)
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	(15,736)	(26,535)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Debt reduction	-	(37,961)
Net cash provided (used) by financing activities	-	(37,961)
Net increase (decrease) in cash for period	71,033	17,150
Cash as of beginning of period	150,066	132,916
Cash as of end of period	\$ 221,099	\$ 150,066
<u>Supplemental Information</u>		
Interest paid	\$ 2	\$ 1,775
Income taxes paid	\$ -	\$ -

The accompanying notes to financial statements
are an integral part of this statement

THE WILLOW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER, INC.
Lawrence, Kansas

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Nature of the Organization – The Willow Domestic Violence Center, Inc., formerly Lawrence Women’s Transitional Care Services, Inc., was organized in 1977 to provide emergency shelter for women and children in Douglas, Franklin, and Jefferson County, Kansas who have been victims of domestic violence or are in transition. Other services include free room and board for up to thirty days and support counseling when required. Government grants are the primary source of revenue for the Organization.

Financial Statement Presentation – Net assets and revenues, gains and losses are classified on donor imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets of the Organization and changes therein are classified and reported as follows:

Unrestricted – Resources over which the board of directors has discretionary control.

Temporarily Restricted – Resources subject to donor imposed restrictions which will be satisfied by actions of the Organization or passage of time.

Basis of Accounting – The Organization prepares its financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, which involves the application of accrual accounting; consequently, revenues and gains are recognized when earned, and expenses and losses are recognized when incurred.

Statement of Functional Expenses – The costs of providing various programs and supporting services have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of functional expenses. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited.

Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that will affect the reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates. Any adjustments applied to estimated amounts are recognized in the year in which such adjustments are determined.

Cash and Cash Equivalents – The Organization considers highly liquid investments purchased with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash and cash equivalents. At times, amounts may exceed FDIC insured limits.

Generally accepted auditing standards state that cash available for current unrestricted use need not be reported separately from cash received with donor-imposed restrictions that is also available for current use.

THE WILLOW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER, INC.
Lawrence, Kansas

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Income Taxes – The Organization is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and, therefore, has no provision for federal income taxes. In addition, the Organization qualifies for the charitable contribution deduction under Section 170(b)(1)(A) and has been classified as an organization other than a private foundation under Section 509(a)(1). Income determined to be unrelated business taxable income (UBTI) would be taxable.

The Organization follows the accounting standards for uncertain tax positions. The Organization's policy prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement principles for the financial statement recognition and measurement of tax positions taken or expected to be taken on a tax return that are not certain to be realized. The implementation of this policy had no impact on the Organization's financial statements.

The Organization files as a tax-exempt organization. As of June 30, 2016, its 2012 through 2014 fiscal year tax returns are open for examination by the IRS.

Property and Equipment– Property and equipment in excess of \$500 with a life that benefits future periods has been capitalized at cost. Repairs and maintenance are charged to operations when incurred. Betterments and renewals that extend the life of assets are capitalized. When property and equipment are sold or otherwise disposed of, the assets account and related accumulated depreciation account are removed, and any gain or loss is included in operations. Depreciation is computed on a straight line method over the following useful life of the asset:

Buildings and Improvements	10 – 39 years
Furniture and Equipment	3 – 10 years

Contributions – The Organization accounts for contributions in accordance with accounting standards. Contributions received are recorded as increases in unrestricted, temporarily restricted, or permanently restricted support, depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions. All donor-restricted support is reported as an increase in temporarily or permanently restricted net assets, depending on the nature of the restriction. When a restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions. Restricted support, where restrictions are met in the same period as the donation is made, is shown as additions to unrestricted support.

Unconditional Promises to Give – Unconditional promises to give represent the United Way funding allocation to be received during the second half of the calendar year. At June 30, 2016, the amount is considered fully collectible. The amount is recorded as temporarily restricted due to the time restriction.

THE WILLOW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER, INC.
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Donated Materials and Services – No amounts have been reflected in the financial statements for donated services. However, the Organization relies on local volunteers to achieve its objective of serving the domestic violence counseling needs of Douglas, Franklin and Jefferson County, Kansas. The Willow Domestic Violence Center, Inc. has calculated the amount of donated services based on the average social care wages provided by the leadership network for nonprofits, Independent Sector, multiplied by the amount of hours contributed. This amounted to 8,512 hours for a total value of \$114,912 for the 2016 fiscal year.

The Organization occupies an office building located at 1920 Moodie under an annual agreement with the City of Lawrence. No rent is paid for the use of the building. The Organization has estimated the approximate fair value of the annual rental to be \$26,676 and it is included in contributions and expenses in the statement of activities.

Fair Value Measurements - The Organization categorizes its assets and liabilities measured at fair value into a three-level hierarchy on the priority of the inputs to the valuation technique used to determine fair value. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level I) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level III). If the inputs used in the determination of the fair value measurement fall within different levels of the hierarchy, the categorization is based on the lowest input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Assets and liabilities valued at fair value are categorized based on the inputs to the valuation techniques as follows:

Level I – Inputs that utilize quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Organization has the ability to access. Fair values for these instruments are estimated using pricing models or quoted prices of securities with similar characteristics.

Level II – Inputs that include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets and inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, for substantially the full term of the financial instrument.

Level III – Inputs that are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, which are typically based on an entity's own assumptions, as there is little, if any, related market activity. Fair values for these instruments are estimated using appraised value.

Subsequent to initial recognition, the Organization may remeasure the carrying value of assets and liabilities measured on a nonrecurring basis to fair value. Adjustments to fair value usually result when certain assets are impaired. Such assets are written down from their carrying amounts to their fair value.

Professional standards allow entities the irrevocable option to elect to measure certain financial instruments and other items at fair value for the initial and subsequent measurement on an instrument-by-instrument basis.

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Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Fair values are measured using independent pricing models or other model-based valuation techniques such as appraised values, adjusted for security's credit rating, prepayment assumptions, and other factors such as credit loss assumptions. The Organization does not have any assets or liabilities that are valued using Level II or Level III inputs.

Note 2 – Fixed Assets

Property and equipment are summarized by major classifications at June 30, 2016 as follows:

	2016	2015
Building	\$ 133,453	\$ 133,453
Land	14,828	14,828
Building Improvements	179,028	177,513
Furniture and Equipment	125,072	117,627
	452,381	443,421
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(382,900)	(361,582)
	\$ 69,481	\$ 81,839

Depreciation for the year ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 was \$21,318 and \$29,057, respectively.

Note 3 – Cash and Credit Risk

The Organization's cash balances are maintained in bank deposit accounts. The balances of these accounts were not in excess of federal insurance limits. The Organization opened an investment account with Charles Schwab and as of June 30, 2016, the investment account has a balance of \$32,067 which is not covered by FDIC.

Note 4 – Temporarily Restricted Net Assets

Temporarily restricted net assets represent contributions received with donor or grantor imposed restrictions as to the use of the funds or due to donor imposed time restrictions. Temporarily restricted net assets consist of the following as of June 30, 2016:

Time restricted funds	<u>\$ 34,245</u>
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Temporarily restricted net assets totaling \$37,026 were released from restriction during the fiscal year.

THE WILLOW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER, INC.
Lawrence, Kansas

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 5 – Investments

The Organization has adopted SFAS No. 124, “Accounting for Certain Investments Held by Not-for-Profit Organizations.” Under SFAS No. 124, investments in marketable securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in securities are reported at their fair values in the statement of financial position. Unrealized gains and losses are also reported in the statement of activities. The Organization’s investment account is held by Charles Schwab and consists of the following as of June 30, 2016:

	<u>Cost Basis</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	<u>Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)</u>
Money market account	\$ 21,847	\$ 21,847	\$ -
Mutual funds	1,146	916	(230)
Equity stocks	<u>11,494</u>	<u>9,304</u>	<u>(2,190)</u>
	<u>\$ 34,487</u>	<u>\$ 32,067</u>	<u>\$ (2,420)</u>

Investment income is summarized as follows:

Interest/Dividend Income	\$ 706
Realized Gain (Loss)	447
Unrealized Gain (Loss)	<u>(1,229)</u>
	<u>\$ (76)</u>

The Board of Directors approved the establishment of a Sustainability Fund, which is comprised entirely of the Charles Schwab investment account. The Sustainability Fund was established to reduce the risk associated with an unexpected loss of funding, as the Organization is highly dependent on grant funds.

Note 6 – Fair Value Measurements

The Organization uses fair value measurements to record fair value adjustment to certain assets and to determine fair value disclosures. For additional information on how the Organization measures fair value, refer to Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Principles. The Organization has assets that are valued using Level I inputs; there are no assets or liabilities valued using Level II or Level III inputs as of June 30, 2016.

The following table presents the fair value hierarchy, measuring fair value at quoted prices in active markets identical assets (Level I), significant other observable inputs (Level II), and significant

THE WILLOW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER, INC.
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 6 – Fair Value Measurements (continued)

unobservable inputs (Level III). Assets measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis as of June 30, 2016 are as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>Level I</u>	<u>Level II</u>	<u>Level III</u>	<u>Total</u>
Securities	\$ 32,067	<u>\$ 32,067</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ 32,067</u>

For the year ended June 30, 2016, no cumulative losses were computed as management had determined the assets and liabilities were not impaired.

Note 7 – Compensated Absences

The Organization provides for time off with pay for periods of time due to vacation or personal pursuits. Employees earn annual leave at a rate that varies depending on years of employment to a maximum of 176 hours. Any accrued annual leave is paid upon termination of employment. Annual leave is recorded in the statement of financial position as accrued compensation. As of June 30, 2016 and 2015, accrued compensation balances were \$23,934 and \$25,870, respectively.

Note 8 – Operating Leases

On June 1, 2010, the Organization entered into a lease agreement with the City of Lawrence for the sum of one dollar. The lease is an annual renewable lease with the Organization responsible for repairs, maintenance and utilities.

The Organization has also entered into a month-to-month lease agreement for Ottawa office space. Rent expense was \$2,400 for the year ended June 30, 2016.

Note 9 – Commitments

On December 27, 2007 the Organization entered into a four year Toshiba Copier lease and maintenance agreement, expiring December 27, 2011. A new one year maintenance only agreement was entered into on March 7, 2011, renewed annually. Lease and maintenance agreement payments for the year ended June 30, 2016 amounted to \$2,398.

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Note 10 – Contingency

The Organization receives a substantial amount of its support from federal, state and local governments. A significant reduction in the level of this support, if this were to occur, may have an effect on the Organization's programs and activities.

Note 11 – Risk Management

The Organization is exposed to various risks of loss related to limited torts; thefts of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions and natural disasters. The Organization carries commercial insurance and has not incurred any losses in the past three years.

Note 12 – Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through November 30, 2016, the date in which the financial statements were available to be issued.

City of Lawrence CDBG/HOME Programs Grant Application

Revised 8/2016

Organization Name:	Brook Creek Neighborhood Association		
Mailing Address:	1313 Haskell Ave Lawrence, KS 66044		
Agency Address (if different than above):			
DUNS Number:	087738782		
Contact Name:	Emily Winters	Phone:	785-760-4742
Contact Title:	Coordinator		
Email:	brookcreekna@gmail.com	Fax:	
Organization Mission Statement:			
<p>Our mission is to stabilize and maintain the neighborhood as a quality, primarily single-family residential neighborhood. Our goals are to preserve, maintain, and improve the quality of living conditions in the neighborhood, identify and respond to its changing needs, and provide an infrastructure for communication on relevant issues. Our goals are also to increase communication and interaction between residents in all parts of our large neighborhood.</p>			
Proposed Program or Activity Name:			
Brook Creek Neighborhood Association			
Proposed Program Address:			
Brief summary of Proposed Program or Activity:			
<p>Funding will allow BCNA to continue to produce, print, and mail newsletters to all residents, keeping them informed of, and involved in, meetings, issues, and volunteer opportunities. It will also pay the coordinator's salary so that she can continue to produce the newsletters, manage our internet presence and serve as liaison between the residents, officers, and the City regarding the issues and opportunities facing the neighborhood.</p>			
Funding Requested:	\$ 7,853.04		
Request is:	100	% of project budget and	97
		% of organization budget	
Which National Objective will be met? (Page 3 above)		Benefiting Low- and Moderate- Income (LMI) Persons and Preventing or Eliminating Slums or Blight	
Which Local Priority will be met? (Page 8 above)		Provide a housing or neighborhood benefit as described in the "Step Up to Better Housing" strategy.	
Certification:			
"I certify that I have reviewed this application and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all of the information provided is true and correct. I also certify that I am officially authorized to represent the submitting organization by its governing board in the filing of this application."			
Signature:			Date: 11/30/16
Print Name and Title: Melissa Fahrenbruch, BCNA President			
FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STAFF USE ONLY			
Date Received: 12/1/16	Application :	Complete <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Incomplete <input type="checkbox"/>
Received by: D. Dresslar			
Method Received:	Mail <input type="checkbox"/>	Hand Delivery <input type="checkbox"/>	Electronic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

City of Lawrence CDBG/HOME Programs Grant Application

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I. Narrative

Please use attachments to answer the following questions in the order presented. If you are requesting funds for more than one program or activity, please address the following questions for each one. Limit your total response to four pages, using standard one-inch margins, single-spacing and 12-point font.

1. What is the situation, problem or opportunity this grant will address?

This grant will provide operating expenses, most of which will cover production and distribution of the neighborhood newsletter and the coordinator's salary. Reaching those in the neighborhood to inform them about business meetings and events continues to be a struggle for our organization. With our newsletter we are able to reach every household in the neighborhood, this helps us to inform, engage and create a sense of inclusion for all neighborhood residents. We would like to be able to send out an eight page newsletter four times a year which will be an increase in frequency. While the newsletters help us to reach the largest number of residents, the neighborhood association has also been working to embrace the more modern tools that the internet provides. In the past three years we have developed the following for the organization: website, weekly E-Newsletter, Facebook page and group, created a LISTSERV and improved email communication. The coordinator position has been crucial in helping to organize and update the growing number of communication tools we now have available to neighborhood residents. With the improved communication infrastructure in place, our goal for 2017 is to continue to increase participation and awareness of the neighborhood association.

2. How will this grant support the mission of the organization?

This grant will enable us to support BCNA's mission to maintain and improve living conditions and communication among the residents. Specifically, it will enable BCNA to continue to produce, print, and mail newsletters to all residents, keeping them informed of, and involved in, meetings, issues, and volunteer opportunities. It will also pay the coordinator's salary so that she can continue to produce the newsletters, manage our internet presence and serve as liaison between the residents, officers, and the City regarding the issues and opportunities facing the neighborhood. The coordinator also helps to organize

annual neighborhood events such as our annual picnic in the park and our long-standing annual spring park clean-up. The clean-up allows the neighborhood to maintain a valued green area in the City, while practicing green policies, by reducing the trash that washes through to the Kaw River. Working together toward a common goal helps promote overall neighborhood unity and cohesion, which helps make the neighborhood a safer and more inviting place to live. Both events help to foster a sense of community and give residents from all parts of the neighborhood a chance to meet in a social setting.

3. How many people will be served by this grant and what percentage are low- moderate income (describe method of verification)?

Brook Creek neighborhood is in Census tract 2 and is spread out among block groups, 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6. There are 4,815 total persons in the neighborhood, 3,345 of these people are of low or moderate income levels which makes our neighborhood 69.47% low-moderate income.

4. What resources are currently available to dedicate to the program or activity, including staff, volunteers, existing funds and community partners?

Our neighborhood board is made up of residents of the neighborhood who volunteer their time. We currently have 4 officer positions (president, vice president, secretary, treasurer) and 3 directors (board members at large), although our bylaws allow for 5 directors. These volunteers are essential to the organization and along with the paid coordinator help to run the business meetings, create and distribute the newsletter, update residents of neighborhood changes, organize events and many other functions of the organization.

Sources of revenue outside of the grant are limited to membership dues, donations and newsletter ad revenue. These funds help to provide for needs that are unable to be covered by the CDBG grant fund such as food and beverages for social events. We will continue to participate in fundraising efforts this year to supplement grant funding and ensure we are able to provide neighborhood residents with consistent and timely updates about events through the newsletter.

This year and in years past we partnered with the KU Big Event for our annual creek clean-up. This allows us to have KU student volunteers help with the clean up and provide the assistance of volunteers for residents who are unable to perform manual labor tasks themselves.

5. How is this approach to the issue unique or collaborative and what gives it a high likelihood of success?

While our neighborhood organization has struggled to consistently engage a large number of residents, the board and other members who are active care deeply about continuing to build community within the neighborhood and protect the aspects of the neighborhood that make it unique. Over the course of many years, this neighborhood has proven that such an approach can be successful. When issues have arisen that threaten the integrity of the single-family, residential quality of the neighborhood, residents have come together to confront the issue and work for solutions that enable the neighborhood to maintain its character. Such issues included the successful fight to keep the county jail out of our neighborhood. When developers began moving in and building multi-family dwellings, residents worked together to get parts of the neighborhood down-zoned to single-family. BCNA has worked with the Salvation Army and other organizations on the problem of Lawrence's homeless citizens, to reach compromises that would maintain the stable character of the neighborhood while still allowing assistance to those in need. BCNA and the residents work with the City toward solving the problem of blighted residences in the neighborhood. We are active supporters of the Burroughs Creek Trail and the Lawrence Fruit Tree Project. Most recently, both BCNA and individual residents worked with the City and the owner of the 12th & Haskell Recycling Center to solve problems caused by the noise, pollution, and heavy truck traffic associated with the Recycling Center in a residentially zoned part of the neighborhood. A successful conclusion was reached with the relocation of the salvage center to an industrially zoned part of the neighborhood. We worked with Struct/Restruct, the purchaser of that property to assure maintaining the residential integrity of that part of the neighborhood.

Our neighborhood is hoping to be able to increase newsletter distribution to four times a year (up from three) if funding is available. Our coordinator has plans to continue improving our web-based communication and increase the number of residents who are engaged. These improvements will allow BCNA to continue to protect the character of the neighborhood and foster a sense of community among the large geographic area our neighborhood covers.

6. How will success be measured and how will you continue to fund this project once grant funds are expended?

The grant funds requested will cover the operating expenses (primarily the newsletters and the coordinator's salary) for the coming fiscal year. Success of our efforts, and planned new efforts, to get increasing numbers of residents

involved in neighborhood issues and activities will be measured by increasing participation in the meetings and special events and an increased following on our web-based platforms. Currently we have 40 due paying members, 134 likes on our facebook page, 69 members on the LISTSERV, and 100 email list subscribers. Our goal is to at least double all of these numbers by the end of 2017.

We have had success selling advertisements for our newsletter and plan to continue with this practice which will help to bring in supplemental revenue we can put towards newsletter costs that may not be met by the grant funding.

7. What is the organization's timeline for achieving the objectives of the grant?

We will have business meetings monthly, outside of the summer months of June, July and August. Newsletters will be sent out at least 3 times a year and will ideally be able to be sent 4 times, given funding availability. E-newsletters will be sent weekly, meeting and event reminders will be sent to those who have opted to receive them, the Facebook page will be updated on a regular basis (3-4 times weekly), the website will be maintained and updated, the LISTSERV will be monitored and available to all residents. We will have a spring park clean up and a fall picnic as social events. The neighborhood association will increase their presence at other neighborhood and school events to increase awareness and gain members.

8. What other funding sources have been approached and what have the responses been?

Local businesses have been approached for in-kind donations that have allowed us to provide lunch and supplies for the volunteers at the annual park clean-up. We have also have success selling advertisements for the newsletter that helps to supplement the cost of the newsletter.

II. Program/Activity Budget

Neighborhood Associations - Please provide an itemized budget detailing all association expenses on the attached Neighborhood Budget template.

Agencies – Please provide an itemized budget detailing all program/activity expenses on the attached Proposed Project/Activity Budget template.

Any proposal containing repair, rehabilitation, improvements, construction, demolition, acquisition or disposition of real property must include a detailed description including:

- project location and scope
- line-item budget
- bid proposals including labor and materials
- timeline for program/activity

BCNA 2015-2016 Annual Report

		NON CDBG \$	CDBG
Beginning Balance			\$ -
INCOME	Description		
Interest		\$ -	
Sales		\$ -	
Donations		\$ 24.00	
Memberships		\$ 40.00	
Advertising		\$ 465.00	
Garage Sale participation fee		\$ 90.00	
T-Shirts		\$ -	
CDBG Grants		\$ -	\$5,356.50
Other (please list)		\$ -	
Other (please list)		\$ -	
Subtotal		\$ 619.00	\$ 5,356.50
Expenses			
Communication Expenses		\$ -	\$ -
Postage		\$ -	\$ -
Newsletter Printing/Postage		\$ -	\$ 2,385.26
Newsletter Postage		\$ -	\$ -
Website Expenses		\$ -	\$ -
Coordinator Salary		\$ 205.76	\$ 2,907.44
PO Rental		\$ -	\$ -
Other Rental (Specify)		\$ -	\$ -
Office Supplies		\$ -	\$34.25
Advertising		\$ -	\$ -
Other Publicity (Specify)		\$ -	\$ -
LAN Dues		\$ 25.00	
Gifts/Grants		\$ -	
Clean Up		\$ -	\$ -
Capital Improvement (Specify)		\$ -	\$ -
Food/Entertainment		\$ 102.45	
Garage Sale Supplies		\$ 15.23	\$ -
Other (Printing)		\$ -	\$ 29.55
Other (please list)		\$ -	\$ -
Total Expenses		\$ 348.44	\$ 5,356.50
Ending Balance		\$ 270.56	\$ (0.00)

For Neighborhoods: Please note the request must be accompanied by this budget sheet. The budget sheet must be filled out with both CDBG and non-CDBG financials. If the column does not apply then please enter a zero in the column. The CDAC has requested this be filled out the same way by each neighborhood requesting funding and that the entire financial picture be included.

Please note: LAN dues, Secretary of State dues, Secretary of State expenses, payroll taxes, and other such miscellaneous fees are not allowable expenses under CDBG. The CDAC has the authority to determine eligibility of expenses under the CDBG program upon funding allocation.

BCNA 2016-2017 Projected Budget

		NON CDBG \$	CDBG
Beginning Balance			\$ -
INCOME	Description		
Interest		\$ -	
Sales		\$ -	
Donations		\$ 20.00	
Memberships		\$ 50.00	
Advertising		\$ 500.00	
T-Shirts		\$ -	
CDBG Grants		-	\$ 7,853.04
Other (please list)		-	
Other (please list)		-	
Subtotal		\$ 570.00	\$ 7,853.04
Expenses			
Communication Expenses		-	\$ -
Postage		-	
Newsletter Printing/Postage		-	\$ 4,253.04
Newsletter Postage		-	\$ -
Website Expenses		\$ -	\$ -
Coordinator Salary		-	\$ 3,600.00
PO Rental		\$ -	\$ -
Other Rental (Specify)		\$ -	\$ -
Office Supplies/printing		\$ 100.00	\$ -
Advertising		\$ -	\$ -
Other Publicity (Specify)		\$ -	\$ -
LAN Dues		\$ 25.00	
Gifts/Grants		-	
Clean Up			\$ -
Capital Improvement (Specify)		\$ -	\$ -
Food/Entertainment		\$ 150.00	
Other (please list)		-	
Other (please list)		-	
Total Expenses		\$ 275.00	\$ 7,853.04
Ending Balance		\$ 295.00	\$ -

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List of officers and board members and their principal occupations

President: Melissa Fahrenbruch - Customer Service Representative

Vice President: Byron Wiley - Handyman/contractor

Secretary: Michael Almon - Owner, Paradigm Design

Treasurer: Jenna Coker - Retired

Director: Andrea Repinsky - Planner, Mid-America Regional Council

Director: Ronald Bishop - Retired

Director: Rena Figures - Midwife

Coordinator: Emily Winters - RN

Brook Creek Neighborhood Association
1322 Maple Lane
Lawrence, Kansas 66044



Neighborhood-Wide
Yard Sale May 21!

Join Brook Creek Neighborhood Association for only \$1.00

Support BCNA so that we can effectively represent you.

MEMBERSHIP RATES

In-neighborhood individuals \$1.00 Out-of-neighborhood individuals and businesses \$5.00

Name _____ Date _____
Address _____
Phone _____ E-mail _____

Member information is used only for neighborhood communications, and not distributed or sold.

Please check any box that applies:

- I do not want my name printed in the newsletter as a new or returning member
- I would like to be included in a neighborhood e-mail list-serve
- I would like to receive a weekly e-newsletter

Mail this form and your check payable to BCNA to:
Brook Creek Neighborhood, 1406 Oak Hill Ave., Lawrence KS 66044

Visit us at <http://brookcreeklawrence.wordpress.com/>



The Brook Creek Breeze

The Newsletter of the
Brook Creek
Neighborhood Association

Spring 2016

Neighborhood Events

April

- 6 BCNA Meeting, 7:00 p.m.,
East Lawrence Rec. Center
- 16 Park Clean-up, 10:00 a.m.,
Brook Creek Park Gazebo
- 19 Electronic Recycling at Free
State High School, 9:00- 1:00

May

- 2 Deadline for yard sale sign-up
(see article at right)
- 4 BCNA Meeting, 7:00 p.m.,
East Lawrence Rec. Center
- 21 Brook Creek Neighborhood
Yard Sale! 7 a.m.

Brook Creek Neighborhood-Wide Yard Sale

Clear out your winter accumulation of stuff, and make some extra money at our neighborhood-wide yard sale on May 21, starting at 7 a.m. We can attract more "yard sailors" by offering a neighborhood full of bargains. Brook Creek Neighborhood Association will arrange for publicity with signs at key intersections and advertisements on Craigslist and other places online and around town. We'll list your address in all our publicity, but you must register with our Coordinator no later than May 2nd. Contact her at <brookcreekna@gmail.com> or 785-760-4742. We ask that you donate \$10 to Brook Creek Neighborhood Association to help us fundraise for newsletter costs. BCNA is happy to help you. Thanks for helping the neighborhood!

Brook Creek Park Clean-Up

Join your neighbors on a beautiful spring day to have fun and beautify our parks! The annual Brook Creek Park Clean-Up is Saturday, April 16 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This year, Brook Creek is co-hosting the clean up with East Lawrence Neighborhood Association, and we'll be joined by KU student volunteers, thanks to The Big Event annual volunteer day. East Lawrence is providing bagels and coffee in the morning, and BCNA is providing lunch. Meet at the Brook Creek gazebo. We'll clean up both Brook Creek Park and Burroughs Creek Trail.

If you're a New York School family, you might also be interested in joining in a cleanup and gardening work day at the school from 9 a.m. to noon at the school.

Actions Taken to Improve Traffic Safety

Several neighbors have contacted BCNA and attended neighborhood meetings to share their concerns about dangerous drivers on neighborhood roads. In response, BCNA sent a letter to the David Woosley, the city Traffic Engineer. The letter expressed concerns about traffic speeds on East Glenn Road, Maple Lane between 13th and 15th, and Oak Hill Ave. City staff have responded and said they will do some surveys and contact the neighborhood when they have more information. Updates will be added to the website when available. If you have other concerns about safety or nuisances in the neighborhood, you are welcome to bring them to the attention of BCNA.

Plea for Email Addresses

Email is an important way for BCNA to share information on issues and events that affect the neighborhood. This is especially true now, since funding for our printed newsletters is reduced from previous years, and it is uncertain into the future.

Please send your email addresses to help BCNA keep the neighborhood informed and organized. You will receive occasional announcements and our great new e-newsletter.

Submit your email address to:

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A Letter from the President

Hello Neighbors,

I'd like to introduce myself, my name is Melissa Fahrenbruch. I'm your new President of Brook Creek Neighborhood Association. I wanted to thank everyone for a great year! Thanks to Rena Figures, our past president, and the past and present officers and directors for all their hard work.

We have had some great wins and speakers for our neighborhood this past year, thanks to our officers, directors, and you. We played a key role in Verizon moving the location of their cell tower; we helped campaign for bus benches in our area; the 19th Street pass through to the industrial park is on hold for now. We held our annual park clean-up, fall picnic and winter party.

I can't wait to see you at events and meetings this year. Please spread the word to your family, friends, and neighbors to connect with us through our e-newsletter, Facebook, and LISTSERV.

If you have questions or concerns, or you just wanted to say hi, please feel free to reach out to me meljofah@gmail.com. Have a great year.

Best wishes,

Melissa Fahrenbruch

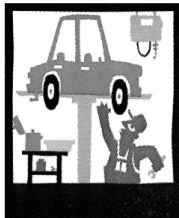


Neighbors gathered in December 2015 for annual officer elections and the Brook Creek holiday party.



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Classes at East Lawrence Recreation Center

Silver Steppers

Wednesdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m., \$36

Fun step combinations will torch calories and get your heart pumping with time for stretching and flexibility work.

Senior Strength Training

Tuesday/Thursday, 9:00-10:00 a.m., \$58

Strength training helps increase muscle mass, strengthen bones and improve balance.

Planting for Pollinators

Saturday, April 9, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., \$5

Attracting many different kinds of pollinator insects will bring life and movement to your garden. Learn the various ways in which flowers are adapted to different insects. The class will discuss how to choose

the right plants for your garden, those that bring beauty and support area and migrating wildlife. Instructor: Susan Phillips, Master Gardener.

Container Gardens

Saturday, May 7, 9:00-10:00 a.m., \$5

Container gardens offer many benefits, including versatility, less disease and weeding, and accessibility - all in a small space. Join a master gardener just before the last frost and in time for Mother's Day. The class will discuss: containers, soil, sun / shade plants, watering and fertilizing. Instructor: Susan Phillips, Master Gardener.

Register online or at any recreation center. Contact the East Lawrence Recreation Center at 832-7950.

Garden Notes

Gardening season is back! Here are a few reminders and tips.

The Unwanted Guests

Mosquitos can breed in any water that is standing for a few days. You can prevent mosquitos by cleaning out your gutters and emptying or turning over all outdoor containers that can hold standing water.

A few invasive weedy plants are common in Brook Creek, taking over wildlife habitat and making a mess of yards and gardens. Some of the worst plants to look out for and remove are honeysuckle, trumpet vine, garlic mustard, burning bush (euonymus), Johnson grass, Sericea lespedeza, and Bradford pear trees.

Go Native

Native plants provide food and habitat for native wildlife, while non-native plants provide very few ecological benefits. Great native trees to choose for your yard include oaks, which are like wildlife superstores, plus pawpaw trees, buckeyes, and redbuds. Several plant sales provide beautiful native plants that are adapted to our climate and ecology. The sales support good organizations, and the plants support native butterflies and bees. Consider the fun you can have with children looking for Monarch butterfly

caterpillars on flowering milkweed plants. The Monarch Watch plant sale and open house is on May 7 at Foley Hall on KU west campus. The Grassland Heritage Foundation native plant sale is May 14 at the Lawrence Public Library lawn.



Bumblebee on butterfly milkweed

Go Edible

The Lawrence Community Orchard grows right next to Brook Creek Neighborhood. Brook Creek residents are among the volunteers that planted a variety of edible plants as a 'free food park' where anyone can pick ripe fruit. It provides examples of food production in public spaces, a place to learn about organic orcharding, and fun volunteer opportunities. The orchard can be found at the east end of Garfield Street, on Burroughs Creek. More information is at: lawrencefruittreeproject.wordpress.com

Brook Creek Neighborhood Association Meeting Notes

December 2015

The December meeting was a brief business meeting followed by the annual holiday party. There was a discussion of the new social media tool Next Door that helps to connect neighbors. A letter was sent to the city Park and Recreation Department with neighborhood concerns and ideas. They will be following up with a meeting appearance in 2016. Attendees discussed a January board planning meeting and the annual spring park clean-up event. Some time was spent recapping the neighborhood accomplishments in 2015, including forcing Verizon to move their cell tower, making progress on getting better bus coverage for the neighborhood, and an improved presence on the internet and better communication. The election took place and the new directors are as follows:

Melissa Fahrenbruch for President
Byron Wiley for Vice President
Jenna Coker for Treasurer
Michael Almon for Secretary
Rena Figures for Director
Andrea Repinsky for Director
Ron Bishop for Director
Melinda Henderson for Director

February 2016

The guest speaker was Taylor Oliver, a developer for Dollar General. Dollar General is interested in this area because it is underserved. They will be building in the parking lot in the front southwest corner. It

will be a free standing building with landscaping and its own parking. Mr. Oliver stated he anticipates all delivery traffic and the majority of the patron traffic will be on Haskell Ave., and will stay off of 19th Street. The park and ride users will now park behind the convenience store in the northeast corner, but there shouldn't be any disruption to that service. Melinda Henderson gave an update on the Downtown grocery project. There is no official news, but Mayor Mike Amyx is supportive of the project and the developers are open to a grocery store. There was a discussion about the newsletter budget from Coordinator Emily Winters. CDBG funds were again cut this year making it difficult to afford newsletters. The decision was made to fund one more spring newsletter using the remaining CDBG funds, ad revenue, and some additional money from savings. The bulk cost is in mailing and printing so the decision was made to have an 8 page newsletter again. To help make up for the loss in newsletters we will continue to gather more email addresses and continue our online presence. Ms. Henderson gave an update on the improved bus route which will now travel both north and south along Harper and Haskell, making it much easier for residents to get downtown. She is still working on helping improve enforcement of the fireworks ban and will let the neighborhood know how it can help. Ms. Fahrenbruch discussed the Urban Agriculture Zoning Amendment that is on the planning commission agenda for late Feb.

BCNA meeting minutes are posted in full on the BCNA website: <https://brookcreeklawrence.wordpress.com/>



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Meet Your Brook Creek Neighborhood Association Officers and Board

President: Melissa Fahrenbruch, Maple Lane

Melissa is a recent addition to the Brook Creek neighborhood and to Lawrence, since November, 2014. She moved from Colorado where she completed a bachelor's degree in Environmental Sustainability Studies. During her last summer in Colorado she worked as an intern with the Planning and Community Development Departments of the City of Greeley. She is an alumna of the Mortar Board Honor Society, Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society and has held officer positions in other clubs, as well. She is a community supporter of the Latin American Graduates Organization (LAGO) at KU. In her spare time she enjoys working on her house with husband, attending Zumba classes at the Community Center, reading, and spending time with friends. Please let her know if you have any suggestions or concerns for the neighborhood, or just want to say hello.

Vice-President: Byron Wiley, Almira Ave.

Byron is serving his third term as vice president of BCNA. He is active in several community organizations including the Lawrence Fruit Tree Project, Sunrise Project, the local contra dance group (Lawrence Barn Dance Association), and he plays in a Scandinavian folk dance group. He is passionate about plants and food-producing plants. Part of his time is also spent working on handyman and carpentry related projects.

Secretary: Michael Almon

Michael has lived in Lawrence since 1977. He worked for two years as a planning aide at the city planning office. He has started and run three businesses, one of which was Simple Goods General Store at 735 Mass. Since moving to Brook Creek Neighborhood, he has participated in many initiatives to stabilize our single-family neighborhood. He was a co-founder, and is Director of Sustainability Action Network, a not-for-profit that advocates for bicycle transportation, local food growing, and energy conservation.

Treasurer: Jenna Coker, Oak Hill

Jenna has lived on Oak Hill for 24 years (in the Savage House, where one of the first Brook Creek meetings were held.) She has served Brook Creek in the past as our CDBG representative. Jenna has also

been a long-time volunteer for Headquarters counseling center. She retired as emeritus staff in 2010 after 25 years of service to KU. Her last 15 years at KU were all in accounting and budget management taking care of 63 accounts with different rules and regulations to follow. Jenna is an avid gardener with the help of her husband, Fred Sack.

Coordinator: Emily Winters, Haskell Ave.

Emily said: "My husband and I both grew up in Lawrence and knew we wanted to raise our family here. We have lived in the neighborhood for almost 9 years. I have been involved in the neighborhood association for 3 years and have been trying to improve communication. I hope to be able to make even more progress in my new role as coordinator."

Directors:

Andrea Repinsky, Almira Ave.

Andrea returns as Director for the second year of a 2-year term. She previously served as BCNA President and Vice-President. Andrea has lived in Brook Creek for most of the past 15 years. She works as an urban planner and also volunteers as President of Grassland Heritage Foundation, where she welcomes others to join in to native prairie preservation and education.

Ron Bishop, East Glenn Dr.

Ron joins the BCNA board as a new member, though he's a long-time resident of the neighborhood. Ron said: "I first moved from Barker to East Glenn Dr. in 1955, when almost everything east of Haskell Ave, around 19th St. was pasture or woods. 15th St. North was developed to 11th St. I am a U. S. Navy veteran, aviation electronics field, with a BSJ in Photojournalism from KU. I am also president of the Ozark Wilderness Waterways Club in Kansas City, formed in 1956, and president of the Vietnam Veterans of America chapter 912 in Ottawa. I moved back to my parents house, which my dad built himself, in 1999, after working in Missouri, Kansas, Wyoming, Arkansas, and Oklahoma on newspapers, to help take care of them and work on the newspaper in Ottawa, Kansas. I am semi-retired now, keeping busy with beekeeping and working part time at (continued)

Davenport Orchard and Vineyard. This is my first term on the BCNA board. I hope to make the neighborhood a good neighborhood to live in."

Rena Figures, Harper St.

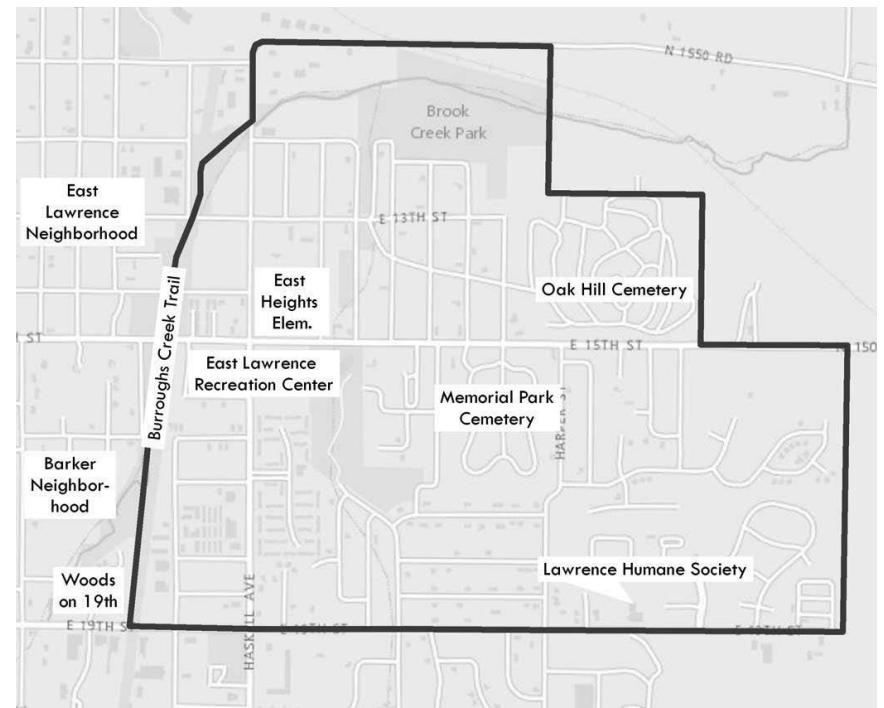
Rena moved to the neighborhood 2013 and has a private practice as a midwife and massage therapist.

She served as President of BCNA during 2015 and now continues to serve the neighborhood as a BCNA director. She lives with her two sons who bike and walk the neighborhood as much as possible. She looks forward to meeting more folks and serving the community.

Get to Know the Brook Creek Neighborhood

Did you know that Brook Creek Neighborhood goes west of Haskell Ave.? Brook Creek's boundaries are the Burroughs Creek Trail on the west, 11th Street on the north, 19th Street on the south, and the City limits on the east. Brook Creek contains the Oak Hill and Memorial Park Cemeteries, Brook Creek Park, the Burroughs Creek Trail and Linear Park, and the East Lawrence Recreation Center at Edgewood Park.

Brook Creek also contains the historic Haskell Row houses and the Kibbee House, all on Haskell Ave. East Heights Elementary is no longer operational, but it has been housing other schools during renovation. Children in the neighborhood attend both New York and Kennedy elementary schools. Great local volunteer opportunities are at Just Food and the Lawrence Humane Society.



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Neighborhood Potluck
Picnic September 10!

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Neighborhood Events

September

- 7 BCNA Meeting, 7:00 p.m.,
East Lawrence Rec. Center
- 10 Potluck Picnic 4:00- 7:00 p.m.,
Brook Creek Park Gazebo

October

- 5 City Manager Tom Markus at
BCNA Meeting, 7:00 p.m.,
East Lawrence Rec. Center

Brook Creek Neighborhood Potluck Picnic

Come meet your neighbors! They want to meet you!

The Brook Creek Neighborhood Fall Picnic will be Saturday, September 10 at the Brook Creek Park gazebo from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. The picnic is a potluck, so bring a dish to share. Games, musicians, chairs, and blankets are great additions, too.

City Budget Requests from Brook Creek

Brook Creek Stormwater Improvements

Brook Creek flows through the center of our neighborhood, and is prone to flooding between 15th St. and 11th St. Last year the City replaced the collapsing culvert under Brook St. with two larger culverts, but flood water still backs up where Brook Creek flows under 13th St. in three undersized culverts.

The City Stormwater Engineer has wanted to replace the old culverts with larger culverts, but had not gotten the Commission to spend the \$250,000 to do it. BCNA sent a formal proposal in support of new culverts for Brook Creek at 13th St. as part of the public input process for the City budget. In this year of budget cuts, the new City Manager included this project in his draft budget, and the Commission has not deleted it.

Opposition to 19th Street as Major Collector

19th St. is a narrow street full of homes. East of Harper St., 19th St. is a low-traffic residential street serving two mobile home parks and two businesses. Around 2012, without the knowledge of BCNA, the City reclassified this section as a Major Collector. At the same time, they planned for 19th St. to connect with O'Connell Rd. through the Venture Business Park directly to 23rd St. These two actions have alarmed all five neighborhoods along the 19th St. corridor, because it will create more traffic.

The City has proposed spending \$1.35 million to rebuild East 19th St. into a Major Collector in 2017, so BCNA filed a formal statement asking the City to remove this funding from their budget. The City instead delayed the project until 2018—a reprieve, but not a solution. BCNA continues to work with the other 19th St. neighborhoods to prevent the City from connecting 19th St. to O'Connell Rd.

Neighborhood Survey!
Fill out the survey on p. 5 or at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SHT6VQM>

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A Letter from the President

Hi Neighbors,

We have a lot of great things coming up for our neighborhood this fall/winter season. We will have a fall neighborhood picnic in September, a Veteran's Celebration in November, and our Winter/End-of-year Party in December. We will be hosting the City Manager, Tom Markus, at our meeting in October and are working to have other speakers at the other meetings. Please come join us if you are able. We also hope to have a community-wide session to get ideas on how we, as a community, would like to see and use our parks and green space. Please sign up for our neighborhood Facebook page or email ListServ to get updated information on what events will take place either from the Brook Creek Neighborhood Association or around town.





I hope to see you at the next event or meeting.

Melissa Fahrenbruch
President, Brook Creek Neighborhood Association



HELLO, BROOK CREEK!
PLEASE TAKE OUR SURVEY!

LPL is undergoing a Community Needs Assessment in an effort to bridge gaps in information, resources, and services available to our community. Please join this conversation by participating in one of these options:

-  **Take our survey!** Fill it out online at svy.mkj/28IDtVU, or call the library at 785-843-3833 to request a paper copy delivered to your residence.
-  **Go online!** Visit bit.ly/28IzvrU for more information about how to get involved.
-  **Join the conversation!** Sign up to participate in a future focus group or interview.
-  **Take 30% off your accumulated library late fees when you complete our survey!***
*Terms and conditions apply.

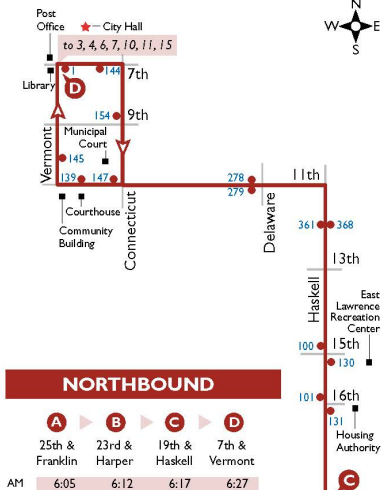
Neighborhood Online Forum

Do you know about the Brook Creek Neighborhood open forum on Facebook? This page is not a part of the neighborhood association, but it is great place for neighbors to connect and share information. Lost pets? Extra zucchini? Loud bang? This is a great place to reach out to other neighbors. Check it out! Go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1560359937520149/> or search for the Brook Creek Neighborhood Open Forum on Facebook.

Lawrence Transit Changes Bus 1 Route through Brook Creek

The route now services the Lawrence Community Shelter. Here's the current map, courtesy of Lawrence Transit.

Downtown to East Lawrence



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Legend:

- A Timing point
- Bus stop
- # Bus stop number
- ★ Bus pass sales location

This route operates Monday – Saturday, except holidays New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day.

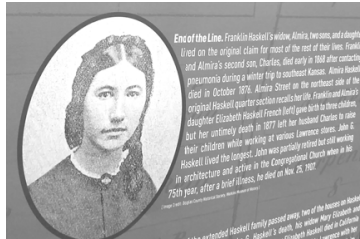
5. Where in the neighborhood do you live?
- North of 15th, west of Harper South of 15th, west of Harper
- North of 15th, east of Harper South of 15th, east of Harper
6. What is your age? (Age of head of household)
- 18 to 24 25 to 34 35 to 44 45 to 54 55 to 64 65 to 74 75 or older
7. How long have you lived in Brook Creek Neighborhood?
- Less than 1 year 1-2 years 3-5 years 5-10 years More than 10 years
8. How are you associated with Brook Creek Neighborhood?
- I own a home I live in located in the neighborhood I rent a home I live in located in the neighborhood
- I own rental property in the neighborhood I own a business in the neighborhood
- I own a home I live in and a rental property in the neighborhood Other _____
9. Do you have other suggestions for ways we could improve the neighborhood association to better serve the residents?
- _____
10. Is there anything else you want to share with the neighborhood association board?
- _____

Thank you for sharing your ideas!

Please send completed paper surveys to BCNA at 1322 Maple Lane, Lawrence KS 66044 or submit your answers to the online version at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SHT6VQM>

Brook Creek History Featured in New Exhibit

The "Hike through History on the Burroughs Creek Trail" exhibit features history stories from the area along the trail. Stories include the Haskell family, World War II German prisoners of war in Lawrence, and William S. Burroughs. The ten-panel display will be at the Lawrence Public Library through Sept. 10, and then can be found at other sites including the East Lawrence Recreation Center and the Watkins Museum of History.



Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program Provides Funding for Fresh Food

The Kansas Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program provides a monetary benefit to low-income seniors to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables, herbs and honey from certified farmers at Farmers Markets in Kansas. It is funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service. Benefits come in the form of six \$5.00 checks equaling

\$30.00 in total. This is a first come, first served program. To be eligible, seniors must have an income at or below 185% of the federal poverty level and they must be 60 years of age or older. Call the *Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging* for details at (785)235-1367 or visit <http://www.jhawkaa.org/services/nutrition/>.

Brook Creek Neighborhood Association Meeting Notes

April 2016

Mark Hecker of Lawrence Parks & Recreation joined the meeting to discuss park improvement ideas sent by BCNA. Parks & Rec. is focused on a Parks Master Plan. BCNA requested a plan specific to Brook Creek Park that would guide City management of the park. BCNA also requested restoration of the Brook Creek Park landscaping, vacating the south triangle of Public Works land on Burroughs Creek at 12th Street, an east-side dog park, invasive species removal, a trail connection between Burroughs Creek and Brook Creek, natural restoration of Brook Creek, installation of a planned 15th Street splash park, and a bocce ball court. The splash park and expanded parking at the East Lawrence Community Center were top priorities for Hecker. Hecker agreed with many BCNA park improvement ideas, and said that the parks budget is the main hindrance. BCNA submitted a letter of support for a capital improvement plan project for a new bridge and culverts at Brook Creek and 13th. BCNA sent messages to the City in opposition of the 19th St. connection to O'Connell Rd and Venture Business Park. Lane Eisenbart shared information on interpretive signs about history along the Burroughs Creek Trail. Attendees continued planning of the Earth Day cleanup of Brook Creek Park and the neighborhood yard sale. Logan Isaman of the Lawrence Public Library said that she'll share a survey about library facilities.

May 2016

Melissa Freiburger of the Sunrise Project joined the meeting. She said that the Sunrise Project is a non-profit organization developing a center at 15th & Learnard for food and agriculture-related education. Projects include after school cooking lessons, hands-on food growing, the Lawrence Fruit Tree Project, and youth volunteers at local agencies. They're renovating the greenhouse and the former Sunrise plant store into classrooms and offices, in partnership with businesses including Central Soy Foods and Seeds From Italy. More information is at www.sunriseprojectks.org. Logan Isaman of Lawrence Public Library shared an update on the Library Needs Assessment, a survey to identify gaps in information and services. (See ad, page 2) Attendees discussed the new Urban Agriculture zoning code. BCNA submitted opposition to east 19th St. connection to O'Connell Rd and support for 13th & Brook St. bridge work. Construction of Dollar General at 19th St. was approved. Because the newsletter printer delivered the spring newsletter late, a discount was negotiated for the fall newsletter.

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Spring Clean-Up of Brook Creek Park

In April, Brook Creek residents and KU students, through the KU Big Event volunteer day, removed trash from Brook Creek Park and Burroughs Creek from 12th to 15th Streets before enjoying lunch together at the gazebo.

Brook Creek Neighborhood Survey

Brook Creek is a better neighborhood when you participate. Please share your ideas in the neighborhood survey, either by completing and mailing the survey below or at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SHT6VQM>

1. Which of the following services or activities do you utilize?

	Never	Sometimes	Often	Always
Social Events	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Brook Creek Park Clean-Up	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Emailed E-News	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Paper Newsletter	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Business Meetings	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Email List Serv	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facebook Page	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Facebook Group	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Website	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Nextdoor	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

2. If you do not currently attend BCNA business meetings, what is the reason?

(BCNA meetings are normally the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the East Lawrence Recreation Center)

- Not of interest to me
- I'm too busy
- I do not feel welcome at these meetings
- I do not know about these meetings
- I do not receive enough notice in advance of the meetings
- Other: _____

3. Is there something about the business meetings that would make you more interested or able to attend? (Different day or time, different guests, more notice, etc.)

4. Would you be interested in any of the following if the neighborhood offered them?

- Playgroups or kids get-togethers
- Social potlucks
- More opportunities to get involved in policy decisions or discussions involving the neighborhood
- Neighborhood workdays (Example: trash pick-ups or beautification projects)
- Fundraiser or event (Example: chili contest)
- Applause Award (Nominating neighbors who have made house or yard improvements)
- Neighborhood contest (Example: holiday house/yard decorating)
- Neighborhood-wide yard sale
- Neighborhood walks or bike rides
- Other: _____

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Resident
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The Brook Creek Breeze

The Newsletter of the Brook Creek Neighborhood Association

November 2016

Neighborhood Events

November

- 2 BCNA Meeting, 7:00 p.m., East Lawrence Rec. Center
- 7 Brook Creek fundraiser at Papa Keno's Pizzeria
- 8 General Election! Vote!
- 11 Veterans' Day

December

- 7 Holiday Party and Elections at BCNA Meeting, 7:00 p.m., East Lawrence Rec. Center

Road Plans Threaten Safety along 19th St.

19th Street is a low-traffic residential street but several trends indicate it's in danger of becoming a busy arterial street. In the last newsletter, we reported that BCNA asked the City not to connect 19th St. to O'Connell Rd. because that would open the floodgate of Kansas City cut-through commuter traffic. That project is still planned for 2018. Do you remember the KU dormitory McCollum Hall demolition? Unfortunately, that was a harbinger of a \$350 million KU expansion along west 19th St. They have said "We want to make 19th Street feel like it's more of a front door to campus." Even without a transit hub, KU's 4-level parking garage will have 2,640 spaces at 19th and Naismith St. at this planned south gateway. Lawrence transportation plans call for 19th St. to be an arterial to accommodate all the new traffic. A coalition of the five neighborhoods along 19th St. are working together to keep the traffic on 23rd. St., and enter campus via Naismith.

Traffic Safety Solutions Sought

Brook Creek has suffered cut-through and speeding traffic for decades. Because we're on the east edge of town, Kansas City commuters and game day traffic regularly use 15th and 19th Streets and our residential streets to avoid congestion on 23rd. St, often speeding. The first BCNA request for the City to stop this problem was in 1997 by then President Mark Taylor. We were ahead of our time by suggesting speed humps, partial turn restrictions, and slower speed limits. Instead, we got yield signs and stop signs, and a lowered speed limit of 20 MPH north of 15th Street. Engineers now say that yield signs and stop signs don't calm traffic, and a 20 MPH limit without physical controls is also not effective. Speeders blow through our stop signs, and they ignore the speed limit. The issue surfaced again with cut-through speeders on Maple Lane, Oak Hill Ave., and East Glenn Dr. The City Commission agreed to traffic calming on Maple Ln. and Oak Hill, but not on East Glenn, and told the Traffic Engineer to meet with the neighborhood to develop solutions to problems on all three streets.

Neighborhood Meeting Follow-Up Survey!
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6WPRK98>
Stay Informed on neighborhood news by sending your email address to BrookCreekNA@gmail.com

TIME TO VOTE!

General elections are coming up on Tuesday, November 8. If you live in Precinct 35, you will vote at East Lawrence Recreation Center. If you live in Precinct 77, you will vote at the Douglas County Fairgrounds.

To see a sample ballot, visit: www.douglascountyelections.com

Are you ready to serve Brook Creek? You can join the BCNA board nominations on Nov. 2 and vote on Dec. 5!

Join Brook Creek Neighborhood Association for only \$1.00

Support BCNA so that we can effectively represent you.

MEMBERSHIP RATES

In-neighborhood individuals \$1.00 Out-of-neighborhood individuals and businesses \$5.00

Name _____ Date _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____ E-mail _____

Member information is used only for neighborhood communications, and not distributed or sold.

Please check any box that applies:

- I do not want my name printed in the newsletter as a new or returning member
- I would like to be included in a neighborhood e-mail list-serve
- I would like to receive a weekly e-newsletter

Mail this form and your check payable to BCNA to:
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BCNA Meeting Notes

September 2016

Henry Fortunato gave an update on the Hike Through History project. The exhibit will be to be on display at the East Lawrence Community Center, and then additional locations. Fortunato wants permanent panels installed along the Burroughs Creek Trail. He is open to any ideas for panel content from neighborhood residents. As Fortunato requested, BCNA sent a letter of support for the panels to the City of Lawrence. A survey will be sent to residents to ask about a possible day or time change for meetings. Attendees discussed a possible change in month for our annual election, but kept the current month of December. Attendees discussed possible Veterans' Day activities. The neighborhood will also follow-up with Parks and Rec to see if there has been an increase in pesticide usage.

October 2016

City Manager Tom Markus shared a presentation on current City projects and activities, plus information on the City budget. He answered questions and listened to concerns and ideas expressed by Brook Creek and visiting Barker residents. The Veterans' Day activity was postponed until next year in order to allow more planning and alignment with other activities to honor veterans. BCNA adopted guiding principles for management of the woods as a natural area in Brook Creek Park. Volunteers joined a committee to collect November BCNA board and officer nominations for December elections.

*BCNA meeting minutes are posted in full on the BCNA website:
<https://brookcreeklawrence.wordpress.com/>*

Help BCNA Plan Next Year's Meetings

The BCNA board thanks everyone who took the time to reply to the neighborhood survey last month. We really appreciate all feedback and ideas! We will take all the responses into consideration as we continually improve and update the neighborhood association to best serve residents. We have a quick follow-up sur-

vey about a possible meeting day change. If you are interested in seeing the meeting day change or would like for it to stay on Wednesdays, please take a moment to let us know your preference.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6WPRK98>

Policies Drafted for Management of Brook Creek Park Woods

Efforts to preserve the woods within Brook Creek Park at the north edge of Brook Creek Neighborhood began 20 years ago. In 1996, Douglas County wanted to level this nature area and use it as the site of the new jail. Then BCNA President, Mark Taylor, led the fight to stop the jail, and the County instead chose a site in southeast Lawrence. The City bought the nature area, and Fred DeVictor, Lawrence Parks & Recreation Director, decided "to keep the woods natural, which is what the neighbors wanted." However, this was not a written policy, and after DeVictor retired in 2007, the agreement became overlooked. Over the

years, the nature area has suffered encroachment by the City Public Works operations, pollution from illegal dumping, unannounced brush hog trail cutting by Parks & Recreation, illegal bike ramp construction, rifle game hunting, and transient camping. On at least four occasions, BCNA has reaffirmed our intent to preserve the nature area. In April of this year, BCNA residents met with Parks & Recreation staff to discuss a formal policy to preserve the nature area. We have adopted a list of policy conditions, and will soon take them to the Parks Board and then to the City Commission for consideration.

Eat Pizza. Help the Neighborhood.

As a neighborhood association, we feel that paper newsletters are a wonderful way to reach everyone in the neighborhood and get the word out about upcoming events. It is expensive to send these out and the city grant funds that help us afford them are

being cut more and more every year. Please take time to come out and enjoy a meal at Papa Keno's Pizzeria on November 7th and tell them you are with BCNA. They will donate 20% to our neighborhood association!



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City of Lawrence CDBG/HOME Programs Grant Application

Revised 8/2016

Organization Name:		East Lawrence Neighborhood Association		
Mailing Address:		ELNA P.O. Box 442393		
Agency Address (if different than above):				
DUNS Number:	079989895			
Contact Name:	Lane Eisenbart / Aaron Paden	Phone:	(785)330-3552/840-6400	
Contact Title: Coordinator / President				
Email: eastlawrence@yahoo.com / aaronpaden@gmail.com		Fax:		
Organization Mission Statement:				
<p>The purpose of the East Lawrence Neighborhood Association is to facilitate understanding with the City of Lawrence and Douglas County; to maintain and enhance living conditions; to foster communication in East Lawrence and to maintain good relations amongst neighbors, businesses, organizations and other neighborhoods in Lawrence.</p>				
Proposed Program or Activity Name: East Lawrence Neighborhood Association Activities				
Proposed Program Address: East Lawrence Neighborhood				
Brief summary of Proposed Program or Activity:				
<p>ELNA strives to maintain and enhance the community of East Lawrence. We are committed to open communication, working together with civic and private organizations, holding regular meetings, listening to and addressing neighbors' concerns, and hosting events where neighbors work and play together. We believe our work creates a stronger neighborhood & better city.</p>				
Funding Requested:	\$ 10,420			
Request is:	76	% of project budget and	76	% of organization budget
Which National Objective will be met? (Page 3 above)		1. Benefiting Low and Moderate Income Persons		
Which Local Priority will be met? (Page 8 above)		Provide a neighborhood benefit		
<p>Certification: "I certify that I have reviewed this application and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all of the information provided is true and correct. I also certify that I am officially authorized to represent the submitting organization by its governing board in the filing of this application."</p>				
Signature: 			Date: 11/30/16	
Print Name and Title: AARON PADEN ELNA President				
FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STAFF USE ONLY				
Date Received: amended 12/1/16	Application :	Complete <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Incomplete <input type="checkbox"/>	
Received by: D. Dresslar				
Method Received:	Mail <input type="checkbox"/>	Hand Delivery <input type="checkbox"/>	Electronic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

II. Narrative

1. What is the situation, problem or opportunity this grant will address?
2. How will this grant support the mission of the organization?

Over the past 40 years the East Lawrence Neighborhood Association (ELNA) has played a vital role in serving low and moderate income household needs in our historically working class community. Consistent financial support from the CDBG has made this possible by helping fund a coordinator and newsletter – the cornerstones of stability in our fragile yet vibrant community.

East Lawrence is a low to moderate income neighborhood in large part made up of smaller historically working class housing stock and diverse group of residents. We believe that without ELNA our neighborhood would have experienced gradual deterioration. ELNA serves as the center of communication and information sharing – creating opportunities for dialogue within the neighborhood and between the neighbors and the City of Lawrence, Douglas County, New York Elementary School, and numerous other entities. ELNA serves as an advocate for those in need by connecting them to community resources and forming the networks that keep our community vibrant.

The grant supports ELNA in its mission by consistently enabling us to publish our newsletter (a bi-monthly 8 page newsletter mailed to each household in East Lawrence (1,250+ addresses) along with a weekly e-newsletter (which goes out to over 361 emails), which both solicit volunteers for activities, inform neighbors of the volunteer work completed, share stories of local history, and inform the neighborhood about events in the area. It also provides us with a written historical record of our neighborhood – which reminds us who we are and where we came from.

This grant also includes funding for a coordinator. In addition to producing the printed and electronic newsletters, the coordinator is the central link that mobilizes the diverse network of volunteer workers (1,134 active contacts) who donate hundreds of hours every year, and keep our neighborhood informed and connected. The coordinator monitors events, informs neighbors of relevant issues, gathers information for decision-making, plans events, manages archiving on our website, and most importantly is the central point of contact within the community. Reading and replying to ELNA emails, updating social media, and disseminating information on neighborhood and city events is a time-consuming, and critical part of the coordinator's role. The coordinator also oversees the board election process, which in our most recent election brought out 84 voters.

The grant supports ELNA's mission by providing the basics of a newsletter and a coordinator which in turn allow ELNA to consistently match and more often exceed that investment every year. The funding of these services assist ELNA in doing the most we can for each other and that is what creates our vibrant community.

3. How many people will be served by this grant and what percentage are low-moderate income (describe method of verification)?

This grant serves the entire East Lawrence Neighborhood as defined in our bylaws. According to the most recent census data acquired in 2010, the neighborhood is comprised of 2,039 people, of which 65% are considered to be low to moderate income. Our New York Elementary School, where all East Lawrence children K-5 attend, has 65% qualification for free and reduced lunches.

4. What resources are currently available to dedicate to the program or activity, including staff, volunteers, existing funds and community partners?

The East Lawrence Neighborhood Association is guided by the ELNA board, which is governed by the ELNA by-laws. The elected board consists of 14 volunteer members including the executive officers of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Our board members include a cross-section of residents, including both renters and property owners from a variety of backgrounds and employment. Board member professions include university and state employees, blue collar and service industry workers, crafts people, small business owners, marketing consultant, artists, and musicians. These board members, together with our coordinator and the general membership (composed of individuals, local businesses, and non-profit organizations) provide time, labor, materials and donations to accomplish our tasks for the greater good of the neighborhood.

ELNA partners with neighborhood cornerstones New York Elementary, St. Luke AME, and Social Service League. We also partner with community organizations including Liberty Memorial Central Junior High School, Tenants to Homeowners, Lawrence Preservation Alliance, Lawrence Creates Makerspace, Van Go Mobile Arts, Depot Redux, Friends of the Kaw, Lawrence Arts Center, the Kaw Valley Kickball Association, Health Care Access, Osher Institute, Cans for the Community, Big Brother Big Sisters, Boy and Girls Club, Habitat Restore, Delaware Street Commons, Percolator Arts Space, Ballard Center/Penn House, the League of Women Voters, Safe Routes to Schools, Local community gardens and farmers' markets, Lonnie's recycling, Just Food food bank, and Ripple Glass. Much of our success stems from the coordinator's ability to organize volunteers who interact with our neighborhood cornerstones.

ELNA has successfully worked with developers/homeowners to rehabilitate-historic buildings creating more affordable and efficient housing. We want to continue our work with KU professor Dennis Domer on a neighborhood-wide historic preservation research project, spotlighting the inherent historic nature of our neighborhood. This project has recently successfully nominated a multitude of historic homes for the city's historic register.

The bulk of ELNA's funding comes from our CDBG grant. This funding is supplemented by membership registrations, selling ELNA t-shirts, donations from the community, selling ad space in our newsletter, equipment rentals and profits from our annual YART sale. This past year, to make up for cuts in our CDBG funding we continued to successfully staff volunteers for our concession stand at the Kaw Valley Kickball Sunday night games at Hobbs Park.

5. How is this approach to the issue unique or collaborative and what gives it a high likelihood of success?

The East Lawrence Neighborhood Association's mission is to facilitate understanding with the City of Lawrence and Douglas County, to maintain and improve living conditions in our neighborhood, and to foster community spirit and good relations amongst neighbors. This mission is supported primarily through communication and outreach. A healthy, functioning neighborhood relies on a diverse set of voices participating in an exchange of information and resources. The grant will help pay our coordinator to answer neighborhood questions and disperse information through paper newsletters, e-newsletters, social media, and an up-to-date website. Each of these resources is necessary to reach ELNA's broad constituency.

The following are just a few examples of the communication and outreach facilitated by our coordinator and news outlets;

We disseminate information on neighborhood events, ongoing developments, challenges facing our neighborhood schools, and historic preservation projects within our boundaries. We recruit volunteers for projects requiring man power such as neighborhood and school work days, organize our annual neighborhood block party and YART sale, garner support for local organizations and businesses, match able-bodied neighbors with requests for snow removal, facilitate lawn care through easy access to ELNA lawn equipment and community gardening, prioritize neighborhood safety through crime alerts and neighborhood emergency/disaster preparedness, and generally encourage greater civic participation among East Lawrence residents.

Continued financial support of our coordinator and our diverse news resources is necessary to allow ELNA to reach a broad range of residents and sustain ELNA's success and reputation as a vital, active and inclusive neighborhood association.

6. How will success be measured and how will you continue to fund this project once grant funds are expended?

The greatest measure of our success is the continued vitality and stability of East Lawrence. We help low to moderate-income residents remain in the neighborhood, make sure that our children are safe on their walk to school, and are constantly aware of our environs. We mediate and act as liaisons to various city departments including the police, neighborhood resources, the Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods and the various boards and commissions.

Our numbers are a tangible measure of success. Our ELNA membership numbers continue to grow. ELNA continues to have hundreds of active, dues-paid members. Attendance at our monthly ELNA meetings has continued to be strong with an average of 25 to 50 people at our general meetings. We mail out our paper newsletter to 1,250+ households and businesses. This newsletter documents our achievements while keeping neighbors aware of resources and community happenings. We email our weekly electronic newsletter to over 361 addresses. This list continues to grow each month. The electronic newsletter keeps neighbors up to date on weekly meetings and events, and is a great tool for gathering volunteers. ELNA has consistently posted information on facebook and continues to have a rise in use with over 1270 contacts we also maintain a growing twitter following. With the use of social media we continue to see an increase in participation in both ELNA events and community gatherings.

The success of our website continues to increase our outreach, especially attendance in neighborhood projects. Our success is measured when one goes to our website, joins our association, pays their dues, clicks on our library of newsletters and learns the multitude of ways volunteer projects (river clean up / family holiday adoptions/ sidewalk repair) bring our neighborhood together.

We are grateful for the continued support of the CDBG. It enables us to continue to offer community-building services for the neighborhood. It would be impossible for ELNA to continue the same level of success without CDBG funding.

7. What is the organization's timeline for achieving the objectives of the grant?

ELNA has the following schedule:

- ELNA Neighborhood meetings – 12 times/year, every month
- Paper newsletter sent out 6 times/year – in time to alert neighbors about the upcoming general meeting
- Electronic newsletter sent out each week, on Thursdays
- Regular social media updates (facebook/twitter)
- Neighborhood Block Party – once/year, usually early Fall
- Neighborhood YART Sale – once/year, last Saturday in March
- Attendance at monthly LAN meeting, school Site Council and PTO
- Neighborhood clean up work days → approximately five a year
- Regular attendance at city, county, and school board meetings
- Respond to neighbor's needs as they arise
- Regularly assist in communication and dialogue about development

8. What other funding sources have been approached and what have the responses been?

We have worked to increase ELNA membership and business memberships. We sell ad space in our newsletter and sell ELNA t-shirts in many colors and sizes. We are also savvy at in-kind donations. For instance, we gather donations of materials and services from local businesses and neighbors, food from restaurants, stores, and local farmers. Our neighbors volunteer hundreds of hours at neighborhood and school events. Individuals make copies without submitting bills or simply buy the things we need and donate them. As mentioned earlier, our annual YART sale is our neighborhood association's biggest fundraiser. In addition we rent our yard equipment for a nominal fee. The past four years we have had several successful fundraisers at the Sunday night KVKL game of the week and has become a one of our financial anchors in the summer months.

All of these funding sources are ongoing and supplemental income for the neighborhood. We may reasonably expect some external funding sources to remain consistent with previous years' performance. Thank you.

Neighborhood Budget 2015-2016 Annual report			
		NON CDBG \$	CDBG \$
Beginning Balance		\$0.00	\$0.00
INCOME	Description		
Interest		\$0.00	
Sales			
Donations		\$58.00	
Memberships		\$383.05	
Advertising		\$194.00	
T-Shirts			
CDBG Grants			\$6,676.50
Other Misc		\$71.20	
Other Mower Rental		\$149.00	
Other Concessions		\$618.75	
Other Blockparty/Yart sale		\$2,682.51	
Subtotal		\$4,156.51	\$6,676.50
Expenses			
Communication Expenses			
Postage			
Newsletter Printing		\$3,210.42	
Newsletter Postage		\$291.76	\$1,876.50
Website Expenses		\$0.00	
Coordinator Salary			\$4,800.00
PO Rental		\$66.00	
Other Rental (Specify)			
Office Supplies		\$113.76	
Advertising			
Other Publicity (Specify)			
LAN Dues		\$25.00	
Gifts/Grants		\$250.00	
Clean Up			
Capital Improvement (Specify)			
Food/Entertainment		\$758.59	
Other Election		\$522.09	
Other YART/Block Party		\$1,494.62	
Total Expenses		\$6,732.24	\$6,676.50
<i>Ending Balance</i>		<i>-\$2,575.73</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>

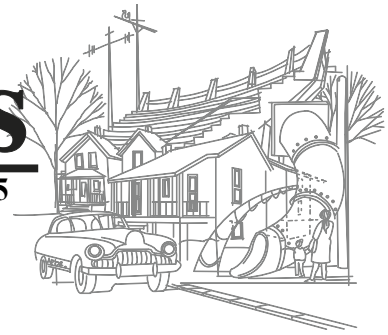
Proposed Project/Activity Budget			ELNA	2017-2018
Budget Items	Explanation	CDBG Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds
PERSONNEL				
Coordinator		\$4,800.00		\$4,800.00
COMMUNICATIONS				
Telephone		\$0.00		
Printing		\$3,300.00		\$3,300.00
Postage		\$2,200.00		\$2,200.00
Publicity				
Other Website		\$120.00		\$120.00
Other PO box rental			\$70.00	\$70.00
SUPPLIES				
Office			\$200.00	\$200.00
Equipment			\$150.00	\$150.00
Space Rental				
Rental equipment repa	Mower/Tiller		\$150.00	\$150.00
OTHER COSTS				
Food/Entertainment	Fundraisers/cleanups		\$760.00	\$760.00
Election			\$200.00	\$200.00
YART Sale/Block Party			\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00
Grants	Neighborhood orgs		\$800.00	\$800.00
LAN Dues			\$25.00	\$25.00
Website			\$120.00	\$120.00
TOTALS		\$10,420.00	\$4,075.00	\$14,495.00

ELNA BOARD 2016 -2017						
	NAME	OFFICER/ POSITION?	OCCUPATION	ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER	EMAIL FOR BOARD USE
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4	Cindy Suenram	member	retired/ self employed	1204 New York	785-842-4912	csuen3@sunflower.com
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General Meeting
Monday, July 6th, 7-9pm
Lawrence Percolator
913 Rhode Island

Agenda:

- ⇒ Welcome "Love Grub" - new dog food place at 11th & Penn
- ⇒ 9th Street project update
- ⇒ Tom Larkin: Bistro/bar plan for 8th & Penn

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Long time New York Elementary Custodian Ed Callahan retired from his duties last April. To thank him for his service to our neighborhood school and community, ELNA and New York PTA organized a donation drive for the Humane Society in his honor. We were told he frequently gives away any gifts he receives. What a guy! And we wanted to thank him in a way a dog lover would appreciate. So! With your help, we collected a whole 50 gallon tub of pet supplies, including towels, cat food, kitty litter, and the like, and \$150! The folks at the Lawrence Humane Society

were happy to receive the gift, and we thank you for your generosity, neighbors. Happy Trails, Ed!

New Members

The newsletter has been too full to print new member names for the last several issues. Too much news! So here's a list of new and returning members from February, March, April, and May 2015

Ginger Chance
John Naramore & Eileen Larson
Trinity Lutheran Church
Michael Almon
Art Emergency
Paul & Colleen Stock
Julia Karas Parker & Burton Parker
Community Village Lawrence
Thad Holcombe
Christy Brandt & Gary Brown
Chelsey Scanland
Al & Marcy Mauler
Sarah Jane Russell
Boog Highberger

Erin Adamson
Mike Yoder
Karen Seibel
Cindy Trask & Gotfred Beardshear
Joe Bickford & marci francisco
Heather Coates
Jean Burgess
Hill Family Investments
Bruce Eggers
Jaqueline Counts
Groundworks CSA
Jennifer Nelson
Jason Speight

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East Ninth Street Project Update

The East Ninth Street Project continues to progress. Since the last paper newsletter in the beginning of May, the Citizen Advisory Committee met on May 27th at the Lawrence Public Library, and at City Hall on June 3rd. The CAC will have met June 24th at City Hall. Upcoming events for the East Ninth Street Project include another CAC meeting at 7:00pm at the Library on July 29th and a public presentation on the Complete Street Document Wednesday August 19th from 7-9pm at the Library Auditorium. For the latest information on meetings, events, updated documents, and any special meetings or notices, check the city website: <https://www.lawrenceks.org/9th-street-corridor-project>

And be sure to click the button there to subscribe to emails regarding the latest news on the project.

With questions, comments, and input, you may contact any of the Citizen Advisory Committee members, all listed there on the City website.

For your convenience:

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Here are a few words from your ELNA representatives:

Phil Collison, June 22, 2015:

The new Work Plan for the 9th Street Corridor is out. The name has been changed to be the East Ninth Project, with no brand or logo associated. There are some issues worthy of discussion surrounding the new plan. It reflects no protections for the neighborhood, nor any support towards any protections. These protections should include and not be limited to down-zoning where appropriate, property tax relief, and a conservation district overlay with restrictions on building types, sizes and footprint. In addition we are working to get some language inserted that will ensure more Lawrence and East Lawrence artists be a part of the project. I did not support approval of the Work Plan at the last CAC meeting and will not support it moving forward until those issues are resolved. Hopefully by the time you read this, they will have been resolved.

Dave Loewenstein, June 22, 2015

Discussion at the June 3rd CAC meeting centered around the statement of values and artist participation model for the proposed Work Plan. I shared my perspective of the Artist Par-

ticipation Model inspired by my own practice as a community-based artist, commenting that it lacked any specific provision for Lawrence artists. LiveWell Lawrence representative, Tim Herndon asked about my own practice as a community-based artist. I mentioned that first I need to be invited by the neighborhood where I'll be working. Second, I always partner with neighborhood residents in the creation and execution of the work. And third, I always hire at least one local artist paid to be an assistant on every project. In the CAC meeting I also suggested that the process for reviewing and approving art projects associated with the East Ninth plan should include ELNA (along with the Cultural Arts Commission, Historic Resources Commission and City Commission) as it has for all public art projects in the recent past.

Business representative to the CAC, Marcia Hill made a motion to accept the draft. City Commission representative Mike Amyx added his approval with amendments that were vaguely understood but which we didn't take the time to write. I asked if we would be able to review the updated draft before it went to a commission vote. The answer was no. The motion was seconded, and the plan accepted by the committee, with Phil and myself the only ones who wanted the plan to be modified before it was forwarded on to the City Commission.

I'd also like to remind you all that this project will have a long lasting impact on our neighborhood and I encourage you to attend meetings and participate in discussions. Your voice is important.

John Sebelius

ELNA representative to the CAC John Sebelius was unable to attend the June 3rd meeting because he was out of the country, but will have been in attendance for the June 24th meeting. Sebelius is interested in working towards approving an artist selection panel that is diverse and understands the strengths and abilities of artists from East Lawrence.

New Members... continued

Eric Graham & Tanya Hartman

Jesse & Shea Fitzpatrick

Mia Gonzalez

Mary & Mike Alexander

Sarah Minges

Codi & Simon Bates

Mary Harwood

Judy Harrington

Brian DeVader

Louis Schmitt & Rica Silvey

Mike Anderson

Griffith Payments + Harbortouch

Rae Johnson & Liz Tolbert

Hank Guarisco

John & Erica Gascon

President's Letter

Agriculture and neighborhoods –
a natural systems approach

Many in Lawrence are familiar with the Land Institute in Salina, KS. If you aren't – they are in pursuit of a new way of agriculture that mimics natural ecosystems – primarily the prairie. We know enough about the prairie and our current agricultural processes that we can document that our current way of doing things isn't sustainable. We are eroding the topsoil at extreme rates – topsoil is our most important non-renewable resource that took millions of years to create. We also know that functional prairies don't lead to this kind of erosion and one can argue that in ideal circumstances they build topsoil. The morale: There is wisdom in recognizing the strengths and embodying the methods of natural systems.

Our neighborhood, East Lawrence, is currently in dialogue about changes to our 'ecosystem'. Some stewards of the neighborhood have been chided for 'too much caution' or 'being obstinate' in relation to change. Others have been chided for welcoming changes too openly without concerning themselves with unintended consequences. Hopefully we can agree that the discussion is about stewardship.

What is up for discussion is the speed and quantity of change – what is healthy and what can disturb the balance of our 'natural ecosystem' – the neighborhood. Proponents of slowing change argue that change should happen from within and it should, if possible, occur naturally. (local economies of scale) The neighborhood is an ecosystem that has years of history making it what it is today. It is attractive and efficient – cost of housing is low while quality of life is high. Many of us are attracted here for reasons we can quantify in a list: the history, the tight connections we feel with our neighbors, our homes, the schools with award winning teachers, and proximity to downtown. There are also ephemeral qualities that are in balance and not so easily listed.

I argue that the ephemeral qualities are formed from within – by those who have lived under the roofs and in the yards of our community. The built environment is described as vernacular architecture – built by the owner occupants out of necessity and available resources. We can't "make" them happen, nor can we understand them fully, nor do we all view them in the same light. These ephemeral qualities are natural, they are personal, and they define us as much as we define them.

As we proceed with the dialogue about changes in the neighborhood – let us remember the strength of natural systems and **hubris** of the till. We have asked for neighbors to be written into the changes occurring to improve these efforts and make them sustainable. I hope we can look around at each other and recognize our daily acts of stewardship, share our stories of the ephemeral and see the wisdom and strength in our current natural system of neighbors, history, yards, and homes. From the peonies to the people – we are perennial, awkward, and beautiful.

Aaron Paden

Zoning Changes in East Lawrence

Myself and a number of other landowners north of Ninth have noticed that our homes are not zoned to current usage. Currently, most of the north of Ninth area is zoned RM24. RM24 basically means apartment buildings up to 45 feet tall. Currently, most properties north of Ninth aren't large apartment complexes, but rather single family homes. And with all that's happening in East Lawrence right now—skyscrapers on New Hampshire (the definition of a skyscraper is at least 7 stories high), a 4 story apartment building opening soon on Delaware, and the East Ninth Project, to name a few – we are concerned about the future of our residential neighborhood. We would like to change zoning for our section of East Lawrence to ensure that the flavor of the neighborhood has a chance to survive all these changes.

There are two methods of continuing our current makeup, rezoning (as in downzoning), and Urban Conservation Overlay.

Downzoning itself comes in two varieties: zone to existing usage or zone the entire area as single-family dwellings. It's unclear whether we need a simple majority of homeowners or some greater percentage to make a zoning change request. We are still looking into that. All neighboring areas have already gone through this downzoning process. East Lawrence, north of Ninth is the only space left.

Downzoning to current usage would require any land speculators to request zoning changes from the city before building those larger apartment complexes. The current plan, as advised by city planners, is to have existing structures zoned to current usage (RS5 or RM12d), and empty lots zoned RS5.

An Urban Conservation Overlay defines guidelines for all new development in an area and requires conformity to a standard. Guidelines can include things like: are front porches required, what slopes are allowed on roofs, most garages be detached, etc. This process generally takes a year for the city planning department to complete. The Oread neighborhood is currently undergoing the overlay process. That neighborhood is so diverse, it has been divided into 5 separate sections, each addressed separately. They have been working on the project for 5 years, and the planning office is hopeful to get the Oread overlays adopted by the end of the year.

Both processes begin with submitting a letter to the City Commission. Along with our letter, planning officers suggest we supply a poll of neighborhood support. A project workgroup is now circulating the neighborhood asking neighbors for input.

So, neighbors, what are your thoughts? Do you live north of Ninth Street? Are you in favor downzoning or a Conservation Overlay? Or both? Or not? Please contact me to share your opinion, or to ask clarifying questions, and I can provide you with a formal questionnaire.

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Back to School Notices and Construction Update from New York School

The first day of school for grades 1-5 is Wednesday August 19th. Remember, that's an early dismissal day, so school is out at 1:30. A regular schedule for grades 1-12, 8:00am to 3:00pm, resumes on Thursday, August 20th, with an alternate schedule for Kindergarten students.

New Liberty Memorial Central Middle School students and families are invited to attend New Family tours August 11th and 13th from 10:00am to 1:00pm, and Thursday August 12th from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. There's also a New Family Social from 6:30 to 7:30pm at the school on Tuesday August 18th. With questions, you may contact Central staff at 832-5400.

Families new to the neighborhood or Lawrence are advised to contact USD 497's Welcome and Enrollment Center at 110 MacDonald Drive. Enrollment Center hours are Monday through Friday from 7:30am to 4:30pm. You may call 330-1921 to make an appointment.

All families returning to New York School will have already filled out an enrollment form for the 2015-2016 school year at the end of last year, so no additional enrollment date will be necessary this year. Families who attended Kindergarten Roundups last school year are all set too.

Because of construction at New York, Ms. Emily, New York School secretary, and Mrs. DeGarmo, New York principal, will be working from Prairie Park School beginning July 31st, and can be reached there at 832-5780. Staff will not be in the New York School building until August 14th. Questions can always be directed to District offices at 832-5000.

Speaking of construction at New York School, here's an update from New York Principal Nancy DeGarmo:

Construction on the interior renovation has moved from the demolition phase to the reconstruction phase. The classrooms on the northwest side have been gutted and the space is being reconfigured. All the classrooms are getting a face-lift! They will have new paint, carpet, lights and heating and cooling systems. The technology wiring is being upgraded for better service through out the school. The gym floor has been completely sanded, repainted and sealed. The gym floor will look like new when we students and staff. As neighbors can see the portable has been demolished! Soon, a new playground area to the south will emerge, with a blacktop area to provide parking for events and to share with St. Luke's next door. Our move in date is August 14th!

A New Scoreboard for Municipal Stadium at Hobbs Park

In 1947 Municipal Stadium was welcomed to Hobbs Park in the East Lawrence Neighborhood. The Lawrence Colts, a semi-pro baseball team, were the first team to play at the stadium to thousands of people in the late 40s. Over the years professional teams like the KC Monarchs, along with thousands of area youths and adults, used Municipal Stadium for baseball, softball and little league. There were once plans to build a roof over the stadium that were never completed, and at some point the scoreboard wasn't being used and was removed from the park.

Back in 2006 the Kaw Valley Kickball League thought wouldn't it be amazing to play our kids game under the lights at Hobbs. We played our 2006 championship game there, Milton's were the original champions for our debut game under the lights. Every summer since then, we have played a "game of the week" under the lights at Hobbs Park. Game of the Week has become the place to be on Sunday nights to watch some of Lawrence Kansas finest adult athletes play kickball in front of a very vocal crowd. In 2009, with the help of eastside activist Mike Myers of Hernley Architects, a scoreboard was designed for the park.

The Kaw Valley Kickball League agreed to quietly begin raising money to donate a scoreboard to the city. After five years of selling hot dogs, "I scored at Hobbs" t-shirts, bi-annual charity tournaments, silent auctions, and oh so many raffles, we finally had the money to begin the actual building

of the scoreboard. Local welder Seibel Fabrications literally put the sign together and Lawrence Sign Up created all the letters and numbers, giving the scoreboard a truly old school baseball park feel.

On May 31, 2015 the Kaw Valley Kickball League debuted the new scoreboard to hundreds of KVKL players, fans and Eastsiders. The first game saw the Love Garden Squids against Sacred Sword, two long-standing KVKL rivals. Sacred Sword scored first, but the Squids were victorious in the end. The Kaw Valley Kickball League is honored to give back to our city and our neighborhood with this scoreboard that we hope baseball, softball, and kickballers can utilize for generations to come.

Jacki Becker, eleven year KVKL player, eastsider and life long lover and supporter of sports at Hobbs park



Memorial Day for Black Veterans – Dave Evans



Hon. Rev. Verdell Taylor straight from his Sunday sermon at St. Luke's A.M.E. church, 9th & N. Y. Street, is pointing out the headstones of Civil War soldiers who had once lived in east Lawrence.

They were members of a black organization for Union Civil War veterans formed locally in 1885 and active into the 1920s (the ladies auxiliary continued into the 2nd

decades of the 20th century). Their Samuel Walker Post no. 365 of the Grand Army of the Republic had joined with the local white G.A.R. Washington Post no. 12 for parades down Mass. St. in route to the memorial assemblages at Oak Hill cemetery during the annual Decoration Day festivities held each May 30th. These grand GAR patriotic exercises begun in the late-1860s continuing for decades, until the last old soldiers were too feeble to muster-in once more to keep the memory of the War of Rebellion blooming.

Verdell was a docent for the Watkins Museum of History walking tour of Oak Hill Cemetery: Lawrence's Arlington, Sunday, May 3rd.

Sociologists have argued that the succeeding national holiday renamed Memorial Day, gave ritual expression to the themes death, sacrifice and rebirth - in an emerging secular "civil religion" integrating the local community into a sense of nationalism. As evidenced in this June 5th, 1912 excerpt from a local newspaper: "For years it has been customary for a squad of old soldiers to visit the pupils of each room during Memorial week and give lessons in patriotism to young America. The G.A.R's visited the (North Lawrence black segregated) Lincoln School, during the morning and told the attentive pupils the old old story of the great war and its lasting lesson". Preparatory to the 1890 Memorial Day, Washington Post commander H. S. Hall issued Special Order No. 2. "The nation has decreed that its dead heroes shall be honored. Comrades, keep green the memory of the noble slain, their brothers in arms. On the banks of Bull Run, on the slopes of Forts Henry and Donnelson, in the swamps of Chickahominy, on the summits of Lookout Mountain, in the tangled forests of the wilderness, nature kindly spreads her green mantle, and beautiful wildflowers pay tribute of heir sweetest perfume, and wave heir grateful acknowledgement of the priceless services of the unknown heroes who sleep in the indistinguishable and unmarked graves underneath. To us is given the inestimable privilege of knowing where rest the mortal remains of a few of these patriots whom we lived in life, and whose memories we cherish. To fitly honor them, Memorial Day will be observed, and all persons are earnestly solicited to unite in the customary public services of the day."

Intersection Repair Project Update

Since the last update, we officially got our funding from the Lawrence Cultural Arts Commission (it was a normal sized check, not a giant one like we had hoped for) and from the newly formed Broughton Fund, led and founded by Richard Crank. We are incredibly grateful for the support we've received from these two invaluable sources and glad Rich could come to last design meeting to see what we've been working on! But! We still have a bit more fundraising we need to do so we've been planning a few events!

The first will be a:

Benefit Show- Thursday, July 9th @ the 8th Street Taproom- we'll have bands and such (lineup forthcoming, watch the ELNA enews!). This one isn't kid friendly, unfortunately, so we've also decided to do a...

PICNIC at the Intersection- sometime in July, exact date TBD, more details to come! SUPER KID FRIENDLY! Yay!

Its looking like the **Painting Day & Block Party Extravaganza** will happen sometime early September, assuming the construction on NY Elementary comes smoothly to a close prior to then. We will of course keep you posted.

The design of the intersection is in progress. Alicia is hard at work, and we will show you what we've got soon!

Thank you all for your continued support and let us know if you have any more ideas, questions, or concerns. You can email Katy, katy.clagett@gmail.com, and be sure to like us on Facebook – just search Lawrence Intersection Repair to get continuous updates and pictures.

Alicia and Katy

Historical Perspective on Zoning in the Northern Portion of East Lawrence

– Lane Eisenbart with Dave Evans and Barry Shalinsky

Local Historian Dave Evans, and property owner and former East Lawrence Improvement Association President Barry Shalinsky, recently discussed the zoning history of the area north of Ninth Street, which is currently the focus of efforts to downzone.

On June 18th, Barry wrote:

“[My] two properties (4 lots) north of 7th St (633 & 645 Connecticut) were zoned Industrial M2 [*designated for areas with heavy industries that generate noise, traffic or pollutants. Typical uses include power plants, solid waste transfer facilities and recycling plants, and fuel supply depots*], along with much of the north end. I actually bought 633 in 1981 when we were working on rezoning in East Lawrence. I was contacting property owners to discuss rezoning, much as Pam & Co are doing now, and the owner told me she was preparing to sell it. Long story short, I looked at it, fell in love with it and bought it.

When we went for single family zoning for the south part of the neighborhood, RS2 [*detached single family homes less than 30ft tall*], we agreed with RM 1 or 2 [*multiple family or single family residential homes*] for the area north of 9th. At the time, there were a lot of vacant lots, before the 8-lot homestead lottery, and we liked the idea of potential homes for kids to help increase the census at New York School, which was under imminent threat of closure. There was no real fear of large scale demolitions of existing housing because there was plenty of vacant land for people who wanted to develop from the ground up, and there were young people like John Swift willing to invest in the single family housing and spend the time and money to make it home. I think we made a good decision. Most of the single family homes that were in the north end in the early 80's are still there, and most of them are in better shape. Most of the vacant land has been residentially developed. Thirty years later, our revitalization successes have led to redevelopment pressures, and it

is time to look at rezoning and other tools to protect the character of our neighborhood.”

“When we did the large neighborhood rezoning in the early 80's, the area north of 7th was not included. After I bought 645 Conn, and then later bought 620 RI with Brown & Christy and others to keep the Riverfront Mall parking lot at bay, we had a critical mass of friendly owners wanting to eliminate the industrial zoning. 621, 633 and 645 Conn, and 620, 624 and 646 RI, plus a house in the middle of the block, although a few wanted to keep it as it was. We filed an application for RM2 for our own properties, figuring that a few disconnected 50 foot lots could not be developed industrially. Planning staff balked at the oddly configured spot zoning, but we agreed on a plan for all of the residential properties on Connecticut and the north and south ends of the RI side. City Commission rejected the rezoning, and we sued them. When we got a friendly Commission elected, Rundle, Constance, and Schumm, we sought to settle the lawsuit, and agreed to Planning Department's suggestion of RO2, which was actually less dense multi family, but allowed office uses, which meant having a law office in my home would be a conforming use.”

Have you got something to submit to the East Lawrence News?

Do you have an event or notice you'd like to share with the neighborhood? Want volunteers for your community garden? Patrons for your fundraiser? Perhaps you have some poems you'd like to share like our friend Raymond Hall, or you have a story about the history of our neighborhood like our dear historian Dave Evans. If you're a business and you'd like to advertise, we have advertising rates for our paper newsletter too.

You may submit to our paper newsletter, the East Lawrence News, our Thursday ELNA News weekly enewsletter, or to our Facebook page. We have a Twitter page too!

The paper newsletter is composed bimonthly with a deadline approximately halfway through the preceding month. (For example, the deadline for submissions for this July August issue was June 15th.) You may submit to the Thursday enewsletter by Wednesdays at 8pm. You are always welcome to post notices on our Facebook page yourself, (just keep it respectful, folks,) and message us there if you'd like us to share something special. We can tweet the same too.

Send your submissions for consideration to eastlawrence@yahoo.com or by post at PO Box 442393, Lawrence KS 66044.



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Thank you, Carol Jean. We'll miss you.

Poems from Our Neighbor

Back in February, New York Street neighbor, Raymond Hall sent us some of his poems in our post office box. Poems so grand, we had to share them with you. Here's a few more:

April 18 2015 -- Staying Inside with the Skinny Cat

Like Job, and leaves that got inside the house,
You wither, cracking on the unswept floor.
The yard's the only one around unmowed.
Your company's the skinny cat, and bugs.

Remaining leaves flip off the neighbor's yard
On yours. The skinny cat ate all the mice,
Now catches roaches in the kitchen nights
And you're awake and hear it pounce and chew.

A back-up orchestra, the wind, beats time.
You don't have cash enough for beer or smokes
Or gas to go somewhere its warm with girls.

You wait. The wind's sublimating the house.

February 17th, 2015 – My 8th Street Graffiti

What are lunulae
Without the moon showing up
Sometimes, and now?

Recite lunulae about
Air and river smoothed rocks.
Trees will listen.

When you're a
Cloud someday, drop us lunulae
All about it.

February 17th, 2015 – Among the Sileni

I've saved the
Best neighborhood for last, retiring
In East Lawrence.

Sometimes someone on
The phone at an eastern
State will laugh

When I say
I'm in Lawrence, Kansas at
New York Street.

These reflective years,
Where searching squirrels visit sileni,
Seem beatitude divined.

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- We print the names of new and returning members in the bimonthly paper newsletter. Check here if it's OK to print your name.
- We're working on creating a block-by-block calling/check-in network of neighbors to contact in the event of an emergency. It's a work in progress. Check here if you'd like to be contacted about being a BlockHead—a contact person for your block in the event of emergency or issue.
- Check here if you'd like to be added to our ELNA Yahoo group. An e-vite will be sent to you.
- Check here if you'd like to be added to our "Thursday ELNA News" weekly e-newsletter email list.

Send this form and your check payable to ELNA to:
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ELNA Needs Your Help! Please Volunteer!

Mark what ELNA events/skills you would like to volunteer for:

- Work Days
- YART (Yard/Art) Sale
- Block Party
- Adopt-A-Family
- Art
- Music
- Photography
- Gardening
- Grilling
- Fund Raising
- Historic Preservation
- Serving on the ELNA Board
- Website/Technical Management
- Baking/Cooking
- Other: _____

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General Meeting

TUESDAY, SEPT. 8th, 7-9pm
New York Elementary
9th & New York

Agenda items include:

- ⇒ Adoption of bylaw changes
- ⇒ Review of the Complete Street Design Document from the East Ninth project
- ⇒ Block Party Planning

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Mark Your Calendars

The Annual Block Party Returns

On Saturday, September 26th, from 5--9pm, at Hobbs Park, ELNA will throw its annual block party. Come and join the fun! We will have all our favorite things -- food, entertainment, games and lots of great neighbor-mingling!

The block party can't happen without volunteers. Please read the list of events, and see what kind of help we need. Contact eastlawrence-@yahoo.com to volunteer.

Food! ELNA will supply the drinks and grilled fare. *We ask that all neighbors bring a side dish or dessert to share. Volunteer to take a turn at the grill. Volunteer to be on trash duty.*

Best Dish! By popular demand, our annual Best Dish competition. We want you to bring out your best for the block party. There will be a contest for the best side dishes, dessert and vegetarian fare. *Volunteer to be a judge!*

Cake Walk! Cake Walk! Cake Walk! The cakewalk, a neighborhood favorite, always popular with the kids, is back! *We need you to donate a cake! If you plan to play cake walk, bring a cake!*

Prizes! We always have great door prizes, and we need donations to make this happen. *Donate your art! Go out and ask for donations!* Contact eastlawrence@yahoo.com if you have an item for the prizes.

Music! East Lawrence always brings out its best musicians on this night. *Do you want to help recruit acts and organize sets? Would you and your band like to play?* Contact eastlawrence@yahoo.com if you'd like to play or volunteer.

Bike Repair! Get your bike fixed by our friendly neighborhood bike mechanics. *It's the perfect time to start your bicycle commute!*

ELNA T-shirts! ELNA t-shirts will be for sale at the block party. What fall wardrobe is complete without an ELNA shirt? Maybe we'll even have ELNA hoodies in stock again!

Set-Up & Take-Down! *Be an ELNA hero, volunteer to set up or take down!*

Trash Duty! Not glamorous, but NEEDED! *Volunteer to be on trash duty!*

Bylaws, Elections, and Voting Changes

The bylaws that govern the East Lawrence Neighborhood Association have been under review for the last several months by the ELNA Board and Coordinator, with public input. Some changes made include: an updated list of lifetime members, an addendum for business lifetime memberships and costs, removal of mention of monthly board vs. general board meetings (the distinction has never been clear, definition of what constitutes notice of meeting (to include electronic means), and several points to clarify election procedures and voting eligibility. The final copy to be adopted will be voted on by the Board and attending membership at the September 8th meeting.

Readers will want to pay special attention to the election procedures and voting eligibility as ELNA Board elections are coming up in November. New this year, prospective Board members are asked to declare their intention to serve on the ELNA Board at the October ELNA meeting, October 5th 7-9 pm at the New York School library. As always, only neighborhood individual (not business or nonprofit or out of neighborhood associate) members are eligible to vote for the ELNA board. All Board members must be voting eligible. Officers of the Board (President, Vice President, and Secretary) must have been board members for at least ninety days.

Further questions can be addressed by reviewing the bylaws on the ELNA website or directed to the Coordinator at eastlawrence@yahoo.com.

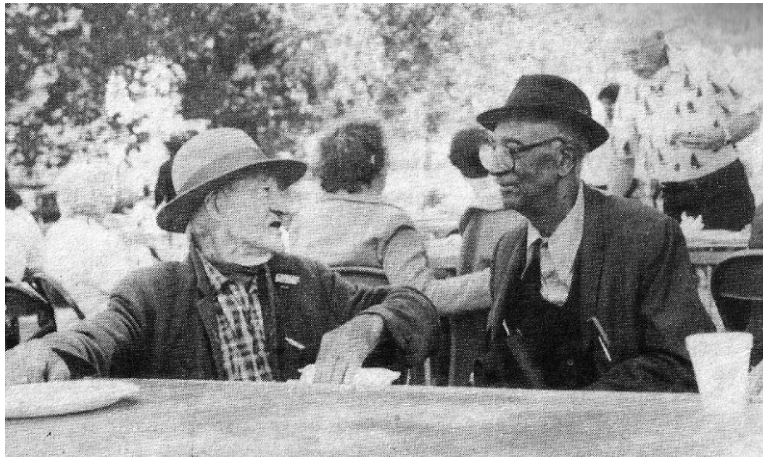
Heartland Has Moved!

– Rachel Hartford, HCHC Community Relations

In July, Heartland Community Health Center, formerly in the Riverfront building at 7th and New York St, moved to the Medical Arts Building (346 Maine Street, Suite 150). This move places Heartland closer to several key community partners, improves its accessibility for patients, and increases Heartland's capacity to provide high-quality, affordable care. Heartland has grown rapidly over the past several years and the organization is now able to serve more patients than ever before in the bigger, more accommodating space!

Heartland Community Health Center remains a non-profit medical clinic committed to serving all people, regardless of income or insurance status, offering primary and mental/behavioral health care to residents of Douglas County and surrounding areas. As a medical clinic that offers integrated care, Heartland provides high-quality care for the whole person: physical, mental, emotional, social, and spiritual. Heartland offers an array of health services all under one roof, including diabetic care and prevention, smoking cessation, behavioral health care, medication assistance, a food pantry, Health Insurance Marketplace enrollment assistance, and much more.

Heartland is accepting new patients and offers same day, next day appointment availability for its patients. Call 785-841-7297 to schedule an appointment or check out heartland-health.org for more information.



"Harry Puckett and Rev. Sims, East Lawrence Picnic 1982"

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<https://lawrencekansas1970s.wordpress.com/public-notice/> check out more great photos there!

ELNA is on Facebook!

Like our fan page at

<http://www.facebook.com/eastlawrence>

and look for updates regarding neighborhood events.

We have a Twitter too!

Get your neighborhood news short and sweet.

Follow us, ELNAks, on Twitter.

Jesse Jones of the Social Service League – interview by Lane Eisenbart

New Social Service League manager, Jesse Jones, visited as a guest at the last ELNA meeting, Monday August 3rd at the Percolator. Jesse was informative and entertaining, and in order to share his words with the neighborhood at large, we asked him these questions:

What is your educational/employment background? Where you comin' from, Jesse?

I am coming from the Wichita area, but have called Lawrence home for 10 years now! I transferred up to KU my junior year and have been in love with the city ever since. I have a Bachelor's degree with double majors in Psychology and Women's Studies with concentrations in human sexuality and gender based violence. While in undergrad, I was given the opportunity to volunteer at the local domestic violence shelter. Working at Women's Transitional Care Services completely changed my life and set me on a lifelong dedication to service. I learned that there are two types of people in this world: 1) People who want to make the world a better place, and 2) People who are crazy enough to think that they can. ;-). I was fortunate enough to have amazing mentors at WTCS who helped guide my comprehensive understanding of human services and what it truly means to be a social justice advocate. I spent 6 years at WTCS (now The Willow) spending my final 4 years as the Children's Program Director. While serving at the Willow I knew that if I wanted to maximize my impact on making this world a better place, I needed an advanced degree. The original plan was international human rights law, but the stars for one reason or another did not align on that path. Instead, I pursued and obtained a Master of Public Administration with concentrations in Nonprofit Management and Public Policy. The dream is to someday run a nonprofit organization working towards the promotion of universal human rights or to run an animal sanctuary. While working on my Master's I wanted to gain some governmental work experience, so I took a job at SRS/DCF and worked in Child Protective Services for three years before returning to my nonprofit roots and taking my current position with SSL.

Why do you choose to serve at the League? Besides the glamour and wealth.

The Social Service League has a very rich and diverse history. I am still working on fact checking for my organizational sales pitch, but I know that the League is the oldest non-faith based nonprofit/charitable organization in Lawrence and Kansas. I have heard rumors that it is the oldest west of the Mississippi and possibly the longest running thrift store in the United States. It has such an amazing history and has helped literally thousands of people over the last 150 years. The fact that the original founders started this organization during the Civil War is pretty mindboggling.

What's your favorite thing about the League?

It would definitely be the rich and diverse history and the grassroots feel of the organization.

What would you like to change there, or, what would you like to stay the same?

The organization has gone through some fairly significant operational, cosmetic, staffing, governance, and cultural changes in the last 2 years, so my leadership approach is going to be geared towards building stability rather than adding more change. The one organizational goal I would like to work on is rebuilding the culture of solidarity with the community. I have heard amazing stories of what the culture of the League used to be, and I would love to work towards restoring that culture.

What do you want people to know about you as the new Social Service League manager?

My name is Jesse Jones. I am a Pisces and I like long walks on the beach and cherry cheesecake. Just kidding! About the beach...I love cherry cheesecake. I am a human rights advocate, social justice activist, and am addicted to Hershey's Syrup and claw machines. My research interests are based in nonprofit organizational theory and social constructionist feminist theory. I am a country boy who enjoys gardening, writing poetry and children's books, as well as working on small gas engines and painting. I am a first generation college student who in lesser words "came from very humble roots." I am honest, compassionate, have a bleeding heart, a python named Lochai, a tarantula named Tahlua, a love for the Oxford comma, and three fish tanks. My favorite color is purple. I am a former amateur bodybuilder and someday would love to learn to play the bagpipes. I will always base the decision making authority vested to me by the governing board of Social Service League to help every individual that walks through the door at 905 Rhode Island. I will always apply my work ethic, professional skills, education and training to fulfill the mission of the organization while developing and executing sustainable nonprofit business practices. I am here to serve the community. I know I have really big shoes to fill, but my feet are size 15 double wide and as flat as can be. They will never fit in Jean Ann's shoes, but I will always do my best to walk in the direction of the spirit of her service. I will always operate with transparency and integrity. If you ever have a need or concern, I have an open door policy and would love to hear from you, just bring chocolate...or cheesecake.

How can the neighborhood, as individuals and as a group, help you and the League?

We are working on developing some new programs and procedures, so please be patient with us as we try to maximize the efficiency of our operational procedures with the limited resources that we have available. We are currently beginning the process of developing a comprehensive volunteer program. If you are interested in volunteering on a scheduled basis or for certain specialty activities or events please feel free to email me. I have several specialty projects I would like to have help with, especially the recycling project. We are always in need of men's clothing and nonperishable food items. As we move forward and I have more specific needs I will be sure to communicate those needs.

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East Ninth Project Update

Upcoming Meetings / Dates

SEPTEMBER 2015

Sept 1: Complete Street Design Document Submitted to City/CAC/Stakeholders

The Complete Street Design Document will be submitted to the City of Lawrence, emailed to all stakeholders, and available for review online shortly thereafter.

Sept 8: ELNA Meeting/Review of Complete Street Design Document

Members of el dorado inc will be at the September ELNA Meeting 7-9pm, New York School library - *please note the date change, from Monday to Tuesday, due to the Labor Day Holiday* - to answer any questions regarding the Complete Street Design Document

Sept 9: LCAC Review of Complete Street Design Document

The Lawrence Cultural Arts Commission will review the Complete Street Design Document at their meeting at the City Commission room at City Hall at 7pm. The public is invited to attend.

Sept 15: City Commission Review of Complete Street Design Document

City Commission Meeting, 5:45, City Hall

OCTOBER 2015

Oct 28: CAC (Citizen Advisory Committee) Meeting

6:30pm Lawrence City Hall, public meeting

Selected East Ninth Artists

As of August 4th, 2015, eight artists have been selected to provide public art pieces for the East Ninth Project -- five for the *East Ninth Artists* and three for *Integrated Works* portions of the Work Plan.

The *East Ninth Artists*, all from Lawrence, are Meredith Moore, Rachael Perry, Nick Carswell, Zia, and Stephen T. Johnson. The *Integrated Works* artists include Jarret Mellenbruch, James Woodfill from KC MO, and Derek Porter from New York City.

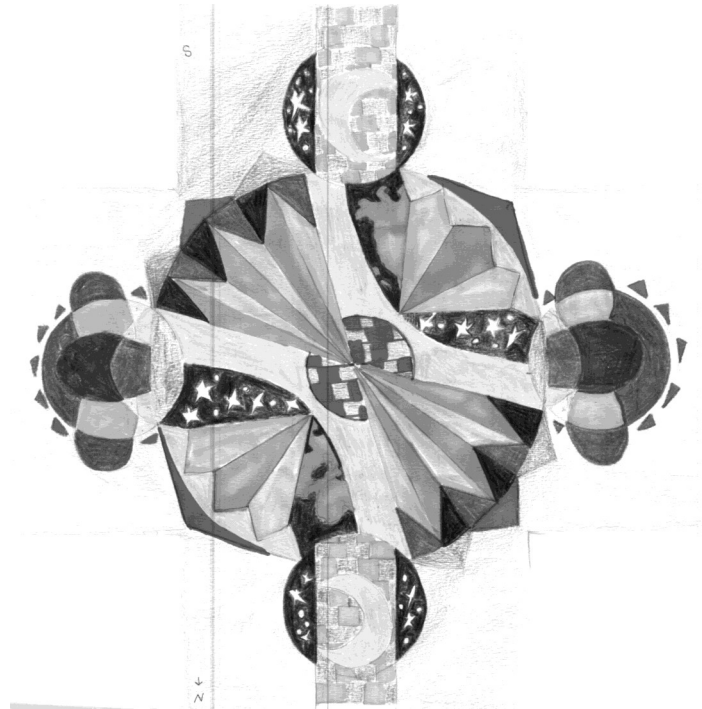
Input for the artists and their projects can be directed to a general East Ninth email address integratedeastninth@gmail.com.

Intersection Repair Update!

A draft of the final design has been completed and we are currently working with the City on additional requirements for the project. We aren't going to be able to have the painting party in September as we had hoped, but we are planning on having it in October at the earliest, or in Spring at the latest.

We appreciate the community's continued support and will continue to keep everyone updated! You can check out our facebook page [facebook.com/lawrenceintersectionrepair](https://www.facebook.com/lawrenceintersectionrepair) for more news and updates. See below for a rough draft of the design, don't hesitate to let Alicia or Katy know if you have any questions or concerns. We can be reached at akellyit@gmail.com or katy.clagett@gmail.com.

Cheers!!



Zoning Update

I now know what hell is like... a City Commission meeting. I attended the City Commission meeting on August 18th, and left after our zoning item, at 10:45 pm.

Planning presented preliminary findings on current zoning of East Lawrence, north of 9th. ELNA requested that the rezoning effort continue by planning. The City Commissioners agreed. The next steps are for planning to continue more detailed research on current usage for each property and identify use that doesn't fit any current category. There are single family dwellings, more than one single family dwelling on one property, duplexes, and multi-family units to name a few. I will keep everyone informed as more activities occur. Any questions, please contact me.

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free legal help

If You Need Legal Help - Where Can you Go?

Whether it be for a traffic, criminal, civil or other legal issue, each week at the District Attorney's Office, we get calls from people who do not already have a private attorney, but they find themselves in the position of needing immediate legal advice. These people turn to our office because they do not know where to go for help. Unfortunately, our office is statutorily prohibited from providing legal advice to private citizens and we cannot make attorney recommendations or refer the callers to specific attorneys. In response to this need within our community, this month I want to provide information on the Kansas Bar Association's (KBA) 'Call-a-Lawyer' phone line.

In the KBA's June 5 press release, they encouraged anyone who needs legal advice to call 800-928-3111 between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. The first service was held on June 11 and it will repeated the second Thursday of each month. Attorneys donate their time to answer questions and provide legal advice and information. The volunteer attorneys are members of either the Kansas Bar Association or the Topeka Bar Association and can provide information on many legal issues. There is no charge for the service.

What if your issue cannot wait until the next 'Call-a-Lawyer' date? The Kansas Bar Association runs two on-going programs that may be of assistance to you. The first is the Lawyer Referral Service (see number listed above). The KBA can give you the name and contact information of a lawyer with experience in the applicable area of law that you are seeking. That lawyer will provide you an initial consultation for 30 minutes for no more than \$15. The KBA also runs the Lawyer Advice Line through the same number. The Lawyer Advice Line will connect you with an attorney who can give you immediate legal advice about your legal issue for a fee of \$3.00 per minute. The amount is billed to your phone bill or to a credit card.

The KBA also provides pamphlets on a number of legal issues such as Aging and the Law, Is a Living Trust for You?, Living Wills and the Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care Decisions and more. For a full list of available pamphlets, see this link: [Kansas Bar Pamphlets](#). Some pamphlets are also available in Spanish.

I hope if you find yourself in need of legal advice and if you do not already have a private attorney, that these resources may be of assistance to you or a family member. If you have a legal issue that involves a consumer protection issue, please remember that our office has a consumer protection division. If you have a consumer complaint, please call our consumer division at 785-330-2849. We have consumer information available on our webpage at District Attorney Consumer Information. We are always ready to serve the citizens of Douglas County.

Sincerely yours,
Charles E. Branson, District Attorney

July 1, 2015
Raymond Hall

SNAKE STEW – part one

The cottonmouth's a snake a few Mainers see.
Unless they've visited a southern state,
and tromped along a river bed down there.

In Eastern Kansas, cottonmouths are found
up every creek, ravine, and river east
of Hayes, the Smoker Hills, and Wichita.

The cottonmouth's a thick, and tapered, snake,
slate grey, built for speed on ground, or water.
It's always making S's as it glides.

They're shy when by themselves, bolder clustered.
If you want to see just one, creep slowly
up to a place where water sets in woods;

you'll get there just in time to watch it scoot.
But if you see a nest of cottonmouths,
you're too close. Turn around and skedaddle.

Then, when you're hunting them, take a precise
and fast semi-auto rifle shooter.

The meat's good for stews, skin's good for hat bands.

The .22 and twelve gauge semi's work.
I went for cottonmouths the first time with
a partner on a fabrication line.

We lived and worked in a mean, lumpen town,
like alert New Englanders catch wind of,
you know, with feral dogs, pigs, and children.

He told me he hunted them with his dad
until his dad was killed, sotted, one day
when they were out harvesting bullfrog legs.

You couldn't say he was a good old boy:
he stayed home, happy with his family,
until his wife divorced him, took the kids,

and half the livestock. He'd watched me shoot. He
knew that I hadn't hunted cottonmouth.
I really didn't know that much about

the tricks of hunting in the damper parts,
as I'd hunted mostly in the Flint Hills,
upriver from this wet, subtropical,

flat region, where the creeks are more like sloughs.
He'd brought along a pint of moonshine white,
a .22 semi, a gunny sack.

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**October ELNA Meeting
Monday, October 5th, 7-9pm
New York School Library
Agenda Items TBD**

Love in the East Bottoms, or, Whatever Happened to Miss Lowry

– Lane Eisenbart

Rhody Delahunty was an upstanding citizen, as far as Lawrence Journal World archives are concerned. He came to Lawrence from Ireland in the 1860s, and finding railroad work didn't suit him so well, Rhody established a business and home at 1106 Rhode Island. (1106 Rhode Island is the site currently undergoing remodel/ rehabilitation by Hernly and Associates, best remembered as the "Packard graveyard" lot on the corner of 11th and Rhode Island, across the street from the Judicial Center.) Rhody Delahunty and his carriage service specialized in trucking, moving, and storage, notably hauling much of the building material used to build Fraser Hall.¹

Rhody's son, Tom Delahunty, born at the 1106 home in 1884, took over his father's business in 1919 and continued the family moving and storage service, purchasing his famous and picturesque Diamond T truck to do the hauling. (pictured.) It was the first big truck in Lawrence, Delahunty claimed, and it carried everything from pianos to hay to ladies of the Daughters of the American Revolution and their flowers to local cemeteries each Memorial Day. Tom lived and worked nearly 80 years at 1106 Rhode Island.¹

Rhody Delahunty's hardworking, pioneering ethic and Tom's fancy truck have been much discussed and archived in local newspapers and museums. What's less commonly reported for posterity is Tom's affection for hard liquor and a woman of color named Etta Lowry.

Tom was a known rogue. He was jailed for brawling and drunkenness on numerous occasions. He was unapologetic and bold in his misbehavior, even going so far in 1913 as to get thoroughly intoxicated and wanting to fight *while still in jail* for intoxication and fighting. To manage the feat, all Tom Delahunty needed was a friend, a bottle of whiskey, and a two-foot long insulation tube. A friend of Tom's stood outside the jail, under the pretense of talking with him through the bars (security was a different thing then) while watching some nearby construction. The spaces between the bars of the cell window were too small to pass the bottle of whiskey through, so the friend placed the bottle of whiskey in his pocket, one end of the tubing in the bottle, and the other end threaded through the bars. Tom drank his fill and the stunt was



only discovered when authorities noticed that Tom's friend had been lingering suspiciously long. The friend escaped and Tom's jailers found Tom, still in his cell, "gloriously drunk" and "feeling sure he could whip the entire police force with his hands tied behind him."⁶

Etta Lowry was a formidable woman. In September of 1915, she shot at a former lover (not Tom) "for quitting"² her, but decided against killing him, even though she had two bullets left and he lay prone at her feet, having fallen running from her. And once, when arrested for public drunkenness, (with Tom) Etta was about to be released from custody to presumably "go out and earn the money" for her fine, she decorously produced the \$6.50 the judge didn't believe she had from her handbag and "hiked out of the court room."³

The juiciest tidbits of the Tom and Etta romance tale take place in March of 1908 and February 1914.

Around ten in the evening in March of 1908, Tom and his date, a woman named Minnie Keene, went to the Santa Fe Depot (still the station at 7th and New York Streets) to visit Tom's brother who passing through. Etta Lowry, who had been involved with Tom for some years according to police reports, found Tom and his lady friend at the station and became incensed at Tom's unfaithfulness. Because Etta was the kind of lady to keep a .38 caliber revolver in her purse, *Etta shot Tom*. Twice! Wounding him once in each leg, mid thigh and hip. She attempted to shoot the other woman, but her gun jammed.⁴

Apparently, attempted murder wasn't enough to break up the romance, and Tom and Etta carried on for years after. In February of 1914, Tom was out of jail on parole but bored with the sober life, and so took a night out with Etta. (To add context to the situation, it is understood that at the time these events took place, the consumption of alcohol in Lawrence was a clandestine affair, occurring only in gentlemen's clubs and the occasional house of ill repute on the East Side or, as it was known then, the East Bottoms. Tom, being a working class Irishman, and Etta, being a woman of color, the couple were not welcome at reputable establishments and had to make do on the East Side. It is also understood in the context of the time, that the East Side was home majorly to people of color and work yards.) It was undoubtedly a chilly night, or very early morning, approximately 2am mid-February when Etta flagged down a cab with her hand muff. Tom and Etta got in the cab, telling the driver to take them to a house on New Jersey Street. Along the way, Etta somehow broke one of the cab's windows. What exactly transpired between Etta and Tom and the cabbie over the broken window is unclear, but the cab driver ultimately stayed for a few drinks at the destination. When he was ready to leave, the cab driver asked that he be paid for the window and the ride and an altercation ensued. Three on one, the cabbie was beaten and hit over the head with a bottle, splitting his scalp. The next morning, the cab driver told police about what had taken place, and neither Tom Delahunty nor Etta Lowry were anywhere to be found.⁷

As late as May of 1915, archives show Tom and Etta getting rowdy, and getting arrested, together.⁵

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Community Village Lawrence: New Volunteer Transportation Program - Accepting Applications for Riders and Drivers

Community Village Lawrence is a volunteer-driven non-profit that offers services and support to residents who wish to remain in their homes as they age. We are a group of members and volunteers with the mission to create a network of neighborly support by connecting people to whatever help they need, whether it be a ride to the doctor, help around the house, or a recommended roofing expert.

For people who wish to age in place, losing the ability to drive, or diminished mobility can make it difficult to remain engaged with the community and access important services. CVL will work with and supplement the existing transportation agencies in Lawrence by providing volunteer rides to seniors who need assistance attending medical appointments, shopping for groceries or attending social and education events. We especially want to fill the gaps in service by offering weekend and evening rides, door-to-door support, assistance at destinations (like grocery shopping) and other services.

On September 1, CVL will launch a pilot transportation program that will provide free rides for a 7-week period. This pilot period will allow us to collect feedback, evaluate the program and refine the scheduling and volunteer coordination. The limited scale of the pilot ensures safe and thorough coordination of the drivers and riders while we gain experience. When Community Village Lawrence launches a full range of members services in January, transportation will be just one of many services that members can request.

Applications for the pilot transportation program must be received by September 12.

To request an application please contact Community Village Lawrence at 785-505-0187.

If you are interested in learning more about volunteer opportunities with this grass-roots community organization please give us a call or visit our website:

www.CommunityVillageLawrence.org

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How can someone contact you if they need anything or have questions?

You can call or come into the store during normal business hours 10:00am – 6:00pm Tuesday-Saturday (785)843-5414 or you can email me at sslstoremanager@gmail.com. I am usually doing 100 things at once, so I am not able to respond to emails during the day, but will try to respond within 48 hours.

In Peace and Solidarity

Jesse

The Sunrise Project has the Sunrise Garden Center!

The Sunrise Project is excited to announce that Sunrise Green, LLC., with Dave and Susan Millstein as primary investors, has officially purchased the former Sunrise Garden Center! This means that the Sunrise Project will definitely operate from this ideal location!

The Sunrise team is grateful for their partnership with the Millsteins, which has led to securing this nearly three-acre site on the edge of Barker and East Lawrence Neighborhoods. Sunrise Project has raised over \$75,000, but in order to move into the site, they need your continued support! As a new non-profit, they need both operating costs and the funds to either purchase or rent space on the site. Please consider donating at <http://sunriseprojectks.org> or send checks to P.O. Box 1454, Lawrence, 66044. Feel free to contact them with any questions about how your contribution will be used, or to volunteer with the organization before committing to a donation!

With the necessary support, Sunrise Project anticipates operating its programs more fully by fall of this year! Those programs include Healthy Sprouts Farm to Preschool, Food Rocket (cooking club for elementary-aged children), Lawrence Fruit Tree Project and now Summer of Service (youth volunteer program), which was recently transferred to Sunrise from the United Way! They will continue to pilot new programs as they grow, empowering people to live healthy, self-determined lives through engagement with food and the environment to build a socially just community!

Save the Date

Fall River Clean Up

A Fall Riverfront Clean Up is tentatively planned for October 3rd from 8am – 2pm. Watch our Thursday ELNA News email and our Facebook page for more details as they emerge through September. If you're afraid of missing it, email the Coordinator at eastlawrence@yahoo.com and ask to be added to the Work Days list.

Love . . . continued from p. 6

We know what happened to Tom Delahunty; he died at the age of 82 in a nursing home, here in Lawrence, having never married or fathering children, still proud of his Diamond T.¹ But, what about Etta? Aside from her antics, we don't know much about Etta Lowry. Where did she live? How old was she when she met Tom? What did she do for a living? Did she marry? Did she have children? Are there any pictures of her? Did Etta *ever* succeed in killing any of her no-good boyfriends? Though the love? story of Tom Delahunty and Etta Lowry conjures fascinating images it leaves us with as many questions. Whatever happened, we wonder, to Miss Lowry?

Thanks to Dave Evans for research provided and picture credit to the Spencer Research Library, Kansas Collection. References for this piece can be found on our website under the tab "Dave Evans!"

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Support us. Let us support you.

\$1.00 for in-neighborhood individuals \$5.00 for out-of-neighborhood individuals
\$10.00 for in-neighborhood non-profit entities \$20.00 for in-neighborhood businesses
\$100.00 lifetime individual membership

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Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

- We print the names of new and returning members in the bimonthly paper newsletter. Check here if it's OK to print your name.
- We're working on creating a block-by-block calling/check-in network of neighbors to contact in the event of an emergency. It's a work in progress. Check here if you'd like to be contacted about being a BlockHead—a contact person for your block in the event of emergency or issue.
- Check here if you'd like to be added to our ELNA Yahoo group. An e-vite will be sent to you.
- Check here if you'd like to be added to our "Thursday ELNA News" weekly e-newsletter email list.

Send this form and your check payable to ELNA to:
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**Plus! Visit ELNA's website for information on *new* tshirts and merchandise!
Click the paypal button to donate securely there!**

ELNA Needs Your Help! Please Volunteer!

Mark what ELNA events/skills you would like to volunteer for:

- Work Days
- YART (Yard/Art) Sale
- Block Party
- Adopt-A-Family
- Art
- Music
- Photography
- Gardening
- Grilling
- Fund Raising
- Historic Preservation
- Serving on the ELNA Board
- Website/Technical Management
- Baking/Cooking
- Other: _____

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ELNA

General Meeting

MONDAY, NOV. 2nd, 7-9pm

New York Elementary

9th & New York

Agenda item includes:

⇒ ELNA Board Elections

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ELNA Board Elections and Candidates 2015-2016 Year

Annual Meeting Monday November 2nd 7pm at New York School

The ELNA Board is comprised of a maximum of 14 members. Our bylaws require that the previous year's president must retain his or her seat on the Board into the following year. Only 13 seats are open for re-election at this time.

The seat of the Board member who holds the Treasurer's position WILL be up for re-election, contrary to previous statements.

The candidates for the ELNA Board, along with each person's contact information, are listed below. You may contact each personally with questions regarding his or her opinions and positions on neighborhood issues.

All bonafide, resident in-neighborhood ELNA members may vote to select a maximum of 13 of these 23 to represent as the ELNA Board.

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ELNA Adopts-a-Family for the Holidays

Want to help ELNA adopt a family for the holiday season?

Each year, the East Lawrence Neighborhood Association adopts a family (or two) in need of assistance through the Ballard Center. As a group, we purchase gift cards and gifts for the selected family. In the coming weeks, we will receive a wish list of items from the family. As soon as we acquire this list, we will be looking for neighbors to purchase and donate gifts. If you would like to volunteer to donate items, contact Christine Kosirog, 218-6786 or ckosirog@yahoo.com, or Lane at eastlawrence@yahoo.com.

ELNA Presidents of the Past: A Retrospective -- Lane Eisenbart

I asked all former ELNA presidents still available for contact to reflect on their time as President --when they served, and what they felt was the defining issue of their presidencies. I also allowed for each to elaborate as they wished.

Josh Davis Nov 2012 – Nov 2013

The biggest issue in my time was the designation of Lawrence's "Cultural District", comprised primarily of East Lawrence in addition to downtown.

Leslie Soden interim June 2011 – Nov 2012

I served as President from August 2011 to November 2012. A month after I became President, the development plans for the Marriott Hotel building at 9th & New Hampshire appeared. I spent most of my term working on that project, and while I wouldn't use the word "fun" to describe that time, it stretched my personal boundaries of what I thought I could and couldn't do. If it weren't for that time, I wouldn't have become fascinated with city hall issue and politics, which eventually led to me becoming a Lawrence City Commissioner last April. Representing diverse voices is hard work, but incredibly meaningful for me.

I wrote these words for the March 2012 ELNA newsletter as President, and they still apply today:

"Living in Old East Lawrence for 8 years, it certainly seems like we are constantly fighting off other, more influential people and what they think our neighborhood should be. Behind the vague adjectives of "revitalize" and "improve" and "unstable" and "blight" runs a basic undercurrent that there is just something wrong with our neighborhood and that it needs to change. But people choose to live in our neighborhood for how it is now! Flowing through our neighborhood are the twin philosophies of "live and let live" and "one person's trash is another person's treasure". While "open-minded" is merely a buzzword for some people, it is an actual way of life here, and people really respond to that refreshing change of attitude."

Deron Belt Nov 2009 – June 2011

"I have little recollection of any one defining issue during my time with ELNA. I will say that I am very grateful to have been given the opportunity to contribute. My fondest memories are those where the collaborative efforts of neighbor's came to fruition in reaching a common goal (i.e. block party, YART sale, a BCRT clean-up, and so on).

I do remember pondering the pace of change within the neighborhood. East Lawrence is a stew of changing pieces, persons, and place. The neighborhood is steeped in a history of passionate citizenry with a penchant for the dramatic. I believe that this tireless intensity has served the neighborhood well. Still, change is difficult. We literally cannot stop this change from happening. Often the process of change is slow. Other times fast, maybe too fast for those whose voices may go unheard. Even change intended for the betterment of all can leave some with profound feelings of loss and fear. How do we account for these folks? These are real people with concerns, whether we agree with them or not.

That said, I do think it's helpful when parties contributing to change are mindful of what came before them and to what may follow as a consequence of their actions. Showing some compassion and empathy may go long way to being perceived as neighborly. While it may be the very least we can do assuage fears, it's certainly worthy of the effort."

Phil Collison Nov 2006 – Nov 2009

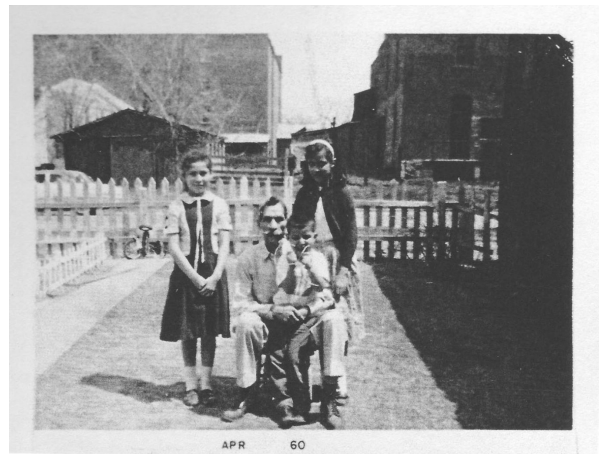
"I was ELNA President during a quiet period in the 'hood. Things had quieted down in the 800 Penn area. During my time as President, we worked on trying to build a more inclusive ELNA with the introduction of the Thursday ELNA News, and we also created the first ELNA website. The KVKL Sunday Night game came to Hobbs Park and ELNA began selling concessions there. I continue to live in the neighborhood and continue to advocate for our neighbors."

Janet Good Nov 2003 – Nov 2006

"The big issues in my time as President were Bo Harris at 8th and Pennsylvania and Krause Fine Dining. Bo Harris wanted to construct a brownstone live-play-work kind of inclusive development. (The economy tanking took that one down.) These two issues were very similar to what's happening now, in that they divided the neighborhood, especially between newer residents and long established ones. Bo Harris said that he thought EL would gentrify no matter what ELNA or the residents did, because of where it is in Lawrence. Sadly, he might be right. We'll lose something great if it does.

EL is what it is, great, because it was allowed to change very organically. No major development made it what it is, the people who have lived here fighting to keep it an affordable single family neighborhood, while preserving it's history, have. There would be no neighborhood at all had people not fought for it all along."

To illustrate her feeling of what she felt might be lost, Janet included some of her favorite historical East Lawrence pictures – "of the hispanic neighborhood that was at 8th and Penn and bulldozed to make way for the "eastern bypass" before people realized what was coming and stopped it."



8th and Pennsylvania



River Clean Up Thanks

Thanks to everyone who came out October 3rd to help clean up the River. The weather was perfect and we had a bountiful harvest!

Thanks Tom Harper, Joshua Davis, Aaron Paden, Oscar Paden, Elliot Paden, Benjamin Wright, Katy Meston Ward, Jenine Meston, Daniel Ward, Lexi Meston Ward, Dani Flani, Daina Bitters, Zoe Bitters, Charlotte Pessoni, Linda Lips, Matthew Bellemere, Cris Combs, Erin Besson and Family, Goldy Stephens, Melissa Freiburger!!!

Let's do it again in the Spring!

~Mike Myers

Block Party Thanks

Thank you! That was a pretty good party, neighbors, and we couldn't have done it without your help. Thanks to everyone who volunteered their time, donated raffle items, played music, and set up their tables to inform us about some stuff. And special thanks to everyone who brought delicious food for us to share!

Lindsey Frye	Aaron Paden
Russel Benke	KT Walsh
Lisa Marie Benke	Michael Davis
Cindy Suenram	Patrick Watkins
Arch Naramore	John Myers
Gotfred Beardshear	John Sebelius
Greg Herrod	Phil Collison
Rowyn Fisher	Chris Lempa
Jason Fisher	Mike Rheim
Brenda Nunez	Eric Farnsworth
Pam Blackburn	Community Village
Scott Blackburn	Lawrence
Christine Kosirog	Sunrise Project
Blue O'Leary	Intersection Repair
Tim VonHolten	Erin Adamson
Cari Davis	Lawrence Percolator
Stephen Mason	Emily Myers
Annie Neri	Jacki Becker
Eric and Josie Jay	James Krause
Josh Davis	Sugarfoot Detour
Joe Bickford	Clementine
Mike Myers	Tony Peterson

Decade
The Recyclery
Cottin's Hardware
Ladybird Diner
Aimee's Coffeehouse
La Familia
KH and Irene
Acme T-Shirt
Burger Stand
Dave Loewenstein
The Roost
Liberty Hall
Merchants
Mass Relaxation
Yankee Tank Brewing
Pride of Gumbo
Screen Printing

Lane Eisenbart did all the things, and her board won't let her publish the list without including herself, even if it's lame.

Neighborhood Thanks from KT

Neighbors would like to extend special thanks to Shelley Wakeman for her (pro bono legal) help to our friend and neighbor, Leon, at 1231 Pennsylvania. Her willingness to help Leon is appreciated. We'd also like to thank neighbor Don Kantory for his assistance in bringing attention to the rehabilitation of the Amtrak Depot. Don put lots of work into the project in its early stages and we appreciate that, too!

We have a Twitter too!

Get your neighborhood news short and sweet.
Follow us, ELNAks, on Twitter.



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Block Party

September 2015



Downtown Grocery Project Current Status and Goals

The Downtown Grocery Store core group has met weekly for nearly three years, and continues to work toward our common goal of an affordable full-line store to serve downtown and the surrounding neighborhoods, which comprise a federally-recognized food desert. A recent news story described a renewed focus on the site at 7th and New Hampshire, the building formerly occupied by Borders bookstore. (Because of limited space for parking, the 11th and Mass project plans no longer include a grocery store.) We are very pleased that the building owner, our city commission, and adjacent neighborhoods are all pulling in the same direction to make a downtown grocery store a reality. We are encouraged that multiple grocers and a pharmacy are seriously interested in establishing downtown retail locations. The Old West Lawrence neighborhood association has supported the downtown grocery store project since the beginning. As plans move forward, your support, and that of the other central-city neighborhoods, is still vital to the success of the project.

Thank you for your continued support, and please let me know your thoughts or questions about the project.

Downtown Grocery Committee
Dave Crawford, committee chair
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How to get around on the bus in Lawrence

Many people know that the City and KU created a coordination transit system a few years ago. What it means is that riders can get on any bus in Lawrence and pay only one fare. Whether you see a blue bus that says “KU” or “T” on it, anyone is welcome to ride.

Lawrence Transit System provides service in East Lawrence with several routes. Routes 1, 11, and 15 all have bus stops in the neighborhood. All three of those routes connect to the downtown hub at 7th & Vermont, where you can transfer to reach other parts of the city.



Route 1 offers service between Downtown and Prairie Park. Route 11 connects Downtown with the KU campus and 31st & Iowa. Route 15 goes from Downtown to the Peaslee Center and East Hills Business Park.

So, how much does the bus cost? If you pay cash, it is \$1.00 for full fare and \$.50 for reduced fare. Reduced fare applies to those in grades K-12, Haskell students, seniors age 60 and over, or people who have a T Lift or Medicare card. Bus

New York Garden Club News

Some very exciting things are happening with New York School Garden Club! The New York School garden is now officially a participant in the District’s Farm 2 School garden program. With some help from the School District, we hope the school garden produce will be served in the school cafeteria with breakfast and lunch meals as early as this spring. Fantastic news! AND, The American Institute of Architecture Students at KU has selected New York as their project for the year. Each year this group of student architects picks a project to design and build for a group of handicapped or low income individuals. They raise all the money and do all the construction. Mrs. Saltz and Mrs. DeGarmo have met with their lead student and decided to build a shed in the SE quadrant of the playground for our garden! The plan is to design and fund-raise for the project this winter, and to begin building a very unique and kid-accessible structure in early spring. If we can raise enough money, we will also get a greenhouse! Please stay tuned for upcoming fundraising/ donation opportunities. Some ideas in the works are a partnership with Cottin’s Hardware, direct donation of building materials from friends and neighbors, a Chipotle fundraiser, a can collection, and an event for silent auction. Also, keep a look out in early spring for the call for new Garden Club members. With questions and ideas, contact Mrs. Saltz ssaltz@usd497.org. For frequent updates, check out the New York Elementary Garden Facebook group.

passes can be purchased at Dillons, Hy-Vee, The Merc and City Hall. Monthly passes are \$34 for full fare and \$17 for reduced fare, and 10-Ride punch cards are \$10 for full fare and \$5 for reduced fare.

Buses run from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday – Saturday. For after-hours service, you can schedule a ride on the Night Line by calling (785) 312-7054 Monday-Friday between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Night Line will pick you up and drop you off anywhere in Lawrence. It runs from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday – Saturday. The fare is \$2.00, cash only.

For assistance with route planning, call (785) 864-4644 to speak to a customer service representative. Transit Guides with maps and schedules are available at most grocery stores, City Hall, or the Public Library. An online trip planning tool can suggest multiple ways to reach a destination. Try it out at www.lawrencetransit.org.

To get real-time information on when the next bus will arrive, you can download the app “MV Transit Where’s My Bus,” available on both iTunes and Google Play. You can also send a text to (785) 312-2414 with the bus stop number as the message. All bus stops have the stop number displayed on the sign. You will receive a message back with the upcoming bus arrival times for that stop.

For more information on Lawrence Transit services, go to www.lawrencetransit.org.

Safe Winter Walkways Program

The City of Lawrence and Douglas County Senior Services needs your help! The Safe Winter Walkways program kicks off this week and volunteers are needed to help elderly or disabled individuals clear public sidewalks during snow events.

Able-bodied Lawrence residents with a passion for helping others and an enjoyment of winter weather are needed to volunteer for the Safe Winter Walkways program. The goal of the Safe Winter Walkways program is to create safer and more accessible pedestrian walkways. This is a joint effort of the City of Lawrence and Douglas County Senior Services (DCSS). Volunteers will be matched with residents needing assistance with snow removal for the winter season.

In 2014, 87-percent of people who signed up for help did get paired with a volunteer. Last year, 80 households signed up for assistance but 10 people were unfortunately not paired with volunteers due to the demand for the program and a need for more volunteers.

This year, the city is again offering online registration for participants and volunteers. Visit www.lawrenceks.org/safe_winter_walkways to sign up for the program. This year, the program will close participant sign up on November 20, 2015. This date has been selected so that participants and volunteers can be matched prior to the holiday season, and hopefully, prior to snow season.

"This program is an excellent resource for members of our community who physically can't keep their sidewalks clear during snow events," said Megan Gilliland, communications manager for the city. "This program is a structured version of what has happens in many neighborhoods - neighbors helping neighbors. With volunteers, we can make certain that the neighbors can count on a volunteer to be there if snow needs to be removed."

"This year, it is critical that anyone who is interested in volunteering sign up in advance," said Gilliland. "Our program is most effective when the volunteers and residents are paired up before bad weather hits and we can react quickly."

Volunteer groups, civic organizations and youth groups are encouraged to consider volunteering as a team. Please contact Larry Woydziak with DCSS to find out how to sign up as a group and requirements for volunteering.

"This program is for public sidewalks only," said Woydziak. "We give priority to homes with public sidewalks and volunteers are not required to provide snow removal for private driveways, sidewalks or walkways--this is left to the volunteer's discretion."

Volunteers can sign up by calling (785) 832-3338 or registering online at www.lawrenceks.org/safe_winter_walkways.

ELNA is on Facebook!

Like our fan page at
<http://www.facebook.com/eastlawrence>
and look for updates regarding neighborhood events.

July 1, 2015

Raymond Hall

SNAKE STEW – part two

I carried my 12-gauge sawed-off semi.
We headed down the Neosho River,
to Cow Creek, its tall trees dimly crowding,
the mud, primeval; dank, musty ragweeds.
A railroad bridge crossed it, up fifty yards.
It clouded up quickly. Some raindrops plunked.
"They're easier to spot on days like this,"
he said. Two bullfrogs croaked. He had a plan.
He'd walk through the woods to the railroad bridge.

He'd wait there for the snakes I could scare up.
"We'll shoot enough for a snake stew pig-out
with a keg of Coors for the neighborhood.

He started out, then hesitated. "Dad
was killed up there. " He pointed at the bridge.
At my respectful nod, he continued,

"He and I were here for bullfrog legs then.
He had a pint of moonshine white. He was
nipping at it, he stretched out on that bridge.

I was shooting frogs, and I had got to here,
when I heard the train. I ran, waving my
arms, yelling, Dad! Get the heck down from there!

He dropped, decapitated. The creek
was shallow there. Then like a chicken with
his head chopped off, he ran." He watched me blanch.

He straightened up, and as he headed out,
said, "See you later," disappearing fast
in the gloom. Suddenly, he was perching
on that railroad bridge. Then chugging the pint,
leaning back further, and further, let his
legs dangle, the only part of him that

I could see. I heard a train. I jumped in,
running in that shallow, soiled water.
I shot his legs. He was too far away.

The train tunelessly rumbled and roared on.
Nothing was left above his chin; just two
red, pulsing, vertical wires. He stumbled.

Dark, gray cottonmouth snakes, mouths white inside,
seized festively. A dozen. Then some more.
And then, on top of that, a viper

head popped up too close. He watched me, briefly.
And sullied. I got a head shot in time.
It wrapped my arm, lovingly, going home.

I fillet out two pounds of stewing meat.
I didn't take off for the funeral.

So what? He hardly was a good old boy.

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Support us. Let us support you.

\$1.00 for in-neighborhood individuals \$5.00 for out-of-neighborhood individuals
\$10.00 for in-neighborhood non-profit entities \$20.00 for in-neighborhood businesses
\$100.00 lifetime individual membership

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Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

- We print the names of new and returning members in the bimonthly paper newsletter. Check here if it's OK to print your name.
- We're working on creating a block-by-block calling/check-in network of neighbors to contact in the event of an emergency. It's a work in progress. Check here if you'd like to be contacted about being a BlockHead—a contact person for your block in the event of emergency or issue.
- Check here if you'd like to be added to our "Thursday ELNA News" weekly e-newsletter email list.

Send this form and your check payable to ELNA to:
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*Plus! Visit ELNA's website for information on *new* tshirts and merchandise!
Click the paypal button to donate securely there!*

ELNA Needs Your Help! Please Volunteer!

Mark what ELNA events/skills you would like to volunteer for:

- Work Days
- YART (Yard/Art) Sale
- Block Party
- Adopt-A-Family
- Art
- Music
- Photography
- Gardening
- Grilling
- Fund Raising
- Historic Preservation
- Serving on the ELNA Board
- Website/Technical Management
- Baking/Cooking
- Other: _____

East Lawrence News

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January 2016



The East Lawrence Neighborhood Association will hold a regular monthly meeting on **Monday January 4th** from 7-9pm. Even though New York School will not be open for students until Wednesday January 6th, the meeting will still be held in the New York School library. Agenda TBD.

ELNA Board Elections 2015

238 ballots were cast on the evening of November 2nd; a record turnout for the neighborhood! The results are as follows:

Christine Kosirog 205	Matt Pryor 123
jacki becker 194	Cindy Suenram 122
Eric Jay 191	Amanda Davis 95
Josh Davis (PennSt) 168	Patrick Watkins 90
John Sebelius 155	Codi Bates 86
KT Walsh 150	Mike Anderson 84
Dave Loewenstein 145	Kent Frye 70
Phil Collison 142	John Gascon 69
KH Harris 138	Bruce Eggers 66
Pam Blackburn 134	Mark Francis 61
Joshua Davis (NYSt) 131	



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As of the ELNA meeting on December 2nd, Board officers include President Aaron Paden, Vice President Phil Collison, Secretary Pam Blackburn, and KH Harris continues as Treasurer through the fiscal cycle ending in August. Lane Eisenbart, non-elected staff, continues to serve as Coordinator.

We owe ENORMOUS thanks to the League of Women Voters Lawrence/ Douglas County for their invaluable assistance in organizing the election. Join the League! Consider making a donation to their good work! We'd also like to thank New York School for sharing their space with us and being so very willing to accommodate our needs. THANK YOU!



Photos by Dave Crawford



Photo by Nick Ward

Other Notes:

If you're cleaning out your spaces this winter, save your junk for ELNA! Save it and give it to us to sell at our annual Yart Sale in March. Watch our news outlets in the coming months for an exact date for our sale, and details about where you can drop off your donation.

Board Member Interviews December 2015



Aaron Paden

How long have you lived in East Lawrence? Since the summer of 2007

Why do you choose to live here? It may be the best place on the planet. Our structure is made up mainly of affordable vernacular homes on old streets and sidewalks, that while humble, are rich in story and in walkable distance to many day to day destinations. The history of East Lawrence isn't your typical white man's history tracing time by the actions of pocketbooks but instead it celebrates the hands that built Lawrence. I see us, East Lawrence, as a neighborhood of predominantly working class people that embody a live and let live life, a life of helping each other get by.

How long have you been on the Board? I think this is my 5th year – but I can't remember – this is my 3rd year as president.

Why do you choose to serve on the ELNA Board? I believe that healthy local social networks are fundamental to a good standard of living. I believe ELNA enables neighbors to work together for the betterment of the community but also of themselves. When we host a clean up by the river or sell food at Sunday night Kickball or raise money at the YART sale or host a discussion at a meeting we are accomplishing much more than the direct task at hand. Neighbors get to know neighbors – trust is formed – information and history is shared or created. Our stories combine and community happens.

What projects, new or traditional, are you interested in working on this year? I think ELNA is experiencing an influx of development interest at a rate that exceeds the community's ability to respond and interact with it towards a positive end. I'm not sure that we can 'slow' development interest – but we can try to implement tools that help slow it from eroding the culture, community, and history that already exists. I'm interested in those tools.

What's your favorite office supply and why? Sticky notes - They are so dang handy and it is much less wasteful than an entire sheet of paper and I can stick them everywhere – they even fit in my pocket. 2nd would be the rubber band... because projectiles are always fun.



Eric Jay

How long have you lived in East Lawrence? Resided for 2 yrs. and owned business for 7.5 yrs.

Why do you choose to live here? Because the eclectic nature of the neighborhood and its proximity to the projects I work on. I also enjoy living near like-minded folks who care about their neighborhood and school.

How long have you been on the Board? 3 years

Why do you choose to serve on the ELNA Board? To be involved in decision making processes that affect the neighborhood and to learn more, and to be a voice for, folks who live in the hood.

What projects, new or traditional, are you interested in working on this year? Interesting ways to create affordable housing is always on my mind and it's a project I'd like to work on.

What's your favorite office supply and why? A nice pen, because it's the tool for me that allows ideas to come to life.

Dave Loewenstein



How long have you lived in East Lawrence? 20 years

Why do you choose to live here? It is where my friends are, where my work is and is the place that inspires and supports my sense of community. It is beautiful. It's where I've put down roots.

How long have you been on the Board? The first time about two years. This time 1 year and 1 month.

Why do you choose to serve on the ELNA Board? It's critical, if we want a healthy neighborhood that has a voice on the issues that affect it, that those with relevant experience, skills and knowledge serve in some capacity. My work and experience intersects with many of the challenges and opportunities our neighborhood is engaged with now so I feel the responsibility to serve.

What projects, new or traditional, are you interested in working on this year? I am especially interested in working with neighbors to better understand and then act on the potential opportunities and impacts of the arts-based development projects that are being proposed for East Lawrence. I'm also interested in helping with board training and capacity building.

What's your favorite office supply and why? Rubber band for all my rolls of drawings and mural designs.



Jacki Becker

How long have you lived in East Lawrence? 12 years

Why do you choose to live here? love it. close to downtown, close to work.

How long have you been on the Board? long time.

Why do you choose to serve on the ELNA Board? love my neighborhood and hope i can be a fair and accurate representative for those who surround me in the neighborhood

What projects, new or traditional, are you interested in working on this year? zoning. making sure we are keeping single family homes in the neighborhood. also supporting local businesses / craftpeople / creative endeavors in the neighborhood.

What's your favorite office supply and why? my phone. enables me to work where ever.



Cindy Suenram

How long have you lived in East Lawrence? 29+ years

Why do you choose to live here? This house was for sale 29+ yrs ago, near my at-the-time new job, and near lots of amenities. It worked out and I love it.

How long have you been on the Board? 2 years

Why do you choose to serve on the ELNA Board? To stay in contact, and up-to-date, with the neighborhood and fairly represent it.

What projects, new or traditional, are you interested in working on this year? The YART Sale and Block Party for sure; continuing with the printed newsletter involvement; see what comes up.

What's your favorite office supply and why? Hole reinforcement labels; their self-stated purpose.



Josh Davis (NY)

How long have you lived in East Lawrence? 8 years
Why do you choose to live here? East Lawrence is an amazing group of eclectic individuals who as a whole, care more about their neighborhood than anywhere I have ever lived. It is a neighborhood where you know your long term neighbors, you often know someone on every block, and you even get to know the college student just passing through because the whole neighborhood leads to connections. There is an appreciation of the small things like a simple walk or the big things like helping neighbors, preserving history and being active in discussions. I also appreciate the walk-ability of the neighborhood.

How long have you been on the board? New this year.

Why do you choose to serve on the ELNA Board? To be more involved in continuing existing traditions and trying new ones. I am more aware of community issues than in the past, and would like to continue to learn and help where I can.

What projects, new or traditional, are you interested in working on this year? All the existing traditions. Highlights for me are River Cleanup, Holiday Adopt a Family and YART sale.

Additionally...

Addressing housing issues (via committee or otherwise)

-Affordability

-Zoning

-Appropriate Development

-Property tax freezes if certain conditions are met (length of ownership, age of owner, property tax % increase).

Picking up trash - I like to pick up trash. I do that now just when I walk, and I would like to be involved in more organized efforts around that simple act (similar to the River Cleanup). I spend a considerable amount of time on a computer each day, so that is something basic that I enjoy doing.

What's your favorite office supply and why? The inkello Matchbook Calendar. Every year, I get three so I have a three month physical calendar I can reference on my desk. And even better, they are from East Lawrence! <http://inkello.com/collections/calendars>



Pam Blackburn

How long have you lived in East Lawrence? 2.5 years

Why do you choose to live here? I was looking for a house close to downtown with character. I didn't want to be in the Burbs.

How long have you been on the Board? 2 years

Why do you choose to serve on the ELNA Board? Initially, it was to get involved and understand the neighborhood. Now, it is to keep the neighborhood a neighborhood and not downtown apartments.

What projects, new or traditional, are you interested in working on this year? I am continuing to work with city planners on rezoning "north of 9th" to current usage. We are seeing great progress on the preparations necessary to present to the city commission. As more changes happen in the neighborhood, I would like to get involved in property tax changes for low income home owners and property owners who rent to low income.

What's your favorite office supply and why? Mechanical pencils. I have finally decided I like to be able to erase occasionally. And I never seem to be able to find a sharpener, or work a sharpener.

KT Walsh



How long have you lived in East Lawrence? approx. 40 years

Why do you choose to live here? East Lawrence has a relaxed, scruffy aesthetic that I cherish. It's also home to preservationists of all ages who work to honor our culture, multi-racial history, and our internationally recognized largest remaining neighborhood of vernacular architecture in the nation.

How long have you been on the Board? Off and on since the Umbrella Incident that taught me that united neighbors can fight, and win at, City Hall.

Why do you choose to serve on the ELNA Board? It's fun, challenging and you get to work with engaged, committed people. Also it's like taking an advanced, hands-on course in civics, history, and community building and social justice combined.

What projects, new or traditional, are you interested in working on this year? Continued work on the East Ninth project to ensure the promised process is adhered to and the Arts Center and city work with ELNA to help the hood rather than just the developers. Plus, getting more East Lawrence sites and buildings on the local historic register.

What's your favorite office supply and why? Stapler. Hands down. But, would someone please open a stapler repair shop?

John Sebelius



How long have you lived in East Lawrence? My family is new to the neighborhood and we have lived in East Lawrence since 2014.

Why do you choose to live here? We moved to East Lawrence because we love the culture, history, artistic significance, and close proximity to my studio (Seed Co.) and downtown.

How long have you been on the Board? 1 month and still going strong.

Why do you choose to serve on the ELNA Board? I want to give back to my community that I care so deeply for. My aim is to help bridge divides amongst the neighborhood and get more individuals involved.

What projects, new or traditional, are you interested in working on this year? YART Sale, connecting community resources to neighbors, Freestate Festival, and continuing my grilling prowess at the Block Party.

What's your favorite office supply and why? I have an untraditional office and it would definitely be spray paint. Colorful, permanent, and dries quickly.



**Board Member
Christine Kosirog**



**Board Member
KH Harris**

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Phil Collison

How long have you lived in East Lawrence? I moved back to East Lawrence in 2004 for my current stint here. I moved to Lawrence in 1976. Back then Lawrence was the mecca for a liberal community and there were so many progressive ideas going on. The ELIA was getting started by leading the charge against the destruction of Pennsylvania

Street by the Haskell Loop, a road conceived by City Fathers to solve the problem of poor, awful East Lawrence. Over the last 40 years I have lived, worked and played in Lawrence and East Lawrence.

Why do you choose to live here? I choose to live in East Lawrence because it is a place where I am not dominated by mainstream culture. Where I can walk to shop at places not owned by corporate conglomerates and where my neighbors feel the same way. It is a place where I can tend my own garden and not be absorbed by the mainstream. My environment has always reinforced my ideals. Time is passing, and now East Lawrence is facing a coming out party. We have been discovered for the wonderfulness that we have espoused over the years. Now the trick: how do we continue growing and have an impact on keeping these wonderful values we have shared?

How long have you been on the Board? I have been on the board since getting my current residence in 2004.

Why do you choose to serve on the ELNA Board? ELNA has been a positive force in Lawrence and our neighborhood since its inception. Without ELNA, folks would be driving in from K-10 on the bypass to downtown to shop at the big box mall at 7th and Massachusetts. There would be no Liberty Hall, no Free State Brewery. No Van-Go, no WAD. ELNA has been at the forefront of keeping Lawrence unique. We were EFL before there was LFK.

What projects, new or traditional, are you interested in working on this year? I sit on the Citizen's Advisory Committee for the Arts Center sponsored 9th street project. I have been a part of that for the past year and hope to impact it in a way that can make it be a win-win for both Neighbors and the City, with Neighbors coming out a little better. I want to use Planning to help shape the future here, rather than leaving its outcome to chance. That is what community does. What if there were infrastructure (sidewalk!) improvements beyond the immediate environs of 9th street?

What's your favorite office supply and why? I suppose my printer that is now capable of making copies. I use it more than my stapler (because I can never find my stapler...).



Lane Eisenbart

How long have you lived in East Lawrence? Ten years this last fall. Minus a summer here and there.

Why do you choose to live here? In the beginning, it was a matter of convenience and necessity. It was affordable and within walking distance to KU, where I was going to school. Since then, as my life has changed and changed again, I have chosen to stay in East Lawrence because it feels like home. There are lots of people and places I love here, and hate to be parted with.

How long have you been on the Board? I am not part of the Board. I am ELNA's only (very part-time) employee.

Why do you choose to serve on the ELNA Board? I choose to serve my neighborhood for the *glamour and profits*, of course. (*font for sarcasm*) Seriously though, I continue to work for ELNA because I have skills that are of use to the people and places I love.

What projects, new or traditional, are you interested in working on this year? I'll do all the usual things. From a technological standpoint, I'll like to look again at automating some of our communications so that more platforms can be utilized without additional effort. From a person-centric point of view, I'd like to invite a more racially diverse cross section of our neighborhood to be involved in the Association.

What's your favorite office supply and why? Paperclips. Because they are the truest of free spirits. I have never in my life bought paperclips, and yet I have a handful in my desk drawer right now. How did they get there? They just like, roam, man.



Matt Pryor

How long have you lived in East Lawrence? 15 years

Why do you choose to live here? all my stuff is here

How long have you been on the Board? off and on for about six years

Why do you choose to serve on the ELNA Board? to try and repair the rift in our neighborhood

What projects, new or traditional, are you interested in working on this year? neighborhood potlucks and other social events

What's your favorite office supply and why? no comment



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Josh Davis of Pennsylvania Street

How long have you lived in East Lawrence? Almost 16 years.

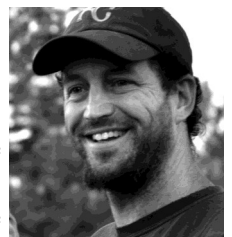
Why do you choose to live here? It keeps me young.

How long have you been on the Board? Maybe 7 years? Time goes fast and I've lost track.

Why do you choose to serve on the ELNA Board? I like knowing what's going on and taking part.

What projects, new or traditional, are you interested in working on this year? We shall see what the year brings.

What's your favorite office supply and why? White Out. Because stuff happens.



East Ninth Project Update

The East Ninth Citizen Advisory Committee last met on December 16th. East Lawrence Citizen representatives Phil Collison, Dave Loewenstein, and John Sebelius offer these words of reflection from that meeting:

Phil Collison:

At the last meeting, we took a look at two concept proposals for the 9th Street Project. One which featured an 8 to 10 foot shared use path on the south side of 9th street, along with a 5 foot sidewalk on the north side, and another which had 5 foot sidewalks on both sides. Folks leaned towards rejecting the idea of a shared use path. Both plans showed losing at least half of the parking along ninth street, with the WAD end increasing parking, and the residential center and downtown losing parking. The design group will be using the comments from this meeting, including some public comment to put together a finalized plan that will be presented at the January 27 CAC meeting, and that will ultimately come to the City Commission in late March.

Helper Artists were announced that will work with the 3 Artists who will receive \$100,000 commissions for their installations along 9th street.

Send your comments to Porter Arneil at the City.

Dave Loewenstein:

The three \$100,000 infrastructure artists are "idling" J. Shelton said. None of the selected artist were present at the meeting to comment on their work. J. Shelton said that Associate Artists (working as assistants to the three infrastructure artists - \$5,000 each) selected so far are -

Kate Dinneen to work with Jarret Mellenbruch

John Sebelius to work with James Woodfill

and possibly Tyler Peck and Alicia Kelly to work with Derek Porter

J. Shelton said that the East Ninth Artists (for individual projects along E. 9th - \$10,000 each) are also idling. They include – Zia, Rachael Perry, Nick Carswell, Meredith Moore, and Steven Johnson.

John Sebelius:

Associate Artists have been chosen by the Intergrated Artists, although Derek Porter is still in discussion with two local artists. The East Ninth Artists that have begun working are Zia (ceramicist) and Nick Carswell (musician). There was discussion of collaborative crossover potential between Carswell and Associate Artist James Woodfill.

CAC gave input of coexisting with the delivery truck route and both design plans embrace this. There was also concern raised about the historic relationship of the Turnhall being preserved -- mainly the connection between the building, sidewalk and curb. Earlier designs where this was disrupted have been omitted. There was two different design plans discussed. The overall reaction of the CAC and public comment was the more "traditional" design with sidewalks on both sides and bike paths in the street was supported more. The sidewalks will be made ADA compliant and the original materials, like brick, will be used to make theses changes. We were assured that the sidewalks will not be demoed, just repaired and widened, keeping the integrity of its historic nature.

Updated East Ninth CAC Schedule:

The design team will meet to synthesis the notes from CAC and public comments.

CAC will meet Wed, Jan. 27th at 6:30pm at Library and Wed, March 2nd at 6:30pm at Library

El Dorado will go before ELNA to discuss these changes and the plan once these comments are consolidated.

March 9th - El Dorado and the project go before the Cultural Arts Commission

March 17th - El Dorado and the project go before the HRC

March 22nd - El Dorado and the project go before the City Commission

At the Judicial Center by KT Walsh

In the long hallway
tall lawyer lays out options
family is scared
court workers walk fast
no eye contact, folders stacked
arrests ensure jobs
striated classes
lawyers in long black coats, heels
pro bono? not free

worn out dark courtroom
burnt orange fade, wood rug chairs
trail day – lives spin



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Artist Opportunity at Lawrence Arts Center

The Lawrence Arts Center will host Artist INC this spring March 22- May 10, 6-9pm.

Artist INC is a cutting edge training program that empowers artists to create opportunities and take control of their careers. By addressing the specific business needs and challenges artists of all disciplines face every day, participants learn the business skills specific to their art practice and how apply those skills cooperatively with peers. Leveraging a class design that focuses on the three major components of adult learning (mentorship, peer networks, knowledge), artists learn collectively through artist facilitator mentoring, small group application activities, as well as large group discussion and multi-media lecture. The program is open to artists of all disciplines: visual art, theater, literary arts, dance, and film. The Artist INC Lawrence program peer facilitators will be artists Matthew Lord, Kent Smith, Nick Carswell, Molly Murphy and Kirsten Paludan.

To participate in the program, artists need to submit an application online at <https://artistinc.submittable.com/submit/48038>. Applications are being accepted November 16, 2015 through January 18, 2016. Applicants must be at least 18 years old, live within an 80 mile radius of downtown Lawrence, be available to attend all sessions of the Artist INC session, students are ineligible to apply. Twenty-five applicants will be accepted per session. The fee to enroll for the 8 week session of Artist INC Live Lawrence is \$150, however financial aid is available to those who qualify through the Lawrence Arts Center's financial aid program.

ELNA Meetings 2016

1st Monday of each month, unless a holiday, 7-9pm

Meetings are held at the New York School library during the school year, and usually at the Lawrence Percolator during the summer months.

January 4 th	*July TBD*(4 th of July)
February 1 st	August 1 st
March 7 th	*September TBD* (Labor Day)
April 4 th	October 3 rd
May 2 nd	November 7 th
June 6 th	December 5 th

Sunrise Project Update

On Tuesday, December 8th, the former Sunrise Garden Center site received final city approval to rezone the site to Limited Industrial. While Central Soyfoods and Seeds from Italy will still need to apply for a Special Use Permit to begin their operations, the agricultural and nonprofit portions of the site can begin their activities immediately. With the environmental assessment and zoning finalized, Sunrise Project, the nonprofit arm of the site collaboration, will now need to raise the funds to renovate its portion of the site. The mission of Sunrise Project is to empower people to live healthy, self-determined lives through engagement with food and the environment to build a socially just community. Currently, the organization implements four programs off-site, which include Lawrence Fruit Tree Project, Summer of Service youth volunteering, Food Rocket cooking and gardening with elementary students, and Healthy Sprouts farm to preschool. Sunrise plans to renovate the retail building so that it includes a classroom and meeting space, as well as a classroom kitchen. Once the site is fully operational, Sunrise will be able to expand its programming and engage the neighborhood in food and environmental activities on a larger scale. We greatly appreciate all of the support we've received from the East Lawrence neighborhood and look forward to a continued partnership as we become neighbors over the coming year! Please consider giving whatever you can to help us renovate the site and move in as soon as possible. You can click "Donate" on our website: www.sunriseprojectks.org, or mail checks to Sunrise Project, P.O. Box 1454, Lawrence, KS 66044. ALSO, we look forward to seeing all of you at the New York Elementary MLK Day Chili Feed on January 19th. We'll be kicking off our Food Rocket cooking club with New York students and helping prepare veggie chili for the community that day! See you there!

Adopt A Family Thanks



With the remarkable turn out for the Board election this year, organizers were inspired to adopt not just one, but TWO families for the annual Adopt A Family project. We were able to get clothing, toys, and household items, as well as over \$200 worth of gift certificates for our families. Thank you, neighbors!

Do you get our weekly enews? Each Thursday morning, we send out an email full of news and information regarding things happening in the neighborhood and the city at large. Email eastlawrence@yahoo.com if you'd like to be added. Or, you can self subscribe at <http://www.eastlawrence.com/join/thursday-enews/>.

New York School Shed Project

Hello my name is Jake Lester I am the chair for an organization called Freedom by Design. We are part of the national organization American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS). Every year the Lawrence chapter of AIAS and Freedom by Design picks a project to help better the community, we then design, fundraise, and build the project. This year we have picked New York Elementary school, which is in need of a garden shed. This garden shed will not only store the tools for the gardens but also include an outdoor classroom space all easily accessible for K-5 students. The design process is underway along with fundraising. We are trying to reach the goal of \$4,000 for this project. We have many different fundraisers that we are going to be doing; such as the MLK chili feed on January 19th where we will be having a silent auction of desserts, on February 26th we will be having a final Friday at New York Elementary we will be accepting donations at the door there will also be musical entertainment, and possibly an art auction. We also have a go fund me online, the link is on many different Facebook pages such as: NY garden club, New York Elementary, AIAS KU, ELNA, and the NY PTO page. Some in the community have already decided to help us such as Eric Jay at Struct/Restruct donating materials and desserts donated from the companies Perkins. We've also got donations from Henderson Engineers Inc. Any help we can get from the community will be greatly appreciated, this is a great project that we are all very excited about doing for the kids! If you have any more questions feel free to email me at aias-kufbd@gmail.com

FAST Time at LMCMS

Are you a Lawrence Public School Family?

Do you need help accessing the internet?

Visit FAST time, Family Access to School Technology, Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 6-7:30 at Liberty Memorial Central Middle School. Devices and WIFI are available for students and families of Lawrence Public Schools in the LMCMS commons area. Enter through the Northeast doors and use school resources to support student success. Thanks, USD 497!

ReStore: donating and volunteer needs

Many East Lawrence residents have discovered the Lawrence Habitat for Humanity ReStore. It is located in the heart of the neighborhood at 708 Connecticut. For those not familiar with the ReStore, it is a non-profit home improvement and donation center that resells new and gently used furniture, building materials, home accessories, and appliances to the public at a fraction of retail price. The ReStore works as a funding mechanism for the Lawrence Habitat for Humanity affiliate and supports its mission of building safe, decent, and affordable homes for the residents of Douglas and Jefferson counties. It also diverts salvageable construction and household materials from the landfill while providing the local community with a unique shopping experience.

Materials are generously donated by individuals, contractors, suppliers, property managers, and decorators. Items must be intended for residential usage, be structurally sound, and cosmetically acceptable. Inventory is constantly changing as new donations are received daily.

Information about donation criteria can be found by visiting our website or by calling the ReStore itself. Donations MUST be inspected by staff and can be brought to the Donation Center located at the back of the ReStore, accessible from the alley behind the store. (Don't forget to ring the bell if nobody is on the dock.)

Items can only be dropped off during donation hours: Monday-Friday 9a.m.-4p.m. and Saturday 9a.m.-1p.m. It may be possible to have your donation picked up and accepted items may be tax deductible—the ReStore can provide a receipt. (Donations dropped off after hours are considered illegal dumping.)

While the Lawrence Habitat ReStore depends on donors to bring materials and shoppers to purchase them, we MUST also have VOLUNTEERS to help accept, clean, and process donations. ReStore volunteers make time to give back to the community by working in the warehouse receiving donated materials, organizing stock on the sales floor, or assisting the driver while picking up materials with the ReStore truck.

For more information about volunteering at the ReStore or questions concerning donations, please call the Lawrence ReStore at 785-856-6920.

New York Elementary MLK CHILI FEED

Mark your calendars for the annual New York Elementary MLK Chili Feed, Tuesday January 19th, from 5-7pm. This is a community event and all are welcome. Free will donation will be accepted at the door. Information tables from the Sunrise Project, the Garden Shed project, the Front Porch project for East Ninth, Brook Creek Neighborhood Association, and more will be there!

In addition to inviting our East Lawrence neighbors to the event, New York PTA would like a few folks to volunteer to contribute vegetarian chili. Email PTA president Joanna Bonee jjbonee@yahoo.com if you're able. Thanks!

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Your \$1.00 membership in ELNA and contact information help us represent East Lawrence in our city and county government and to meet the needs of our neighborhood. Please note, memberships are per individual, not per household.

Support us. Let us support you.

\$1.00 for in-neighborhood individuals \$5.00 for out-of-neighborhood individuals
\$10.00 for in-neighborhood non-profit entities \$20.00 for in-neighborhood businesses
\$100.00 lifetime individual membership

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- We print the names of new and returning members in the bimonthly paper newsletter. Check here if it's OK to print your name.
- We're working on creating a block-by-block calling/check-in network of neighbors to contact in the event of an emergency. It's a work in progress. Check here if you'd like to be contacted about being a BlockHead—a contact person for your block in the event of emergency or issue.
- Check here if you'd like to be added to our "Thursday ELNA News" weekly e-newsletter email list.

Send this form and your check payable to ELNA to:

ELNA, PO Box 442393 Lawrence KS 66044

Plus! Visit ELNA's website for information on *new* tshirts and merchandise!

Click the paypal button to donate securely there!

ELNA Needs Your Help! Please Volunteer!

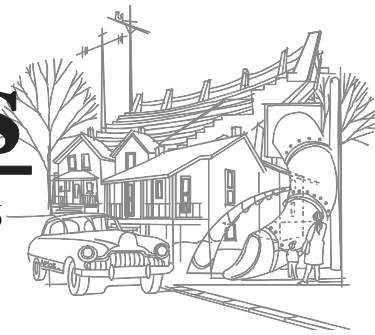
Mark what ELNA events/skills you would like to volunteer for:

- Work Days
- YART (Yard/Art) Sale
- Block Party
- Adopt-A-Family
- Art
- Music
- Photography
- Gardening
- Grilling
- Fund Raising
- Historic Preservation
- Serving on the ELNA Board
- Website/Technical Management
- Baking/Cooking
- Other: _____

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March 2016



ELNA March Monthly Meeting

The East Lawrence Neighborhood Association will meet again on Monday March 7th from 7-9pm at the New York School library. Guests include representatives from the East Ninth Project with current schematics for the street plan, plus representatives from the Penn House to talk about upcoming changes to the site and programs.

In order to allow for plenty of discussion time for our guests at our regular Monday meeting, the ELNA Board will hold a **special meeting** for follow up business **Tuesday March 8th** from 7-9pm at the Lawrence Percolator, in the alley behind 913 Rhode Island. This meeting is open to the public.

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Come to the YART Sale!

Come one, come all, to the annual ELNA YART (yard/art) Sale! This year's sale will be **Saturday, March 26th, 8am-2pm, in the New York School Gym**. The YART sale is ELNA's biggest annual fundraiser, where neighbors donate their gently used items to sell, local artists vend their creations, and we are all entertained by our neighborhood musicians.

The YART sale is always a great place to mingle with neighbors and find treasures – we hope you will join us!

AND we need your help to make the event a success.

Here's what you can do to take part in this neighborhood event:

VOLUNTEER – We need volunteers! Volunteer to set up (on Friday, Mar. 25th, 5:30-9pm), take down/clean up (Saturday, Mar. 26th @ ~1pm), and to help organize and work at the event.

Donate Your Gently Used Items - Please consider donating your gently used items for this event. You can either plan to bring items to the school the evening before (we will be setting up from 5:30-9pm on Friday), or email Lane for details on where you can drop off your items ahead of time.

Sell Your Art – Do you make stuff? Do you sell the stuff you make? Well! Why not sell at the YART Sale?! Vendors are asked to donate 10% of earnings to ELNA and bring their own table.

Play Your Music – Are you a musician looking for a venue? Playing for your neighbors at the YART Sale is nice and chill, and it may be just the place for you to make some beautiful music.

Plan to Come! – The YART Sale is ELNA's big fundraiser for the year. Please plan to come and shop and support us and the work we do for the community!

One neighbor's trash is another neighbor's treasure!

Email Lane at eastlawrence@yahoo.com if you'd like to volunteer, or you want to sell your art or play some music.

North of Ninth Zoning Project

There will be a meeting to discuss the current and prospective zoning of East Lawrence north of 9th Street on Monday March 28th from 6-8pm at the Lawrence Public Library auditorium.

ELNA Project leaders Pam Blackburn and Phil Collison plus representatives Scott McCollough and Becky Pepper from the City of Lawrence Planning Division will attend.

Penn House Changes Press Release

A strong focus on community solutions

Penn House is proud to announce a new partnership with local social entrepreneurship organization Sun Cedar, and the Douglas County Re-Entry program.

New Executive Director of the Ballard Community Services at Ballard Center/Penn House, Christie Scanlin Dobson is making strong moves in Lawrence's Social Welfare scene by aligning Penn House with notable successes in reintegration.

This new partnership with Sun Cedar and Re-Integration focuses directly on producing jobs, training, and counseling. While still serving community via Emergency Services Council, Senior Commodities, Warm Hearts and the referral services Penn House has historically provided, upcoming changes in programming will include life-building services such as:

- Resume Building
- Hosting group therapeutic activities
- Facilitating tutoring sessions
- "Stinkin' Thinkin'" & "MRT" (Moral Reconation Therapy) classes
- Hosting "CCCR" meetings (Community Collaboration Council on Reentry)
- Facilitating relationships with associated support networks such as Bert Nash, Catholic Charities, 12 step resources...
- Advising and assisting in the process of attaining housing security.
- Training in building professional demeanor and dressing for the job via 2nd hand surplus.

In a recent meeting with CEO of Sun Cedar Shine Adams and Mike Brouwer, Director of Re-Entry, Christie noted: *"Lawrence should lead the way in community support for much of the Midwest- this new partnership builds layered services, where each supports the next."*

It is time to put a finer point on what Penn House has to offer our community. Penn House has always been an asset to Lawrence, it is time to build on that, and share this resource with other agencies under our roof. With some very basic renovation, and the fresh perspectives that Sun Cedar and Re-Entry bring, we can be an example of what a results-based social enterprise, blended with traditional social services looks like.

A Community Fundraiser to support this new coalition will take place soon. Donations can be made at <http://ballardcenter.org/>.

Stay tuned, neighbors, for more information on the history of the Penn House, how you can receive services there, how you can help, and upcoming fundraising campaigns to benefit the Penn House.



Board Member Christine Kosirog

How long have you lived in East Lawrence?

14 years

Why do you choose to live here? Community, grittiness, family, friends

How long have you been on the Board? 6 years

Why do you choose to serve on the ELNA Board? Because I love my neighborhood and my neighbors

What projects, new or traditional, are you interested in working on this year? Ones that celebrate our neighborhood, our history, our changes.

What's your favorite office supply and why? A nice mechanical pencil-nothing on my schedule is ever set in stone so I need to go with the flow and this requires a nice pencil with a reliable eraser.

Neighborhood Clean Ups

Burroughs Creek Clean Up:

In collaboration with ELNA, the Brook Creek Neighborhood Association will host a clean up of the Burroughs Creek trail and surrounding areas **Saturday April 16th from 10:00am to 2:00pm**. ELNA will bring bagels and coffee for breakfast, and BCNA will provide sandwiches for lunch. Volunteers from KU's Big Event will be there, and we hope you'll come too. The gathering will begin and supplies will be stored at the Brook Creek gazebo.

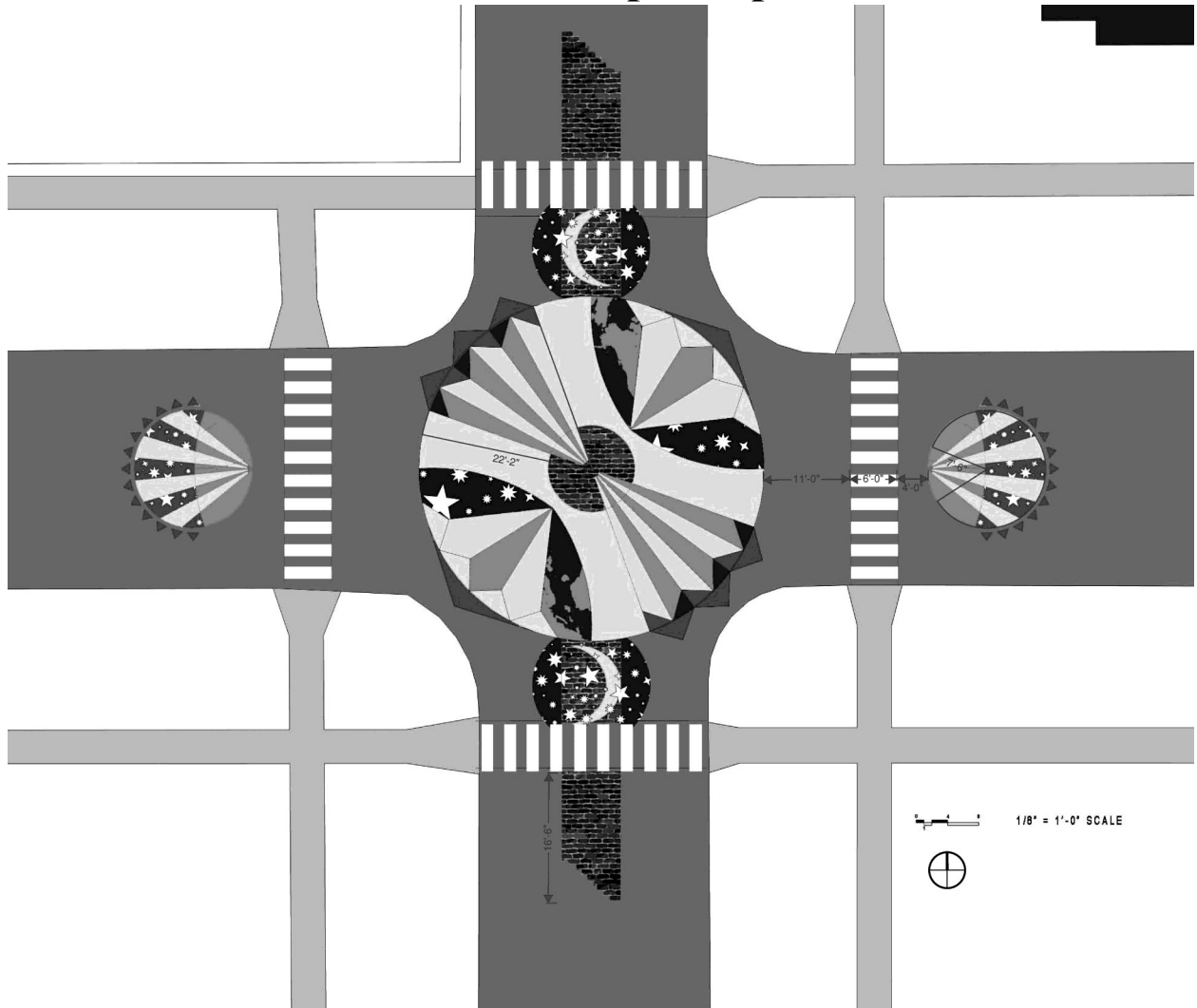
New York School Clean Up:

Also on **April 16th, from 9:00am to noon**, New York School families and friends will gather to clean up the grounds and work on the gardens. Volunteers from KU will be at this event too. Thanks, KU! As well as groups from New York's various business and charitable organization partners. Bring your gardening tools and elbow grease, Mrs. DeGarmo is working on a to-do list!

River Clean Up:

Saturday April 23rd from 8:00am to Noon. (Yes! the same day as the Earth Day events in the park and Intersection Repair painting day at 10th and New Jersey! You can do it all!) Our clean up guy Mike Myers will bring gloves, trash bags, and some tools, for trash clean up and trail clearing. Please wear pants and long sleeves to protect yourself from poison ivy and appropriate footwear to avoid injury. Also bring any yard hand tools such as loppers and clippers you may have if you want to help with clearing. As always, ELNA will bring bagels and coffee for the early comers. Look for Mike's red pick up near the tracks at 7th and New York Street, an entry point for the trail. All are welcome.

Intersection Repair Update



Neighbors! Friends! Lawrencians!

!!Lawrence Intersection Repair Painting Day Party!!

Tentative Date: April 23rd, 2016 , 10:00am -7:00pm*

Rain Date: April 30th, 2016 , 10:00 am -7:00 pm

Lawrence Intersection Repair is delighted to celebrate the long awaited painting day party on Saturday, April 23rd, from 10:00-7:00 pm! We invite all members of the community and all ages to come out on Saturday, April 23rd- in your painting clothes to help paint the first intersection mural in Lawrence! All you need to bring is yourselves, a smile and your creativity!

Painting will start at 10:00 am and will continue until we are finished (this will go quickly so please come participate and leave your mark!) We will be creating a time lapse video to document this process, so come be apart of history!

Starting at 4:00 pm we will have live local music in the street, along with pizza, snacks, and beverages (booze-y

and non) to celebrate our hard work and amazing community! Please feel free to bring a potluck dish after 4:00 to share with neighbors.

We will also have games and crafts for little ones to partake in!

Let's celebrate Lawrence, Creativity and Ourselves with the Lawrence Intersection Mural! Hope to see you there!

Love,
The Lawrence Intersection Repair Team

Please look for flyers, info in the ELNA E-news and on our Facebook page for date confirmation!

from the City of Lawrence

Compost and Woodchip Sale

COMPOST & WOODCHIP SALE EVENT

Thursday, March 24, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Friday, March 25, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 26, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

The city will load by tractor into pick-up trucks and trailers. The city cannot load trucks with ladder racks. Patrons are asked to bring a tarp for their pickup to secure the woodchips, preventing them from littering the roadway as they drive from the facility. The cost of the compost or woodchips will be \$10 per bucket load, which is equivalent to 2 cubic yards. CASH only.

For more information on the compost or woodchip sale, please call (785) 832-3030 or email recycling@lawrenceks.org.

COMPOST & WOODCHIP SALE - SELF LOAD ONLY

Every Saturday, March - mid-December, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Compost and woodchips are for SELF LOAD ONLY. Self-loading pick-up truck or trailer loads will be \$10 per load and small quantities will be free. CASH only. Please bring a shovel. This sale will be during scheduled brush drop-off hours.

What is Compost?

Compost consists of decayed organic matter and has been proven to be extremely successful as a natural soil amendment. Lawrence Community Compost is made from the yard trimmings and small woody debris collected curbside on Monday mornings, as well as grass clippings, leaves, and woody debris from some commercial lawn care providers.

What is Mulch?

Mulch is a material used to cover the soil. Most mulches are organic (woodchips, unfinished compost, straw) but inorganics such as lava rock or limestone can add an appealing, low maintenance touch. Good mulch conserves water by reducing moisture evaporation from the soil. The woodchips the City sells are made from tree materials brought in from residential and commercial sources.

Spring Electronic Recycling and Document Shredding Event

Rain or Shine Event

Saturday, March 19th 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m

Free State High School parking lot, 4700 Overland Dr.

According to the Consumer Electronics Association (CEA), Americans now own approximately 24 electronic products per household. For households in Lawrence, that is approximately 675,000 electronic items that would eventually need recycling. Donating used electronics for reuse extends the lives of valuable products, and recycling electronics at the end of their usable life prevents valuable materials from going into the waste stream--which can harm the environment and our health.

The City of Lawrence invites residents and small businesses to recycle unused or obsolete electronic equipment. Electronic equipment may contain hazardous components such as lead, mercury and cadmium. Recycling your unwanted electronic equipment keeps these hazardous components out of the landfill.

No fee for document shredding (maximum of 3 bags/boxes). Secure document shredding will be provided by Jayhawk File Express. Documents will be collected on-site at the event and securely shredded off-site. Documents with staples, paperclips, spring bound papers, and glue bound papers are permitted.

Items accepted for recycling:

Computers, Monitors, Printers, Copiers, Scanners, Fax Machines, Televisions*, Video and Audio Equipment, Cell Phones and other Hand Held Devices, Microwaves and other Small Appliances

* Recycling fee (Cash or Checks ONLY):

\$20.00 per CRT television under 27 inches

\$40.00 per CRT television over 27 inches

\$50.00 per rear projection/console TV

no charge for other electronics

Items NOT accepted:

Large Appliances (Refrigerators, AC Units, Dehumidifiers) (Look for a form to "request a residential special item pickup service" for large appliances on the City website.)

VHS tapes and CDs

Hazardous Waste (Fluorescent Light Bulbs, Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors, Compressed Gas Cylinders)

Contact the Waste Reduction and Recycling Office to schedule an appointment at (785) 832-3030 to schedule a drop-off appointment at the City of Lawrence/Douglas County Household Hazardous Waste Facility.

Save the Dates!

Put these events on your calendars, neighbors. You can attend, volunteer, or just watch out for parking! Look in the May/June issue of the East Lawrence news for more details on event locations, dates, times, etc, plus road closure maps.

from The Lawrence Arts Center: Freestate Festival 2016

Save the Date for Free State Festival 2016! Each June, the Free State Festival brings the highest caliber of independent film, music, art, and ideas to the City of Lawrence and the regional community. This year's festival will run from Monday, June 20th through Saturday, June 25th, and will feature performances by Radio Lab founder and co-host Jad Abumrad and stand-up comedian and television star Maria Bamford. More announcements to come! Check out www.freestatefestival.org

Want to participate? Submit a film or event proposal here: <http://freestatefestival.org/submissions>

Want to volunteer? Pick up a volunteer form at the front desk or click here: <http://www.lawrenceartscenter.org/volunteer/> Anyone who volunteers during the run of the Festival, from June 20th-25th, will receive one free FSF movie ticket—although movie choices may be limited based on ticket sales. More questions? Don't hesitate to email Festival Director Sarah Bishop: sarah@lawrenceartscenter.org

from Just Food: Food Truck Festival 2016

Pending formal consent from the City, the 3rd Annual Kansas Food Truck Festival 2016 is tentatively scheduled

for May 7th from 4 to 10pm. The festival will be held on Pennsylvania Street from 9th to 8th, plus some on side streets. (Street closures begin at noon that day.) Due to the great success of the first and second year festivals, and with input from attendees and planners, the Food Truck Festival will be returning with more food trucks, street performers, and live entertainment. Approximately 26 food trucks from Lawrence and across the region will be serving up delicious dishes of all varieties.

With over 3,000 guests, the 2015 Food Truck Festival raised \$22,000 for Just Food, Douglas County's Food Bank, making it the organization's largest annual fundraiser. Last year's funds provided over 100,000 meals for Douglas County residents.

For more information about the festival, visit www.ksfoodtruckfest.com. For more information about Just Food and the services provided there, visit <http://justfood.org/>

You may contact Food Truck Festival organizers with your input and concerns:

Jennifer Letner, Cider Gallery Director,
Jennifer@cidergallery.com

Elizabeth Keever, Just Food Director,
ekeever@justfoodks.org

East Ninth Update

The final plan for 9th Street will have been submitted by el dorado by February 29th. A plan for viewing should be available on the City website shortly thereafter. The East Ninth CAC will have taken an up or down vote on the plan at the meeting on March 2nd. The plan will then be presented by el dorado associates at the March ELNA meeting (Monday March 7th, 7pm at New York School). It will then appear before the Lawrence Cultural Arts Commission on March 9th, the Historic Resources Commission on March 24th, and then finally on to the City Commission for the ultimate up or down vote on March 29th.

Minutes and agendas from previous meetings, as well as previous documents can be found at the City's East Ninth page: <https://www.lawrenceks.org/9th-street-corridor-project>

Don't have a computer or access to the Internet? Call the city at (785) 832-3400 or el dorado, inc. at (816) 474-3838.

With your questions, you may also contact the staff project liaison: Porter Arneill, Director of Arts & Culture parneill@lawrenceks.org, 785-832-3402.



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150 Years Ago, on New York Street

—Lane Eisenbart, research by Dave Evans

At the December ELNA meeting, attendees learned that a row of houses in the 1200 block of New York Street have been purchased by an individual, and are currently being assessed for repair or demolition. Upon hearing about the possible imperil of those several homes, ELNA's historian friend, Dave Evans, (whose email handle is dusty0research, as an indicator) has been pouring over newspaper, City, and County records for information about the houses' histories.

With a human history slant (who lived in a place? what was their life like there? who was born or died there and who got hitched?) to what Dave Evans found, here are the highlights from a century or so ago at 1225, 1229, and 1235 New York St. Thanks for the dig, Dave!

1225 New York Street (lot 153) was owned by Mary and Henry McFaddan, and the home presumably built by them. Kate and Dennis Kehler bought the lot in 1884. Dennis Kehler came to Lawrence with the first wave of settlers and was a Quantrill's Raid survivor. He was an Irish immigrant and wagon driver and well known and liked in town. Dennis Kehler died of influenza in 1893 and his heirs sold the lot to John and Maggie Standing.

John and Maggie Standing, along with four daughters, had immigrated from England, and after farming for a time in Iowa (one more daughter was born there) and in rural Douglas County, came to Lawrence to try a new trade. John found his vocation as a coal seller, delivering the "best cleanest coal to customers in all parts of the city"² from his coal yards on East Warren Street (now 9th) and his shop, Cash Feed and Fuel, at Henry (now 8th) and Vermont Street.

John Standing died, of kidney failure, at his home, in 1910. The funeral and family viewing were held there as well. John was buried in Oak Hill cemetery. John Standing's wife, unmarried children, and other extended family continued to live at 1225 New York for many years after.

1912 was a significant year at 1225 New York Street. On May Day of 1912, one of the younger Standing children, Maud, aged 25, had her wedding there. "Maud Standing and Mr. Ferbus A Dickenson were united in marriage at the home of the bride, 1225 New York Street. Rev. Calvin Choate of the Friends Church performed the ceremony, which took place in the living room. Throughout the home, apple blossoms and sweet peas were used in

the decoration.”¹ The newlyweds lived thereafter at 1112 Connecticut Street. Later that year, in November, another Standing daughter, Margaret Emily Standing, died in the home, returning in “ill health from the Crow Agency in Montana where she’d been a teacher the previous 12 years.” She was 46 years old.

1225 New York Street stayed in the Standing family until May of 1937.

1229 New York Street (lot 155) was built between 1866 and 1867 by August Olson, a Swedish immigrant.

1229 New York Street stayed in the Olson family until October of 1945. August Olson was a grocer, as well as a buyer and shipper of fruits and vegetables. He stocked all kinds of “staple and fancy groceries [including] a fine line of syrups, flour in quantity, [and] tobaccos”² at his shop at the corner of Henry (now 8th) and Vermont Streets. Standing of 1225 and Olson of 1229 were neighbors and friends, as well as occasional business partners, both holding business premises at 8th and Vermont Streets.

August Olson died, in the home, in 1897 of a brief and unnamed illness. Mrs. Olson, Matilda, continued to live in the home until her death in 1927 at 82 years old. Services were held there at 1229 New York on November 14th, 1927. She had lived there with her husband and children for 52 years.

As a side note, the Olsons were active, integral members of the Swedish Lutheran Church, the building still standing at 10th and Connecticut. Due to low membership, the church was disbanded and sold in 1910.

The Olsons had six children. One died in infancy and another in his late twenties. One daughter married and moved to Kansas City, while her three remaining sons Victor, Arthur, and Axel all stayed in Lawrence and had families of their own. Arthur took ownership of 1229 New York Street, while Axel moved to the 1600 block of Rhode Island Street. (Arthur sold the home at 1229 New York Street some time in 1945 and moved to 2309 Mass Street.) Axel was a bookkeeper for the Poehler Mercantile Company for nearly a decade and then went into the plumbing business with his brother Arthur. Proclaiming “no job will be too big nor too small to receive careful attention, and all repair work will be attended to promptly”³, the Olson brothers set up shop at 934 Mass Street. The Olson Brother Plumbing Co stayed in business there for 44 years.

1235 New York Street has a less clear cut history, changing hands many times.

1235 New York Street (lot 157) is composed of pre-1873 stone according to records. The taxable value of the home

is listed first in 1867 at \$500 registered to one Simon Steinberg. Simon Steinberg was German Jew who left Nuernberg in 1846 at the age of 13. In 1865, he opened a dry goods store here in Lawrence. Steinberg eventually moved to St Louis, but in his time in Lawrence, served on the Lawrence City Council as a member of the committee on finance and as the vice-president of the Turnverein. Steinberg was an example resident of the “district east of Massachusetts Street, between New Hampshire and New York Street... recognized as the main focal point of German institutions” in Lawrence.⁵

Sarah E Hadley then purchased 1235 New York Street in 1868, but didn’t own it long, selling it to James Shearer just two years later. Mrs. Sarah E Hadley apparently owned and lived at 833 New Jersey, now the site of Kennedy Glass, dying there in 1888.

James Shearer was an immigrant and older man, who is noted in newspapers from the time as “quiet and unostentatious, and few outside of his immediate circle of friends and the church knew him,” and as a “pillar of strength to the United Presbyterian Church.”⁴ Shearer owned 1235 New York for just over ten years, but it is unclear if he ever lived there.

Mary J McCullough is listed as paying the taxes on lot 157 New York Street in 1881, though never lived in the house. Some readers may recognize the name Mary McCullough as a turn of the century real estate speculator, at one time owning an entire block of Mass Street between 9th and 10th, the site of a massive fire in 1887.

After 1884, deed books indicate a long line of owners for 1235 New York Street, lot 157. Names such as Kauffman, Eichlotz, and Long repeat until the lot split in 1888, presumably 2/3 with the house going one way, and a 1/3 lot another.

In the years between 1867, the first deed entry for 1229 New York Street, and 1927, the year Mrs. Matilda Olson died there, a lot of life happened on the south end of the 1200 block of New York Street. At least five people took their final breaths in those homes, one couple exchanged marriage vows, one woman doled out over 50 years and three-fifths of her life, and possibly all six of the Olson children were born there, in just that short sixty year span. There’s no question much more has happened in the 1200 block of New York Street since, and, if the homes remain, even more East Lawrence history is sure to occur.

look on our website eastlawrence.com under the heading Dave Evans! for references for this article

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- We print the names of new and returning members in the bimonthly paper newsletter. Check here if it's OK to print your name.
- We're working on creating a block-by-block calling/check-in network of neighbors to contact in the event of an emergency. It's a work in progress. Check here if you'd like to be contacted about being a BlockHead—a contact person for your block in the event of emergency or issue.
- Check here if you'd like to be added to our "Thursday ELNA News" weekly e-newsletter email list.

Send this form and your check payable to ELNA to:

ELNA, PO Box 442393 Lawrence KS 66044

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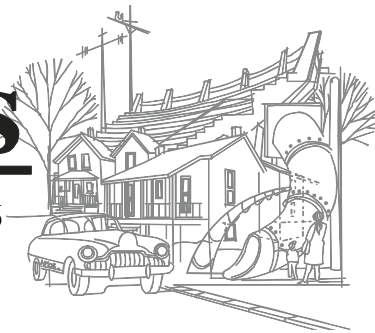
Mark what ELNA events/skills you would like to volunteer for:

- Work Days
- YART (Yard/Art) Sale
- Block Party
- Adopt-A-Family
- Art
- Music
- Photography
- Gardening
- Grilling
- Fund Raising
- Historic Preservation
- Serving on the ELNA Board
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May 2016



ELNA

General Meeting

MONDAY, MAY 2nd, 7-9pm
New York Elementary
9th & New York

Agenda items include:



New Summer Meeting Space Location!

ELNA's summer meetings will take place at the
Lawrence Creates Makerspace
at 512 E 9th.
Monday June 6th

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Emily Pearson
Ryan the NYE Night
Custodian
Papa Kenos Pizza
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Tom Peters
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River Clean Up Thanks



On a perfect spring Saturday morning 40 neighbors, friends, relatives, and students met to spend some time in the woods down by the river on the north edge of our neighborhood. We removed an enormous pile of trash in four hours and cleared honeysuckle vine from hundreds of feet of trail.

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Joe. Joe Dotson. Caveman Joe. BMX Joe. Joe the Mumbler. Joe.

Joe passed away on Thursday March 31st in a tragic house fire at his home in the 900 block of Pennsylvania. A memorial for him was held at South Park on April 17th.

To many of us, Joe was just a guy you saw. Lots of folks have stories of odd encounters with Joe, and the wild things he said. He was a character, a part of the scenery, a thing that we all knew. But maybe not so many of us knew him well.

Did you know that Joe had two brothers and a sister? That he moved around a lot as a kid. That he was an avid fisherman from a very young age, and he had just bought a new rod shortly before his death. He caught catfish from the Kaw "as big as you" some said. Joe must have been uncommonly fond of corndogs and hotdogs, judging by the quantity of them littering his yard in the days after his death. Joe was a constant source of comedic material for his brother, Bob. He and his brother Dan nearly came to blows over math homework when Joe was a kid. He was a sweet kid, said Dan, and never got in trouble. Living with him was "just ok" said Bob. "Just being honest." His friend Kathy will always remember him fondly as one of her first friends in Lawrence. "He was decent, honorable, caring, and conscientious." He had a good memory and always paid back loans.



Diane Werner, Joes' brothers and sister at the memorial



Diane Werner, Joe's family



3 Joes by John Clayton

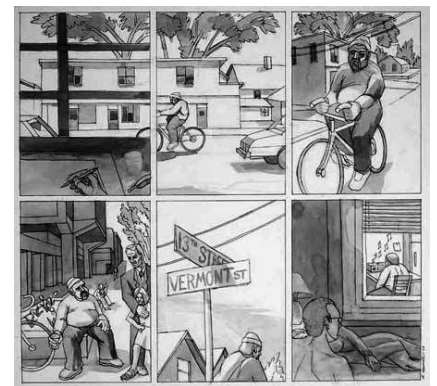
However irascible, Joe was a person. Joe was our person. Joe was a marker of time, of seasons. Joe's out on his bike! The roads must not be too bad. I just saw about nine cats falling off the roof at Joe's house. Must be springtime! Joe was one of those things that make us a community. We all knew Joe, even if we didn't know Joe, and that was a thing we shared.

Joe will be missed, in whatever way we each will miss him. We, as a community, are lacking a piece without Joe. Something just isn't right with him gone.

Goodbye, Joe. We are sorry for the terrible way you had to slough off your mortal coil. We are sorry for your suffering. We wish you well in your next adventure. May your afterlife be filled, Joe, with all the 80's wraparound shades you'll ever need. May your bike tires never go flat, your chain greased, and your ride be smooth. May you find many strangers to mumble and yell and curse at to your heart's content. May all your cats always be fertile and well fed.

Here, kitty, kitty, kitty.

Dave Loewenstein -- A 2004 piece about one of my first memories of Joe, circa 1992



Katie Conrad -- Joe was my first Lawrence neighbor in the late 90s, back when he lived in Pinckney where Mike West's studio is now and I lived in the house up front. He came up to my front door once, and as we chatted about something or other, I saw that his hand was bleeding from a huge gash. The blood was a shock to see; he had seemed unbreakable. I clucked over him a little, told him he needed to go clean it up. I realized then how vulnerable he was, despite his (in)famous orneriness. Once he was in Love Garden and shouted, to no one in particular, "I'm not made of iron. I'm not made of steel." I made a woodcut of it. I still find that a moving statement. He wasn't made of iron or steel. Didn't we all sort of assume he was? Didn't we all expect him to outlive us? But we aren't iron or steel, none of us. RIP Joe.



Brian Shay – Nobody could ride a bicycle slower than Joe.



Diane Werner telling stories about Joe at the memorial

Joe Dotson had lived cross the alley from me for a number of years. I would often encounter him as we both rode our bikes along 9th St. He probably found frustrating his difficulties communicating with others. He was one of the people that made our neighborhood what it is. He was one of us, and will be conspicuous in his absence. – *Don Kantory*

From neighbor *Cindy Trask* – The East Side will never be the same. Oh how much we will miss him.



From the memorial: Joe and his brothers, Bob and Dan

New York Movie Night!

Friday May 13th

7pm, band and teacher fundraiser

~8:30, sunset, movie showing

We'll set up on the North playground of New York School. Starting off at 7, we'll have a band and concessions for sale provided by the New York teachers. This is a fundraiser for special teacher training and materials for school wide Ci3T improvements next year. For more information about that, you may contact

Nancy Ornburn nornburn@usd497.org.

Around sunset, approximately 8:30pm, we'll start the movie. Due to copyright limitations, we're not allowed to tell you what the movie is! But, here's a hint: it's a 1999 movie about something metal and really big. ;)

The movie is a free, all community event, and everyone is invited. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Bring your own comfortable seating.



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Summer of Service with the Sunrise Project

Youth ages 12-18 are invited to join us for a summer of learning, service and advocacy! Projects Sign up to make a difference, learn, and have fun volunteering in the months of June and July with projects that focus on LGBTQ+ issues, hunger, art with preschoolers, shelter animals, farm to school, cooking, nature, and more! Enrollment for Summer of Service is Open! Enrollment will remain open until all positions are filled, and once filled, names can be added to the waitlist to gauge interest in future projects.

Sign up at www.sunriseprojectks.org Questions? E-mail Melissa, Director of Programs: programs@sunriseprojectks.org

Summer Classes at the Lawrence Arts Center

Summer Enrollment is going on now! With classes for all ages, interests, and skill-levels, we're excited to welcome you and your family to a summer jam-packed with creativity and imagination. There are STEAM-themed camps and Summer Youth Theatre courses for the kids, and everything from printmaking and jewelry making to ceramics and mixed media classes for adults. A robust financial aid program promises access for all, regardless of income level. Check out our summer course offerings and enroll now: <https://ada.lawrenceartscenter.org/browseclasses>. Or, call us at 785.843.2787. We look forward to making the enrollment process quick and hassle-free!





YART Sale 2016



How Can I Keep From Singing

Hello Neighbors, I am happy to announce that the East Lawrence Center now has a piano! I am extremely grateful for this wonderful gift from our friend Melissa Warren and can't wait to see what kind of great uses the community will have for it. The piano will be available for drop in use or can be used privately by reserving the Meeting room. The keys will be kept covered to protect the piano but generally won't be locked. Bring down your church choir, relive your Glee Club days with friends, or practice some scales (amount of scales practiced in a row might need to be limited eventually☺). Please feel free to contact us at the ELC if you have questions about the piano or any other programs offered through Parks and Rec. Finally, with a piano here, I'm going to be expecting some carolers this year; so find some friends, start practicing and I'll see you in December. And hey, if you need space to practice I might know someone who can help.

Free State Festival 2016

June 20th through 25th

The Lawrence Arts Center's Free State Festival is a week-long celebration of film, music, art, and ideas. Started as a small independent film festival in 2011, the Free State Festival has become an interdisciplinary festival featuring a slate of more than 10 feature films, 40 short films, outdoor concerts, stage performances, digital media installations, and panel discussions. The 2016 Free State Festival will feature a free outdoor concert by hip-hop group Public Enemy, led by artists Chuck D and Flavor Flav. More notable persons of the 2016 Free State Festival include comedian and television star Maria Bamford, Radiolab founder and co-host Jad Abumrad, and artist and activist Aurora Robson.

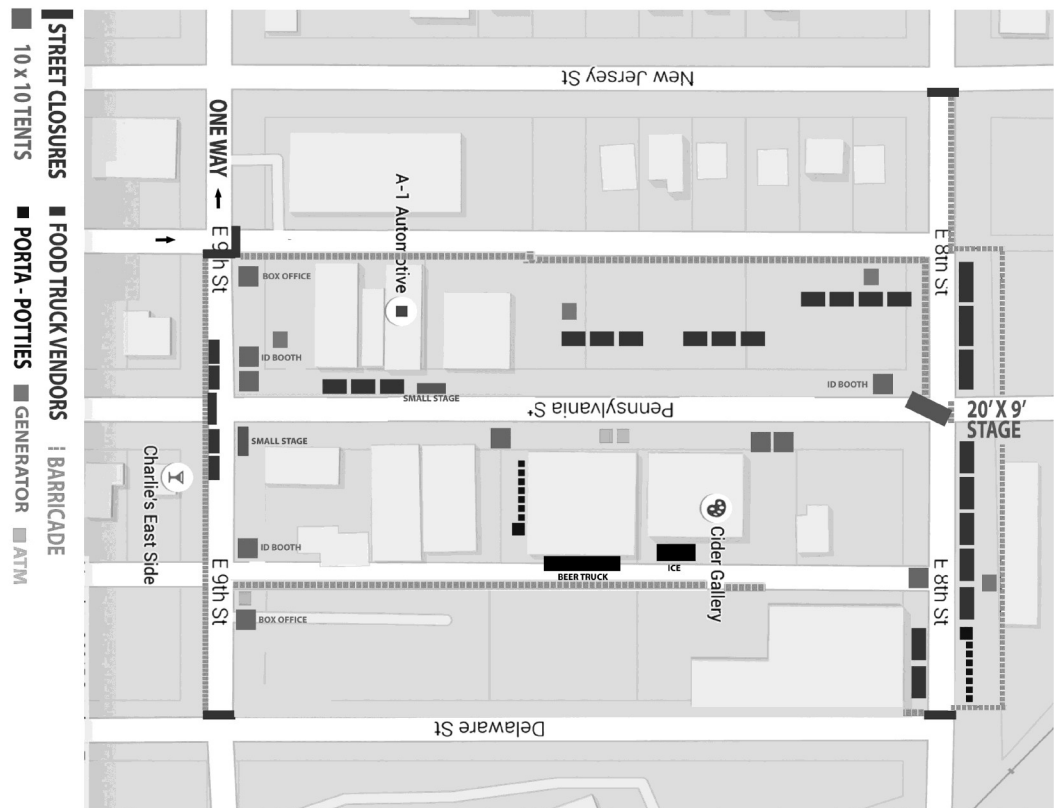
A full schedule, tickets, and maps will be available in May at www.freestatefestival.org.

Food Truck Festival

The 3rd Annual Kansas Food Truck Festival to benefit Just Food will take place Saturday May 7th from 4-10pm in and around the 800 block of Pennsylvania St. Tickets to enter are \$10, free for kids 12 and under, and can be purchased at the the Cider Gallery, Just Food, Granada Theater, both Lawrence Hy-vee locations, and Merchants Pub & Plate. Only 4,000 tickets will be sold, so get yours fast!

In addition to 26 food trucks from near and far with a variety of fare, the festival will feature live music, performance art, and hand made items for sale. A full list of food vendors and attractions can be found on the Food Truck Festival website <http://www.ksfoodtruckfest.com/>.

Street closures will begin at noon that day and will likely be down by midnight.



Got a question? Any special parking circumstances? You can contact event organizers Jennifer and Elizabeth:

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Hike Through History

items on the Lawrence Public Library calendar.
Please join us, neighbors!

A Hike Through History with Henry Fortunato

THURS | Jun 16 | 7-8:30 PM | Auditorium

Get an advance peek at the Burroughs Creek Trail Hike Through History exhibit coming to the Lawrence Public Library in late June.

Hike Through History On the Burroughs Creek Trail

SAT | Jun 18 | 10 AM | Burroughs Creek Trail, meet at Hobbs Park

You've experienced it sitting down, now it's time to get moving! We'll do an approximately 3.2 mile roundtrip walk along the Burroughs Creek Trail on a lovely summer morning and learn about the history that happened here.



For Immediate Release:
April 11, 2016

Lawrence Public Library Foundation Obtains Grant from Freedom's Frontier NHA for Burroughs Creek Trail Traveling Exhibit

(LAWRENCE, KS) - Freedom's Frontier National Heritage Area has awarded the Lawrence Public Library Foundation a \$4,525 grant for the "Hike through History on the Burroughs Creek Trail" project.

The funding will assist Lawrence Public Library in the development of its traveling exhibit examining key historical points along the Burroughs Creek Trail and Linear Park, a 1.7-mile concrete-paved path running 11th Street to 23rd Street in east Lawrence.

Exhibit panels funded by FFNHA cover the Oregon Trail, the 1863 Quantrill Raid, early railroad history, and the stories of several prominent families that settled in Lawrence near the present-day trail, a former rail line once operated by the Atchison, Topeka, & Santa Fe. Additional exhibit panels supported by other funders focus on Langston Hughes, Lawrence's WWII-era POW branch camp, Beat Generation author-artist William S. Burroughs who is the trail's namesake, and Douglas County agricultural history exemplified by the South Lawrence Co-op Elevator.

The exhibit is built around well-designed pop-up display panels presenting engaging narratives based on scholarly research and illustrated with archival images from the Watkins Museum, the Kansas Historical Society, KU's Spencer Research Library, and other sources. It aims to connect public humanities with health and wellness, with the overall goal of encouraging individuals to exercise their bodies and their minds at the same time.

A series of bookmarks complementing each display panel will offer suggestions for further reading about each topic. Following its run at the Library, the exhibit will travel to various venues throughout Lawrence including East Lawrence Recreation Center, Lawrence Memorial Hospital, and the KU Memorial Union. The FFNHA grant augments funding and in-kind support from Watkins Community Museum of History, Lawrence Memorial Hospital, and Dolph and Pam Simons. The project also enjoys formal support from the East Lawrence Neighborhood Association and the Brook Creek Neighborhood Association.

The "Hike through History on the Burroughs Creek Trail" is scheduled to be unveiled in late June 2016 at the Library as a complement to its Summer Reading program, which has an emphasis on fitness. The exhibit builds on initial research conducted by a graduate student intern assigned to the project by the Hall Center for the Humanities at the University of Kansas in summer 2014. The project is under the direction of Henry Fortunato, formerly the award-winning director of public affairs at the Kansas City Public Library and now a

visiting fellow at the Hall Center. Lawrence historian Katie Armitage serves as project scholar.

"Since 1904, Lawrence Public Library has served as an indispensable resource for local history information in Lawrence," said Brad Allen, Library Executive Director. "This is the library's first ever interpretive grant. We are proud to partner with Freedom's Frontier National Heritage Area on this exciting project."

The Freedom's Frontier Interpretive Grant program was started in 2012. Since then, more than 48 projects have been awarded grant funding. Grant projects have been completed on both sides of the Missouri-Kansas border, in the 41-county region that comprises the heritage area.

Projects awarded grant funding must interpret local history, and connect to one or more of the three major themes of the heritage area: the shaping of the frontier, the Missouri-Kansas Border War, and the enduring struggle for freedom. Grants range in amount from under \$1,500 to \$5,000. All awards over \$1,500 require that the grant recipient show a local match of half the amount of the award. This match can be in the form of cash, or in-kind donations and staff and volunteer time.

Freedom's Frontier National Heritage Area is one of 49 heritage areas in the U.S. Heritage areas are non-profit affiliates of the National Park Service (NPS). They act as coordinating entities between the local organizations telling nationally significant stories and the NPS.

Freedom's Frontier was established as a heritage area on October 12, 2006, when signed into law by President George W. Bush. The heritage area's management plan was approved by the Department of the Interior and the NPS in 2010. Freedom's Frontier is headquartered in the Carnegie Building, 200 W 9th St., in Lawrence, KS.

Grant applications are accepted from organizations within the borders of the heritage area which have signed a partner pledge with Freedom's Frontier, and meet all other qualifications for grant funding. Applications are reviewed quarterly by a peer group from the partnership. Organizations are asked to complete their grant projects within a year of the grant award. For more information about Freedom's Frontier National Heritage Area, visit the Web site at www.freedomsfrontier.org.

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We are eternally grateful for everyone showing up and making the woods and riverfront a real showcase. It was a great way to spend Earth Day Saturday. Please consider spending some time enjoying the habitat and river in our neighborhood. It is one of our most valuable neighborhood resources.

Let's get together again in the fall!

Sincerely, Mike Myers

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July 2016



ELNA

General Meeting

TUESDAY, JULY 5th, 7-9pm
New York Elementary
9th & New York

Agenda items include:

- ⇒ Downtown Grocery Update
- ⇒ Treanor with Downtown Grocery Building design
- ⇒ Lawrence Loop presentation

ELNA's summer meetings will take place at the
Lawrence Creates Makerspace
at 512 E 9th.
Tuesday July 5th

From The President, June 2016.



Aaron's gone out on summer travels and I've been asked to fill in this month. What a tough year it has been so far. The East Ninth Project has been impaired by a City Budget that cannot withstand so many new requests for funding in areas that are all important to Lawrence citizens. The Ninth Street Project was already projected to be \$1 million over budget, and that didn't include phase 2 funding. New City Manager Tom Markus pulled the funding and accepted responsibility for that. Some of the new initiatives being requested include more support for affordable housing, more effective mental health programs, general pedestrian and bicycling improvements all over the City, as well as a new Police facility and new jail. As Markus put it at the budget session at the East Lawrence Rec Center earlier this year, which of these already funded and necessary City services should we take from to fund the new requests? There is no question we need our sidewalks improved all over our neighborhood. We need

to rally around some new effective way to get that.

Summer has begun in East Lawrence. There are many things to look forward to. Kickball at Hobbs Park has already begun, and ELNA has been selling concessions at a couple games already. We always need volunteers to donate food and also help with prep, setup, working the tables, cooking and teardown. 200 and often more people generally turn out to watch the game of the week. It is quite the scene. Email our coordinator at eastlawrence@yahoo.com if you'd like to contribute your time or food.

Our meetings will be at the Makerspace at 9th and New Jersey on the regular dates and times this summer. Except for July, which is delayed one day, due to the holiday, to Tuesday, July 5th.

I know a lot of folks are discouraged right now. Come out to the meetings and let's get going on some new initiatives. Bring your ideas to the meetings. As ELNA we should be doing a whole lot of things, it takes new blood and new champions to own and see new projects come to fruition. I know we have the diversity to do that! I encourage you to continue to be involved! — Phil Collison, Vice President

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School News

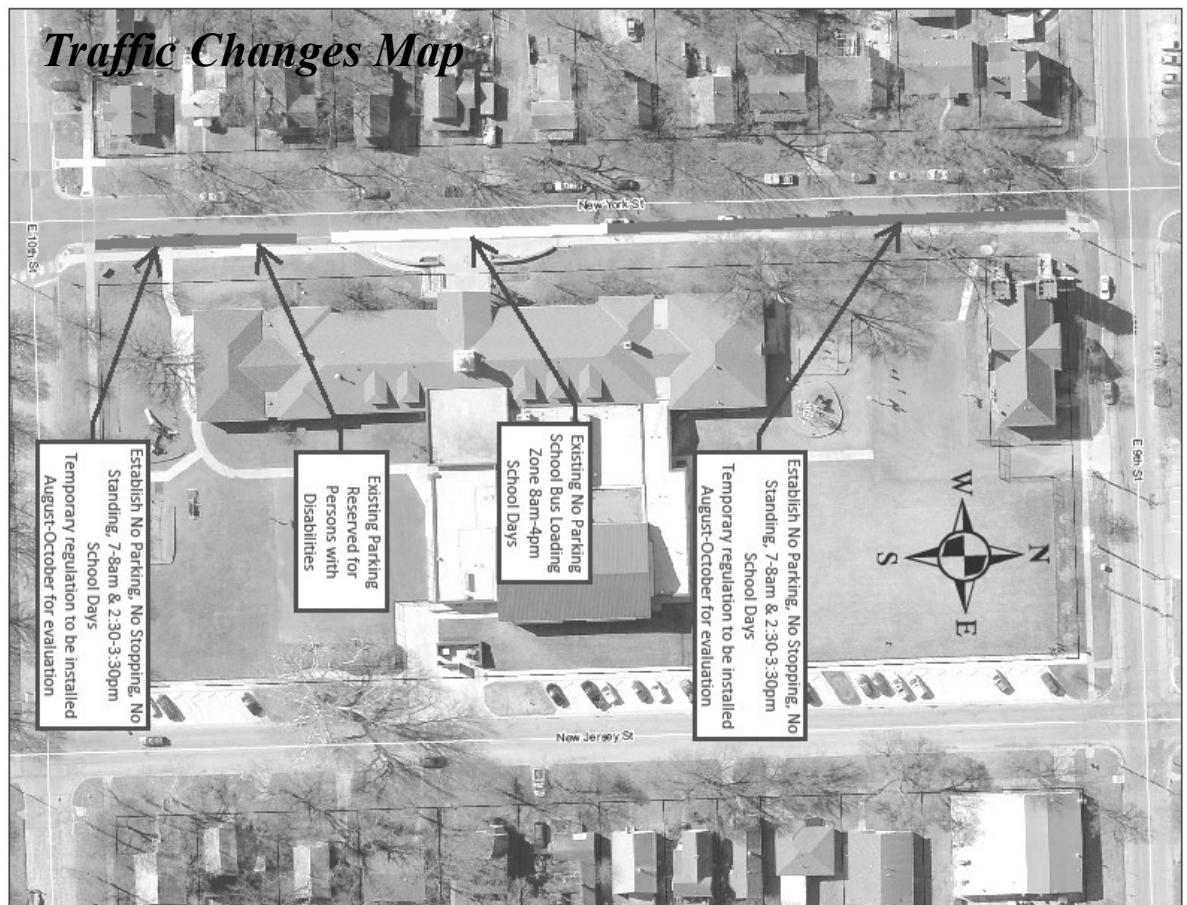
Back to School in August!

New to Lawrence? New to the 'hood? Don't forget about USD 497's Welcome & Enrollment Center, the first stop for all new students enrolling in the Lawrence Public Schools. It's your "One-Stop Shop" for enrolling new students K-12 and Enrolling kindergartners that did not attend round up. You can come prepared by downloading enrollment forms at www.usd497.org, and some items you will need include: a birth certificate for the enrolling child, family contact information, the child's immunization record, and family proof of residency. Your proof of residency must be a current utility bill, a lease agreement, or a contract on new home purchase. At the welcome center, you can pay fees and establish a fee payment plan and applying for child nutrition benefits (free and reduced price school meals) and fee waivers. The Welcome Center is located at 110 McDonald Drive, Lawrence, KS. Enter on the south side of the complex. The welcome center is open Monday-Friday, 7:30 am-4:30 pm. Walk-ins are welcome, and daytime/evening appointments are available. For more information or to schedule and appointment call 785-330-1921.

School starts for grades 1-5 on Wednesday, August 17th, with an early dismissal at 1:35pm. Grades 1-12 return on Thursday, August 18th, for a full day of classes. Kindergarten classes will be on an alternative schedule. On Monday, August 22nd, all grades will return to a regular schedule.

Traffic Changes at New York School this Fall

Due to concerns about safety during pick up and drop off at New York School, the City of Lawrence will be making traffic flow changes to New York Street this Fall. These changes will be implemented temporarily as school starts this August, and continue through October. In October, after this trial period, a public meeting will be held to discuss the efficacy of the traffic changes and seek new input and insight. The map below gives a visual of the traffic flow changes. In summary – **from 7:00-8:00am and 2:30-3:30pm there is no parking or stopping on the east side of New York Street on the block in front of the school.** Parking on the west side of New York Street for residents of the homes on the west side will remain unchanged. Caregivers are advised to park on the side streets if they wish to park and walk into/ up to the school with their children. Between 8:00am and 2:30pm, in the event of a tardy or an appointment that a guardian must walk in to excuse, for example, caregivers **may** park on the east side of New York Street in front of the school where it is permitted as indicated by signage (not in the bus loading or handicapped accessible zone). With your comments and questions, you may contact Mark Thiel, Assistant Public Works Director at mthiel@lawrenceks.org



With questions specific to New York Elementary you may call the school at (785) 832-5780. With questions about Liberty Memorial Central Middle School, you may contact the front office at (785) 832-5400.

Downtown Grocery Project Update

For the past 2-plus years a core group of 8 to 10 people have met every week to discuss various ways to bring a full line affordable grocery store to downtown in order to address food desert issues which primarily affect North and East Lawrence, although there are other areas of the city affected, involving about 20% of the city. We have also met regularly with representatives from Hobbs-Taylor Loft staff, City Commission members, including the Mayor, who are all strong advocates for the project, the new City Manager Tom Marcus, County Commissioner Nancy Thellman and other representatives of food-related interests in Lawrence as well as area neighbors. Our core group has members from East, North, Old West and Pinckney neighborhoods, as well as members from the Douglas County Health Department (who did the survey many of you participated in).

Our ideal space has always been the former Borders building, because of its central location. When local developer Doug Compton purchased the building, we initially thought a store on that site was not going to be possible, but it's looking more and more likely. Negotiations between Mr. Compton and his partner in the venture, Treanor Architects, and a well-established area grocery chain have been very promising. Treanor staff will meet with our DTGrocery group in late June, and present at the July ELNA meeting, to solicit feedback from people who will be most impacted by such a venture. In addition to issues about the actual process of a grocery store (which will be addressed once the grocer agrees to a lease,) site design elements and ways

the City can facilitate the project (which might look like assistance with pedestrian walkways and parking lot patrol), right now we are trying to address concerns about the building's footprint, parking on site both surface and underground (NOT on Rhode Island St) for both customers and employees, safety issues such as effective but unobtrusive lighting, site screening/fencing, historic district concerns, preservation of the building's historic north wall, and visual integration of the building's architecture with surrounding buildings.

East Lawrence residents and others who are interested in the Downtown Grocery Committee and increasing access to food for all in general can follow us on our Facebook site (go to Facebook and search Downtown Grocery for Lawrence KS) <https://www.facebook.com/groups/DTGrocery/> where you can check out posts, events and join the conversation. Also the Downtown Grocery Committee meeting is open to the public the last Thursday of the month when we meet at the Lawrence Public Library downstairs in the Local History Room at 9am. We hope to see you online or at our monthly open meeting or at the July 5 ELNA meeting with Treanor Architects.

— Submitted by Janice Melland, DTGrocery core member, East Lawrence resident and DT business owner

VanGo Recruiting for Fall

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A Note from Intersection Repair

Friends and neighbors!

We want to let you know that we are aware of the wear on the intersection mural at 10th and New Jersey and are actively working on figuring out why. We have submitted samples to our paint vendor and are awaiting a final determination as to why, in certain parts, the paint did not adhere properly. Once we get the results, we will figure out our next steps. If you have any questions/ comments, please feel free to reach out.

We will keep you updated and we thank you for your continued support!

The Intersection Repair Team

Katy Clagett katy.clagett@gmail.com

Sunrise Pie Auction!

It's the moment you've all been waiting for! Mark your calendars: Sunrise Project's annual Pie Auction will take place on Saturday, August 20th, 5-8pm in Hobbs Park! We are on the hunt for a professional auctioneer, so if you know someone, email info@sunriseprojectks.org.

Hike Through History on the Burroughs Creek Trail

The Hike Through History Walk and Talk happened. Principal of the project, Henry Fortunato, pictured, gave a presentation on the collaborative project to a crowd at the Lawrence Public Library on Tuesday, June 16th.



Henry Fortunato

On Saturday, June 18th at a very warm and sunny 10 am on the Burroughs Creek Trail, approximately 65 people gathered to hear the presentation in real space.

Topics covered in the Burroughs Creek Trail Hike Through History project include; the history of the railroad line that came before the trail, the German POW camp on 11th, Langston Hughes's recollections of his time in Lawrence near 12th, the Oregon Trail crossing at 15th, Quantrill's raid crossing near the same location, William S Burroughs near 19th, some local notable families including Haskell and Barker, and the history of agriculture in Douglas County, as told through the story of the grain elevators south of 19th.

Look for the informative panels about the project on display at the Lawrence Public Library in July, and again at our East Lawrence Rec Center in the fall. Feedback forms will be available at the Library exhibit to collect your own stories of history along the Burroughs Creek Trail. Questions, comments, and input for future topics of discussion on history along the Burroughs Creek Trail can also be directed to Community liaison Lane at leisenbart@yahoo.com



Pictured, the crowd at the Hike Through History Walk



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What's Up at the Penn House?

There are some exciting changes at the Penn House these days. Do you know much about it? Here's an interview with Shine Adams of Sun Cedar, a History of the Penn House, and a small article about what's new and what's the same and how you can help.

Interview with Shine Adams of Sun Cedar, April 2016 -- Lane Eisenbart

LANE: OK. So I really only have three questions. I've read about Sun Cedar before, I think in the Journal World.

SHINE: Cool.

LANE: So I think I have a vague idea of what it is, but, why don't you tell me, in your words, what Sun Cedar is to you.

SHINE: I started Sun Cedar a couple years ago. I moved to Kansas, to Lawrence, from New Orleans, Louisiana, in order that I could, kind of reset my life. I went to rehab in Atchison, Kansas, and quit drinking. And as I quit drinking, I found myself ultra inspired and I realized that as I am approaching middle age, the second half of my life, I can do whatever I want. So I made a list of things that meant something to me, and social service was one of them, and learning was the other. Those were the primary things. I started going to KU and volunteering at the Lawrence Community Shelter and the local jail, and from that, it just sort of organically happened. I am also a carpenter, so I started hiring people I would meet in the twelve step programs, or at or through the jail or the shelter to help me out in my woodshop. I had such positive support from the community that I decided to go legit, so to speak. I went to the Secretary of the State's office and filed to become an above board organization, and I've been focusing more and more on making Sun Cedar its own thing. We're thinking in terms of big picture now, making it repeatable so other organizations can use the template we're creating. Sun Cedar is an organization that exists to get people who are facing significant obstacles in re-entering the workforce the chance to build skills and develop a resume so that they can reintegrate into the mainstream workforce. We're a stepping stone. We give people a chance to work. It's super simple.

LANE: What kinds of things do you make?

SHINE: We make these tree shaped air fresheners.

LANE: Yeah! I have one in my car. Christie [Dobson, director of the Ballard Center] gave it to me.

SHINE: Awesome. I was going to bring some today, as gifts, but... my mom has them all. She's helping with packaging.

LANE: Ha ha. Nice.

SHINE: Yeah, we made these, and we're expanding our range of products. We make a cedar shoe box, which is very nice. And cedar hangers, which are also very nice. Kind of high end. Craftsman style joinery.

LANE: Where do you sell them?

SHINE: We have a website that we do some sales through. We also have a wholesale page on our website. Our business plan calls for us doing primarily wholesale, but I've been so busy with the nuts and bolts of starting this business, that I haven't had a really great chance so far to get deep into marketing. I need to be traveling around to trade shows, and getting the product exposure. This phase of the business is so much about establishing the day to day protocol. Hopefully 2016 will see me collecting more wholesale accounts. We sell through the Merc, and we did a special sale at 10,000 Villages. Wonderfair is another outlet here in town. We're always looking for more.

LANE: Why East Lawrence? Why do you want to be here?

SHINE: I met Christie about a year ago. She had read about Sun Cedar in the paper, and you know how Christie is, she's very engaged. She called me up and she said "I wanna check out what you're doing." I said, "come on by." And Christie and I developed a friendship and kept in touch. We'd go out have juice together every couple of weeks, just to kind of gossip and stuff. And when she became Executive Director of Ballard Center, there was a need for changes to be made at Penn House, and she invited me, Sun Cedar, to be a part of that. I think that Ballard Center and Penn House see a benefit to bringing in some fresh energy, and I'm certainly that. I'm energetic. And I think that social entrepreneurship, if that's actually a term, I don't know.

LANE: I don't know either. It sounds good. I think we just made it up.

SHINE: (laughing) Social entrepreneurship is a very hot topic right now and a lot of people involved in charity and the non-profit social service world are tired of dumping money into a black hole, basically. Especially in Lawrence, with some of the intrigue and problematic decisions made by certain leaders, the idea of social entrepreneurship is a hot topic. People like to see results, and people like to see value. There's a difference between just taking money that's for emergency services from the community and stimulating the economy and giving an actual exchange with the community, and focusing on solutions. And Christie is a very solutions oriented person, as am I, and together we are ratifying the mission of Penn House. Keeping the emergency services that exist and have been in place here for years, but now adding this new way of thinking, using the slogan, "community solutions". It's about getting people rehabilitated and reintegrated, not just saving people at the last minute, with the last ditch effort. It's about putting people on the right path. So! They have the space, I'm the new blood. And of course, Penn House being an institution, they're lending their credibility and community and presence to Sun Cedar. They got their chocolate on my peanut butter.

It's just a great fit. And then my relationship with the Sheriff's Office, from volunteering and getting to know people in the re-entry program is also an asset. You know, this room, the room we're sitting in will be used for programming that is pertinent to all three of our [*Penn House's, Sun Cedar's, and the Sheriff's Office*] missions. We'll do GED classes. We'll focus on education and skill building. We'll do MRT classes -- Moral Reconation Therapy -- which is a rehabilitative, cognitive, behavioral therapy that's about developing empathy and an understanding of the impact of our actions.

LANE: Moral training?

SHINE: Uh huh. So I'm super excited about that. The Sheriff's Office will do that, and Sun Cedar is going to host the resume building and GED workshops through the Adult Education Center. We'll have some cooking classes, some nutrition courses. My mom is going to come in and show us some recipes that people who are getting started can do for cheap that aren't horrible for them. And then Liz Keever from Just Food will be cooperating with that. Just the other day, I met with Women's Fresh Start. Have you ever heard of them?

LANE: I have not. no.

SHINE: Women's Fresh Start is a kind of partner with Willow. A program for women that is very much like Sun Cedar, but specifically for women who have had a lot of traumatic experiences, who have lifestyle problems that are holding them back from entering the workforce and being self-sufficient. I'm a big fan. They make soaps. They'll be sharing in the programing in this space as well.

LANE: Nice.

SHINE: I love the idea of having a community center. And this all goes back to what I was saying about marketing earlier. I've been so busy meeting people and working with people, trying to get the press to write about us, that I haven't had enough time to dig into sales and marketing, and this, having this cooperative environment means that I can lean on the partners to help with the programming I'm looking forward to.

LANE: Ok. Last question. What can we, as the neighbors, as the neighborhood, do to help you in your mission?

SHINE: High fives.

LANE: (laughing) High fives? Ok.

SHINE: We're doing a fundraiser on Go Fund Me. We've spent weeks talking to donors in private meetings, to get it kicked off right. We've got some local businesses that have been supportive in the past. We're looking at needing about \$75,000, and that will give us, all three agencies, security, and enable us to remodel the building and keep hiring and keep expanding our services, while keeping a baseline operating budget.

LANE: Keep the lights on?

SHINE: Yes! We sat down together and we figured out the absolute minimum required to walk into mid 2017 with the doors open and continuing what we're doing now.

LANE: So that's the magic number?

SHINE: That's the minimum number. And then everything else we generate throughout the year will be really useful in adding to our plan. We're pretty confident about that number. But, you know, crowd funding is weird. Sun Cedar did a successful Kickstarter campaign last year. I was tearing my hair out. And then about three weeks into it, we got an Upworthy article and everything was great. But, I don't know if we'll get Upworthy again. And also it's a very local concern so we're definitely depending on the support of the people of Lawrence. But Lawrence is such an awesome town, and this is such an awesome, ground breaking idea of cooperation! I really feel other Sheriff's Offices in other cities can look at what we're doing and do it in other cities. This is yet again, Lawrence being a leader in the Midwest. Whatever happens, we're doing it. It sure would be a lot easier if our fundraiser was successful. Barring that, high fives for real. Positive feedback feels so good. I'd like to feel like I'm working with the community, not just for the community. I really love getting high fives.

LANE: Ok. Excellent. Bonus question: Is Shine your real name?

SHINE: My birth given name is Shining Mountain Adams. My father was adopted by native people in the sixties. And it's kind of an odd name to carry around, but I've done it all my life, so...

LANE: Right, so, it doesn't seem at all weird to you.

Penn House History

After reading Dave Evans' 27 pages on the history of the Penn House, it's not difficult to see that the organization remains, even in 2016, not far from it's roots. The Penn House has always been a public service organization, seeking to help people, and help people help themselves.

In 1967, the Kansas Endowment Association received an anonymous donation of \$9,000 for the purpose of purchasing the house at 1035 Pennsylvania Street, in order that it might be turned into a community services center. The house was, at that time, a one hundred year old two story home, on a double lot. 1035 Pennsylvania was built in 1872 by Joseph Rahskopf. The Rahskopf family had deep roots in Lawrence, among some of the first settlers, and well known millers, wagon builders, and businessmen. The Rahskopf family owned 1035 Pennsylvania until 1960. Years later, it was revealed that the anonymous donor of the \$9,000 was Anna Ballard "Petey" Cerf. Anna Ballard Cerf was a well known philanthropist throughout Lawrence. With money made by her father in the insurance

business in New York, and her own investment, Anna Ballard Cerf donated thousands of dollars over many years to help establish the Ballard Center (named after her mother,) Kansas Audio Reader, Kansas Advocates for Better Care, and the LMH Endowment Association.

After the building was purchased as a location for community services on the East Side, in 1969 the federal Office of Economic Opportunity, Department of Human Development and Family Life, granted approximately \$97,000 to establish a research and outreach program at the Penn House. The program called the "Family and Community Research Project" was directed by KU Sociology Professor Keith Miller and his wife Ocoee Miller. The Project leased the Penn House building from KU Endowment for \$1 a year through 1974, when it was deeded to another Douglas County Improvement group. Funding from the OEO, along with public donations, saw the Penn House through 1973. In 1974, the Penn House began receiving financial support from the United Funds (now United Way) group. In the mid 1980s, the Penn House also began to receive revenue-sharing funding through the City of Lawrence. Cuts to federal Community Development Block Grants under changing government ideals and constant changes to program requirements with the United Way ensured that the Penn House always sought creative new ways of funding their services.

Throughout the 1970s the Penn House day to day operations were largely run democratically by a group of mothers in the neighborhood, with Ocoee Miller as director. Families and individuals in need could come to the Penn House to purchase household goods, such as clothing, linens, dishes, and kitchenware. Those in need without money could get items for free or in trade. Sewing and craft space, tools, and classes were offered, and many of the items made put up for sale in the thrift shop. Classes on budgeting, cooking, household management, rape prevention and self defense, basic car care, and home repair and winterization were also available to Penn House clients. At one time, the Penn House even held it's own kind of "currency" -- a yellow sheet of paper with the words "Freedom Credit" printed on, earned through work at the Penn House and used to purchase items there. A 1970 report shows the Penn House boasted an active membership of 80 families. A 1980 report tells of 400 to 600 clients served per month. Patrons of the Penn House used the shared commodities food store, the thrift shop, the nursery and sewing and crafts center. Families in distress, battered women, and single parents also came to the Penn House for help in applying for government assistance, legal assistance, emergency rent, utility, or medical bill assistance, access to job training and tutoring services. The Christmas Adopt-a-Family program that continues today at the Penn House, has its roots in the Penn House's Soul Santa of 1971. Another mission of volunteers to the Penn House was to help elderly and low income persons, those unable physically

or financially, to comply with City codes governing junk in and hazardous home conditions. A Penn House newsletter was once published monthly, circulating to over 1,000 homes, to keep clients informed of changes in government programs and as a progress report for supporters and friends.

By 1980, the Penn House building was in desperate need of repair. After a small fire, by arson, damaged the nursery and sewing area, the electrical and heating systems showed their age, and termites had done their damage, 1035 Pennsylvania was slated for demolition. Not without conflict and disagreement in the neighborhood, on the City Commission, and among area public service agencies, 1035 Pennsylvania was razed to the ground in November of 1981.

The Friends of Penn House Inc, comprised of preeminent developers of the time, Billings, Schwada, Moore and others, and Penn House Board members, collected an estimated \$70,000 in donated materials, equipment, and labor for the construction of a new building at 1035 Pennsylvania. National Guardsmen helped the Penn House move goods to temporary storage. A sort of publicity stunt and record setting, a modern day barn raising, the new (and current) Penn House was built in nine and a half hours on Saturday, December 5th 1981. The construction crew included about 150 laborers, with professional construction workers (both union and non-union and from often “competing” firms) and people from the neighborhood and Penn House volunteers.

Through the 1980s and the early 1990s, the Penn House continued to offer services to those in need in East Lawrence and all over town. Federal and City and United Way funds continued to fluctuate, leaving Penn House scrambling but persevering. Records show that more than 6,000 individuals sought assistance at the Penn House in 1993, with the help of only three full time employees, one part time employee, and numerous volunteers.

In 2005, Ballard Community Services acquired Penn House, and has continued services and operations at the Penn House location to this day, providing Douglas County residents with rent, utility, prescription, food, commodities, clothing assistance, and more.



Christie Scanlin-Dobson and Shine Adams

At the Penn House Right Now!

A full list of services currently offered at the Penn House can be found on the Penn House website. The clothing pantry, including a work clothes closet, continues to be available to clients of the Penn House. Rent and utility assistance, as well as the Holiday Bureau, the holiday adopt-a-family program, can still be accessed at the Penn House. The food pantry once housed at Penn House has moved entirely to the Ballard Center, but a multi-agency diaper bank will soon be housed in the building, as well as some employees of the Sheriff’s Office reentry program, and of course, Sun Cedar. Donations of new and gently used clothing and shoes, especially clothes for laboring and sturdy boots, as well as some office wear, large sizes, pots and pans, dishes and utensils, and diapers of all sizes are always in need. Drop off of donations can be made during office hours at the Penn House.

In addition to donating to the Sun Cedar/ Penn House fundraising campaign, you can contribute to the Penn House’s yearly school supply drive. Every year at this time, the Penn House, in partnership with EKCAN, the Salvation Army, United Way, Just Food, and other agencies, collects funds and items to give to low income kids to start the school year. Each child receives a new pair of shoes and a backpack full of supplies. The most needed items are traditionally ear bud headphones, highlighters, backpacks, and 3 ring binders. Items can be donated at the supply drives at both Walmart locations, all Dillon's and Hy-Vee locations, Checkers, and Office Depot on July 16th, 17th, 23rd and 24th.

Douglas County residents wishing to receive from the Back to School program can fill out an application at the Penn house July 11th to July 29th, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Applicants will need to bring identification and social security cards for the applicants, proof of income and/or a free or reduced lunch letter.

Questions can be directed to Wayne at the Penn House during open hours or by email at wayne@ballardcenter.org.

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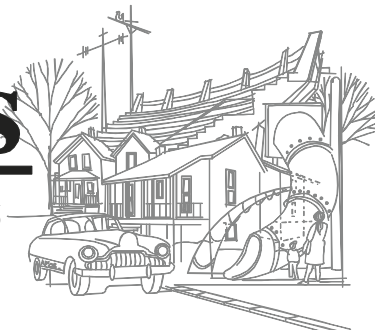
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September 2016



ELNA

General Meeting

MONDAY, SEPT. 12th, 7-9pm

New York Elementary

9th & New York

Agenda items include:

- ⇒ Chamber funding & agreement with city
- ⇒ Block Party planning

Block Party to be
Saturday Sept 24th @ Hobbs

Block Party! Block Party! Block Party!

On Saturday, September 24th, from 5-9pm, at Hobbs Park, ELNA will throw its annual block party. Join us! We will have all our favorite things — food, entertainment, games and lots of great neighbors! Remember to bring \$ - a few dollars- for the great raffle and donation for beer.

The block party can't happen without volunteers. Please read the list of events, and see what kind of help we need. Contact eastlawrence@yahoo.com to volunteer.

Food! ELNA will supply the drinks and grilled fare. *We ask that all neighbors bring a side dish or dessert to share. Volunteer to take a turn at the grill. Volunteer to be on trash duty.*

Best Dish! By popular demand, our annual Best Dish competition. We want you to bring out your best for the block party. There will be a contest for the best side dishes, dessert and vegetarian fare. *Volunteer to be a judge!*

Cake Walk! Cake Walk! Cake Walk! The cakewalk, a neighborhood favorite, always popular with the kids, is back! This year, (are you ready for this?!) we'll even have lights on our basketball court cakewalk! HUUUGE!! *We need you to donate a cake! If you plan to play cake walk, bring a cake!*

Prizes! We always have great door prizes, and we need donations to make this happen. *Donate your art! Go out and ask for donations!* Contact eastlawrence@yahoo.com if you have an item for the prizes.

Music! East Lawrence always brings out its best musicians on this night. *Do you want to help recruit acts and organize sets? Would you and your band like to play?* Contact eastlawrence@yahoo.com if you'd like to play or volunteer.

Bike Repair! Get your bike fixed by our friendly neighborhood bike mechanics! *It's the perfect time to start your bicycle commute!*

ELNA T-shirts! ELNA t-shirts will be for sale at the block party. What fall wardrobe is complete without an ELNA shirt? Maybe we'll even have ELNA hoodies in stock again!

Set-Up & Take-Down! *Be an ELNA hero, volunteer to set up or take down.*

Trash Duty! Not glamorous, but NEEDED. *Volunteer to be on trash duty!*



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Ballad of a Mysterious Woman - a Block Party Missed Connection?

Raymond Hall, May 2016

Sometimes I conjecture about
The way you blow your nose,
Then, a surreptitious lawn pee,
Without part of your clothes.

These fantasies get better when
You're being lady-like.
I think such is likely because
I watched you take a bite

Of celery one evening,
An East Lawrence pot luck,
It was stunningly feminine:
A memory that stuck.

ELNA Mower and Tiller FOR RENT

It's mowing season! If you'd like to rent the ELNA mower at \$10 per half day, you may contact Heather, by text, at 785-830-9085 to arrange pickup or delivery. If you'd like to rent the tiller for \$20 per day, contact Phil, by call or text, at 785-843-8098.

Save the Date! Fall River Clean Up

A Fall River Clean Up has been tentatively scheduled for October 15th, with a rain date of November 5th. Watch our newsletter, our Facebook, and Work Day emails from ELNA for more details. Are you on the Work Day email list? Would you like to be? If so, email eastlawrence@yahoo.com and ask to be added.

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Upcoming ELNA Meetings, Elections

The East Lawrence Neighborhood Association will meet again on Monday, September 12th, delayed one week from our usual first Monday of the month meeting, due to the Labor Day holiday. We will presumably meet in the New York School library at 7pm. (As of this publication, the proper permissions from the school are unconfirmed.)

Our October meeting will be held on Monday, October 3rd, presumably same time, same place. We'll hold our ELNA Board elections in November, so all prospective ELNA Board members are asked to declare their intention at the October meeting. As always, only in neighborhood individual (not business or nonprofit or out of neighborhood associate) members are eligible to vote for the ELNA Board. All Board members must be voting eligible. At least 65% of the Board and the Officers of the Board (President, Vice President, and Secretary) must have been members for at least ninety days.

New and Returning Members

And speaking of ELNA Board Elections, here's a really long list of people who have renewed their members, but whose names have gone unpublished, within the last year. If you think you signed up for a membership to be eligible to vote in last year's election, you'll want to be sure to do so again. Inquiries to eastlawrence@yahoo.com.

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Alex Hawman	Erin Adams	Kirsten Watkins	Pat Watkins
Alexandra Santos	Franklin Fantini	Kris Borden	Pete Laufer
Alicia Kelly	Gabrielle Holcomb	Kristin Morland	Peter M. Avila
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Annie Tichenor	Hank Guarisco	Lilly Mason	Repetition Coffee
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Austin C. Turney	James Moreno	Liz Ramirez	Scott Tichenor
Austin H. Turney	Jan Shaake	Lori Andersen	Shay Dugan
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Ben Ahlvers	Jeff Kuhr	Magalí Rabasa	Skyler Adamnson
Brandi Green	Jesse Gray	Marysa Sacerdote	Stacey Wohlford
Burdett Loomis	Jocelyn Gunter	Matthew Jones	Staley Cluts
Catherine Meihaus	Joe McGill	Max McGill	Stephen Johnson
Chris Lempa	John A. Naramore	Megan Hawman	Stephen Robinson
Christine Miller	John Bodle	Melissa Foree	Stephen Spencer
Christopher Evans	Johnny Rathbun	Michael Bierbaum	Tammy Gulotta
Creed Shepard	Jonathan Herrera-Thomas	Michel Loomis	Thad Holcombe
Cynthia Bond	Joseph McDonald	Mitch Jones	Timothy Morland
Daina Bitters	Katie Armitage	Mobile Locksmith Shop	TK Peterson
Diane Fry	Kellie Herrod	Nancy Schwarting	Travis Gunter
Eli Spray	Kent Fry	Neal Isaacs	Van Go, Inc.
Elizabeth Sedita Laufer	Kevin Green	Ozzie Backus	Vicki Pepperdine

A Message from the Sunrise Project

Sunrise Project is making progress on all fronts. Renovations to 1501 Learnard Ave. will begin in September and Sunrise hopes to move in by late winter. Meanwhile, Seeds from Italy anticipates obtaining a Special Use Permit (SUP) from the City on August 15th, which will allow them to begin renovating the garage on-site. Soon after, Central Soyfoods will begin its application for a SUP. Lawrence Organics continues to use the greenhouse space and Sunrise is partnering with Nicholas Ward and four schools to begin a vermicomposting project at each site. Sunrise Project has had a busy summer since hiring nine Community Coordinators who will soon begin gathering stories and feedback from their own communities to be incorporated into the County's food system plan. Follow the project's Wellcommons series to learn more: wellcommons.com. The other major project Sunrise has been busy with is Summer of Service, a youth volunteer program transferred to Sunrise from the United Way this year. The following article is the last in a series of blog posts written or co-written by their youth intern, Luna Stephens:

Sunrise Project's Summer of Service 2016 culminated with Advocacy Week (July 18-22), a week-long project dedicated to learning about issues such as street harassment, consent and sexual assault, race and white privilege, relationship violence and a spectrum of LGBTQI+ topics.

"This week was more about learning" Katie Baldwin-Faling said. "You could learn those other [Summer of Service] weeks too, but this one's more about learning about activists and causes." Representatives from Hollaback! Lawrence, The Sexual Trauma & Abuse Care Center, NAACP and Willow Domestic Violence Center led hands-on workshops throughout the week.

In addition to learning, youth engaged in action as well. They took to the streets and hung flyers they created with lines such as, "I'll wear whatever I want." They chalked other anti-harassment and consent-based statements in front of the Lawrence Public Library: "Just because I move in public space does not mean by body IS public space."

Avery Carroll articulated the youth's appreciation for the action-oriented aspects of the week, "it was nice because we were actually *actively* doing something and not just talking... we are making a difference..."

Each day of the week offered time to learn about and also discuss the range of topics. The space and time devoted to discussion was a treasured element of the week.

"I think the biggest part was that everybody here got to share their experiences," Aiofe Trotter reflected. "Instead of learning more about just the statistics it was really nice to hear what other people think in my community."

It was an eye-opening, yet fun week, with new ideas and realities presented to the youth in a laid-back and welcoming environment.

Twelve year-old Kensington Comfort said that Advocacy Week was the "best part of my summer." Her friend Katie Balwing-Faling reflected on the learning experiences:

Sometimes we don't really know that much about what's going on in the world and if you start learning about it now and how you can help - maybe you'll continue thinking about that when you become an adult and have your own money... If you get involved when you're young then you'll keep being involved."

Aoife learned a lot about racism, "When the NAACP came and talked to us, it just kind of opened my eyes to the racial issues, like it's just not blatant racism all the time it's a lot of microaggressions and stuff like that."

Sunrise Project will continue to grow youth engagement programming and will offer more social justice and service-learning opportunities. In fact, the inspired youth from Advocacy Week plan to get together soon for more social justice art projects, flyering, chalking and a possible movie night that delves into a social issue they would like to learn more about.

Know a youth that would like to participate in Sunrise Project youth programming? Contact Melissa, Director of Programs at programs@sunriseprojectks.org



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Intersection Repair Update

Friends and Neighbors,

We hope the summer has been treating you well! We want to share what we've discovered about why the intersection has deteriorated in portions as well as how we plan on proceeding from here.

After collaborating with our paint supplier, we determined that the cause is mostly surface related. The paint adhered well to the intersection's newer asphalt, but didn't adhere well to the older asphalt. We determined the best solution would be to lay a fresh coat of asphalt on top of the older asphalt to create a fresh surface for painting. The City isn't able to help out with this process due to budgetary constraints, but we are looking into other private options. If anyone knows of a paving company who may be interested in helping the cause, please let us know!

We are also exploring the option of doing an Intersection Repair 2.0 using the same or similar design and the tools and knowledge we have gained during this process to repaint the mural elsewhere in the neighborhood and, most importantly, bring the community together again. We are currently evaluating options, and have honed in on several intersections in East Lawrence.

We will be meeting at the Lawrence Public Library on Thursday, September 22nd at 7:00pm in Meeting Room C to discuss these 2 options and to potentially select a secondary mural site. Everyone is welcome- we'd love your input!

Thanks as always for your continued support and don't hesitate to reach out with suggestions! You can reach us by email at katy.clagett@gmail.com or akellyit@gmail.com or visit our Lawrence Intersection Repair Facebook page.

Best, The Intersection Repair Team

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Community Compost & Woodchip Sale

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Location: 1420 E. 11th Street which is east of 11th and Haskell Avenue, over the railroad tracks

The compost and woodchips are not intended for commercial applications, but rather for the citizens of Lawrence. For residential use only.

FALL SALE EVENT

Fall sale event dates: September 8th, 9th, & 10th. 8 am - 3 pm.

The city will load by tractor into pick-up trucks and trailers. The city cannot load trucks with ladder racks. Patrons are asked to bring a tarp for their pickup to secure the woodchips, preventing them from littering the roadway as they drive from the facility. The cost of the compost or woodchips will be \$10 per bucket load, which is equivalent to 2 cubic yards. CASH only.

For more information on the compost or woodchip sale, please call (785) 832-3030 or email recycling@lawrenceks.org.

SALE - SELF LOAD ONLY

Every Saturday, March - mid-December, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Compost and woodchips are for SELF LOAD ONLY. Self-loading pick-up truck or trailer loads will be \$10 per load and small quantities will be free. CASH only. Please bring a shovel. This sale will be during scheduled brush drop-off hours.

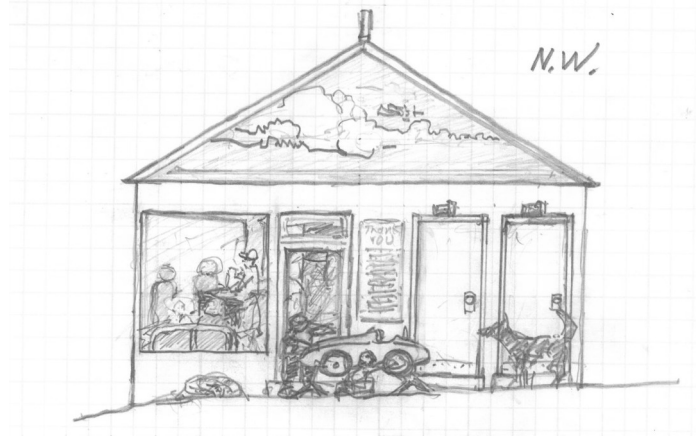
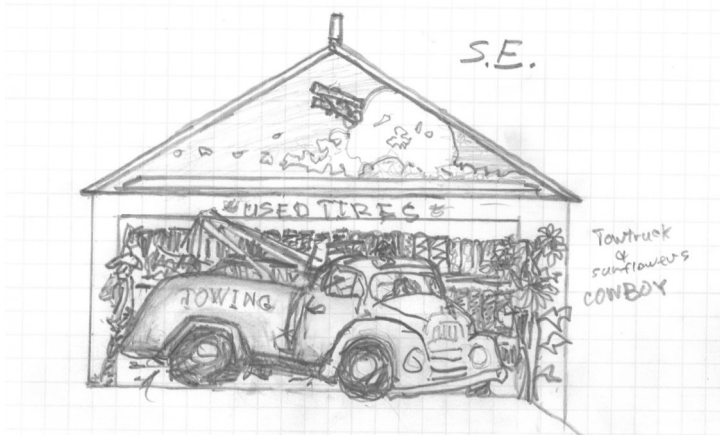
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Mural Interview

Gotfred Beardshear, August 10th, 2016

“Free Repairs Mural” on the Potter’s Automotive storage building at 9th and Delaware

\$8,000 fundraising goal

Contributions can be sent to:

Lawrence Sustainability Action Network

% Lawrence Creates MakerSpace

512 E 9th St

Lawrence, KS 66044

(with the memo line “Free Repairs Yesterday Mural”)

LANE: Your name is Gotfred Beardshear?

GOTFRED: uh huh, it is.

LANE: That's a good name.

GOTFRED: It is. It's a real artist name.

LANE: You know, my last name, Eisenbart, means "Ironbeard". So we could be, like, beard brothers. ... Anyway, you've lived in East Lawrence for 25 years.

GOTFRED: Yes.

LANE: Have you lived in this house the whole time?

GOTFRED: We have.

LANE: Wow.

GOTFRED: We came here to, uh, be this house.

LANE: Wow. That's a commitment. And you run, you own, the Blackbird?

GOTFRED: Uh huh, the Blackbird Trading Post downtown.

LANE: The Blackbird has always got such really neat stuff, and it seems like a lot of it is something that's been remade or just repaired and loved to be beautiful. Do you feel like that's something you do, as an artist?

GOTFRED: It is!

LANE: You take something and make it into something beautiful?

GOTFRED: Yes. As an artist, I'm always looking for the assistance of spirit, and spirits to move my work forward. That's what it's all about. It's all informed by spirit.

LANE: And you feel like this piece, this mural, that you were moved to do this?

GOTFRED: It's actually a series of coincidences that got the whole thing going. Initially, I was going to do, to paint, a commercial sign for Potters Auto Repair in return for credit on future car work.

LANE: A sign in exchange for auto repair?

GOTFRED: Yeah! And then KT (Walsh) got wind of it, and she's, of course, very interested in all the old buildings. And the building that's the subject of this painting --

LANE: That's the quonset, the tin shed --

GOTFRED: It's a sheet metal covered shed building at 9th and Delaware.

LANE: The little catty-corner one?

GOTFRED: Yes, the one directly across from the wishing bench. It was a building formerly owned by the Banning Oil Company. So there's the tie-in right there. It was a storage building that Banning Oil used.

LANE: And now it's an auto repair place? Do you know how long they've been there?

GOTFRED: Well, it's still just used as storage. So it's not an every day use kind of place.

Nobody works out of there, but they keep tires and other supplies in there, Potter does. Lynn Potter. His repair place, (Potter's Automotive and Transmission,) is in the big sheet metal building that's tucked into the bank next to (to the north of) Krause's house. On Delaware. That building has garage bays all the way across the front of it. That building was the bus garage for the last iteration of the Lawrence Bus Company that the Ogle's operated. Both buildings are owned now by the Ogle family.

LANE: So, it's a business that's been there a long time, owned by a family that's got a history in Lawrence and on the East Side, and you were going to trade some sign paint-

ing for some car repair. Then KT got involved, and it became bigger?

GOTFRED: It turned into this big concept. I saw an obvious need for this because of the stuff going on in the neighborhood, to highlight what the neighborhood was traditionally about. But the (mural) piece isn't completely nostalgia driven. It's kind of a mixed, mid-century representation. Aspects of it will cover from the 1930s into the '50s -- the kind of cars up on the lift, and that kind of thing. There are three sides (of the mural.) The big profile facing the wishing bench, catty-corner to the intersection (of Delaware and 9th), picturing the front office, the gas pumps, etc. There's a gas station guy inside the office. The design, the representation of the scene, allows you to look through the corner of the building. A window on the profile side, is also a window of a room on the other side. There are dimensional situations. Another thing this piece is really about is how businesses like this, in their time, especially mid-century, were anchors for community. So, there are kids working on a soapbox derby car in the picture. And because of my affection for dogs, there are images of neighborhood dogs. Some are pretty specific. There's one iconic dog, that I think is just the most beautiful dog, so she's going to be in there.

LANE: Right on! Walking your dog is one of the ways you get to meet your neighbors. Very important. So, you've told me about where (the mural will be painted), and why that place, and how the idea came about, and you've told me you have your LCAC (Lawrence Cultural Arts Commission) and other City body approvals, but what kind of timeline are you looking at?

GOTFRED: Once it gets going, I expect, between myself and painting assistants, there could be close to 1000 hours of painting to be done.

LANE: That's a lot of painting.

GOTFRED: It is. I'll need help. It's my intention to draw my assistants, both skilled and unskilled, from the neighborhood.

LANE: Do you have people in mind that you've used for projects before?

GOTFRED: Not really, but Amber (Hanson) and Nick (Ward) have been really helpful in this project, and so has KT, and I'd like them to continue to be part of it.

LANE: Would you have any sort of application process, if you needed more assistants?

"Free Repairs Yesterday Mural." Do they (the LSAN) have a PO Box?

GOTFRED: Up to this point, people have been mailing things to me, and I've handed it off the the group. For these purposes, contributions could be mailed to the MakerSpace at 512 E 9th St.

LANE: And after you reach that threshold number, you can get started?

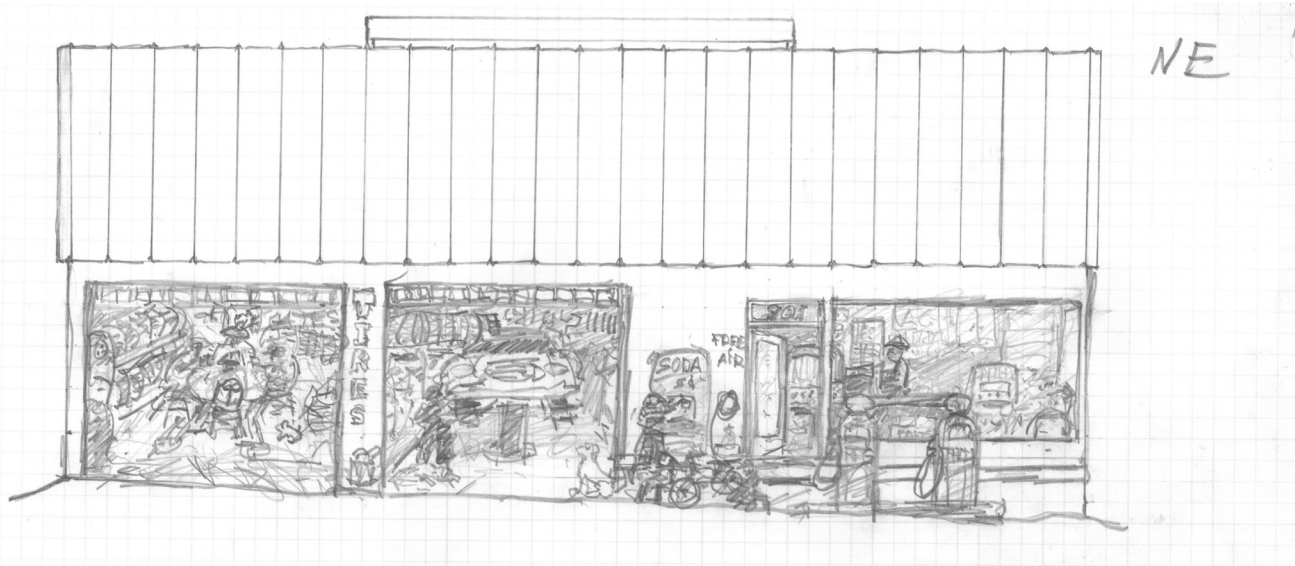
GOTFRED: Yeah, I'll make repairs and prime and get a drawing on the building. The next thing after that, people can be there painting.

LANE: Ideally, let's say you met your threshold, would you start in the Fall? This Fall? Would you wait for Spring?

GOTFRED: Nah. I'd rather start in the Fall to make those repairs. I already have the sheet metal, and I'd get the primer on it before it gets cold.

LANE: I think that's all the questions I had. But, about how long would a thousand hours of painting take? I mean, if you were to start in the Fall with your repairs, and then...?

GOTFRED: A couple of months of working on it. And I can't work on it 5 days a week, and I can't paint when it's too cold. So, it's a long-term thing. As it turns out, most things that I do are geological in their time. Glacial. For good or ill, that's the way I have always been. I'm in no hurry.



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- Block Party
- Adopt-A-Family
- Art
- Music
- Photography
- Gardening
- Grilling
- Fund Raising
- Historic Preservation
- Serving on the ELNA Board
- Website/Technical Management
- Baking/Cooking
- Other: _____

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Organization Name:		North Lawrence Improvement Association		
Mailing Address:		310 Elm Street, Lawrence KS 66044		
Agency Address (if different than above):				
DUNS Number:	080019655			
Contact Name:	Ted Boyle	Phone:	(785) 842 - 7232	
Contact Title: President				
Email: pboyle@sunflower.com			Fax:	
<p>Organization Mission Statement: The mission of the North Lawrence Improvement Association is to increase the standard of living for all North Lawrence residents, especially those who are considered to be in low or moderate income households. It is also the mission of the organization to remove blight, refuse, and other unwanted items from the area.</p>				
Proposed Program or Activity Name: NLIA Operating expenses, Neighborhood Cleanup, and Coordinator Salary (Public Service)				
Proposed Program Address: Same as Above				
<p>Brief summary of Proposed Program or Activity: Operating expenses include mailing of the newsletter semi-annually, website hosting, office supplies, etc. NLIA also pays rent for meetings (October-May), and communicates events through flyers, ads, and other communication medium. Two neighborhood clean-ups are organized annually (Spring and Fall), which include hauling services that gather metal, old appliances, tires, lumber, etc. A mulching/chipping machine is used, and the community then receives the resulting mulch that is produce. Reusing what would otherwise be waste. Our Coordinator is continuing to work at the previous year's hours due to the additional needs of the association that directly affect the North Lawrence community. We would like to reimburse them for their time.</p>				
Funding Requested:	\$ 7000			
Request is:	100	% of project budget and	90	% of organization budget
Which National Objective will be met? (Page 3 above)			Benefiting Low- and Moderate- Income (LMI) Persons	
Which Local Priority will be met? (Page 8 above)			Have a high benefit to low-income persons, Support or coordinate with other community development efforts	
<p>Certification: "I certify that I have reviewed this application and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all of the information provided is true and correct. I also certify that I am officially authorized to represent the submitting organization by its governing board in the filing of this application."</p>				
Signature: <i>Ted Boyle</i>			Date: <i>11-30-16</i>	
Print Name and Title: Ted Boyle - President				
FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STAFF USE ONLY				
Date Received: 12/1/16	Application:	Complete <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Incomplete <input type="checkbox"/>	
Received by: D. Dresslar				
Method Received:	Mail <input type="checkbox"/>	Hand Delivery <input type="checkbox"/>	Electronic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

I. Narrative

Please use attachments to answer the following questions in the order presented. If you are requesting funds for more than one program or activity, please address the following questions for each one. Limit your total response to four pages, using standard one-inch margins, single-spacing and 12-point font.

1. What is the situation, problem or opportunity this grant will address?
2. How will this grant support the mission of the organization?
3. How many people will be served by this grant and what percentage are low- moderate income (describe method of verification)?
4. What resources are currently available to dedicate to the program or activity, including staff, volunteers, existing funds and community partners?
5. How is this approach to the issue unique or collaborative and what gives it a high likelihood of success?
6. How will success be measured and how will you continue to fund this project once grant funds are expended?
7. What is the organization's timeline for achieving the objectives of the grant?
8. What other funding sources have been approached and what have the responses been?

II. Program/Activity Budget

Neighborhood Associations - Please provide an itemized budget detailing **all association expenses** on the attached Neighborhood Budget template.

Agencies – Please provide an itemized budget detailing **all program/activity expenses**

on the attached Proposed Project/Activity Budget template.

Any proposal containing repair, rehabilitation, improvements, construction, demolition, acquisition or disposition of real property must include a detailed description including:

- project location and scope
- line-item budget
- bid proposals including labor and materials
- timeline for program/activity

I. Narrative

Please respond to the following for each program or activity contained in your application:

1. What is the situation, problem or opportunity this grant will address?

This project includes operating expenses, coordinator fees, and two neighborhood clean-ups. These items foster neighborhood improvement, stability, and encourage a sense of community. NLIA not only has a significant impact on the quality of life for North Lawrence residents, but also Lawrence residents in general. NLIA helps improve the quality of life for those in all of Lawrence by working with other neighborhood associations on items such as infrastructure and other services. Through NLIA activities, community residents receive both information regarding their city in general and their neighborhood. Public involvement in such activities ensures that individual concerns and desires can be considered and will assist in making North Lawrence a better place for everyone. Our monthly meetings provide a forum for all of our residents to speak and our association serves as a unified neighborhood voice when advocating to city departments, commissions, and committees. All residents benefit from our neighborhood clean-ups, events, and improvements.

With NLIA's cooperation, collaboration, and leadership our neighborhood has continued to grow and be heard. With new construction and the rehabilitation of existing housing and commercial property, NLIA can help continue to reduce some of the blight that remains in the area. There are numerous industrial properties that stand empty in the community and many older homes that are worth saving. CDBG funds help to ensure this work continues to move forward, and that such work aligns with the vision of the people who live here.

A tangible indication of NLIA's commitment to supporting affordable housing is the Habitat for Humanity Comfort Neighborhood, which includes the construction of houses in the North Lawrence neighborhood. Ground breaking for this development occurred in 2006 and development is planned to continue into the future. NLIA was instrumental in paving the way for this development and continues to support these efforts as a method of providing a permanent home to those who otherwise might not have had that opportunity.

2. How will this grant support the mission of the organization?

This grant will support the mission of NLIA by allowing us to improve the standard of living for all North Lawrence residents; especially those with low or moderate income levels and to remove neighborhood blight. The project has been suggested, discussed, and selected by the

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members of our association at our monthly meetings. We agree that this project benefits and improves the standard of living for our residents.

3. How many people will be served by the grant and what percentage are low-moderate income (describe method of verification)?

This grant will serve all North Lawrence residents representing a population of nearly 3000 residents and 1200 households. Of this population, approximately 56% are considered low to moderate income. However, these statistics do fluctuate with economic conditions of the local and national economy. The statistics have remained somewhat constant over time. This information was gathered and reported in the City of Lawrence Consolidated Plan. The city of Lawrence has also shown in multiple reports that North Lawrence is eligible to receive CDBG funding.

4. What resources are currently available to dedicate to the program or activity, including staff, volunteers, existing funds and community partners?

As neighborhood members of the Lawrence community, we routinely collaborate with other neighborhood associations, city departments, and committees/commissions through different forms of communication. We have one paid staff member, our Coordinator, who is currently paid for up to 15-20 hours each month. All other NLIA officers are volunteers. We also encourage the volunteer involvement of residents in order to hold our monthly meetings and neighborhood events.

5. How is this approach to the issue unique or collaborative and what gives it a high likelihood of success?

The NLIA's decision to improve the standard of living for neighborhood residents is not unique. There are several other Lawrence neighborhood associations providing service to their neighborhood residents as well. All neighborhood associations are expected to complete the necessary business tasks that allow them to function by creating newsletters, speaking at public gatherings, and sharing of community-wide concerns. NLIA is unique in using a "collaborative approach" toward providing this service by directly and consistently engaging with residents. It is quite common for NLIA Board members to go above and beyond their necessary job duties to help those that are most in need within the community. Such as helping the elderly with tasks they normally may not be able to complete, and visiting homebound individuals. NLIA always attends to the very human needs of the people who live here. NLIA Board members make strong commitments to serve, because they wish to give back to the neighborhood that has served them well. A majority of the NLIA Board members are second and third generation community members who were born, raised, and educated in the neighborhood they currently serve. This cooperative and very personal

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approach reflects the strong and determined mindset that North Lawrence residents possess in general. It also reflects the idea of helping one another and working together to maintain a community that is safe, supportive, and thriving. Due to the volunteer nature of NLIA, we are usually able to make funds go a long way. However, because of the additional needs of community and its members, the desire for continued improvements, intensified efforts for community outreach through different media, and other new circumstances require NLIA to ask for reasonable funding.

6. How will success be measured and how will you continue to fund this project once grant funds are expended?

NLIA measures success in a few different ways. The first and easiest being the number of paid memberships in NLIA. The other indicators of success are based on the participation level of the residents in North Lawrence. These would be the number of residents attending monthly meetings (an average of 20-30), the number of residents that engage NLIA on our Facebook page or surveys, and the number of residents that participate in neighborhood events (an average of 50-70). The success of our neighborhood clean-ups are measured by the number of households participating (all in 2016), as well as additional households that are encouraged to assist in removing blight from the neighborhood. NLIA continues to maintain a strong membership foundation and is expected to grow within the next year as we continue to increase our online presence. NLIA has made many improvements to encourage participation and membership in the previous year.

If grant funds are not available to fund this project, we will not be able to accomplish our objectives that were outlined. Other than the minimal charge a minimal \$1.00 per person membership due and small fees for advertising in the semi-annual newsletter, there are currently no additional funds to support this project.

7. What is the organization's timeline for achieving the objectives of the grant?

Our timeline for achieving the objectives that were outlined in this grant is one year.

8. What other funding sources have been approached and what have the responses been?

The NLIA has approached commercial businesses to donate money for the purchase of food, clothing, and gifts for families during the holiday season. The businesses operate in North Lawrence have been consistently generous in their contributions. This has allowed the NLIA to provide for several families with small children during the holiday season. These funds are generally collected starting in November and are distributed as the needs become known or with the help of the Ballard Center. Many businesses have helped support both North Lawrence and the NLIA, but a couple of businesses have stuck out over the years. Johnny's Tavern and ICL have consistently supported these causes, and their support has enabled us to serve in the way that we need to. NLIA also has a community member who generously

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donates his time to designs license plates and t-shirts that help to support the NLIA. Funding is also obtained through membership dues, and newsletter advertisements. Although this has been minimal, and would not allow us to sustain our operations the current level of service.

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Neighborhood Budget			
		NON CDBG \$	CDBG
Beginning Balance		\$ 3,798.00	\$ -
INCOME	Description		
Interest		\$ -	
Sales		\$ -	
Donations		\$ 4,935.00	
Memberships		\$ 100.00	
Advertising		\$ 739.00	
T-Shirts		\$ 220.00	
CDBG Grants		\$ -	\$ 14,000.00
Other (please list)		\$ -	
Other (please list)		\$ -	
Subtotal		\$ 9,792.00	\$ 14,000.00
Expenses			
Communication Expenses		\$ -	\$ -
Postage		\$ -	\$ 50.00
Newsletter Printing		\$ -	\$ 2,000.00
Newsletter Postage		\$ -	\$ 2,200.00
Website Expenses		\$ -	\$ 200.00
Coordinator Salary		\$ 173.25	\$ 1,500.00
PO Rental		\$ -	\$ -
Other Rental (Meeting Space)		\$ -	\$ 200.00
Office Supplies		\$ 14.87	\$ 525.00
Advertising		\$ -	\$ 325.00
Other Publicity (Specify)		\$ -	\$ -
LAN Dues		\$ 25.00	
Gifts/Grants		\$ 4,560.01	
Clean Up		\$ 250.00	\$ -
Capital Improvement	Traffic Calming	\$ -	\$ 7,000.00
Food/Entertainment		\$ 195.88	
Other (please list)		\$ 229.01	\$ -
Other (please list)		\$ 40.00	\$ -
Total Expenses		\$ 5,488.02	\$ 14,000.00
Ending Balance		\$ 4,303.98	\$ -

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**NORTH LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION
CURRENT OFFICER LIST**

Title	Name	Occupation	Address
President	Ted Boyle	Retired	310 Elm Street, Lawrence KS 66044
Vice President	Jeff Joseph	Self – Employed	818 Locust St, Lawrence KS 66044
Treasurer	Beverly Cates	Retired	629 Lyons Street, Lawrence KS 66044
Coordinator	Dylan Shmalberg	Engineer	513 N 7 th Street, Lawrence KS 66044
Secretary	Dylan Shmalberg	Engineer	513 N 7 th Street, Lawrence KS 66044

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About The North Lawrence Improvement Association...

All North Lawrence residents have many opportunities to stay connected through attendance at NLIA meetings, picnics, school functions, and other gatherings. Most of the information about these events is communicated through this Newsletter, our website, and our Facebook Page. The North Lawrence Improvement Association is a non-profit, neighborhood organization representing the people who live in the area.

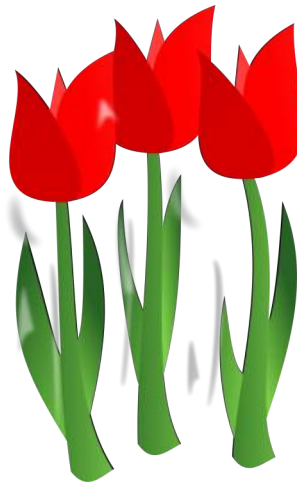
By joining the NLIA, you connect with those who share similar concerns,

questions, and a love of North Lawrence. Dues are only \$1 per year, per person. The more voices we have, the more people will listen. You may join by calling Bev Cates at 843-8799 or any of the NLIA officers.

NLIA neighborhood meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of the month, October through May at 7:00pm at the Peace Mennonite Church, 615 Lincoln Street. On occasion we need to change a meeting date or location and that information is listed within this newsletter

and on our website.

We welcome any suggestions you might want to share for future publications. Your involvement is critical to our success!



NLIA Officers

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Vice President Jeff Joseph	841.1284
Treasurer Bev Cates	843.8799
Secretary Dylan Shmalberg	840.7153
Coordinator Dylan Shmalberg	840.7153

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Sandrat Reunion 2015...



Each year people who've been a part of the North Lawrence Community come together in celebration of their lives and to reflect on days gone by. This annual gathering is known as the Sandrat Reunion, fondly named in honor of the sandy soils and the connection to the Kansas River. The 2016 reunion will

be held on **June 4th from 9 a.m.-noon at Woodlawn Elementary School.**

The 2015 reunion was really fun with 200 people in attendance.

All North Lawrence residents are "Sandrats", so show your support of our community and join the fun this year!

Calendar of Events:

- 4/11 NLIA Neighborhood Meeting
- 4/12 Spring Neighborhood Clean-up
- 4/28 Woodlawn Kindergarten Round-up
- 4/30 Woodlawn Carnival
- 5/9 NLIA Neighborhood Meeting (Last meeting for Spring/Summer)
- 5/13-14 Neighborhood Garage Sale
- 6/4 Sandrat Reunion

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NLIA Neighborhood Meeting Notes...

- September 14, 2015 — Annual Picnic at Lyon Park
- October 12, 2015 — Monthly NLIA meeting
- November 9, 2015 — Monthly NLIA meeting
- December 14, 2015 — Annual Holiday gathering.
- January 11, 2016 — Monthly NLIA meeting (Guest Speaker: City Stormwater Engineer Matt Bond)
- February 8, 2016 — Annual Chili Supper at Depot
- March 14, 2016 — Monthly NLIA meeting (Guest Speaker: Lawrence Police Department)
- April 11, 2016 — after newsletter print (Guest Speaker: ICL Plant Report)
- May 09, 2016 — after newsletter print

NLIA minutes — October (October 12, 2015 7:00pm to 9:00pm)

Board members present: Ted (President), Beverly (Treasurer), Dylan (Coordinator/Secretary)

President Report:

City has approved the pump construction near Maple Street after being rebid. The final price will come close to 6 million dollars. The 2006 Storm water study concluded that North Lawrence needed 16 million in storm water investment. The 2008 infrastructure sales tax was passed and the pump was a staple justification for that tax. After the money was allocated to other needs it has finally come back to North Lawrence. They already have the ring levee built for the project. Completion date is estimated to be around July of next year. The levee trail at that location is now closed as well. There was a problem this previous weekend with people trespassing on the construction site.

NLIA has been working 2 years for a grocery store. Ted meets with a committee the Thursday of every week. Compton/Treanor currently manage the property at this location. The committee toured Price Choppers in Kansas City area. The property management company wanted a study of the location done. The results came back last week and it was determined to be a favorable location for a grocery according to what Ted saw and was told. Should know more in the coming weeks about the future of the location. It would probably be 6-9 months after the remodel begins before it is open. Christmas donations will be collected for the sponsorship of North Lawrence families through the Ballard Center and Visiting Nurses Association. Questions were asked about getting a quiet zone will cost about \$500,000 in improvements to upgrade intersections. Guest Speaker Recommendations: Matt Bond, Urban agriculture committee members, Union Pacific Representative

Coordinator Report:

The NLIA website has been completely reconstructed, and NLIA now has an official Facebook Page. They will be primarily used for NLIA updates, interactions (answering questions), and surveys. Also, survey software was purchased so you will be seeing more of those in the future.

NLIA minutes — November (November 09, 2015 7:00pm to 8:30pm)

Board members present: Ted (President), Jeff (Vice-President), Beverly (Treasurer), Dylan (Coordinator/Secretary)

President Report:

Matt bond had to reschedule due to an urgent matter, but he will be at the January meeting. The boring machine used to create a tunnel under the railroad has broken, and is currently being repaired. The project currently is still on schedule as of now. ICL made a generous donation to our holiday fund. Also, ICL donated \$1,500 dollars for the purchase and distribution of weather radios in North Lawrence. Once there is enough interest an order will be place. The other plant located next to ICL would also like to donate to the weather radio fund. The downtown grocery store is an ongoing process, and Ted meets with grocery store committee regularly. The proposed location in the former Borders building qualifies for federal grants since it is in a food desert. NLIA currently has a survey to gather grocery store shopping habits and other information from North Lawrence Residents. The owners of the property wish to add a couple of levels to the existing structure, but there is still debate about this. The LPD would be willing to come over and talk with the neighborhood, but it would most likely be March before they are able to attend a meeting. Ted has been in contact with Union Pacific about meeting with them, and has also initiated advocating for a quiet zone to be put in place.

Public Comment:

Owners gave an update about the status of the Levee Café. They will be running it, and Paul Werner is dealing with the rezoning of the property. There is a gravel lot (3rd and Locust) that will be used to accommodate parking. It will most likely have a seating capacity of around 25 with an outdoor patio. The café will be open from 7am to 3pm Tuesday/Wednesday, and 7am to dinner time Thursday-Saturday. Will be using the existing signage, and potentially adding bike racks.

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NLIA Neighborhood Meeting Notes Continued...

NLIA minutes — January

January 11, 2016 7:00pm to 9:00pm

Board members present: Ted (President), Jeff (Vice-President), Beverly (Treasurer), Dylan (Coordinator/Secretary)

President Report:

The grocery store survey that was created was highly successful, and we gathered a lot of good data. The report will also be presented to the grocery store committee this week. Ted has been going to these meetings for the past two years. They are still trying to determine (and also studying) how to maximize the space by a potential expansion upward or to the east. The parking situation needs to be discussed, but there are options for the owners of the space to pursue. If this location for some reason does not happen then there are other potential opportunities for a grocery store in or near N. Lawrence. NLIA has been active in supporting the Levee café plan that is located near 3rd and Elm. There is still some work to be done with regards to variances and the planning commission. However, it is the belief of NLIA that this will be a valuable addition to the community.

Treasurer Report:

We collected \$5,300 in holiday donations and adopted 4 families. Donations were also given to the VNA and the Ballard Center. The thank you notes are written and ready to be dispensed. The NLIA Chili Feed will be February 8th 5:30 – 8:00pm.

Public Comment:

Community Village has had a trial period and was rated as satisfactory. They have started the program recently, and expect they will need more volunteers soon. The purpose of the program is to foster a community/neighborly environment, and help those that are older stay in their homes as long as possible. Changes at Pinwheel Farm will be forthcoming. She is looking for offers to purchase/lease/partner with the farm. The Champs program would be a nice addition to the grocery store that will serve the N. Lawrence if possible.

NLIA minutes — March

March 14, 2016 7:00pm to 8:30pm

Board members present: Ted (President), Jeff (Vice-President), Beverly (Treasurer), Dylan (Coordinator/Secretary)

President Report:

Grocery Store update: There was a recent article in the LjWorld covering some of the details. Ted has been to several meetings and stated that they may be looking to expand the square footage of the location as well as add an underground parking garage. It could potentially be up to 40,000 square foot store. They are planning, as of now, for it to be a full service store with a pharmacy. That is the latest news as of right now. There could be a store in as little as a year, but the timeline is still unpredictable at this point. The pump station installation is still moving along on schedule. Once complete there should be minimal flooding in North Lawrence. The 20 year dedication for the Union Pacific depot will be held this year.

Lawrence Police Department Comments:

NRO Aaron Hackmiester will be cycling out as one of our NROs. Amber will be coming in as the new NRO. NRO program was developed within 2007 to address chronic/repeated issues and to increase community involvement. Keep submitting reports when needed and watching out for other community members. There are currently improvements or planned improvements being made to the technology aspects of LPD. LPD is authorized currently to have 152 people, and are only a couple short as of now. There is a 16 month process for hiring in the LPD, and there may be over hiring done in the near future for projected turnover. The LPD preparations have begun for Final Four planning.



20% discount for North Lawrence residents (excluding tires & batteries)



This Spring's North Lawrence Clean-up will be:

Tuesday, April 12.

Please place items you wish to discard at your regular trash pick up site by 7:00 a.m. Remove all nails from boards; place broken glass in suitable containers and mark it. Old tires will be picked up. Do not include any hazardous waste (paint, lawn chemicals, etc.). Bring limbs to the parking lot behind Centenary United Methodist Church at 4th & Elm during the weekend—we will generate mulch from limbs that will be available to residents behind Ted's house at 310 Elm Street. Contact Ted at 842.7232 if you have questions about the clean-up.



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Woodlawn School News...

The kids, teachers and parents are hard at work at Woodlawn School wrapping up the end of the school year. The 2 million dollar addition & expansion to the school has also recently been completed.

Contact the school or visit their Facebook/Website for more info.

PTO meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday each month at 5:45 p.m. with childcare provided.



Upcoming Events

- April 8: Family Day
- April 28: Kindergarten Roundup
- April 22: Earth Day
- April 30: Carnival
- May 6: Field Day & Bike fair
- May 26: Last 1/2 day of School

Notes from the President...

Well here we are again at springtime, and I can't wait for those fresh veggies, everything to turn green, and the flowers to bloom. The Maple street pump project is ahead of schedule due to the mild winter and dry spring that we have had so far. Due to the weather the project may be completed sometime in June, as opposed to the scheduled completion in July, and traffic can get back to normal. The city has installed a speed hump in the 300 block of Elm Street. This was paid for with CDBG federal money that NLIA writes a grant for. The grant also includes money for operating expenses, Coordinator Salary, and other capital improvement (speed humps are included in this category). North Lawrence has also been approved for a 2nd speed hump in the 500 block of North Street, which will be installed after August 2016. The next grant will include a request for a speed hump on Walnut Street for 2017. Hopefully, we will get money for it (they are \$3,500 each). Getting a grocery store that serves North Lawrence is still a work in progress. The proposed grocery store at 7th and New Hampshire is talking about expanding the sq. ft. from 20,000 to 40,000 with underground parking and 50 above ground spots. The total for the location would be 130 parking spots and the underground parking would benefit downtown. There would be approximately 200 people employed by the grocery store, and the development group is also discussing putting apartments above it.

The Sandrat reunion will be Saturday June 4th from 9:00am to Noon. Please come out and join us, the usual attendance is around 250 people. It is held at Woodlawn Elementary School. You can also buy an engraved brick to help pay for the Sandrat statue at the Union Pacific Depot. The city has already donated a spot for the statue and patio in the southwest corner. This project will take \$25,000 to \$20,000 to complete. Tom and Linda Lee have been the driving force behind this project so lets help support them. No other neighborhood has the history that North Lawrence has. Also, on June 4th from 1:00pm to 3:00pm there will be an event to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the restoration of the beautiful Union Pacific Depot. The Depot was scheduled for demolition in 1984, but it was restored after 11 years and countless volunteer hours. This historical landmark is now used as the Lawrence visitors center, but is available for celebrations, meetings, and events. Please come out to both the Sandrat reunion and Depot celebrations. They will be fun and you can enjoy the rich history of North Lawrence. Have a great summer.

Ted Boyle — NLIA President

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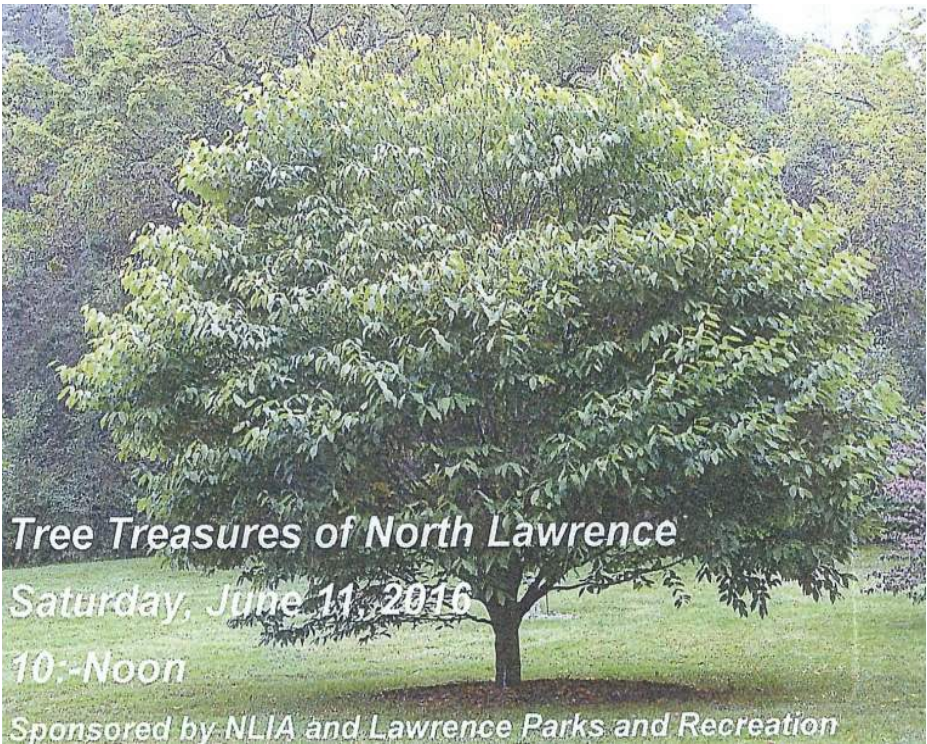
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- Depart from Union Pacific Depot at 10:00am
- Tour Guide: Jon Standing
- Base Fees \$17.00, senior (60+) \$15.30, with a \$2.00 discount for NLIA members who produce a copy of this postcard when registering.

Register at any Parks & Recreation office such as the community building (115 W 11th St)

For more information contact Gayle Sigurdson at 785-832-7920 or at gsigurdson@lawrenceks.org.



Community Village Lawrence

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Community Village Lawrence provides seniors affordable access to an array of services and activities; allowing members to retain an independent lifestyle, as they age comfortably in their own homes.

ABOUT:

Community Village Lawrence is a membership-based service that brings new strengths to the sense of community in Lawrence, Kansas. Any Lawrence resident who wishes to age in their home, but feels they may need extra support is welcome to join.

MISSION:

The mission of Community Village Lawrence is to enhance the quality of life for the entire community by helping neighbors remain in their homes as they age. We do this by creating a network of supports following the Village model to make aging at home a long-term, affordable option.

Community Village Lawrence had a successful trial period and is now accepting full memberships. They are also looking for more volunteers as they continue to grow.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

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NLIA Grocery Store Survey Results

Duration of Survey: November 6th to December 30th 2015

Number of total participants: 276 (201 Facebook and 66 paper surveys)

Approximate Population of North Lawrence: 2000 (173 North Lawrence residents answered the survey which is about 8.7% of the current population)

Participant breakdown by method of completion: Mobile device: 134, Desktop or laptop computer: 67, Paper: 66

Number of visitors to the Facebook survey: 211 (95% completion rate)

Average time spent completing the Facebook survey: 1 minute and 30 seconds

The last three questions were added to the survey late. So the total participants for questions 6-8 is only 200, which is short of the other questions by 67.

Question 1: Are you a current North Lawrence Resident?

Answer	Number of Responses	Percentage of Total
Yes	173	65 %
No	72	27 %
Work in N. Law.	22	8 %

Question 2: On average, how many times in a month do you visit the grocery store?

Answer	Number of Responses	Percentage of Total
1	2	1 %
2	6	2 %
3	13	5 %
4	35	13 %
5	30	11 %
6	49	19 %
7	21	8 %
8+	108	41 %

Question 3: On average, how much money do you spend on groceries per month?

Answer	Number of Responses	Percentage of Total
\$0-75	11	4 %
\$76-150	8	3 %
\$151-225	33	13 %
\$226-300	63	24 %
\$301-375	38	14 %
\$376-450	57	21 %
\$450+	51	19 %
Prefer not to answer	6	2 %

Question 4: Which of these products do you usually purchase during a trip to the grocery store? (Select all that may apply)

Answer	Number of Responses	Percentage of Total
Meat	206	77 %
Produce	253	95 %
Dairy	225	84 %
Canned/Jarred Items	191	72 %
Bread/Bakery Items	207	78 %
Frozen Food	197	74 %
Beverages	151	57 %
Dry/Baking Goods	159	60 %
Household Items	164	61 %
Personal Care	135	51 %

Question 5: Would you shop at a grocery store located downtown instead of your current grocer?

Answer	Number of Responses	Percentage of Total
Yes	162	61 %
No	8	3 %
Sometimes	55	20 %
Maybe/Undecided	42	16 %

Question 6: Which of these descriptive terms do you prefer to see when shopping for food? (Select all that may apply)

Answer	Number of Responses	Percentage of Total
Healthy	88	44 %
Organic	82	41 %
Natural	71	36 %
No Preference	77	39 %
Other	32	16 %

Question 7: What mode of transportation would you most likely use to travel to a grocery store located downtown? (Select all that may apply)

Answer	Number of Responses	Percentage of Total
Personal Motor Vehicle	168	84 %
Bicycle	49	25 %
Walking	73	37 %
Public Transport	14	7 %
Taxi Service	2	1 %
Other	1	.5 %

Question 8: Of the following options, which would you likely purchase at a downtown grocery store?

Answer	Number of Responses	Percentage of Total
Ready Made	6	3 %
Grab & Go	13	6 %
Both	127	63 %
Neither	51	26 %
Other	3	2 %

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- *4/11 NLIA Neighborhood Meeting*
- *4/12 Spring Neighborhood Clean-Up*
- *4/28 Woodlawn Kindergarten Round-up*
- *4/30 Woodlawn Carnival*
- *5/9 NLIA Neighborhood Meeting (Last meeting for Spring/Summer)*
- *5/13-14 Neighborhood Garage Sale*
- *6/4 Sandrat Reunion*

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About The North Lawrence Improvement Association...

All North Lawrence residents have many opportunities to stay connected through attendance at NLIA meetings, picnics, school functions, and other gatherings. Most of the information about these events is communicated

through this Newsletter, our website, and our Facebook Page. The North Lawrence Improvement Association is a non-profit, neighborhood organization representing the people who live in the area.

By joining the NLIA, you connect with those who share similar concerns, questions, and a love of North Lawrence. Dues are only \$1 per year, per person. The more voices we have, the more people will listen. You may join by calling Bev Cates at 843-8799 or any of the NLIA officers.

NLIA neighborhood meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of the month, October through May, at 7:00pm at the Peace Mennonite Church, 615 Lincoln Street.

On occasion we need to change a meeting date or location and that information is listed within this newsletter and on our website.

We welcome any suggestions you might want to share for future publications. Your involvement is critical to our success!

NLIA Officers

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Jeff Joseph 841.1284

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Bev Cates 843.8799

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NLIA to host Candidate Forum

The North Lawrence Improvement Association will be hosting a candidate forum for the Douglas County Commission 2nd District, which includes the entirety of North Lawrence, and the 3rd district. The candidates for the 2nd district seat, that will be on the November ballot, are incumbent Nancy Thellman and challenger Jesse Brinson Jr. For the 3rd district, the candidates are Bassem Chahine and Michelle Derousseau. The forum will take place at NLIA's regular meeting on Monday, October 10th. The meeting will be held at Peace Mennonite Church starting at 7:00pm. So come ask the candidates questions and hear what they have to say.

**Don't Forget to like North
Lawrence Improvement
Association's Page on Facebook**

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NLIA Neighborhood Meeting Notes...

NLIA minutes — April (April 11, 2016 7:00pm to 9:00pm)

Board Present: Ted (President), Jeff (VP), Beverly (Treasurer), and Dylan (Coordinator)

President Report:

The newsletter has been received by different residents at different times. The plan was to get the newsletter in the hands of the residents by Friday, but people have received them Friday, Saturday, and Monday. Beverly still has not received hers. Finally, Price Chopper people are meeting with the property owners and the architects. They have presented some renderings of what the store would look like during this meeting. The grocery store is planned now to be 40-45 thousand square feet. It would potentially be a full service store with a pharmacy, and there could be a 2 story underground parking store. This is the closest of an opportunity to getting a grocery store that serves N. Lawrence in a while. There may be additional stories added to the new building for the grocery store equipment and residential units. The maple street pump is ahead of schedule due to weather, but there are many obstacles underground (abandoned sewer lines from before the 1951 flood). They should have it completed by late June if the schedule holds. Residents may have noticed the new traffic calming on Elm Street, and the next one will be in the 500 block of North Street. There is currently a backlog at the city for these traffic calming devices. The next device after that will be placed on Walnut Street somewhere.

Treasurer Comments: Mailing expenses were around \$384 for this most recent newsletter.

ICL Performance Products & Chemtrade Comments:

Gordon - Plant manager at the N. Lawrence ICL plant. Currently they have 142 employees and they operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. They make Sodium Phosphate products as well as some acid solutions, such as phosphoric acid. They have moved away from shipping bulk products in railcars/trucks and moved toward trucks filled with smaller volume packaged materials. ICL has shifted from a mining operation to a specialty chemical producer. They have had no significant environmental issue since 2015 and environmental/safety issues are one of their highest priorities. ICL has invested significant capital into the Lawrence Plant, but also invest/be involved with the community. They have a community advisory panel of which Ted is a part of, and try to support local community organizations. They have many systems in place to deal with all types of emergency situations (emergency weather, fire, spills). The arsenic levels in the ground water at the site were originally 20 ppm and are currently down to 1 ppm. The federal level for potable use is 10 ppb. They are currently using a program that will immobilize the arsenic and prevent it from moving any further toward the river.



NLIA minutes — May (May 09, 2016 7:00pm to 9:00pm)

Board Present: Ted (President), Jeff (VP), Beverly (Treasurer), and Dylan (Coordinator)

President Report:

Most of Sandrat memorial is now located on the southwest corner of the property. There are currently 46 empty bricks left to be engraved. The final piece of the memorial is a 3ft bronze Sandrat statue. Tom and Linda Lee, as well as the Sandrat committee are the ones involved with this project. The Sandrat Reunion (June 4th 9am to Noon) will be back at Woodlawn Elementary School this year. So the residents will be able to see the 2 million dollars in new renovations that happened to the school. The school now has a shelter for emergency weather that will hold all the occupants of the building. The city will have a 20th anniversary ceremony for the Union Pacific Depot, June 4th at 1 to 3 pm. The U.P. Depot was saved from demolition/relocation. It now serves multiple functions and is a staple of N. Lawrence. The speed hump has been installed at Elm Street, and Ted is happy to report that it is currently working to slow them down. The next one will be on North Street, and the location has already been selected by the city/association. We may ask for more capital improvement projects in the next CDBG application. There is currently a request about rezoning a property in North Lawrence so it can be used as a music venue. NLIA wrote a letter stating that they do not want there to be an issue with overflow traffic.

Public/Speakers Comments:

Logan Isaman – Works for AmeriCorp Vista and Lawrence Public Library. She is coordinating a community needs assessment to try to identify the gaps and how the Library can help to fulfill those needs. There will be a survey distributed June 1st to the residents of Lawrence through various media to try and assess this. If the survey is completed you will receive a coupon for 50% off the late fees.

Matt Bond (City Stormwater Engineer) – Still on schedule to be completed by July 1st. The majority of the pipe has been completed at this point. There have not been any major change orders so far. The pump station is 91% complete. The levee is also almost complete, but they still need to pour some concrete. They should be done and the levee will open by the end of May. The ditches will be addressed, in house by the city, on a need basis once the pump station is completed. The property owner is responsible for the general maintenance of the ditches, but the city will clear silt or repair damaged drainage tubes.

Jeff (VP) – The BIG event hosted by KU and it happens every April. The students come out and assess what needs to be done and then completes it. They can't use power tools or get on ladders due to safety concerns.

Resident expressed desire to have a speed hump located on North 5th street (North – South Street) just south of Lake Street.

**Centenary United Methodist Church
invites the North Lawrence Community to
dinner at the church!
5:30-7:00 p.m. on the
3rd Wednesday every month.
Free will offering**

Holiday Fundraiser ...

The NLIA supports the North Lawrence Community in multiple ways. One of these ways is by anonymously adopting North Lawrence families for holiday giving through the Ballard Community Center. If you would like to contribute to this fund contact Ted Boyle - NLIA President, Bev Cates - Treasurer, or consider giving an extra dollar or two when paying your NLIA dues this year! If you are in need of assistance please contact the Ballard Center at 842.0729.

December NLIA Meeting...

Centenary United Methodist Church invites the North Lawrence Community to an Open House to view the Festival of Nativities on Monday, December 12th, 6:30-8:30 p.m. The church is on the corner of 4th & Elm. There will be coffee and cookies to enjoy while viewing the beautiful display of nativities from around the World.

This Open House will be in lieu of the regular NLIA meeting in December.

This will be the 22nd year of hosting the Festival of Nativities at Centenary United Methodist Church. The first four weekends in December we will be open. Our hours are 12:00-4:00 p.m. A wonderful Treats and Treasures Gift Shop is open during the Festival. Bake goods, candy, jellies and jams, handmade items, and wonderful nativity sets can be purchased. Help make our 22nd year the best yet, and share with your friends and family what your neighborhood has to offer.

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Sandrat Reunion & Picnic Recap

Everyone had a great time at the 2016 Annual North Lawrence Sandrat Reunion on June 4th, as well as the annual community picnic on September 12th. About 50 residents attended the picnic, and brought many great dishes to share. We were glad that City Manager Tom Markus, Commissioner Stuart Boley, Commissioner Lisa Larsen, and County Commissioner Nancy Thellman could attend and talk with the great community members of North Lawrence.

A big **Thank You** to everyone who helped make this year's Sandrat Reunion so much fun as usual, and to those who helped set up for the picnic. We hope to see everyone again next year. So watch for your invitation - or check our Facebook page online - and pass the word along. In the meantime, reserve June 3rd for the 2017 Sandrat Reunion.



Notes from the President...

Well another summer is just about over, but there is good news. The Maple street pump station is up and running after months of hard work by the city and construction crews. We would like to thank Nowak Construction for all of their hard work to get the station built. There is still some earth work and street work that needs to be done around the construction site. Then the city will assess and redo the drainage ditches in North Lawrence so that the water will better drain to the new pumping station. This should take care of the flooding North of the railroad tracks and in Lyons Park. Also, there will be a new speed hump installed in the 500 block of North Street this Fall. NLIA will be asking for additional funds in the next CDBG grant to install a speed hump on Walnut street.

The next project that NLIA will begin working on is to get a railroad quiet zone implemented in North Lawrence. It will be seven days a week from 10pm to 6am. We will work with the city and Union Pacific Railroad to try and institute this change. Please try to attend a few meetings so you will have a say in what North Lawrence needs and/or wants.

Thank You,

Ted Boyle — NLIA President

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This Fall's North Lawrence Clean-up will be:

Tuesday, October 11th.

Please place items you wish to discard at your regular trash pick up site by 7:00 a.m. Remove all nails from boards; place broken glass in suitable containers and mark it. Old tires will be picked up. Do not include any hazardous waste (paint, lawn chemicals, etc.). Bring limbs to the parking lot behind Centenary United Methodist Church at 4th & Elm during the weekend - we will generate mulch from limbs that will be available to residents behind Ted's house at 310 Elm Street. Contact Ted at 842.7232 if you have questions about the clean-up.

Central Middle School Fun Run... October 28th

The Middle School Fun Run is just around the corner! The Fun Run is the only fundraiser for the school. The entire student body participates by asking family, friends, neighbors, and the community to make donations. In exchange for your support, the students participate in a 2 mile run together with friends, family, neighbors, teachers...anyone who wants to join in can on October 28th at 1:00pm.

The money raised by the students is used to help pay for after-school activities, camps, scholarships, uniforms, and a wide variety of special needs not covered by the school's regular budget.

Keep an eye out for the Liberty Memorial students in our neighborhood collecting money for the Fun Run, and give them a few dollars if you can! We all benefit from the programs at our schools.



Woodlawn School News...

The kids, teachers, and parents are hard at work at Woodlawn School with the new school year now in full swing. Included here are a few noteworthy events that are upcoming.

Contact the school or visit their Facebook Page and Website for more information.

PTO meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday each month at 5:45 p.m. with childcare provided.



Upcoming Events

- October 5: Walk/Bike to School Day
- October 14: No School
- October 21: No School
- October 24-28: Red Ribbon Week
- October 27: PTO Sock Hop
- November 4: No School
- November 7-11: Conference Week
- November 23-25: Fall Break
- Dec. 23 - Jan. 4: Winter Break

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Neighborhood Pantries...

Recently there has been some interest expressed in North Lawrence about potentially putting up little free pantries in the community. These pantries are based on the little free library concept in which small enclosures are put up by people in their yards, and members of the community are free to take and give as necessary.

Unfortunately, the recently adopted urban agriculture code prohibits these activities. NLIA consulted the city and they stated that these activities would be considered in violation of city code. A copy of the code can be seen below.

NLIA is committed to the betterment of our community and would like to hear your thoughts on this matter as well as others at our meetings.

20-550 **ON-SITE AGRICULTURAL SALES**

(1) **GENERAL STANDARDS**

- (i) Only unprocessed items: eggs, honey, or whole, uncut (except as necessary for harvesting), fresh produce and/or horticultural products may be donated, sold on-site, or distributed through Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) pick-ups as On-Site Agricultural Sales.
 - a. On-site sales refers to products grown or produced on the premises or products that are grown or produced on another site within the City that is maintained by the operator of the sales site, but only when sold in conjunction with products grown or produced on the premises.
- (ii) On-Site Agricultural Sales may occur between 8:00 AM and 8:00 PM.
- (iii) Exterior display of product is permitted during sale hours.
- (iv) Any stands used for the display or sale of products shall be located a minimum of 20 feet from the curb or roadway and shall be temporary; being removed and stored when sales are not in progress.
- (v) The sales area may include a retail sales area (stand and/or display area) as noted below:
 - a. Sales area of up to 100 square feet permitted for lots up to 7,000 square feet in area.
 - b. Sales area of up to 150 square feet permitted for lots up to 10,000 square feet in area.
 - c. Sales area of up to 300 square feet permitted for lots larger than 10,000 square feet in area.
- (vi) One temporary, unilluminated sign advertising only food or horticultural products may be displayed during sales.
 - a. The sign must be located a minimum of 20 feet from the curb or roadway or it may be placed flat on a wall or door or displayed in a window.
 - b. The sign face may not exceed 2 square feet in area and the sign may not be more than 3 feet in height.

(2) **Urban Farms**

- (i) On-Site Agricultural Sales are permitted on Urban Farms in Residential Districts subject to area and locational standards established with the Special Use Permit.
 - a. Urban Farms in residential districts which were in existence prior April 26, 2016, and are operating under an automatic SUP shall comply with the general On-Site Agricultural Sales standards in this section.

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Organization Name:		Pinckney Neighborhood Association		
Mailing Address:		PO Box 125, Lawrence, KS 66044		
Agency Address (if different than above):				
DUNS Number:	114970184			
Contact Name:	Patricia Miller	Phone:	785-550-6958	
Contact Title: President, PNA				
Email: pinckney.neighborhood@sunflower.com		Fax:	none	
Organization Mission Statement:				
The purpose of the Pinckney Neighborhood Association (PNA), as stated in our Bylaws, is to promote understanding with the City of Lawrence; to improve property, living conditions, and communications within the Pinckney Neighborhood; and to promote good public relations with the businesses in the neighborhood.				
Proposed Program or Activity Name: Communications Coordinator and Media Outreach				
Proposed Program Address: Within Pinckney Neighborhood				
Brief summary of Proposed Program or Activity:				
PNA mails 3 to 4 newsletters or postcards to all persons and businesses on its mailing list (~1550 addresses) regarding news and information of general interest and special events and activities. PNA also maintains (management/hosting) its website and Facebook pages with information and updates to engage in timely and interactive communications with our residents, and sends an email update approximately every 2 weeks. PNA's Communications Coordinator is responsible for newsletter preparation, email updates, Facebook posts and communications with organizations and businesses on behalf of PNA. Communications and operating expenses include in this request include a part-time coordinator, (20 to 25 hours per month at \$15/hour), printing and postage for newsletters, website hosting and maintenance, and post office box rental.				
Funding Requested:		\$ 8,490.00		
Request is:	95	% of project budget and	87	% of organization budget
Which National Objective will be met? (Page 3 above)			Benefitting low and moderate income persons	
Which Local Priority will be met? (Page 8 above)			support or coordinate with other community development efforts	
Certification:				
"I certify that I have reviewed this application and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all of the information provided is true and correct. I also certify that I am officially authorized to represent the submitting organization by its governing board in the filing of this application."				
Signature: 			Date: 12/1/2016	
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I. Narrative

1. What is the situation, problem or opportunity this grant will address?

The Pinckney Neighborhood Association (PNA) intends to use its CDBG funds to accomplish three main objectives: 1) to foster a sense of community, caring, and resident investment in the neighborhood; 2) to improve the physical surroundings in the neighborhood; and 3) to promote neighborhood stability. PNA plans to accomplish these objectives by ensuring the residents and businesses within the Pinckney neighborhood are informed of issues that may affect them; providing a forum for Pinckney neighborhood stakeholders to identify and discuss their concerns about matters affecting the community; and providing a mechanism through which Pinckney residents can take action to better their own lives and those of their neighbors. Pinckney neighborhood is one of the older neighborhoods in Lawrence and has a very diverse socio-economic make-up.

The requested CDBG funding will enable PNA to continue to use several media avenues to communicate with our residents and businesses in an effort to increase participation in the neighborhood association's activities and to improve neighborhood cohesion. PNA will use the grant primarily for a communications coordinator and media outreach, including publication of newsletters and postcards, maintaining a useful website, periodic e-mail newsletters and a Facebook page. Such communications have enabled PNA to increase attendance at its monthly business/planning meetings and at public service and social outreach events, such as the annual parks clean-up day, neighborhood picnic and trunk-or-treat. PNA seeks to maintain the increased level of activities we have achieved, with opportunities to volunteer services for the benefit of our neighbors and the neighborhood. The annual picnic and trunk-or-treat provide excellent opportunities to build neighborhood connections, provide information to residents about local services, and gather information regarding neighborhood concerns.

2. How will this grant support the mission of the organization?

PNA's purpose, as stated in its bylaws, is to foster better communications within the Pinckney Neighborhood, to promote good communications between the neighborhood and the City of Lawrence, to promote good relations between the neighborhood and the businesses in the neighborhood, and to improve property and living conditions within the neighborhood. PNA serves as an important source of information within the neighborhood, a point of contact for accomplishing projects of benefit to the neighborhood, and as a liaison between the neighborhood and other entities, such as the City and businesses.

The internal and external communication objectives are a critical focus of our organization. The requested funding is primarily designated for a part-time communications coordinator. The other significant project request is production and distribution of information to residents through newsletters and event postcards, email, a website, and updates to the PNA Facebook account.

PNA will use the grant funding to achieve the objective of improved property and living conditions within the neighborhood by activities designed to foster a sense of community and caring (e.g., through the twice-annual social/social service events) and through volunteer projects, such as the annual parks clean-up day. PNA will also continue to keep in close communication with Pinckney Elementary School, located within the Pinckney Neighborhood,

to ensure that our projects and events benefit the kids and their families, many of whom are in the low- and moderate income levels. For example, PNA's communications coordinator, in partnership with representatives from Old West Lawrence Neighborhood, has led an effort to secure volunteers to keep Pinckney tunnel, which is vital for safe passage across 6th Street, clean while the school is closed due to construction. PNA strives to provide a stable and supportive presence in the neighborhood since many residents are renters and may have limited opportunities to build strong community ties on their own. We attempt to help new residents feel welcome and connected as quickly as possible.

3. How many people will be served by this grant and what percentage are low-moderate income (describe method of verification)?

According to information provided through City of Lawrence reports and publications, the 2000 Census found that Pinckney neighborhood had a population of 3,587 (about 20 to 25% minority), with approximately 1,600 households. Also according to reports published by the City, 61% of these residents have a low to moderate income and greater than fifty percent of the households are renter-occupied, as opposed to owner-occupied. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Development's Qualified Census Tract designation data, based on 2010 census data, the most populated portion of Pinckney Neighborhood has a population of 5,366 with 2208 households, and qualifies as a low/mod income area eligible for CDBG funding.

Sources include: 2012 Report on the Consolidated Action Plan (CPMP); 2011 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER); 2015 Action Plan/Consolidated Plan 2013-2017; US HUD at https://qct.huduser.gov/tables/data_request.odt.

4. What resources are currently available to dedicate to the program or activity, including staff, volunteers, existing funds and community partners?

Most of our manpower – including the four PNA officers – is supplied by neighborhood volunteers. The new communications coordinator, a part-time staffer, is primarily responsible for newsletter preparation, regular e-mails, Facebook account management, and website updates. Other volunteers provide project and event planning and support. Various residents and local businesses participate in projects and attend special events.

PNA's bylaws suggest an annual dues donation of \$2 per household to encourage a feeling of ownership in the organization. PNA maintains a modest bank balance comprised of dues payments and various donations. In addition, several local and neighborhood businesses have donated funds, services, and/or supplies for our activities and newsletter. Meeting space for our monthly association meetings is provided at no charge, usually at either Lawrence Memorial Hospital or the Douglas County Community Health Building. PNA intends to continue to increase its outreach to local businesses for donations of funds, products or services to support the association and its mission and projects. We sometimes also use advertising to offset a portion of the cost of the newsletters.

5. How is this approach to the issue unique or collaborative and what gives it a high likelihood of success?

PNA has used its media resources, including newsletters, e-mails, website and Facebook page, to provide information regarding regular meetings, special events, and issues important to our

neighborhood. These communications approaches are also used to solicit input and coordinate regarding issues affecting the neighborhood. As an example of the effectiveness of our outreach efforts, attendance at our annual neighborhood events has continued to increase in the past few years and the Facebook group page now has about 230 members, many of whom regularly contribute information regarding upcoming events and information relevant to the neighborhood. Attendance at monthly PNA meetings is steady, and increases incrementally.

PNA periodically invites guests to attend our monthly meeting to discuss various issues of interest or concern, including the representatives from several City departments and community members who can provide information regarding services and planning. The newsletter includes a summary of information provided during these meetings for the benefit of those who were unable to attend, and the meeting outcomes are posted on the PNA website. The PNA newsletter, e-mail list, periodic reminder postcards and the PNA Facebook page also successfully solicited participation in events such as PNA monthly and annual meetings, the potluck picnic, and the Trunk-or-Treat, as well as public service projects such as the parks clean-up day and food drives. PNA intends to continue to expand efforts to provide communication within the neighborhood and communication and coordination between the neighborhood and other organizations.

PNA continues our concerted effort to significantly increase the number of active participants in PNA-sponsored events, including the monthly meetings, social interaction events, and public service projects. PNA will collaborate with area-wide social service organizations to determine how best to serve the needs of those in the neighborhood. PNA will work hard to ensure concerns and ideas of neighborhood residents and businesses regarding selection of appropriate public service projects are voiced and carefully considered, and that the chosen activities are appropriate for volunteers from the neighborhood and achievable. To accomplish this, PNA will utilize the monthly meetings and other media avenues (newsletter, PNA website, e-mail list, and Facebook) to keep the neighborhood residents and businesses informed and involved.

6. How will success be measured and how will you continue to fund this project once grant funds are expended?

PNA's most significant funding source is the CDBG allocation, and therefore we rely heavily on the grant. Other sources of funds include donations, dues and periodically, advertising revenue. For example, we receive financial donations, food and supplies from area businesses to offset expenses for our social and public service events. These donations, however, do not provide sufficient revenue for the PNA communications coordinator's fee or the newsletters and website. The vast percentage of the manpower necessary to support PNA's activities is provided through the voluntary efforts of a handful Pinckney residents. After grant funds are expended, activities, such as the parks clean-up, bulk brush pick-up, and social events, would continue. Our plans to expand efforts to improve property and living conditions with the support of a paid coordinator and to publish a newsletter or postcard on a quarterly basis would, however, have to be scaled back without grant funding.

PNA will continue to track expenditures and analyze benefits of our various efforts and activities. We will utilize this approach to track our activities, monitor our resource utilization, and measure and report our accomplishments. The aspect of our mandate that would be most significantly hampered without the requested grant funding is fostering communications by

publication of the newsletter. In addition, PNA would be unable to continue the use of a Coordinator without the grant funding.

7. What is the organization's timeline for achieving the objectives of the grant?

PNA's effort to improve communications and the quality of living in the neighborhood is ongoing. The timeline for completing the specific projects and achieving the objectives of the grant is one year. More specifically, the timelines for the PNA grant projects are as follows:

Communications:

Newsletter or Postcard – published approximately quarterly

Website/Facebook/e-mail – ongoing

PNA Meetings – 3rd Saturday of each month

Social & Public Service Events:

Trunk-or-Treat and collection of donations for Health Care Access – Fall

Potluck Picnic & food drive – Spring/Summer

Parks Clean-up – generally May/June

Yard Waste/Brush Pick-up – generally May/June

Administrative (supporting all objectives):

Coordinator (20 to 25 hours per month) – full grant year

Other (Post Office box, misc. office supplies) – ongoing

8. What other funding sources have been approached and what have the responses been?

In addition to CDBG funding, PNA relies on voluntary dues and donations from individuals and local businesses for financial support. Local businesses have provided funding and supplies for specific events, such as the annual picnic and trunk-or-treat. About two dozen businesses provided goods, services and/or funds for our picnic, Trunk-or-Treat, and other ongoing activities to support the neighborhood association. Depending on the space available in the newsletter, PNA periodically solicits advertising to defray part of the cost of publishing the quarterly newsletter. However, without the requested grant funding, PNA will be unable to accomplish all of the goals and objectives set forth in this grant proposal, particularly printing and postage expenses for newsletters and fees for the part-time communications coordinator.

PNA has developed a small, but strong, group of regular participants and volunteers. Our current concerns are twofold: first, we fear volunteer burnout if the same group of hardy and dedicated individuals are continually called upon to support our core services; and second, we believe there are people in the neighborhood who would benefit from greater involvement with PNA, but whom we have not reached. Our communications coordinator has been tasked with helping in both respects, by taking over some of the work load currently borne by the core volunteers, and by having an opportunity to focus on connecting with additional neighborhood and community individuals, businesses and organizations.

Pinckney Neighborhood Association Officers

Name/Address	Office	Term	Principal Occupation
Patricia Miller 345 Mississippi St. Lawrence, KS 66044	President	Feb 2015 to Feb 2017	Attorney
Nathan Littlejohn 321 Indiana St. Lawrence, KS 66044	Vice President	Nov 2016 to Feb 2018*	Non-profit Assn. Chapter Services Administrator
Kim Heck 420 Alabama St. Lawrence, KS 66044	Secretary	Feb 2016 to Feb 2018	Non-profit Assn. Management
David Barrett Lawrence, KS 66044	Treasurer	Apr 2016 to Feb 2017**	Banker

*Nathan Littlejohn was appointed as Vice President in November 2016 following the death of former Vice President, Barbara Sufian

** David Barrett was appointed as Treasure in April 2016 to fill the vacant.

II. Program/Activity Budget

Pinckney Neighborhood Budget			
Grant Funding Year August 1, 2017-July 31, 2018			
		NON CDBG \$	CDBG
Beginning Balance		\$ 2,178.36	\$ 0
INCOME	Description		
Interest	Bank interest on savings deposit	3.00	
Sales			
Donations & Dues	Goal for Donations/Dues	1,000.00	
Memberships Dues	(not tracked – included in donations)		
Advertising	~ 2 ads in each newsletter @ \$30/ea	180.00	
T-Shirts			
CDBG Grants			8,490.00
Other (please list)			
Other (please list)			
Total Income		\$ 1,183.00	\$ 8,490.00
Subtotal		\$ 3,361.36	\$ 8,490.00
Expenses			
Communication Expenses			
Postage			
Newsletter Printing	3 Newsletters & 3 Postcards (x 1550)	400.00	1,870.00
Newsletter Postage	3 Newsletters & 1 Postcards (x 1550)		1,475.00
Website Expenses	Hosting, Maintenance & domain name		325.00
Coordinator Fees	300 hrs @ \$15/hr		4,500.00
PO Rental	Rental Fee		70.00
Other Rental (Specify)			
Office Supplies			100.00
Advertising			
Other Publicity (Specify)	Printed Signage for Events		150.00
LAN Dues		25.00	
Gifts/Grants			
Clean Up			
Capital Improvement			
Food/Entertainment	Picnic & Trunk-or-Treat (donated funds and supplies)	450.00	
Other (please list)	PNA Walking Tour Brochure	20.00	
Other (please list)	Neighborhood Plan outreach	150.00	
Other (please list)	Bank Fees	10.00	
Total Expenses		\$ 1,235.00	\$ 8,490.00
Ending Balance		\$ 2,126.36	\$ 0

MOST RECENT ANNUAL REPORT

Pinckney Neighborhood Association			
Budget for Fiscal Year August 1, 2015 through July 31, 2016			
	PNA	CDBG	Total
Beginning Balance	2,544.12	0.00	2,544.12
INCOME			
Interest	2.46		2.46
Donations & Dues	299.03		299.03
Membership Dues*			
Advertising			
CDBG Funds		5,476.50	5,476.50
Assets/Receipts Subtotal	2845.61	5,476.50	2845.61
EXPENSES			
Coordinator Contract Fees		2,700.00	2,700.00
Newsletters & Postcards			
Printing		1,629.92	1,629.92
Postage	405.25	660.63	1,065.88
Website Domain Fees		24.64	24.64
Website Hosting		300.00	300.00
Signage & Supplies			
Post Office Box Rental		66.00	66.00
Neighborhood Events	221.00		
Bank Fees	16.00		
LAN Dues	25.00		25.00
Total Expenses	667.25	5,381.19	6,048.44
Ending Balance (as of 7/31/16)	2,178.36	95.31	2,273.67



PINCKNEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

PO Box 125 Lawrence Kansas 66044

September 2015 Newsletter

Trunk-or-Treat

Saturday, October 24th

It's back! This fall, PNA will again sponsor Trunk-or-Treat for all Pinckney Neighborhood residents, families of Pinckney Elementary School kids and our neighbors in Old West Lawrence! This year the event will be on Saturday, October 24th – a week before Halloween – and will be located in the Lawrence Memorial Hospital parking lot at 4th and Michigan.

As in past years, the Trunk-or-Treat will also be a fund raiser for **Health Care Access Clinic**, a free or reduced cost clinic located in our neighborhood. Trunk-or-Treat participants are encouraged to bring a donation of cash or supplies (see page 2).

Residents and businesses are invited to decorate their trunk or a booth in a Halloween theme and hand out candy or set up a game for kids to play. We are in the process of lining up local organizations and businesses to participate. The Lawrence Fire and Police Departments will be there with a Fire Truck and a Police Car! Local businesses that are already planning to be at the Trunk-or-Treat or donate supplies include First Student (the school bus company), Dillon's, Liberty Tax Service, Pawsh Wash, McDonald's, Panera Bread Company, and Hy-Vee!

Barbara Sufian is chair of the planning committee. The September 19th PNA meeting will focus on preparation for the Trunk-or-Treat. If you have any questions or want to join in the planning effort, please come to the meeting or call Barbara at 785-550-3816.

LOOK INSIDE FOR MORE DETAILS

Upcoming Neighborhood Meetings & Events

October 3 – Neighborhood Parks Clean-up

9:00 a.m. @ Clinton Park, Constant Park, Burcham Park, Woody Park or Sandra Shaw Memorial Park
(see back page for details)

October 17 – PNA Monthly Meeting

10:00 a.m. @ Lawrence Memorial Hospital (D-South)

October 25 – Trunk or Treat

Lawrence Memorial Hospital Parking Lot – 4th & - Arkansas
3 to 4 – Set-up for trunks & games
4 to 6 – Open for visiting Trunk-or-Treaters

November 21 – PNA Neighborhood Meeting

10:00 a.m. @ Lawrence Memorial Hospital (D-South)

Part Time Job Opening PNA Communications Coordinator

The Pinckney Neighborhood Association (PNA) is seeking a part-time Communications Coordinator. If you are interested in applying, please review the summary of the job description and expectations listed below. The position pays up to \$15 per hour, depending on skills, and generally requires about 20 hours a month. All are welcome to apply; PNA is an equal opportunity contractor. PNA's website can be found at www.PinckneyNeighborhood.org. Applications accepted until October 1: start date as soon as the coordinator is chosen and hired. Submit a statement of interest and a resume to Pinckney.Neighborhood@gmail.com

The Coordinator's contract will begin as soon as possible and will be completed on July 31, 2016, which is the end of PNA's grant year. Renewal of the contract is possible following an annual evaluation to be conducted in June. If needed, the position will be advertised in July for the following grant year.

Position Summary: The Coordinator for the PNA is responsible for completion or coordination of communications and related responsibilities, including:

- coordinating and attending regular meetings
- filing quarterly PNA reports with the City of Lawrence
- planning for and coordinating yearly events
- preparing 4 to 6 newsletter or postcard mailings and monthly e-newsletters with news and notices affecting the neighborhood
- maintaining PNA email inbox and responding to emails, as directed by the PNA Board
- coordinating signage and advertising for PNA events
- other various tasks as assigned by the PNA Board

The Coordinator will be expected to take initiative, contribute ideas, and keep the PNA Board informed of the Coordinator's activities. The Coordinator must schedule time efficiently and work through objectives to meet goals and deadlines on time.

Skills and Attributes: PNA seeks a communications coordinator who has excellent organizational, writing, editing, verbal and interpersonal skills and proficiency with, and access to, Microsoft Word, g-mail, MailChimp, Wordpress websites and Facebook. The coordinator must own or have access to a reliable computer with internet access. The Coordinator must maintain professional demeanor and appearance while representing PNA.

Trunk-or-Treat: The Details!

Who's Invited? All Pinckney Neighborhood residents, families of students at Pinckney Elementary School, and our neighbors in Old West Lawrence.

When and Where? Saturday, October 24th in the Lawrence Memorial Hospital parking lot on the corner of 4th and Michigan (enter at 4th and Alabama).

- Set-up starts at 3 p.m.
- Trunk-or-Treaters welcome from 4 to 6 p.m.

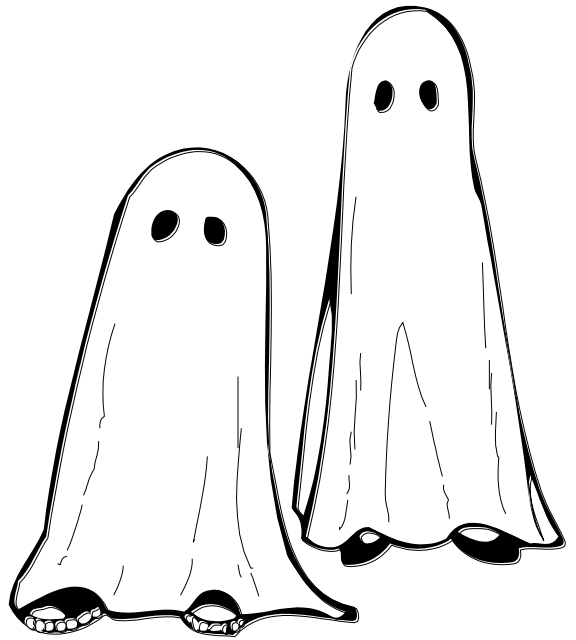
Admission? Free! We encourage you to bring donations for Health Care Access Clinic.

Why? To have fun, to bring neighbors together, and to give back to the community through donations to Health Care Access Clinic.

What will be Happening? There will be so many fun things to do! Games, candy, costume contests, great things to eat (cookies from Panara) and drink (Cider from Dillon's), and friends and neighbors to meet!

How Do I Participate? You and the kids can just show up at 4 to play games and get candy and other treats, BUT it would be way more FUN to also have a trunk or game! All you need to do is pick a Halloween theme, get a few decorations and a little candy or other items to give away, and set up your trunk or game between 3 and 4. Of course, you can pull out all the stops and try to win one of the fabulous prizes donated by our generous local businesses (e.g., gift certificates from the Merc & McDonalds).

Use Sign-up Genius to register your trunk or game. Look for the Pinckney Neighborhood Association "Trunk-or-Treat 2015" sign-up link at: www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d44afaa2ba6f58-trunkortreat



Why is PNA Sponsoring this Event? The Pinckney neighborhood is very large (about 1500 residences/3500 residents). Gatherings like the Trunk-or-Treat are excellent opportunities to meet your neighbors while doing something fun. Connections formed during these events build strong, caring communities and foster cooperation during good times as well as in times of need.

Please join your neighbors at the Trunk-or-Treat on Saturday, October 24th to help build a strong and connected neighborhood!

Health Care Access Clinic

Donations sought at PNA Trunk-or-Treat

We are once again proud to include a project to help out Health Care Access Clinic as part of our annual Trunk-or-Treat neighborhood gathering. Health Care Access Clinic, located at 330 Maine Street in the Pinckney Neighborhood, is a nonprofit organization with a mission of facilitating access and providing health care services for Douglas County, Kansas residents with limited financial means who are not covered by private or governmental insurance programs.

PNA seeks your donation of cash and other needed items for Health Care Access Clinic in order for them to fulfill their mission. Please bring a donation of a few dollars or any of the items listed below to the Trunk-or-Treat. Your donations are greatly welcome, but not required, to participate in the event.

Items Needed by Health Care Access

For cold and flu season:

Mucinex 600 and 1200mg (plain and DM or other long acting expectorant)

Dylsem Syrup or similar 12 hour cough suppressant

Phenylphedrine HCL 5mg (Sudafed or similar):

packages of 20-40 (larger pkgs cannot be dispensed)

Ibuprofen 200 mg

Naproxen 220mg

Acetaminophen 325 and 500mg

Generic Benadryl 25mg

Generic Dramamine 50mg

Generic Claritin 10mg packages of 100

Generic Zyrtec 10mg packages of 100

Other needed items:

Glucose Tablets: packages of 10 or 50 or more

Pill splitters

Men's reading glasses: 1.5/1.75/2.0 (\$1 at Dollar Tree)

Large band aids

Disposable wash cloths

Hand sanitizer (alcohol)

Hydrogen peroxide

Fish oil 1000 mg – 100 count bottles

Hydrocortisone 1% – 1 ounce tube

Generic Benadryl cream – 1 ounce tube

Triple antibiotic cream or ointment – 1 ounce tube

Quart and Gallon ziplock bags

Other needed items and methods of giving to Health Care Access are listed on their website at:

www.healthcareaccess.org/donate/

Pinckney Neighborhood Scores Big on Giving Back to the Community!

2015 Potluck Picnic Declared a Success

On Saturday, August 1st, after a delay caused by rain that flooded out our planned picnic in Burcham Park, Pinckney Neighborhood Association finally was able to hold its annual Potluck Picnic and Food Drive. About 75 neighbors gathered in Clinton Park to enjoy a hot dog lunch and catch-up with friends. Thanks to donations from local businesses and generous neighbors, we enjoyed a Bounce Castle, Popcorn, Face Painting, Kids Arts & Crafts, and Music by John Lomas and Michael Stevenson,.

We also gave back to the community by collecting donations for Just Food Douglas County in the form of \$51 in cash contributions and 76 pounds of food. Thank you Pinckney!

Thank you to contributing local businesses:

Anderson Rentals, Checkers, Dillon's and Fast Lane!

More Opportunities to Help Just Food Douglas County

You may have heard the news that a former Just Food employee is alleged to have failed to pay payroll taxes and taken some of Just Food's much needed funds. The current Board of Directors of Just Food is attempting to raise \$60,000 by early October to pay the missing taxes.

Just Food has initiated a campaign called **Keep the Pantry Door Open** to raise the funds through donations from the public and matching funding from several donors. If you are interested in donating to Just Food to help keep the pantry doors open and to provide other valuable resources to families in need, you can make a contribution through an online funding link. More information about their current needs and the fundraising campaign can be found there.

www.crowdrise.com/keepthepantrydooropen



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PNA Monthly Meeting dates

PNA Coordinator Job

Oct. 3 – Parks Clean-up Day

Oct. 24 – Trunk-or-Treat

Neighborhood Parks Clean-up Day Saturday, Oct. 3 – 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.

Our annual parks clean-up day is Saturday morning, October 3. Please join your neighbors and spend a little bit of your morning helping clean up our wonderful neighborhood parks. Meet at your favorite park at 9:30 a.m. – Constant Park (5th & Tennessee), Clinton Park (5th & Maine), Woody Park (3rd & Maine) or Burcham Park and Sandra Shaw Memorial Park (2nd & Indiana). At about 10:45, we'll all meet back at Clinton Park for refreshments.

The city furnishes us trash bags. All you need are gloves and good walking shoes. Help us keep our parks user-friendly by participating in this clean-up. You can also help year-around by picking up trash as you walk through the neighborhood or take your dogs for a walk.

Please send PNA an email if you want to be a team captain for one of the parks. Your responsibilities will simply include receiving a supply of trash bags and helping organize the folks who show up at your location.

PNA Contact Information

Website: www.pinckneyneighborhood.org

E-mail: Pinckney.Neighborhood@gmail.com
Subscribe to periodic e-newsletters

Facebook: "Pinckney Neighborhood Association"

President – Pat Miller
(785) 550-6958 pgmiller@sunflower.com

Vice President – Melinda Toumi
(785) 979-2477 melindatoumi@gmail.com

Treasurer – vacant (replacement being sought)

Secretary – Kim Heck
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Pinckney Neighborhood Association

Pinckney Neighborhood Potluck Picnic

Saturday, June 18th
11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Clinton Park - 5th & Maine Streets

HOT DOGS, WATER & SODA PROVIDED

Courtesy of Dillon's, Checkers & Fast Lane!

BRING A SIDE DISH, MUNCHIES OR DESSERT TO SHARE

FOOD DRIVE for Just Food Douglas County

BOUNCE HOUSE

Courtesy of Anderson Rentals!

FACE PAINTING

MUSIC

KIDS' ARTS & CRAFTS

HAIR CUTS FOR A DONATION

Courtesy of Great Clips!

PINCKNEY NEIGHBORHOOD POTLUCK PICNIC & FOOD DRIVE

SATURDAY, JUNE 18TH * 11:00 am – 1:00 pm * CLINTON PARK (5TH & Maine Streets)

Check www.PinckneyNeighborhood.org for updates about the Picnic!

Find Pinckney Neighborhood Association on Facebook!

POTLUCK PICNIC WELCOMES ALL PINCKNEY NEIGHBORS!

Free neighborhood-wide gathering! Fun activities for all ages!

Donations for the Food Drive are also encouraged!

Use Sign Up Genius to volunteer to help:

Pinckney Neighborhood Potluck Picnic

www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d44afaa2ba6f58-pinckney

Please join your friends and neighbors on Saturday, June 18 in Clinton Park for the annual Pinckney Neighborhood Potluck Picnic!

WONDERFUL FOOD

We Provide: Hot dogs, Veggie Dogs, Soda, Water, Plates, Cups, Napkins, etc.

You Bring: It's a Potluck! Bring a Side Dish, Dessert or Munchies

FUN THINGS FOR KIDS & ADULTS

Bounce House – Music – Face Painting – Arts & Crafts – Music

And come needing a haircut, because Great Clips will be ready to give you a cut or trim for just a donation to PNA! How awesome is that!

GREET YOUR NEIGHBORS – BUILD COMMUNITY TIES

The annual potluck picnic is a wonderful time to meet Pinckney residents from all corners of the neighborhood. Be sure to remind and invite your friends and neighbors. Bring a lawn chair and take time to relax and visit.

Pinckney Neighborhood Association Contact Information

Website: www.PinckneyNeighborhood.org

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Pres.: Pat Miller - 785-550-6958 or pgmiller@sunflower.com

V. Pres.: Barbara Sufian - barbarasufian@gmail.com

Communications Coordinator: Lance Fahy - pinckney.neighborhood@gmail.com

FOOD DRIVE FOR JUST FOOD DOUGLAS COUNTY

In keeping with Pinckney Neighborhood's strong support for community involvement, we are collecting food and other needed items to donate to Just Food Douglas County, the county wide food bank and service organization. All of the food you donate to Just Food stays in Douglas County.

- **Items in demand** include cereal, canned meats, dry pasta, peanut butter, canned fruit, brown rice, juice, baby food, whole wheat grains, diapers, feminine hygiene products, and toilet paper.
- **Cash!** Every dollar you donate helps distribute vital, nutritious food to hungry people in Douglas County.

Other Upcoming Pinckney Neighborhood Events

PNA Monthly Meetings:

10:00 a.m. in Lawrence Memorial Hospital room D-South

July 16th - Emerald Ash Borer, Mosquitos and other environmental concerns, and Pinckney Tunnel upkeep during construction at the school

August 20th - Updating the Pinckney Neighborhood Plan
September 17th - (to be determined)

Annual Trunk-or-Treat: October 29th (details to come!)

Lawrence Memorial Hospital parking lot

PINCKNEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, PO BOX 125, LAWRENCE, KS 66044



PINCKNEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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Fall 2016 Newsletter

In memory of Barbara Jean Sufian

Pinckney Neighborhood loses a dear friend and advocate.

Pinckney neighbor, PNA Vice President, First Student special needs chaperone, and first-order advocate and supporter, Barbara Sufian, passed away on October 1, 2016. Our thoughts and prayers to out to her family.

Barbara was such a go-getter. She had boundless energy, and we were so lucky to have her put that energy to improving Pinckney neighborhood. Kim Heck, PNA Secretary, captured our sentiment well when she said, "I will miss her very generous spirit, and our PNA Board has lost a good friend."

To honor Barbara, we will double our efforts to raise donations of items and funds for Health Care Access Clinic at the PNA Trunk-or-Treat to contribute to Health Care Access Clinic. All donations will be given in memory of Barbara. Barbara's generosity and energy were boundless. We hope this little gesture in her memory serves as a fitting tribute and a wonderful example of community spirit and volunteerism.

Thank you, Barbara. You will be dearly missed

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

October 15- PNA Monthly Meeting

10:00am at Lawrence Memorial Hospital, lower level, meeting room D south.

October 29 Annual Trunk or Treat

Set-up starts at 3:00 pm

Open to visitors/trick-or-treaters 4:00-6:00pm

Lawrence Memorial Hospital,

West parking lot 4th and Arkansas St.

November 19 PNA Monthly Meeting

10:00am at Lawrence Memorial Hospital, lower level, meeting room D south.

No December meeting

January 21, 2017 PNA Monthly Meeting

10:00am at Lawrence Memorial Hospital, lower level, meeting room D south.

ANNUAL TRUNK OR TREAT

Saturday October 29th 4:00-6:00pm

LMH parking lot. 4th and Arkansas Street

TREATS! COSTUMES! FUN! GAMES!

The annual Pinckney Neighborhood Trunk-or-Treat is back. All Pinckney resident, families of Pinckney School students, and our neighbors in Old West Lawrence are invited! Volunteers are needed to provide trunks or booths of any kind. Families, organizations and businesses are encouraged to participate.

How to Participate: Set-up starts at 3:00 pm; the event is open to the public from 4 to 6 pm. Simply decorate the trunk of your vehicle or set up a game to give away treats or small prizes to neighborhood kids - and meet your neighbors!

So far, we confirmed the following fantastic entries: *Lawrence Police Department SUV, Lawrence Fire Department truck, US Army Recruiting Office military vehicle (decorated!), the Kryfka family's hearse, mini pumpkins to give a way, music provided by Sound Innovations, and the always popular Haunted Duck Toss! We need YOU, too!*

Health Care Access Donations: We'll also be collecting donations for Health Care Access - a low and no-cost health care clinic that is located in Pinckney Neighborhood across Maine Street from the Hospital. Our donations will be submitted in memory of PNA VP Barbara Sufian.

Health Care Access needs the following items:

- Bacitracin
- Neosporin
- Round band aids
- Medicated band aids
- Cold medicine for people with high blood pressure
- Disposable or regular wash cloths to use when people feel faint or ill.
- They will also be accepting cash donations.

Contact Pat Miller to volunteer for the Trunk-or-Treat or for more information:

785-550-6958 (please leave a voice mail or text)

Email: pgmiller@gmail.com

Polling places in Pinckney Neighborhood

The general election is Tuesday, November 8th

There are three polling places in the Pinckney Neighborhood.

Precinct 1. (E of Michigan St.)

(Polling place temporarily moved from Pinckney Elementary school during construction)

**Lawrence-Douglas County Health Department
200 Maine Street, Lawrence, KS 66044**

(<http://www.douglascountyks.org/depts/voting-and-elections/polling-places/precinct-1>)

Precinct 4 (W of Michigan St. & S of 2nd St.)

USD 497 Administration Center

110 McDonald Drive, Lawrence, KS 66044

(<http://www.douglascountyks.org/depts/voting-and-elections/polling-places/precinct-4>)

Precinct 42. (W of Michigan St. & N of 2nd St.)

Church of Christ

201 North Michigan Street, Lawrence, KS 66044

(<http://www.douglascountyks.org/depts/voting-and-elections/polling-places/precinct-42>)

The Douglas County Clerk serves as the County's Election Officer with the responsibility for the planning and operation of all elections held in the county (as required by Kansas Statutes and Administrative regulations), and maintains all records relating to such elections.

- October 18th - Last Day to Register to vote for the November General Election
- October 19th - Advance Voting by mail and in person begins
- November 7th - Advance Voting closes at Noon

ADVANCE VOTING BY MAIL

Vote by Mail: To vote by mail, complete an Advance Voting Application

(<https://www.douglascountyks.org/sites/default/files/media/depts/voting-and-elections/pdf/advancevotingapp.pdf>) and sent to the Election Office.

email: elections@douglas-county.com

mail: 1100 Massachusetts, Lawrence, KS 66044

fax: 785-832-5192

Overseas - Military - Federal Service Voters Only:

Military and Overseas Citizens can receive advance voting ballots through the Federal Voting Assistance Program

(<https://www.douglascountyks.org/sites/default/files/media/depts/voting-and-elections/pdf/uocavaapp.pdf>)

For more information, email Kathleen at uocava@douglas-county.com

ADVANCE VOTING IN PERSON

Find information at the following links:

Advance Voting Schedule

(<http://www.douglascountyks.org/depts/voting-and-elections/advance-voting#Link%20To%202016%20Primary%20Advance%20Voting%20Schedule>)

My voter registration

(<https://www.douglascountyks.org/depts/voting-and-elections/registering-vote-kansas>)

Sample Ballots

(<https://www.douglascountyks.org/depts/voting-and-elections/sample-ballots>)

State and Local offices

(<https://www.douglascountyks.org/depts/voting-and-elections/media/candidate-filings-state-and-local>)

Pinckney Neighborhood Plan Update

The Pinckney Neighborhood Plan (PNP) was last updated in 1978. Because of the passage of time and changes to our neighborhood, it is time for an update. We have discussed updating the PNP with the City Planning Department some time next calendar year when their schedule permits. Until then, we are developing a list of goals and expectations for the neighborhood that allow for enjoyable residential life, vibrant businesses, and a strong and growing medical services sector.

During the coming months we will need your thoughts and input in updating to the plan to make sure it reflects your vision of a great place to live and takes into consideration current use, development and potential redevelopment, as well as consideration of Horizon 2020 goals.

In upcoming monthly PNA meetings we will be discussing the following areas as we prepare the updated PNP.

1. Land Use, Urban Design and Zoning
2. Housing
3. Historical
4. Environmental Management Protection
5. Parks & Green Spaces
6. Community Facilities
7. Streets and Sidewalks (infrastructure)
8. Traffic (flow) and Transportation (Bus Stops)
9. Pinckney Partners: such as Commercial Businesses and Organizations
10. Medical Corridor Development
11. Security/Safety/Crime Prevention.

6th Street Tunnel Access and Clean-up Pinckney School Construction

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO MAINTAIN PINCKNEY TUNNEL DURING SCHOOL RENOVATION

The Pinckney tunnel remains open for most of the time during the school renovation. Neighborhood volunteers are needed to help keep it clean and maintained since the Pinckney custodial staff will be at East Heights during the renovation period. Pinckney Neighborhood Association and Old West Lawrence Association are teaming up to care for the tunnel (approximately May 2016 to August 2017).

Pinckney neighborhood volunteers will be responsible for the following months:
November 2016
January 2017
March 2017
May 2017
July 2017, if needed

Please contact Lance Fahy to claim your week or month of tunnel duty at 785-393-8603 or email lafahymusic@yahoo.com (OWLA has already filled their slots - let's not let our neighbors to the south show us up!)

Tunnel Tips

1. Check the tunnel weekly.
2. Bring two garbage bags - one for trash and one for recycle. Bring work gloves.
3. Bring a sturdy broom, in case some sweeping/grate cleaning is needed. During the fall months, if leaf accumulations are large, a leaf blower will make it easier. The school custodian would use a gas-powered one for this purpose.

THANK YOU TO THE PINCKNEY NEIGHBORS THAT HAVE VOLUNTEERED TO HELP KEEP THIS TUNNEL CLEAN

DOWNTOWN GROCERY GROUP PUBLIC MEETINGS

Anyone interested in learning more about the ongoing efforts to bring a full service affordable grocery store to downtown Lawrence is encouraged to attend the downtown grocery group monthly public meeting.

The public meeting is held the last Thursday of the month 9:00 AM at the Lawrence Public Library, lower level, Meeting room C

Next meeting date October 27, 9:00 AM

Pinckney School History to be on Display at Watkins Museum of History

Friday, October 28 - 5-8 p.m. - free admission
Final Friday: Enriching the Future: The Pinckney School Collection and Lawrence History Film

Visitors will view art and artifacts from the collection of historic Pinckney School displayed on the reopened third floor. Additionally, the Museum will debut a new short film, *Bleeding Kansas, the Letters of Edward P. Fitch*, produced by Explore Lawrence and featuring letters held in the Watkins collections. The film will be shown every 20 minutes.

The exhibit will remain on display following the Final Friday event.

See more at: www.watkinsmuseum.org/index.php#

Pinckney Neighborhood Annual Meeting Saturday, February 18, 2017

Please start considering stepping up to be a leader in the neighborhood - or nominating other residents who would great neighborhood leaders. We'll be filling president, vice president, treasurer and committee chair positions.

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SAVE THE DATE - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

PINCKNEY NEIGHBORHOOD TRUNK-OR TREAT

Lawrence Memorial Hospital Parking Lot (enter at 4th & Arkansas)

Set-up starts at 3 pm - Event open to visitors from 4 to 6 pm

Get Active in Your Neighborhood! Get Active in PNA!

If you live in the Pinckney Neighborhood, you are a member of PNA.

Now is the time to become an ACTIVE member!

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

(Join the list to receive e-mail notices before monthly PNA meetings and special events. We will keep your information private. Expect about 2 e-mails per month.)

Suggested Dues: *an annual donation of \$1 per person or \$2 per household is greatly appreciated.*

Please bring this form to the next PNA monthly meeting or mail it to:

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UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

February 20 - PNA Annual Meeting & Elections

10:00am at Lawrence Douglas County Health Dept.
200 Maine St., first floor meeting room

March 19 - PNA Monthly Meeting

10:00am at Memorial Hospital,
lower level, meeting room D south.

April 16 - PNA Monthly Meeting

10:00am at Lawrence Memorial Hospital,
lower level, meeting room D south.

May 21 PNA Monthly Meeting

10:00am at Lawrence Memorial Hospital,
lower level, meeting room D south.

June 18 Pinckney Neighborhood potluck picnic

11:00am-1:00pm in Clinton Park 901 West 5th St.

Pinckney Elementary School “Really Big Sale!”

Saturday February 20, 8am to 3pm at Pinckney Elementary School 810, w. 6th Street, The Really Big Sale is an annual fundraiser to pay for field trips and transportation for all grades, and money raised beyond that go into our general fund to support PTO's mission of supporting education and fostering community among Pinckney families. Anyone can donate items to the sale and/or volunteer to help set up. Donations can be dropped off at Pinckney Elementary School east entrance anytime during the week of February 15-19. Set up is all day on Feb 19.

Educate Lawrence

Educate Lawrence is an organization dedicated to educating Lawrence citizens about legislation affecting public schools and advocating for full and fair funding to educate Lawrence children. Everyone is invited to an event designed to inform the community about legislation affecting our public schools, both now and in the future. You are invited to attend a meeting hosted by Educate Lawrence on Tuesday, February 16 at 7 pm in the Lawrence Public Library Auditorium to learn more about Funding and Legislation that Threaten our Public Schools.

Annual Neighborhood Meeting and Elections

Each year in February, the Pinckney Neighborhood Association holds its annual meeting to elect officers and set goals for the coming year. We also plan events and get input from Pinckney residents on issues and concerns. Offices open for election this year are the Vice President and the Secretary. The Treasurer position is also vacant. Everyone who lives in the Pinckney Neighborhood is automatically a member of the Pinckney Neighborhood Association and is encouraged to attend PNA Meetings, run for office or work on a committee. Also at this meeting, guest speaker Richard Renner will talk about a Fourth of July events that will be moving to Burcham Park this year.

Pinckney Neighborhood Plan Update

Please plan to attend the PNA monthly meeting on Saturday April 16th when our guest will be Amy Miller from the City's Planning Department. She will help explain the process for updating the Pinckney Neighborhood Plan, an important city planning document that helps guide zoning and development decisions. Our neighborhood plan was last updated in 1978. Many Pinckney residents participated in the process of preparing that plan. However, over time, many things have changed in our neighborhood, and it's time to update the plan to reflect our current community status and concerns.

LIEAP Helps with Westar bills

The Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) is a federally funded program that assists eligible households in paying a portion of their home energy costs by providing a one-time per year benefit. To qualify for LIEAP, applicants must be living at the address, be personally responsible for utilities, have made recent payments of at least \$80 toward utility or heating costs, and have a combined gross income (before deductions) of all persons living at the address not to exceed 130% of the federal poverty level. Applications online at: www.westarenergy.com/low-income-energy-assistance-program. (Phone) 1-800-432-0043.

6th Street Tunnel to Remain Open During Pinckney School Construction

Based on strong community interest in continued public access to the Pinckney Tunnel during the upcoming reconstruction of the Pinckney School, the City and the School District have reached a consensus that it is possible for access to the tunnel to remain open during the majority of the Pinckney School project. The School District and its contractor are rightfully concerned about public safety as well as job-site security because the tunnel entrance is very close to the front door to the school.

The School District sent a letter to the City on December 14, 2015, indicating that access to the tunnel during construction will be allowed during a majority of the construction period. However, there will be times during construction that access will need to be restricted due to safety-related issues. The contractor has agreed to limit those times and will provide notification to the City, the Pinckney School staff and Pinckney and Old West Lawrence representatives in advance of any closures. This agreement was reached following discussions on December 1 by representatives of the School District, their contractor, the City, Pinckney School Principal Kristi Hill, Pinckney School Site Council, Old West Lawrence Association and Pinckney Neighborhood Association.

During the period of construction, from about May 2016 to late summer 2017, the artwork in the tunnel will be removed and stored in a safe location. Pinckney and Old West Lawrence residents will be asked to volunteer to help keep the tunnel clean and safe, since Pinckney School staff will not be on site to care for it. PNA will send out announcements about how you can help closer to the date.

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Communication Coordinator – Lance Fahy

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Lawrence Transit System to hold annual public meetings

Lawrence Transit System invites the public to attend its annual meetings to discuss service changes for the coming year. Meetings are held in an open house format.

Proposed service changes include:

Route 1: Major changes to route alignment

Route 3: Change from flex route to a fixed route.

Route 5: No longer serve East Hills Business Park.

Route 6: Serve Rock Chalk Park; but no longer LMH

Route 9: Would no longer serve Rock Chalk Park

Route 15: Major changes to route alignment

NOTE: changes to routes 3 and 6 would have a direct impact bus service to Pinckney Neighborhood residents.

"We encourage people to attend these meetings and let us know how the routes are working for them," said Robert Nugent, transit administrator. "We usually only make adjustments once a year, so now is the time to share comments and suggestions."

Three meetings will be held at the Lawrence Public Library, 707 Vermont Street, Meeting Room C on the lower level.

Tuesday, Feb. 16: From 5 to 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 17: From noon to 1p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 18: (two meetings,) from noon to 1 p.m. and 5 to 6 p.m.

One meeting will be held at KU in the Governor's Room at the Kansas Union.

Wednesday, Feb. 17: From 4 to 5:30 p.m.

For those who are not able to attend one of the meetings, comments can be sent to info@lawrencetransit.org or submitted by mail at Lawrence Transit System, PO Box 708, Lawrence, KS 66044.

Comments will be accepted until March 31.

For more information, please visit

www.lawrencetransit.org or call (785) 864-4644.

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UPDATE FROM THE DOWNTOWN GROCERY STORE COMMITTEE

The entire northeast quarter of our city, including part of the Pinckney neighborhood, has no full-line grocery store, and this has created a federally recognized food desert. Concerned citizens have formed a downtown grocery committee that is working and meeting weekly for more than two years to secure a downtown grocery store that will serve the needs of the northeast areas of Lawrence where, the citizens live in this food desert. With the availability of the former Borders Book Store building, the committee believes that Lawrence has a unique opportunity to address this critical need. The committee also believes that if it is the only clearly suitable site for a food store in downtown Lawrence and if it is lost to other uses, a downtown grocery store could be unattainable for decades. With the current interest of the property owners and at least one grocery retailer, it appears that an opportunity for success in this effort is as close as it has ever been.

The committee recommends that it is more important than ever that the city of Lawrence and its partners in this effort remain focused on the desired outcome. Therefore, the committee would like to share some of its goals and specific elements it believes critical to the final success.

Elimination of a federally-recognized food desert in these Lawrence neighborhoods:

- North Lawrence
- East Lawrence
- Downtown Lawrence
- Pinckney Neighborhood
- Old West Lawrence
- Brook Creek Neighborhood

Affordability:

A downtown grocery store must carry merchandise of a quality and price that meet the needs of the diverse neighborhood demographics and socio-economic mix. The store must especially serve the needs of low-income, elderly, and disabled people who are most impacted by the food desert. While the store may sell some gourmet or specialty items, or prepared foods, the preponderance of the floor space must be devoted to affordable staple foods and household necessities.

Process:

The establishment of a grocery store should not be tied to larger development projects financially or otherwise. Linking these projects will add

complication, controversy and long delays that could result in the loss of interest by grocery retailers.

Any city incentives for this project should be mostly, if not entirely, limited to one-time investments in public infrastructure and maintenance thereof. Ongoing incentives such as tax abatements should be avoided. The city should also explore the use of state and federally funded programs that might be helpful.

The lease agreement must be of long enough duration to ensure that the store can establish itself, and not be forced to vacate for another use that might offer more short-term profits to the landlord. Terms of the lease are critical to a downtown grocery store being in place for the long-haul, and remaining a downtown anchor business.

Parking and safe crossings for pedestrians are important issues that will need to be addressed throughout the development stages of this project. The city of Lawrence should recognize that a downtown grocery store is an important element in the vitality and sustainability of our historic downtown and the surrounding neighborhoods. It is essential to creating a walk-able central city, something that creative and innovative people and companies seek.

Thank you Pinckney Residents!

In December, the downtown grocery committee conducted a survey to assist potential grocery retailers in determining whether a downtown grocery store would be profitable, what types of products would be preferred, and other important demographic information. A big thank you is extended to all the Pinckney neighborhood residents who participated in this survey. Your input is an important part of attracting the right grocery retailer for this project.

PNA communication coordinator Lance Fahy serves on the downtown grocery committee and shares his information and ideas with the Pinckney Neighborhood Association. He would be happy to answer any questions or concerns you may have about the project. As more details about a downtown grocery store become available, they will be shared with Pinckney neighbors in our E-News updates. Some details about this project will also go before Lawrence City Commission as agenda items. Public comment is welcome and encouraged.