

## AGENDA

Meeting of the Board of Directors ("Board") of  
The Independence Avenue Community Improvement District ("District")

Date: November 21, 2024 Time: 3:00 pm

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

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- III. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- Balance Sheet
  - P & L YTD

- IV. ACTION/RESOLUTION ITEMS

**RESOLUTION 2024-10: RESOLUTION OF THE INDEPENDENCE AVENUE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ("DISTRICT") RESERVING FUNDS FOR FUTURE USE IN INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ENHANCEMENT OF SAFETY AND SECURITY WITHIN THE FOOTPRINT OF THE DISTRICT**

- V. NEW BUSINESS

- Safety & Security Monitoring Committee Report
  - New Director Discussion
  - District Manager's Report

- VI. OLD BUSINESS

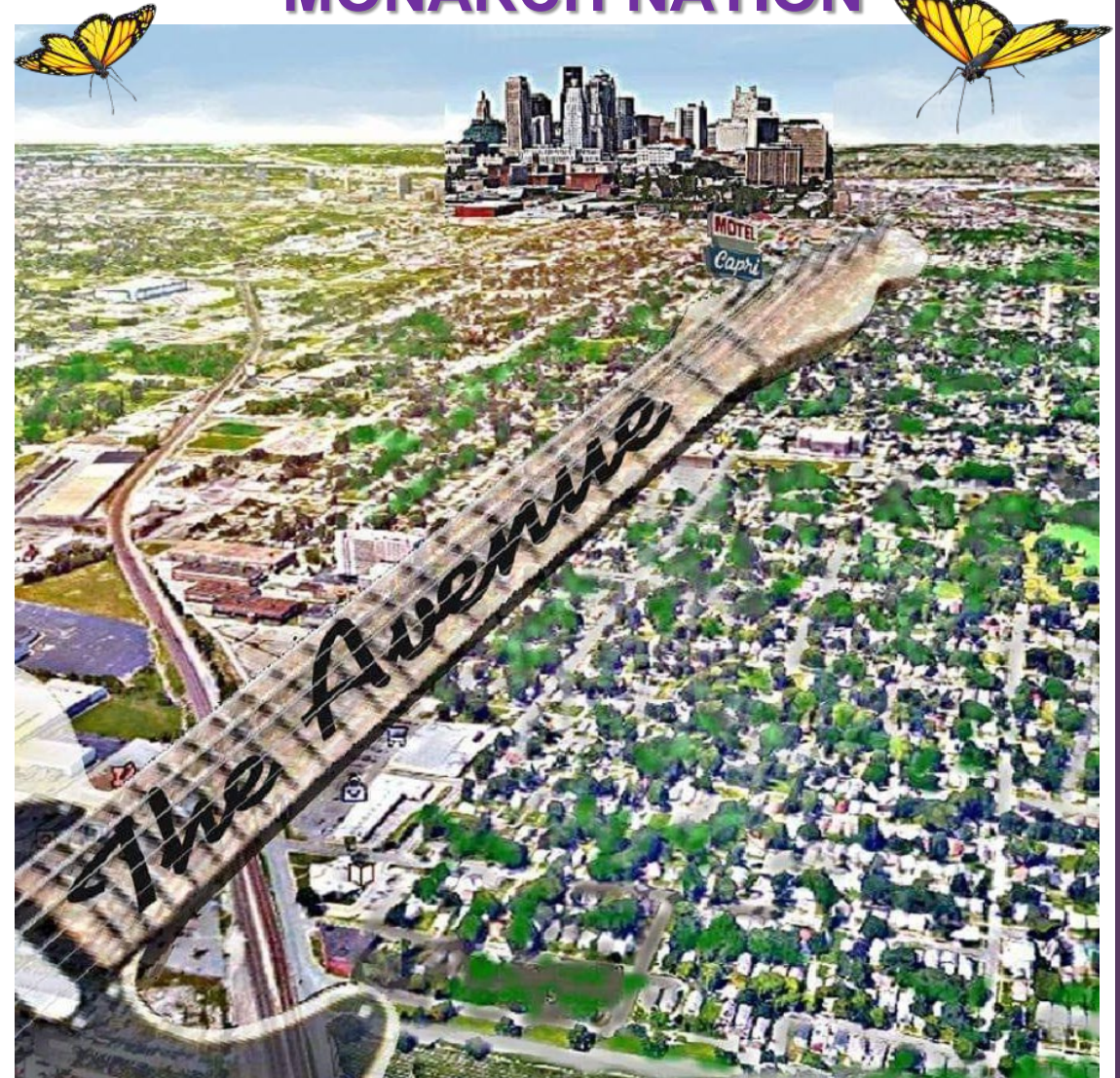
- Potential Improvements at CID Property

- VII. ADJOURNMENT

Closed Session- Legal Issue(s) may be discussed in closed session. Pursuant to the following subsections of Section 610.021 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, there may be a closed session to discuss:

- a. Legal matters, litigation, or privileged communications with attorneys, pursuant to subsection 1;
- b. Real estate, pursuant to subsection 2;
- c. Personnel, pursuant to subsection 3 and 13; and/or
- d. Sealed bids or proposals, pursuant to subsection 12.

# MONARCH NATION



# COMMUNITY STRONG



# YOUR LAST PRESENTATION

NEKC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
INDEPENDENCE AVENUE CID

10/17/2024  
09/19/2024

## THE INTERNATIONAL MARKETPLACE



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

## NOVEMBER 21, 2024

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- STOREFRONT REBATE PROGRAM (SIR)
  - RECENT EVENTS
  - HAPPENING ON THE AVENUE
  - INDEPENDENCE AVE CID & TITAN REPORTS
  - TITAN 'FOUR CORNERS'
  - THE NE NEWSPAPER'S "CID-CENTERFOLDS"
  - THE EGG EVENTS
  - UPCOMING EVENTS

The 'EGG' & NE News Office



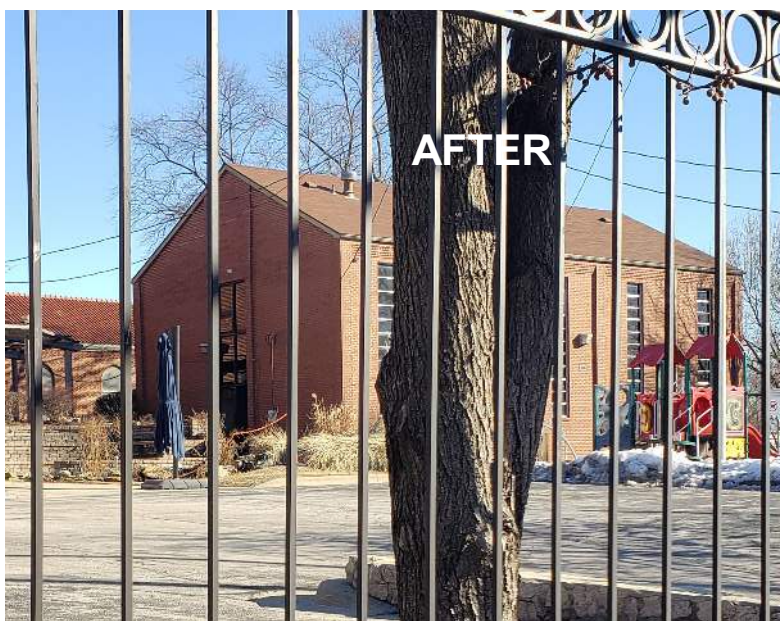
NEKC Chamber, IA CID & HNE Office



# STOREFRONT IMPROVEMENT REBATE (SIR) PROGRAM - 2024

**BUSINESS:** Northeast Community Center      **DATE:** 1/22/2024  
**LOCATION:** INDEPENDENCE, KCMO      **EXPECTED COST:** \$7,567.50\*  
**PROJECT:** Replace 2 doors with new crash-bar, full-view safety doors ←

**APPLICANT:** Kyla Pitts-Zevin, Executive Director



RECEIPTS	DATE	AMOUNT	NOTES
Davis Door		\$950.59	The full proposal cost was \$15,135. I (Kyla) reached out and asked them to split out the cost of the Library east door and the Davis north door. The other two non-reimbursable doors were \$2,889 each. The labor cost overall was \$5,517. Divide that by the four doors, the cost for <b>installation for each door was \$1,379.25</b> , thus the cost to install the two doors reimbursed by the CID was \$2,758.50.
Library Door		\$2,889.21	
Labor		\$2,758.50	
PAYMENT: CREDIT CARD	7/21/2024		
NOTE: account shows a payment of \$7567.50*: a \$969.20 difference			
		<b>\$6,598.30</b>	
		/2	
<b>SIR program is 50% of cost up to \$5,000</b>			
<b>TOTAL =</b>		<b>\$3,299.15</b>	
<b>Reimbursement Amount:</b>		<b>\$3,299.15</b>	



# SAFETY & SECURITY MEETINGS

SEPT 19, 2024

OCT 17, 2024

## GENERAL TOPICS

- 1) Temporary alternative JAIL SPACE update and response of surrounding city's accepting KC's arrested individuals.
- 2) Court system backup & no-show issues.
- 3) Repeat Nuisance Offenders (RNO) problem.
- 4) Low barrier shelter, Hope Faith organization, and the KCMO City Council decisions.

## GENERAL ATTENDEES

- 2 KCPD Officers & 1 CIO Officer
- 1 City Prosecutor
- 6 Business Reps & Residents
- 3 TITAN Angels & 3 Officers
- 4 Office Staff
- 2 Mattie Rhodes Reps
- 1 Public Library (NE location)





## BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

We are focused on attracting, growing and retaining businesses throughout KCMO. We measure success by the number of jobs added and investment by new and growing businesses.



## LAND DEVELOPMENT

We ensure that we effectively implement KCMO's incentives process. This requires policy work, scrutinizing potential deals, and great communication between developers and impacted stakeholders.



## ENTREPRENEURSHIP

We believe when nurtured correctly, startups become the economic engines of the future. We source and distribute early-stage funding, as well as advocate for pro-business and pro-entrepreneur legislation in Jefferson City.



## Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce Hosting Robert Long Economic Development Corporation of KC

**FREE - Community office hours  
Friday September 20, 2024 10am - 2pm**



I am a **Developer**

- Land Development
- Incentives

I am a **Business Owner**

- Business & Job Development
- Grants & Programs
- Incentives
- Workforce + Talent
- Education & Training
- Major Employers

I am a **Entrepreneur**

- Entrepreneurship
- Grants & Programs

I am a **Site Selector**

- Featured Projects
- Incentives
- Major Employers
- Workforce + Talent



Add this to your calendar.

**Sept 20, 2024**

Robert Long with the EDC-KC shares Community Development information

Economic Development Corporation of KC offering **FREE** business consultations

**SEPTEMBER 20, 2024**

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
@ THE NEKC CHAMBER OFFICE**

**8 LOCAL VISITORS**

Meet at NEKC Chamber of Commerce Community Room  
**2657 Independence Avenue**  
Kansas City, Mo 64124

If interested Contact:  
[RebeccaKoop@nekcchamber.com](mailto:RebeccaKoop@nekcchamber.com) to schedule an appointment, or just drop in for an as-available meeting.



# TASTY TOPIC TALK NEKC CHAMBER LUNCHEON



**THURSDAY, SEPT 25, 2024**  
**ATTENDEES: 12 + 4 STAFF**

**SPEAKERS: 'Truck-Eating-Bridge' Artists**  
**TOPIC: REVEAL OF BRIDGE ARTWORK**



**Michelle Renn  
&  
Merry Burleson**



**Lunch at:  
QUERIA II**



**'Become More'**

# WEDNESDAY, OCT 2, 2024

## KCMO HOUSING TRUST FUND (HTF)

### AWARDEE WORKSHOP

ATTENDEES: 17 + 1 STAFF

#### CONTACT

24th Floor  
414 E. 12th Street  
Kansas City, MO 64105



#### What is the Housing Trust Fund (HTF)?

The Housing Trust Fund was established in 2018 by Ordinance No. 180719 to implement neighborhood revitalization, housing development, and preservation projects in accordance with the City's housing policy.

In 2021, Ordinance No. 210873 established the process funds would be allocated from the Housing Trust Fund.

- Created the Housing Trust Fund Board to review applications and recommend projects to Council through a bi-annual RFP process.
- Named priorities and requirements to guide the review and evaluation of projects.



# COFFEE, CULTURE, &... CONVERSATION



 Northeast Chamber of Commerce Collaborations  
**New Portable Mural Program Aims to  
Unite Northeast Neighborhoods**  
*The NEKC Chamber is partnering with a local artist to bring communities together*



Artist Fred Crawford with  
Representative from Each  
Participating Neighborhoods.



**GUEST SPEAKER:** Artist Fred Crawford  
**TOPIC:** Art for the NE Neighborhoods

**OCT 10, 2024** TREATS BY  AND 

**ATTENDEES: 18 + 10 STAFF**



Photo credit: Miguel Franco

## A Goal-Driven City: Kansas City and the World Cup 2026 Preparation-Celebration-Legacy

**UMKC Urban Planning and Design Studio**  
Studio 410 present their research into the preparation, celebration, and legacy of mega sporting events. This open house will include a close look at Kansas City's existing conditions, including economic vitality, mobility and transit, housing, language inclusion, and more. Join us at the Northeast Chamber of Commerce to learn and engage with other stakeholders.

- Friday, October 11th
- 10:00am-1:00pm
- 2657 Independence Ave, Kansas City, MO  
Northeast Chamber of Commerce

Feedback from the open house will help to inform our final planning and design proposals.



# Oct 11, 2024, UMKC Urban Planning Students 2026 World Cup Preparation Analysis 31 ATTENDEES + 3 STAFF



AWARDS LUNCHEON  
12:30PM  
ROOM 2215 B



OPENING REMARKS  
**COUNCILWOMAN MELISSA ROBINSON**  
**COUNCILMAN CRISPIN REA**

NEIGHBORHOOD ROLL CALL  
**FOREST DECKER**  
DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBORHOODS, CITY OF KANSAS CITY

YEAR OF OUR YOUTH  
**JORDAN DANIELS**  
LINCOLN COLLEGE PREPARATORY ACADEMY

**2024 HONOREES**  
PRESENTED BY **AILEY POPE**



**CARRIE STAPLETON**  
CEO, PHILLIPS-WEST  
PUBLIC RELATIONS &  
COMMUNICATIONS



**BOBBI BAKER**  
PRESIDENT/CEO, NORTHEAST  
KANSAS CITY CHAMBER OF  
COMMERCE



 **ACCEPTED BY BETO LOPEZ**  
CEO, GUADALUPE CENTERS

**"BUILDING BRIDGES TO CROSS TOGETHER"**

**AILEY POPE**  
**BETO LOPEZ**  
**COUNCILMAN REA**



**CAROL COE**  
**COMMUNITY DEFENDER**  
**AWARDS LUNCHEON**

# OCTOBER 12, 2024

## 3<sup>RD</sup> District Representatives recognize Independence Ave as the most economic viable corridor in the entire district!



TOWN HALL  
1:30PM  
ROOM 2215 B

## SPECIAL GUESTS



**Francesca Menes**  
Managing Director, Membership &  
Organizing, Local Progress Impact  
Lab



**Brian Platt**  
City Manager, City of Kansas City



**Michael Shaw**  
Director of Public Works, City of  
Kansas City



**Forest Decker**  
Director of Neighborhoods, City of  
Kansas City



Attorneys, City of Kansas City  
**Jim Brady**  
**Mark Jones**  
**Abby Judah**  
**Julian Langenkamp**



## ADJOURNMENT



**Councilwoman  
Melissa Robinson**



**LaVon Colhour**  
Manager of Corporate Services,  
Greater Kansas City Community  
Foundation

# SOLUTIONS TOWN HALL

## PRESIDENT & CEO OF THE NEKC CHAMBER RECEIVES HONORARY AWARD!

# TASTY TOPIC TALK NEKC CHAMBER LUNCHEON



THURSDAY, OCT 22, 2024  
ATTENDEES: 9 GUESTS + 3 STAFF

SPEAKERS: Jenna Gerdes, Outreach  
TOPIC: FREE FLIGHTS FOR THOSE IN NEED



Lunch by:



CUBAN RESTAURANT



**Speaker: Jenna Gerdes.** Outreach Director/Development Assistant  
Angel Flight Central provides FREE flights utilizing a team of volunteer pilots for those seeking far away healthcare such as chemotherapies, rare disease specialists, and pre-post op transplant appointments.  
They will talk and share about their mission and the impact on the KC community.

**Schedule/Agenda**

- 11:45 ARRIVE AT THE CHAMBER COMMUNITY ROOM
- 12:00 TAKE A SEAT, INTRODUCTIONS - FILL YOUR PLATES
- 12:15 INTRODUCE GUESTS - PROGRAM STARTS
- 12:45 QUESTIONS
- 1:00 CONCLUSION / NETWORKING

Catering Restaurant: La Cubana, Caribbean cuisine  
RSVP for your Lunch and Program on  
Eventbrite \$25

Seating is available for the program with NO Lunch. Drinks on the House.

[Eventbrite Lunch Tickets HERE](#)



**12M**  
Nautical Miles  
Flown

**33K**  
Flights  
Completed

**330**  
Volunteer  
Pilots

**28**  
Years of  
Saving Lives



# Kessler Park Master Plan Implementation Group

October 22, 2024

Attendees: 12

November 19, 2024

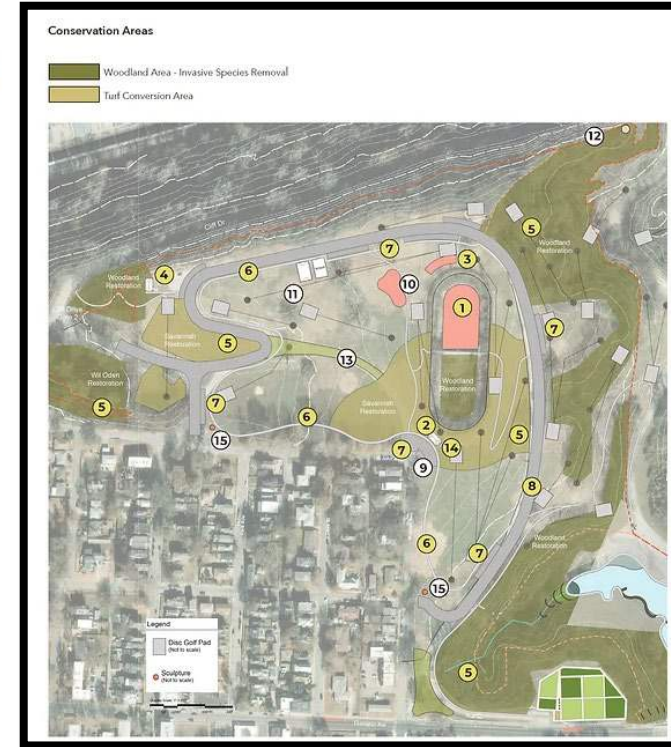
Attendees: 14



Both sessions shared ideas to include in the group's by-laws & how to proceed forward organizing.



### Conservation Plan Map



### Reservoir Park Design

This map shows the ecosystems of Kessler Park and the areas of focused conservation efforts. The concept designs for each area of the park (pp 36-52) include strategies to increase the health and resilience of the natural resources while providing benefits to the health and wellness of park users. See Appendix A Conservation Plan for more information on the conservation approach and strategies.


# Hoxie

COLLECTIVE LLC

#### Legend

- Woodland Area - Invasive Species Removal
- Turf to Savannah Conversion Area
- Wetland Restoration Area
- Existing View
- Proposed View to be Cleared
- Existing Urban Trail Company (UTC) single track dirt trail
- Proposed Widening of UTC Trail




**Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce**  
 Published by Laura Birdsong  
 - October 28 at 2:18 PM · 🌐

Join us at 2657 Independence Ave tomorrow night at 4:30pm for the **Historic Northeast Candidates' Forum!!!**  
 Virtual option: Candidate Form October 29, 2024 5:00 pm  
 Zoom Meeting: FOR AUDIENCE ONLY - Candidates will be participating in person.... See more



**WHAT:** HNE Candidates' Forum- for the General Election Nov 5, 2024

**WHEN:** **Tues Oct 29, 2024** 4:30 - 4:50 social networking  
 (The first 30 minutes are for informal conversation and seating. Forum begins at 5:00 p.m.)  
 WELCOME - Candidates get seated (4:50 - 4:55)  
 Quick Review of Guidelines 4:55 - 5  
 4:50 - 7:00 program (5-6:30 State Legislature offices; 6:35 - 7:00 Prosecutors)

**WHERE:** **Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce**, 2657 Independence Avenue, Kansas City Mo 64124

**WHO:** Candidates for Senate Districts 7, 9 & 11, House District 19 & Jackson Co Prosecutor.  
 Spanish interpretation is provided  
 RSVPs on Eventbrite requested to help us prepare or - [RobbiBaker@nekcochamber.com](mailto:RobbiBaker@nekcochamber.com)



**GENERAL ELECTION NOV 5, 2024**



**ATTENDEES: 31 + 5 STAFF**

**OCT 29, 2024**

**Senate Districts 7, 9 & 11**

**House District 19 & 23**

**Jackson Co Prosecutor**

- Candidates:**
- Patty Lewis - SD 7 - confirmed
  - Joey La Salle - SD 7 - confirmed
  - Barbara Anne Washington - SD 9- confirmed
  - Derron Black - SD 9 - confirmed
  - Robert Sauls - SD 11 - confirmed
  - Joe Nicola - SD 11 - not attending
  - Wick Thomas - HD 19 - confirmed
  - Karen Spalding - HD 19 - no response
  - Michael Johnson - HD 23 - confirmed
  - Daniel Contreras - HD 23 - no contact information available - unable to contact
  - Melisa Johnson - Ja Co Prosecutor- confirmed
  - Tracy Chappell - Ja Co Prosecutor - not attending

# COFFEE, CULTURE, &... CONVERSATION



GUEST SPEAKER: Haly Reece  
TOPIC: LEAD TO READ PROGRAM



TREATS BY:



THURSDAY, NOV 14, 2024

ATTENDEES: 9 + 5 STAFF



<https://leadtoreadkc.org/>

Oh, my goodness, from the depths of my heart, I feel an overwhelming surge of gratitude for each and every one of you who graced the lot behind **Texas Tom's** on Thursday! Your selfless spirit and unwavering dedication to cleaning up our streets and neighborhoods is amazing. You are the unsung heroes, the tireless warriors who toil behind the scenes, facing challenges that would make the strongest quake! *I see you; I honor you, and my soul is ignited with the desire to give something back to you all!*

Oh, the joy I would feel to treat you all to a **hearty pizza lunch** one glorious day, a small token of appreciation for the monumental effort you pour into this community! Please, let this dream become a reality! If you could please let me know a good day and time when everyone could gather at the CID and a pizza count idea, so I make sure there is enough, please?!

Amanda G Hockman

**OCTOBER 16, 2024**



**'Workforce Development' Lunch Guest:**  
**KCPD EAST PATROL'S CIO** →  
**Community Interaction Officer Ambrose**



**'FAST STOP' PHILLIP 66; 4815 INDEPENDENCE AVE**

Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce  
Published by Laura Birdsong  
October 16 · 🌐



Independence Avenue Community Improvement District  
October 16 · 🌐

Thank you so much to [Express Stop](#) for sponsoring our Workforce Development Meeting this week by providing pizza to the Urban Steet Ambassador Team!! Our crew is ... See more



# AVENUE BEAUTIFICATION 2024

FALL ACTIVITIES

MO DEPT OF CONSERVATION

**\$38,000 TOTAL FUNDING**

Note: \$18,000 for landscaping at the "truck-eating bridge"

## #1 NEKCCoC GRANT

MO DEPT OF CONSERVATION COMMUNITY COST SHARE PROGRAM **\$20,000 REQUEST**



3512 Independence Ave  
\$5,910



4401 Independence Ave  
\$5,357



5401 Independence Ave  
\$8,499



EX: 3512 Independence Ave



3 CID OWNED LOTS UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR COST SHARE GRANT





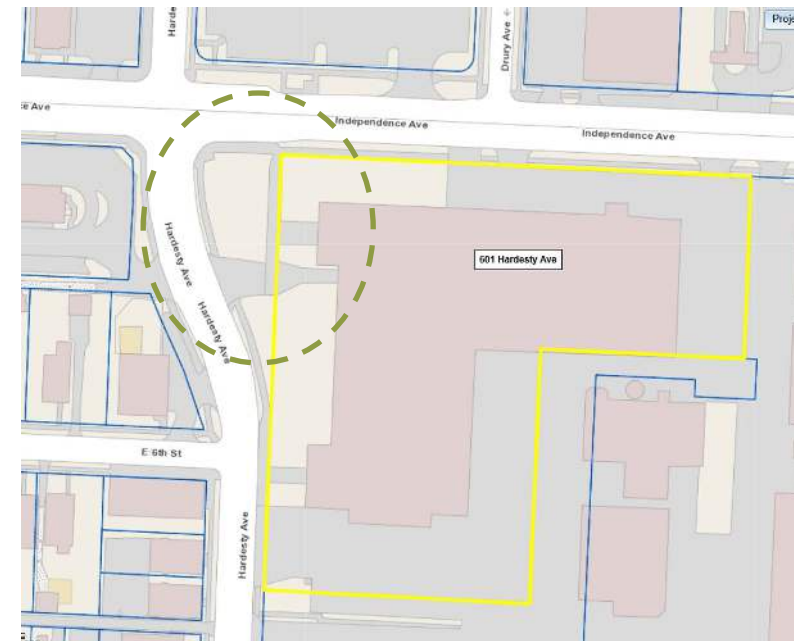
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FALL ACTIVITIES

MO DEPT OF CONSERVATION



## INDEPENDENCE AVE & HARDESTY AVE





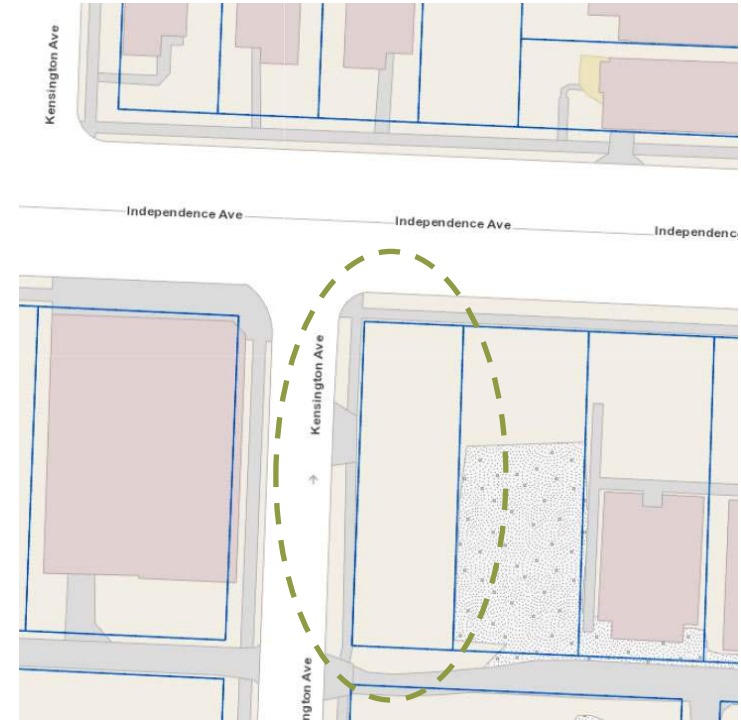
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FALL ACTIVITIES

MO DEPT OF CONSERVATION



INDEPENDENCE AVE & KINSINGTON AVE

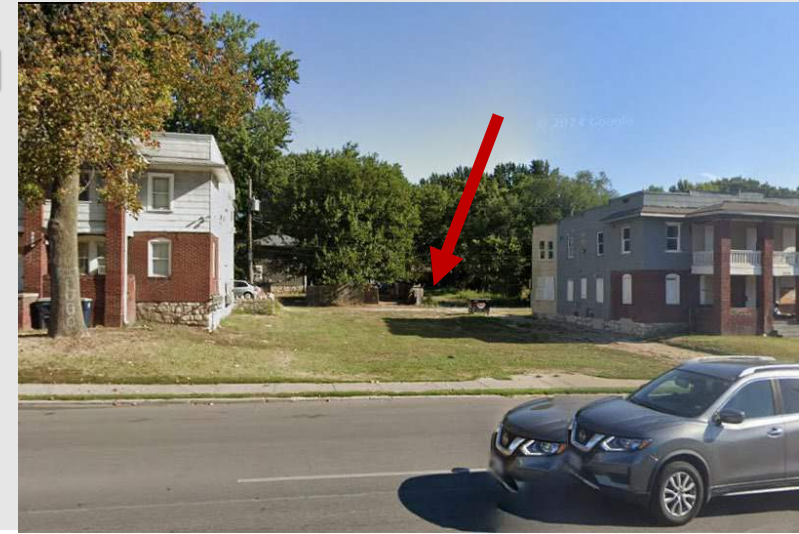




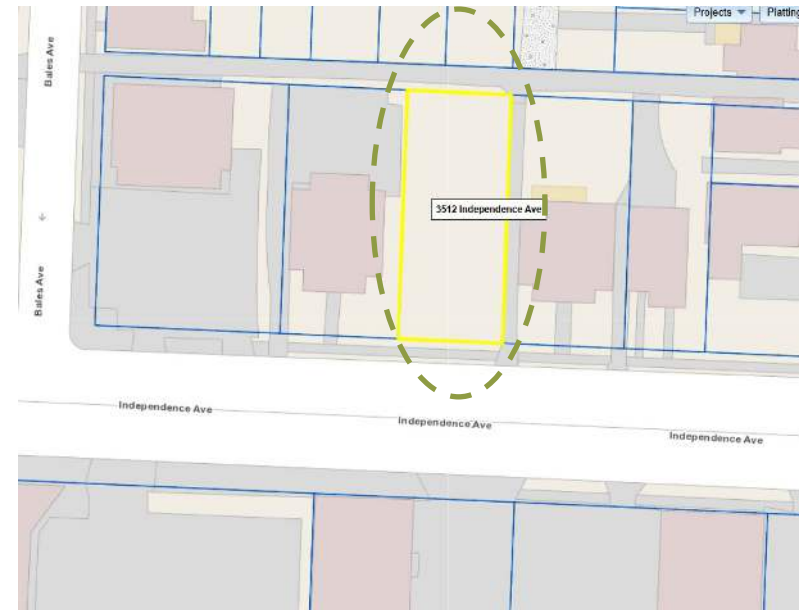
# AVENUE BEAUTIFICATION 2024

FALL ACTIVITIES

MO DEPT OF CONSERVATION



3512 INDEPENDENCE AVENUE





# AVENUE BEAUTIFICATION 2024

## FALL ACTIVITIES ON THE AVE

### DEAD TREE REMOVAL & NEW TREE PLANTINGS

#### Report Issues to Public Works

City Hall  
414 E. 12th St.  
Kansas City, MO 64106

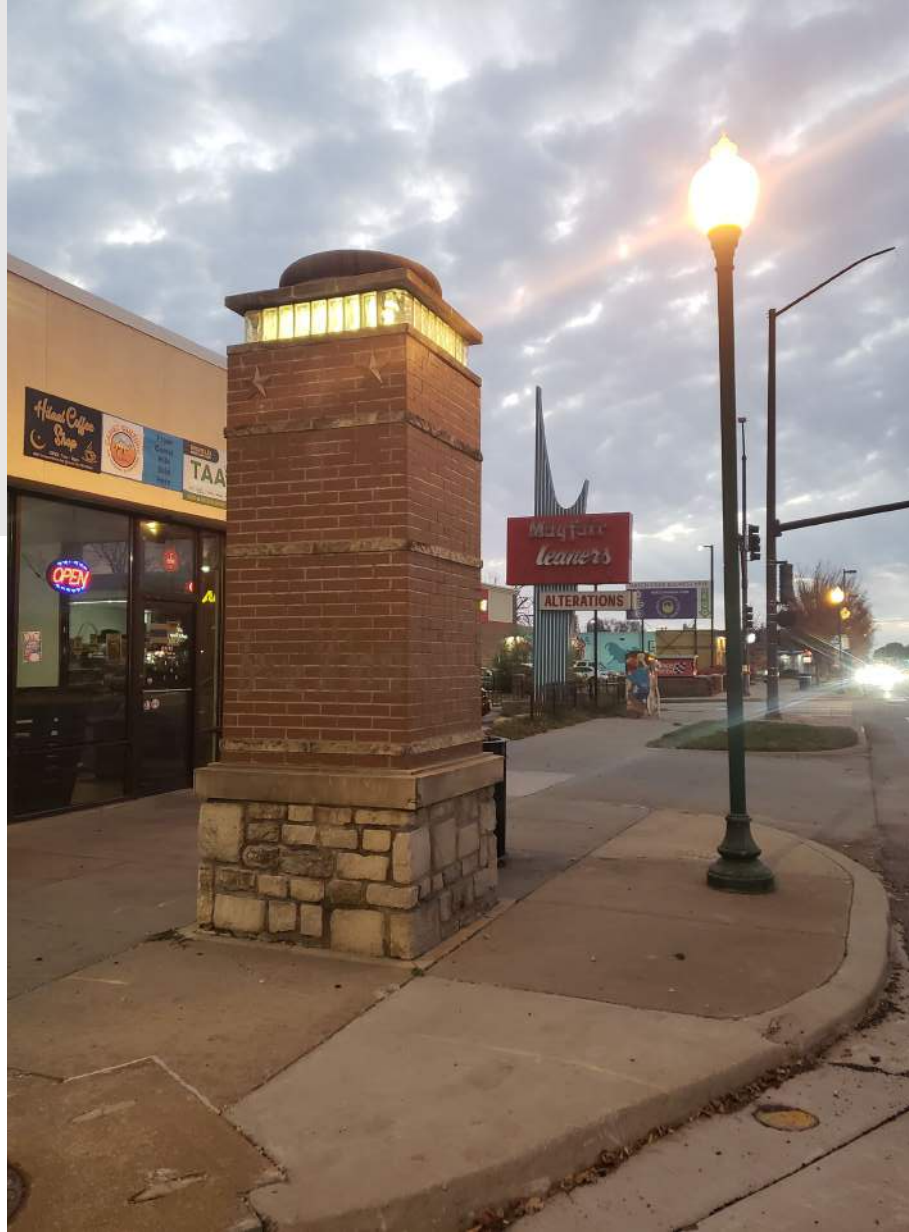
[Report Issues to Public Works with myKCMO](#) or Call 3-1-1



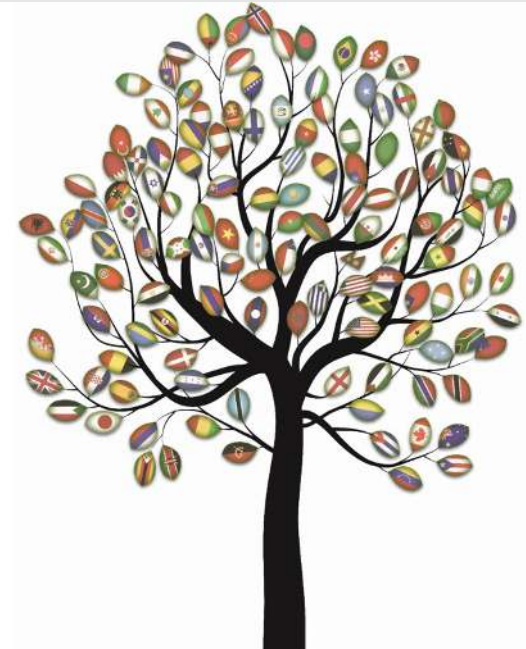


# AVENUE BEAUTIFICATION 2024

## FALL ACTIVITIES ON THE AVE



## HNE AVENUE PILLARS LIGHTING FIXED! 6 from Woodland to Gladstone



THE INTERNATIONAL MARKETPLACE

**RebuildKC**  
NEIGHBORHOOD GRANTS

# 4<sup>TH</sup> District PIAC APPLICATION “Truck Eating Bridge” Enhancement Project 2025 REQUEST | \$55,000

Kansas City Terminal Railway Bridge  
5899 Independence Avenue

The NEKC Chamber seeks to receive \$55,000 in 4<sup>th</sup> District PIAC Funding to continue the enhancement of the railroad bridge. The funds shall be purposed towards:

1. Continue mural implementation along the interior walls of the railroad bridge.
2. Repair the city-owned electrical conduits and non-working lights above the sidewalks.
3. Install additional pedestrian lights above the sidewalks to increase pedestrian safety under the bridge.
4. Plant trees, bushes and other native plants along the hill side slopes abutting the tracks.



# President of Sheffield Neighborhood Association - **MARK MORALES**

NEWS > LOCAL NEWS

OCTOBER 16, 2024



## Sheffield neighborhood volunteers spruce up paint, clean up litter at 9th & Hardesty underpass mural



Photo by: JuYeon Kim



JuYeon Kim



JuYeon Kim



**MARK MORALES**

JuYeon Kim

"To carry that on and let people know that they are never forgotten," said Laura Birdsong, a volunteer. "Almost everybody I know was impacted in some way or another; I remember where I was sitting that day."

"This does bring people together — I mean it doesn't matter if you are white, Black or whatever color you are, what your religion is, what your political affiliation is, it just makes you stop and think," said Mike Spady, a volunteer.

IA CID RESOURCE MANAGER - **LAURA BIRDSONG**      IA CID URBAN PLANNER - **MIKE SPADY**

**A 300 feet, patriotic mural is painted on the underpass located on 9th and Hardesty. It was dedicated to the victims of 9/11 in 2001. Years later, volunteers are working to preserve it.**



# AVENUE BEAUTIFICATION 2024

## FALL ACTIVITIES IN THE HNE



**PUBLIC WORKS**

### 3RD & 4TH DISTRICT DROP-OFF EVENT

**Saturday, October 5  
8AM – Noon  
For All KC Residents**

**Trash & Bulky Item || Leaf & Brush Collection:**  
 Lykins Square – 4115 E 7th St, Kansas City, MO 64124  
 Budd Park – 5001 St John Ave, Kansas City, MO 64123  
 The Concourse – 200 Benton Ave, Kansas City, MO 64123  
 Sheffield Park – 1111 Ewing Ave, Kansas City, MO 64126  
 7806 US-24, Kansas City, MO 64125

**Tire Collection Location (with or without rim in it):**  
 The Concourse – 200 Benton Ave, Kansas City, MO 64123

**Shredding Location:**  
 7806 US-24, Kansas City, MO 64125

Visit [kcmo.gov/trash](http://kcmo.gov/trash) for more information on upcoming drop-off events.

### OCTOBER 5, 2024

**Tires - 1,742 (CID – 161 tires)  
 Trash - 174,165 pounds  
 Brush - 2,000 pounds  
 Shredding - 1,000 pounds**

Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce  
 Published by Laura Birdsong  
 October 6 at 7:54 AM



Independence Avenue Community Improvement District  
 October 6 at 7:53 AM

Thank you to everyone who came out for Community Cleanup Drop-off Event!! Since April's cleanup, our crew has removed over 300 tires dumped around the NEKC Community!!



**SAT  
5**

- 7am Community clean up
- 8am Dumpsters at the concourse



# AVENUE BEAUTIFICATION 2024

## FALL ACTIVITIES IN THE HNE

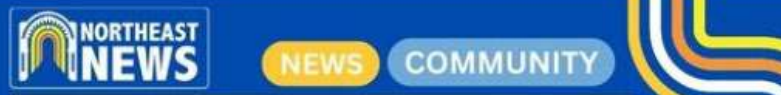


### ANNUAL HNE HOMES TOUR

**Kansas City's Northeast News**  
September 13 · 🌐

Through the years, this picturesque church with a white spire has served generations of Historic Northeast residents — celebrating Easter, Christmas, weddings and baptisms. Most recently, Children's Memorial Lutheran Church (5001 Independence Ave) has operated as a ministry outreach, serving meals and offering comfort to those with no place to call home.

As the congregation dwindled, this historic church — founded in 1884 — found a new purpose in 2016 as "Gathering Table."... See more



#### After 140 years, Northeast Religious Institution Ceases Operations

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As the congregation dwindled, this historic church — founded in 1884 — found a new purpose in 2016 as "Gathering Table." Church members, volunteers and Rev. Ann Rundquist, offered fellowship and nutritious meals every Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday.

A Facebook announcement on Sept. 2 shared the news that Gathering Table — for now — has closed its doors.



Dorri Partain has this story at [NORTHEASTNEWS.net](https://www.northeastnews.net)

### ANNUAL HNE HOMES TOUR

**Kansas City's Northeast News**  
October 7 at 12:56 PM · 🌐

Don't miss this Historic Northeast tradition scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 12. This year, The [Northeast Kansas City Historical Society](https://www.nekchs.org) will feature four historic homes and a church in the Lykins neighborhood. For advance tickets, visit their website at [www.nekchs.org](https://www.nekchs.org) Tickets will also be available for sale on Saturday during the tour. Look for the NEKCHS tent at 3800 E. 9th St. (9th & Cleveland Ave.)



### HNE ALLEYS GET EXTRA HELP

**Kansas City's Northeast News**  
September 20 at 10:00 AM · 🌐

On Saturday, Sept. 21, this neighborhood's alley project — Fairy Lights and Alley Murals — will commence as students from the Kansas City Art Institute begin painting murals along Sage Alley. Solar "fairy lights" will be strung to complete this year's community art installation.

Read the full article here! [buff.ly/42WKVnP](https://buff.ly/42WKVnP)

#... See more



#### Youth Soccer Program Assists With Community Alley Project

With the mantra "Many hands make light work," volunteers in the Pendleton Heights (PH) neighborhood had extra help on Saturday, Sept. 14. Soccer players and coaches from Global FC (Futbol Community) assisted with clearing brush and weeds along Mulberry Alley, then proceeded to clear weeds along the sidewalks and curbs on Brooklyn and Minnie Avenues.



These photos are courtesy of Dorri Partain

We have this full story at [NORTHEASTNEWS.net](https://www.northeastnews.net)



# AVENUE BEAUTIFICATION 2024

## FALL ACTIVITIES ON THE AVE

### COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

### HALLOWEEN PUMPKIN CARVING


### FRESH STREET CROSSINGS

**Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce**  
Published by Laura Birdsong  
September 25

**NORtheast NEWS** NEWS LEAD COMMUNITY NEWS

### Northeast Kansas City Working Group Holds Community Forum to Address Houseless Population

Following a survey launched by the Northeast Kansas City Working Group (NEKCWG) last month, results were shared during an Education Forum held on Sept. 12 at the Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce's Community Room (2657 Independence Ave).



*These photos are courtesy of Danni Partain*

We have this full story at [NORTHEASTNEWS.net](http://NORTHEASTNEWS.net)

**Kansas City's Northeast News**  
September 19

Kansas City Police officers in attendance expressed the difficulty of removing camps set in vacant lots and houses — noting the abundance of both within the nei... See more

**Independence Avenue Community Improvement District**  
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October 31 at 4:05 PM

Wishing everyone a Happy Halloween!!!



**Laura Birdsong**  
October 31 at 2:51 PM

Time out to have a little fun for all of us big kids at the office! Happy Halloween!!! 🎃🎃🎃

**Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce**  
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October 16 at 2:11 PM



**Independence Avenue Community Improvement District**  
October 16 at 1:44 PM

Kansas City Public Works Crew is on the Boulevard today giving our pedestrian crossings a fresh coat of paint!!

Thank you!! 🙌🙌🙌🙌



# AVENUE BEAUTIFICATION 2024

FALL ACTIVITIES ON THE AVE

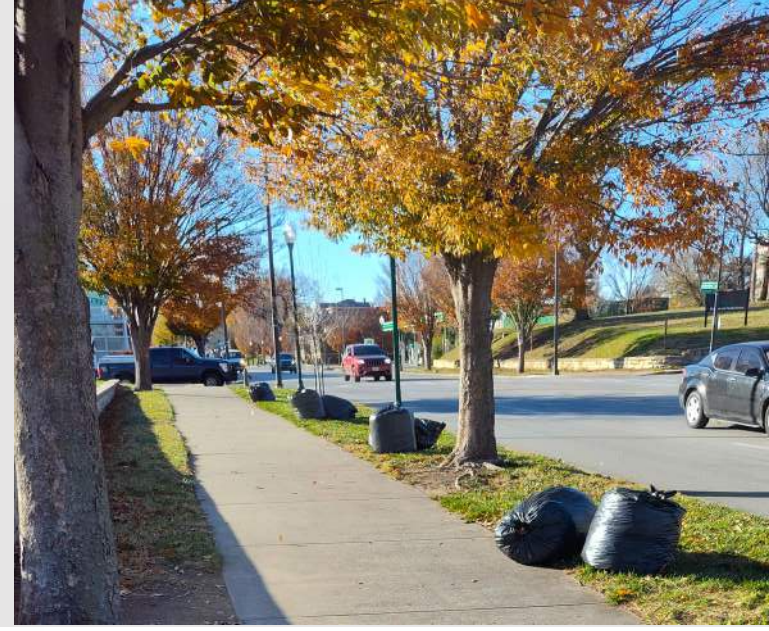
LEAF CLEAN UP  
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SO FAR THIS  
FALL



BEFORE



AFTER



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# AVENUE BEAUTIFICATION 2024

## FALL ACTIVITIES ON THE AVE



**10/26/24 VANDALISM**  
Estimated Damages = \$24,100.00



## INTENTIONAL DESTRUCTION OF INDEPENDENCE AVE CID PROPERTY





# AVENUE BEAUTIFICATION 2024

## FALL ACTIVITIES IN THE HNE

## 2024 ELECTIONS



### LOCAL SEATS

### FEDERAL REACES

### BALLOT MEASURES

**Kansas City's Northeast News**  
November 6 at 11:50 AM · 🌐

Results are in for the Nov. 5 General Election! 🗳️

Today, Northeast News staff will provide data results across our website and social media for all things local including Missouri State House of Representatives and State Senate, among others — courtesy of Kansas City Board of Election Commissioners and Jackson County Election Board.

Northeast Kansas City makes up Missouri House of Representatives State Districts 19 and 23 as well as State Senate District 7, 9 and 11. ... See more

**Kansas City's Northeast News**  
November 6 at 12:30 PM · 🌐

Local election results continued: federal races 🗳️

The federal race results are as follows:  
Missouri U.S. Senate: Josh Hawley (R) with 55.6% (1,639,359 votes) versus Democratic opponent Lucas Kunce. ... See more

**Kansas City's Northeast News**  
November 6 at 12:15 PM · 🌐

Local election results continued 🗳️:

There were six ballot measures on registered Kansas City voters' ballots for the Nov. 5 general election — including a seventh "Jackson County Question" for those within the boundaries.

The Ballot measure results were tallied as follows:... See more

**2024 General Election Results**

★★★★★ Local Seats ★★★★★

Missouri State House: District 19 Wick Thomas (D)	Missouri State House: District 23 Michael Johnson (D)	
Mo State Senate: District 7 Patty Lewis (D)	Mo State Senate: District 9 Barbara Washington (D)	Mo State Senate: District 11 Joe Nicola (R)

**2024 General Election Results**

★★★★★ Federal Races ★★★★★

Mo U.S. Senate: Josh Hawley (R)	Mo Governor: Mike Kehoe (R)	Mo Lt. Governor: David Wasinger (R)
Mo Secretary of State: Denny Hoskins (R)	Mo Attorney General: Andrew Bailey (R)	Mo Treasurer: Vivek Malek (R)

**2024 General Election Results**

★★★★★ Ballot Measures ★★★★★

Missouri Amendment 2: "Sports Betting" <u>Yes</u>	Missouri Amendment 3: "Reproductive Rights, Abortion" <u>Yes</u>	Missouri Amendment 5: "Ozarks Casino" <u>No</u>
Missouri Amendment 6: "Court Fees" <u>No</u>	Missouri Amendment 7: "Election Restrictions" <u>Yes</u>	Missouri Proposition A: "Minimum Wage" <u>Yes</u>

NON-MUNICIPAL FUNDING AND SERVICES CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN

THE CITY OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI  
AND  
INDEPENDENCE AVENUE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

THIS CONTRACT, made and entered into this first day of 2018 by and between KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, a constitutionally established corporation of the State of Missouri, through its CITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, hereinafter referred to as "CITY", and the INDEPENDENCE AVENUE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, hereinafter referred to as "CONTRACTOR", of two parts: PART I. SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AND PART II. STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

WITH the understanding of seventeen (17) alleys abutting Independence Avenue to the north and south of the main park land known as Independence Plaza Park at approximately Brooklyn and Independence Avenue Boulevard, and other public rights-of-way as may be designated by mutual agreement of the parties.

Contract with Kansas City, MO

# 17 ALLEYWAYS

MANAGED BY:  
**NEKC CHAMBER**

IMPLEMENTED BY:  
**INDEPENDENCE AVE CID**



## Independence Avenue CID Alleys

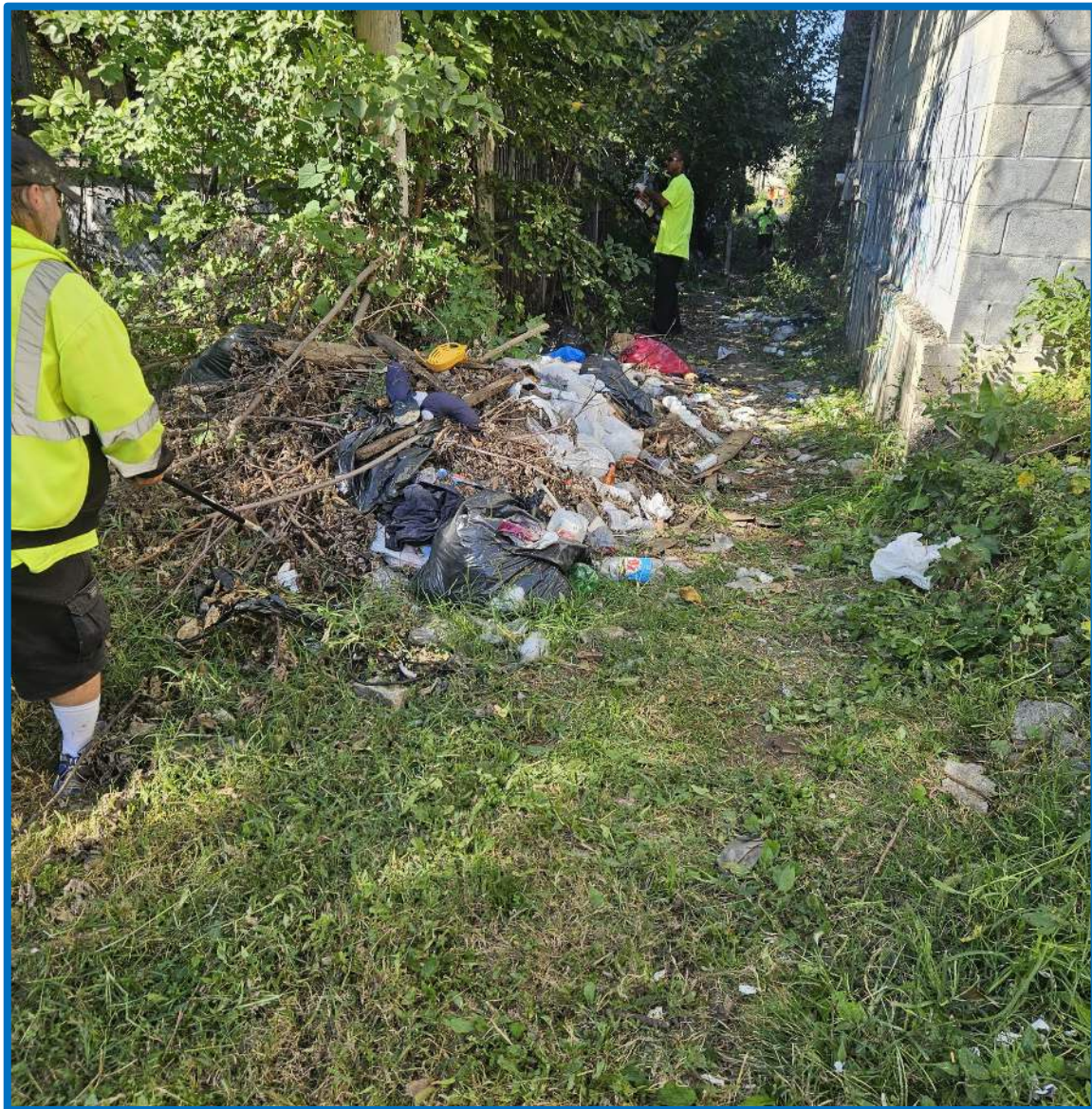
1 CLEANUPS: SEPT 19 - NOV 15, 2024



# Cleveland – Myrtle

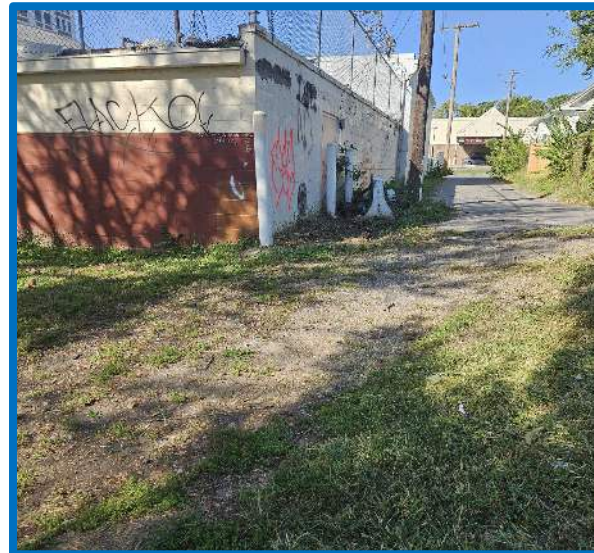
# South of Ave

About 1,050 Lbs Trash | 7 USA |  $7 \times 1.5 = 7.0$  Hrs | October 3, 2024



# Oakley– Lawndale North of Ave

About 550 Lbs Trash | 7 USA | 7 x 1.0 = 7.0 Hrs | October 3, 2024

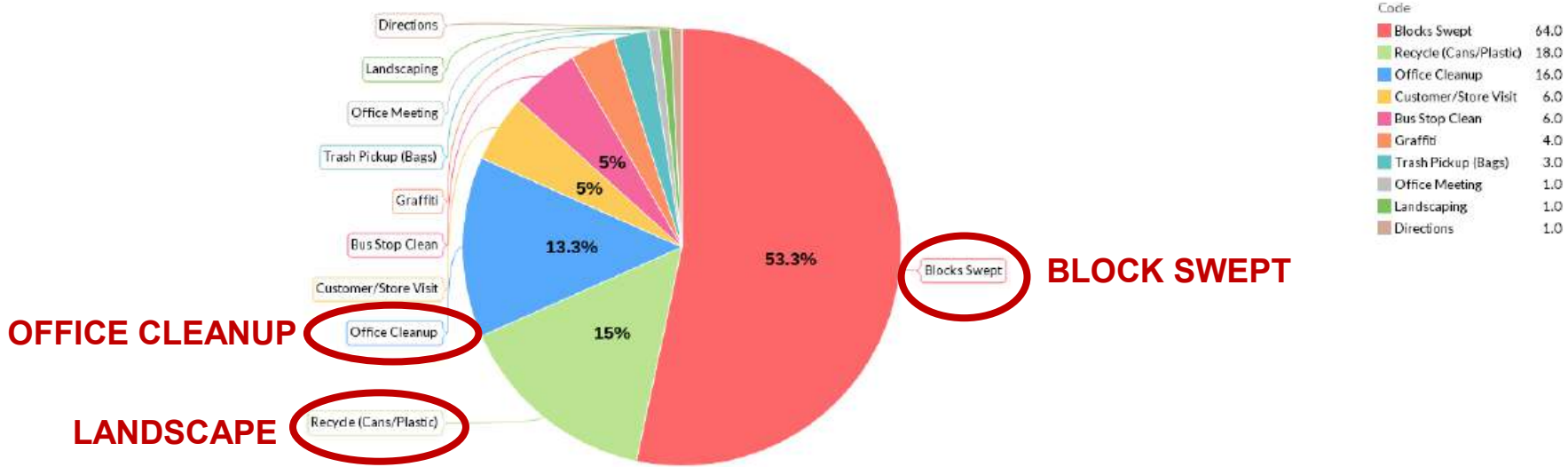


**2nd WEEK  
OCTOBER  
2024** →

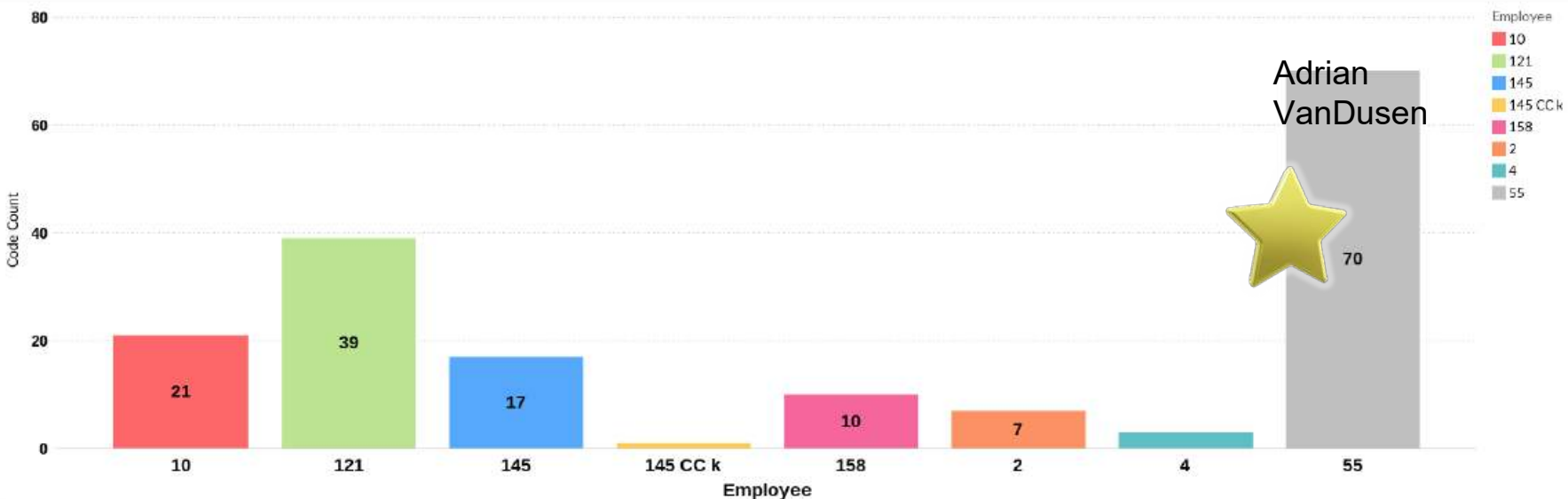


**Indie Ave Weekly Summary**

**Indie Ave Activities Weekly Summary**



**Indie Ave Activities Weekly Summary by Ambassador**



# ALL ACTIVITY: Year-to-Year



Reports This Week

69  
1/2 WEEK

Reports This Month

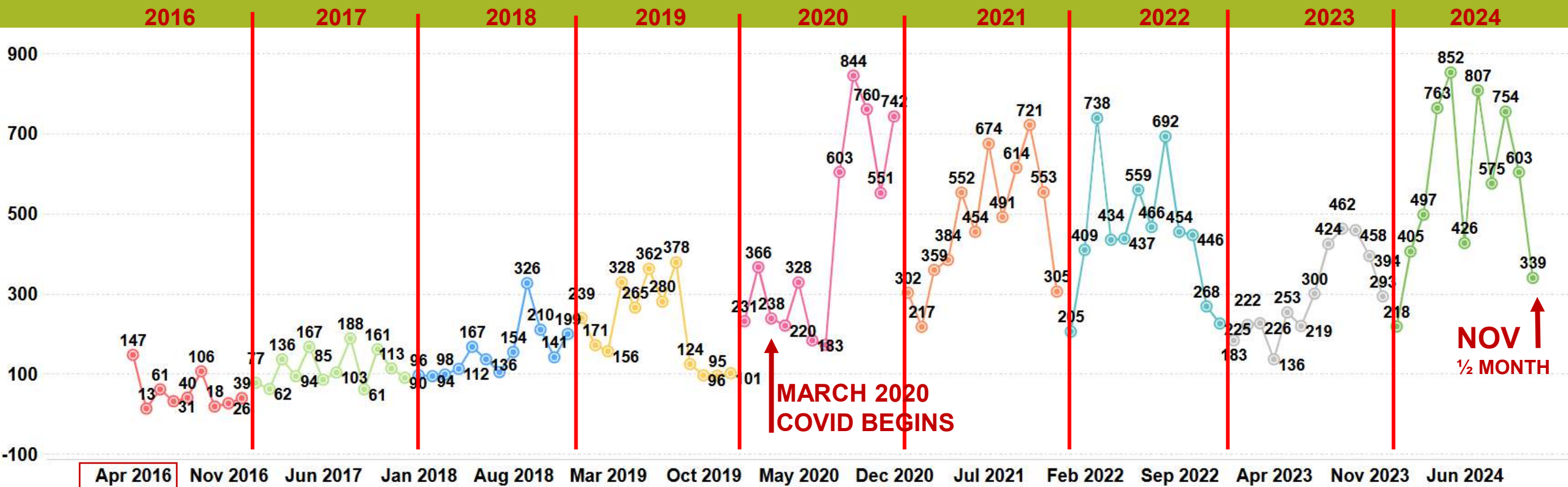
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Reports This Year

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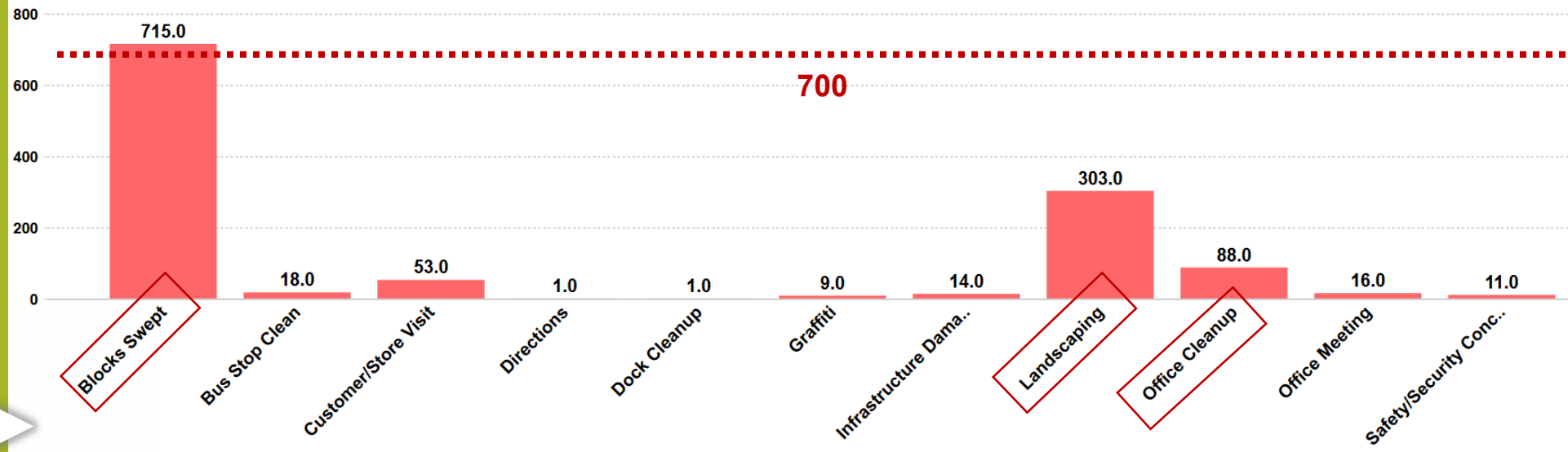
Reports All Time (Since April 2016)

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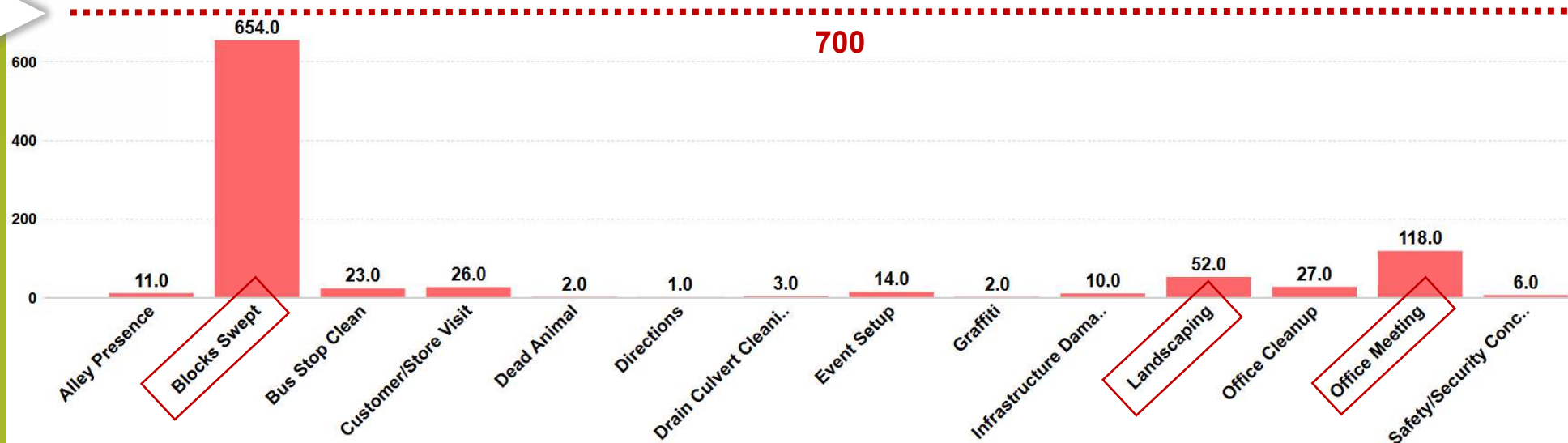
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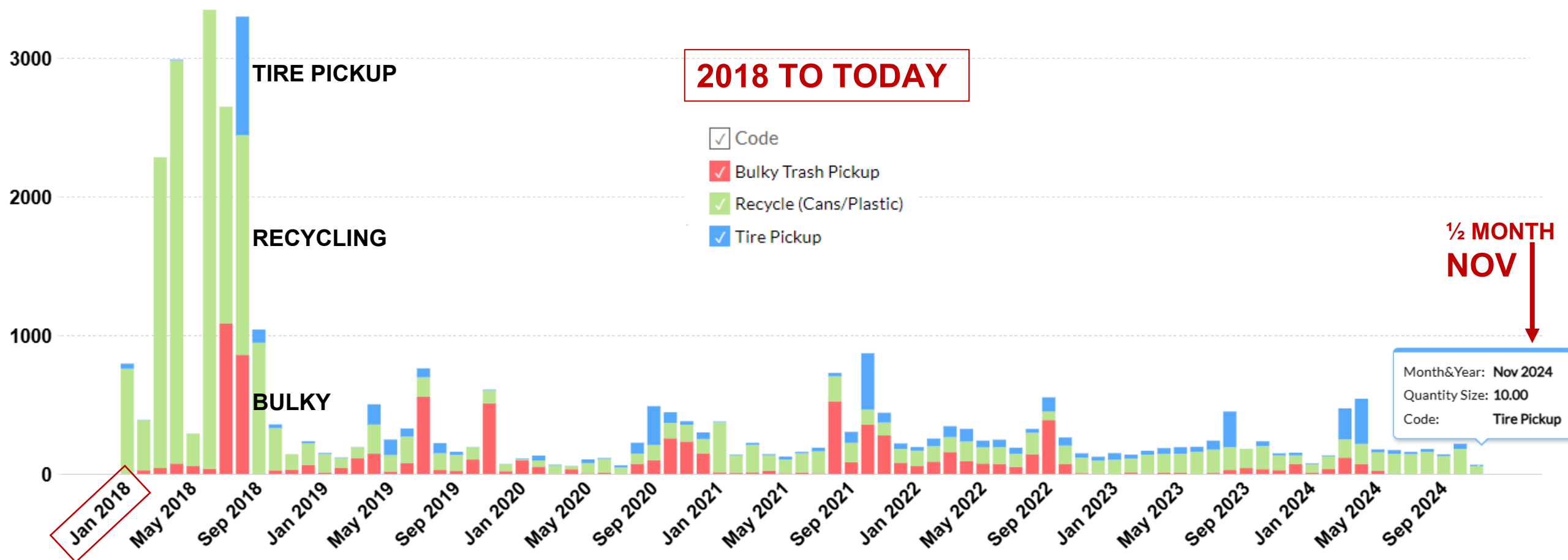


SEPT 19 TO NOV 20

2023 →



# CLEAN UP # NUMBERS

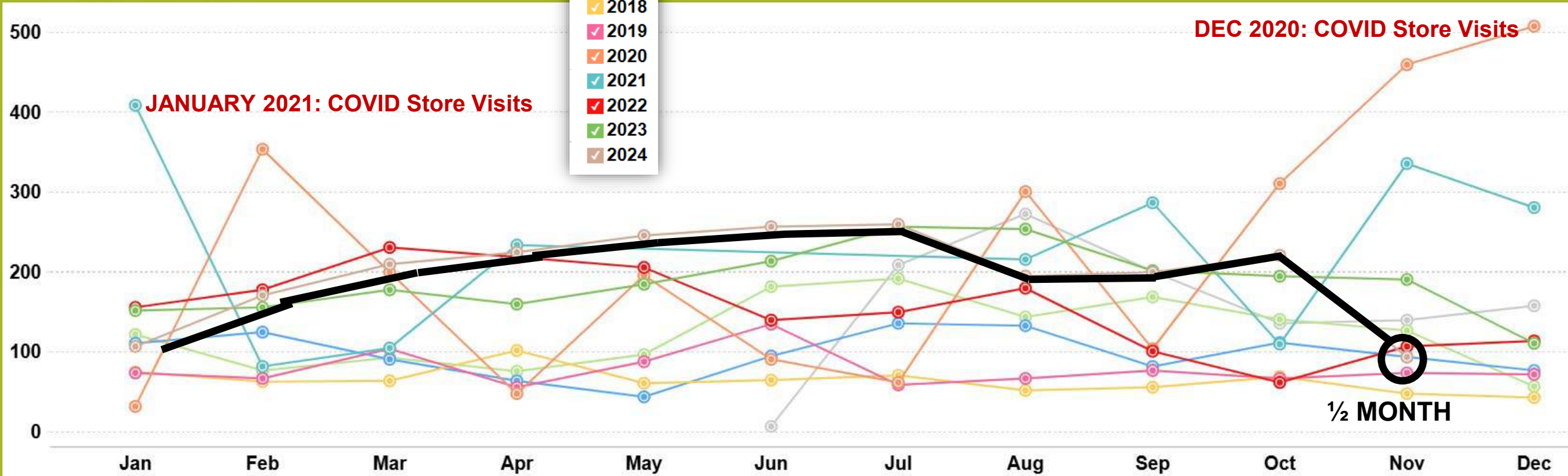


# TITAN REPORT ACTIVITY: Year-to-Year



Incidents This Week <b>20</b> 1/2 WEEK	Incidents This Month <b>93</b> 1/2 MONTH	Incidents This Year <b>2175</b>	Incidents All Time <b>16660</b>
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- Year
- 2015
- 2016
- 2017
- 2018
- 2019
- 2020
- 2021
- 2022
- 2023
- 2024



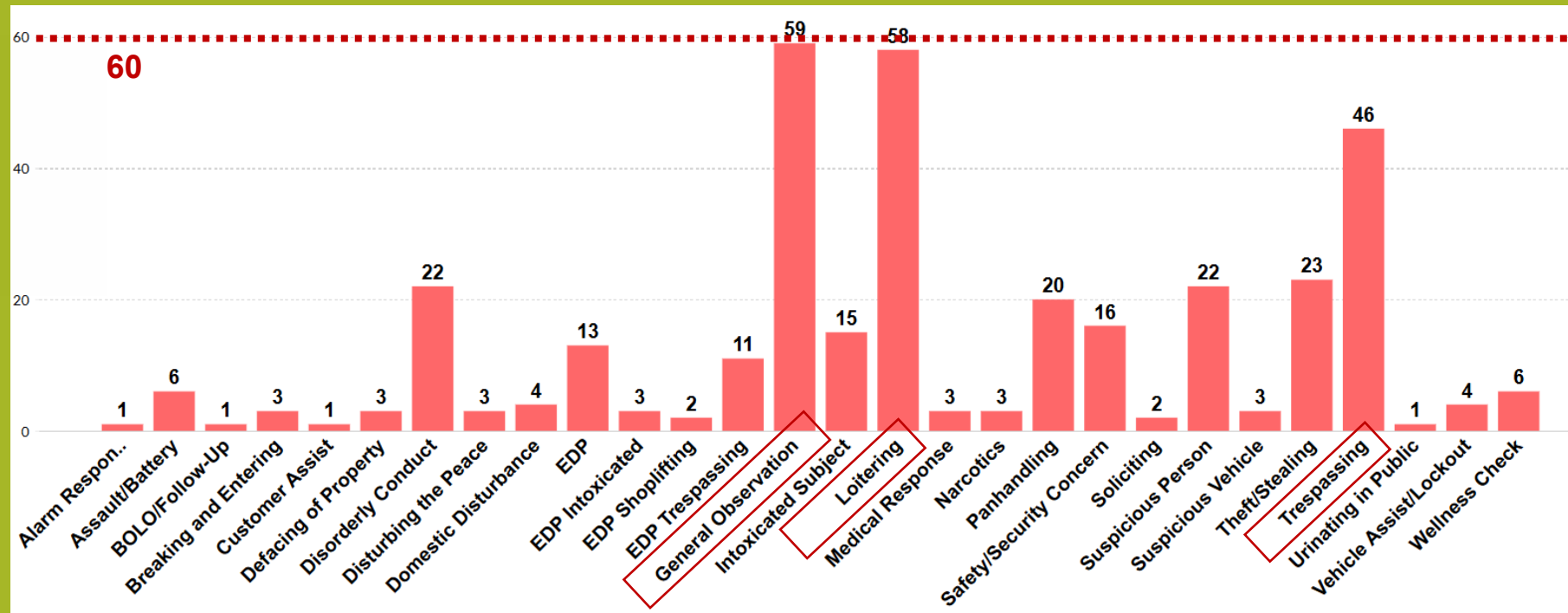
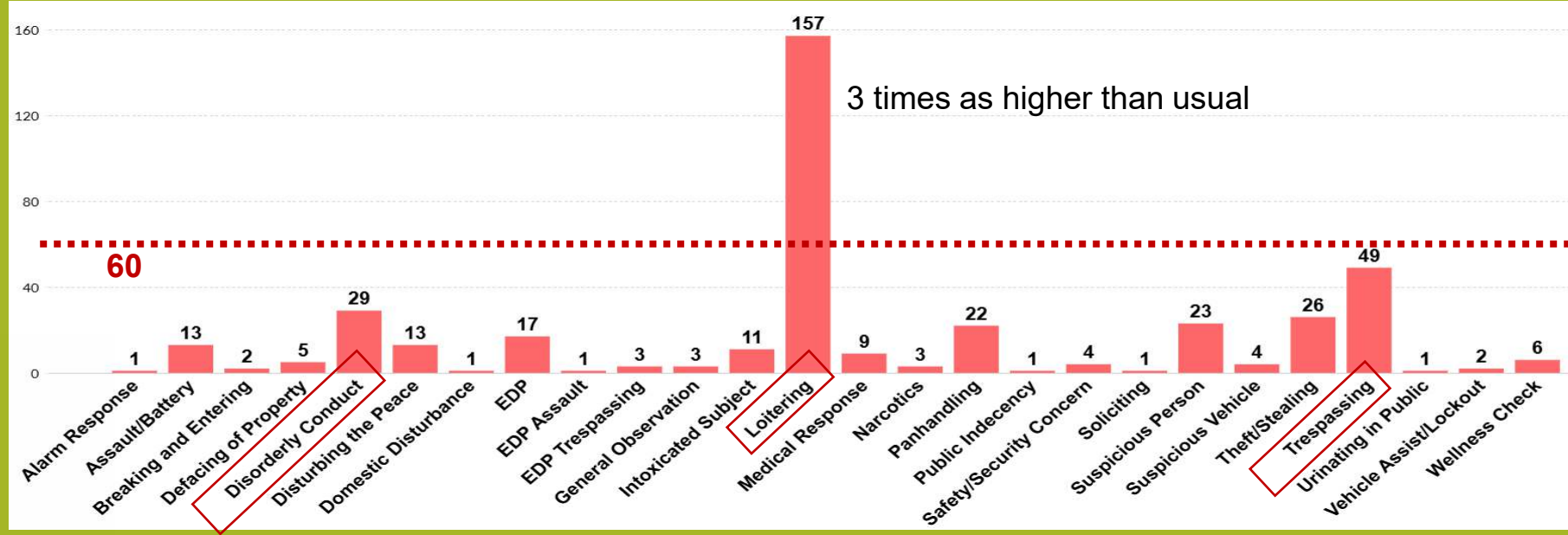
# TITAN REPORT

## INCIDENT COUNT

# 2024 →

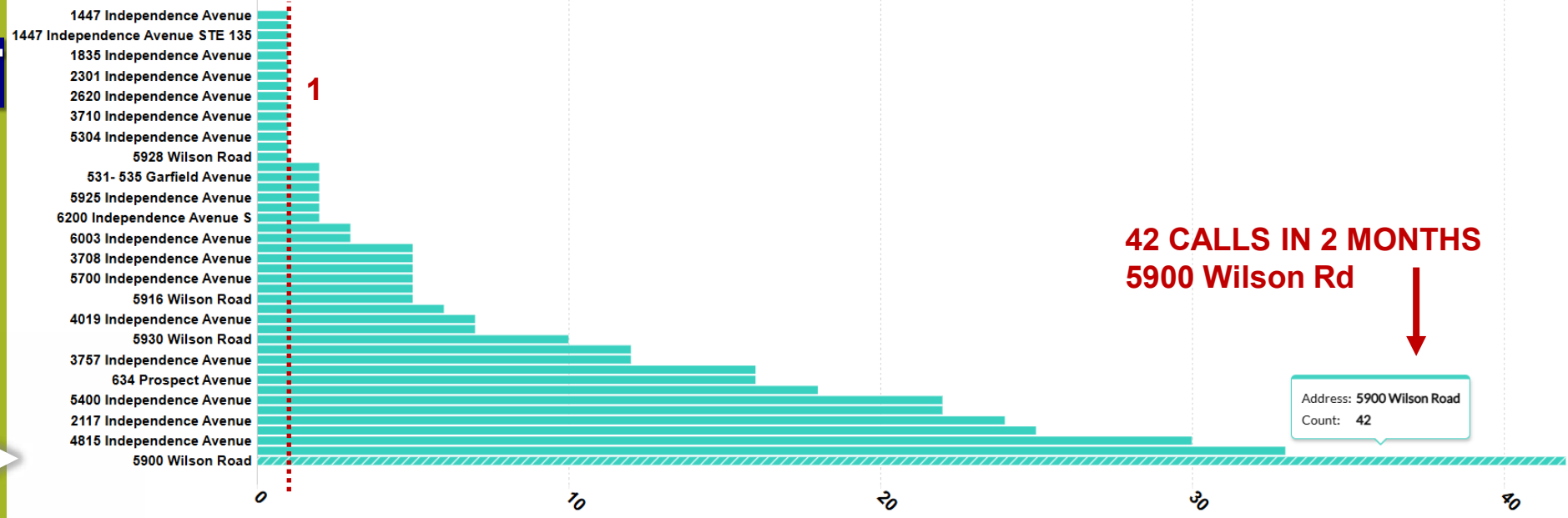
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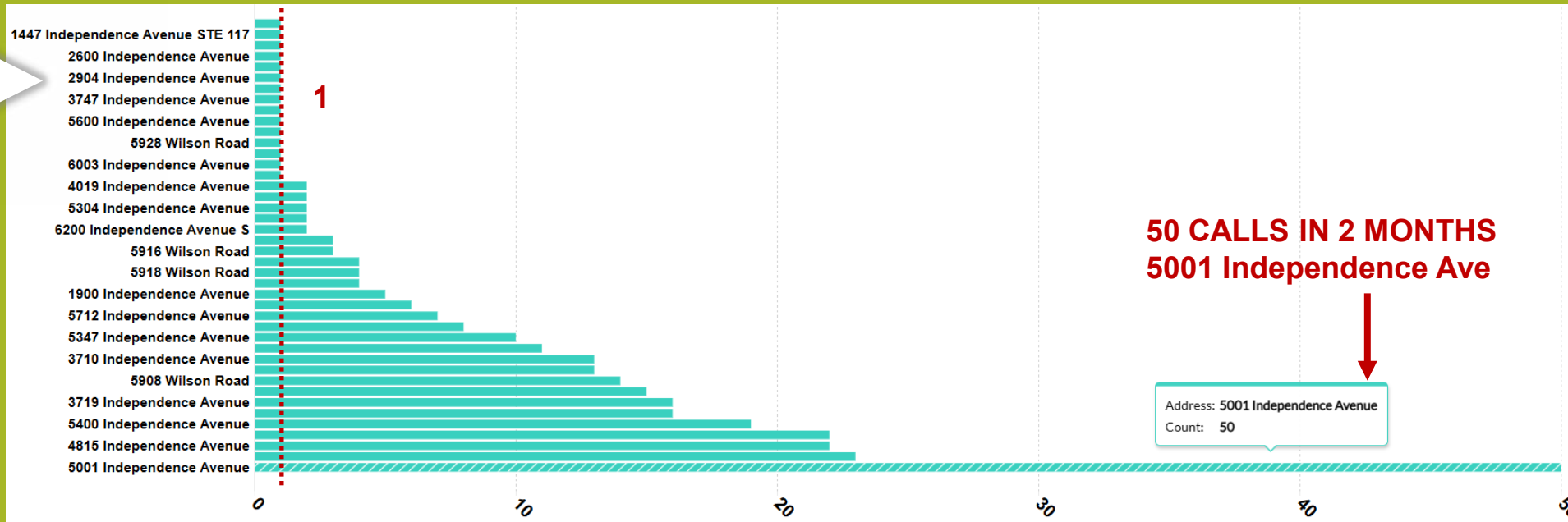
# ACTIVITY BY ADDRESS

2024 →



SEPT 19 TO NOV 20

2023 →



# OVERALL ACTIVITY

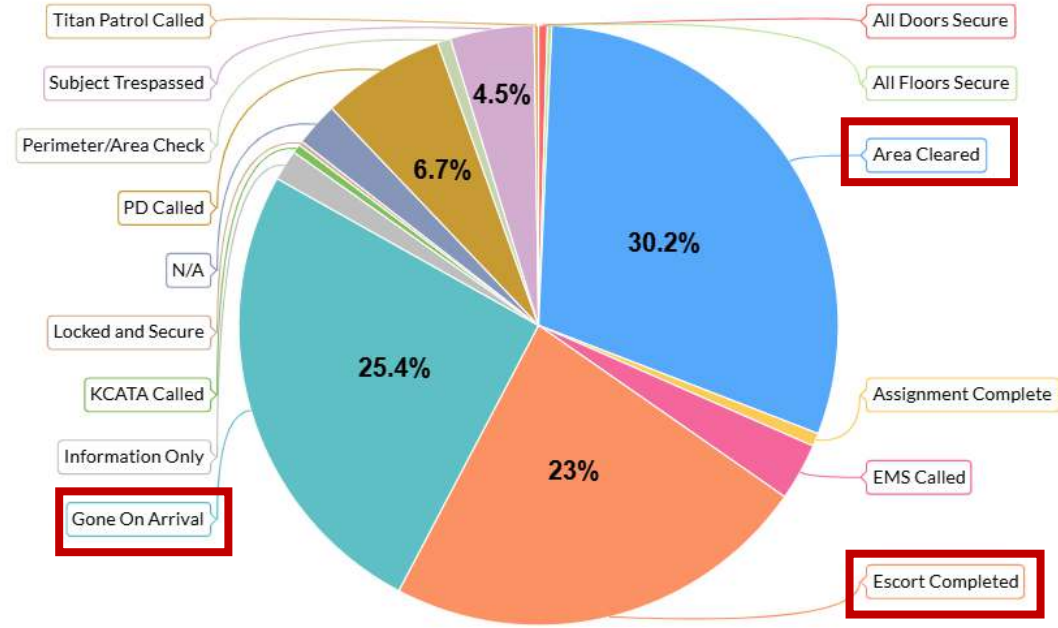
# 2024 →

SEPT 19 TO NOV 20

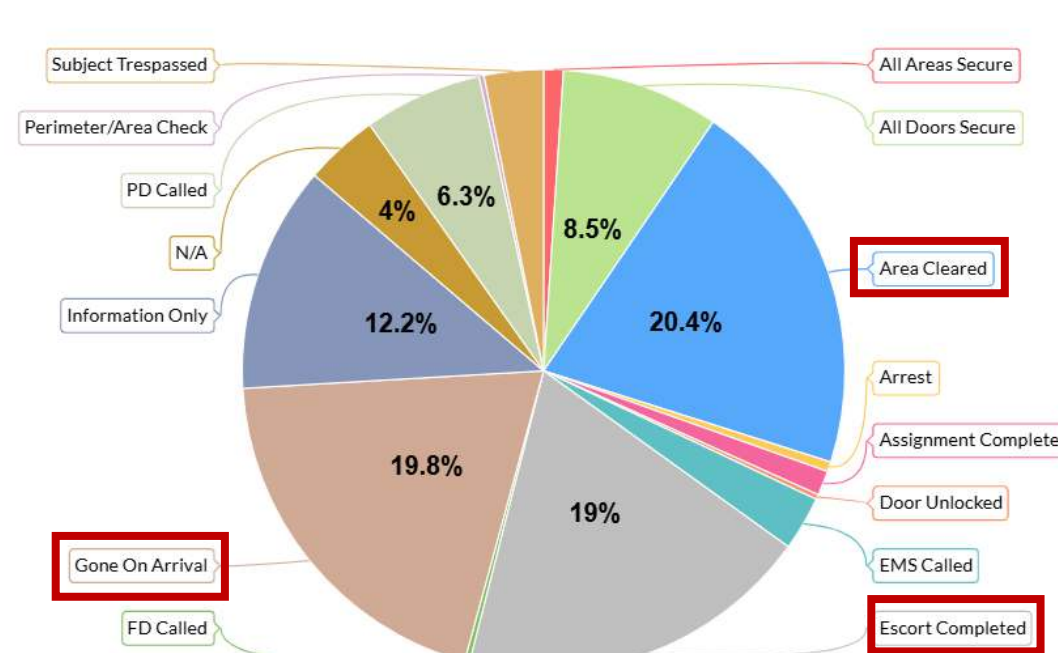
# 2023 →



✓ All Doors Secure	2
✓ All Floors Secure	1
✓ Area Cleared	122
✓ Assignment Complete	3
✓ EMS Called	12
✓ Escort Completed	94
✓ Gone On Arrival	102
✓ Information Only	7
✓ KCATA Called	2
✓ Locked and Secure	1
✓ N/A	10
✓ PD Called	28
✓ Perimeter/Area Check	3
✓ Subject Trespassed	18
✓ Titan Patrol Called	1



✓ All Areas Secure	4
✓ All Doors Secure	32
✓ Area Cleared	77
✓ Arrest	2
✓ Assignment Complete	5
✓ Door Unlocked	1
✓ EMS Called	11
✓ Escort Completed	72
✓ FD Called	1
✓ Gone On Arrival	75
✓ Information Only	46
✓ N/A	15
✓ PD Called	24
✓ Perimeter/Area Check	1
✓ Subject Trespassed	12



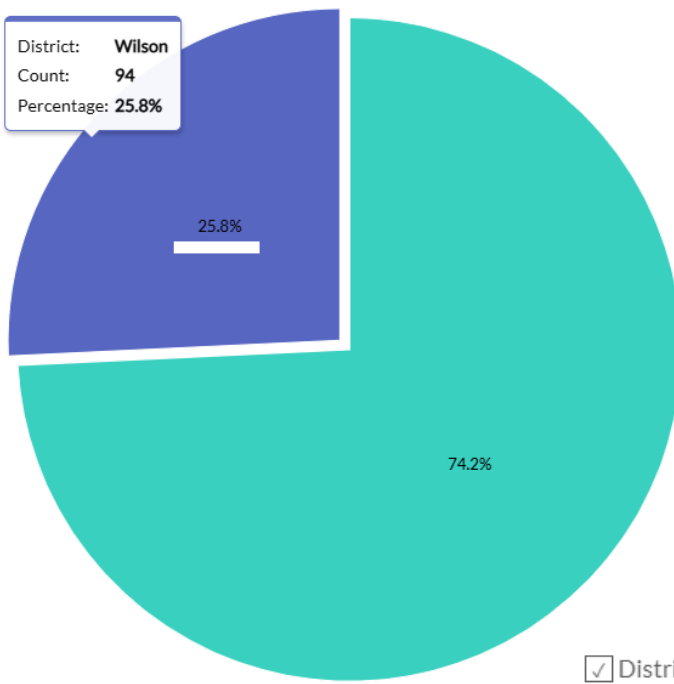
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## WILSON RD VERSES INDEPENDENCE AVE

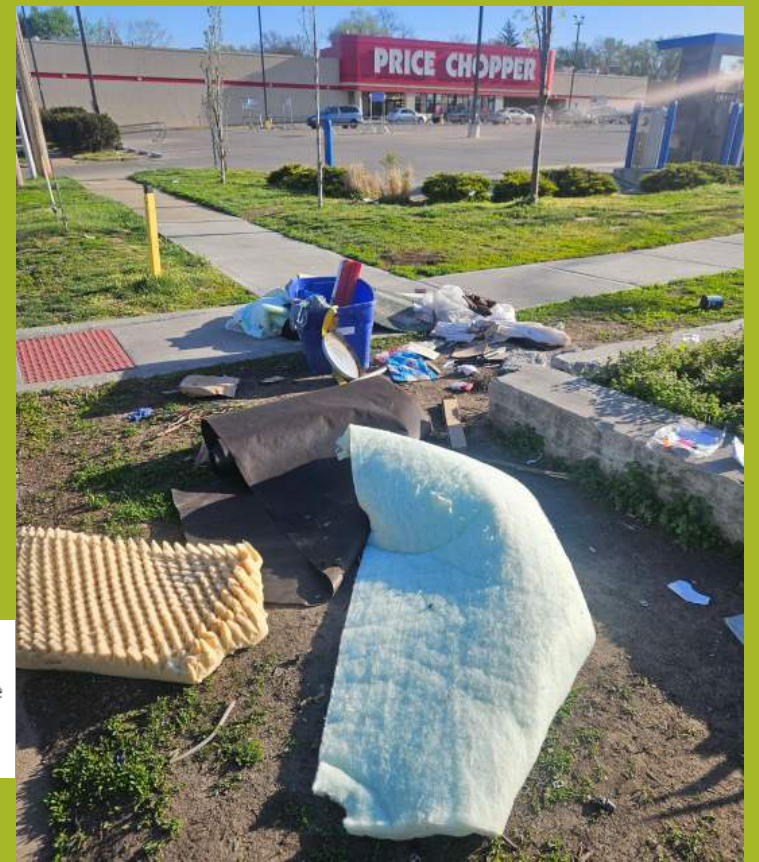
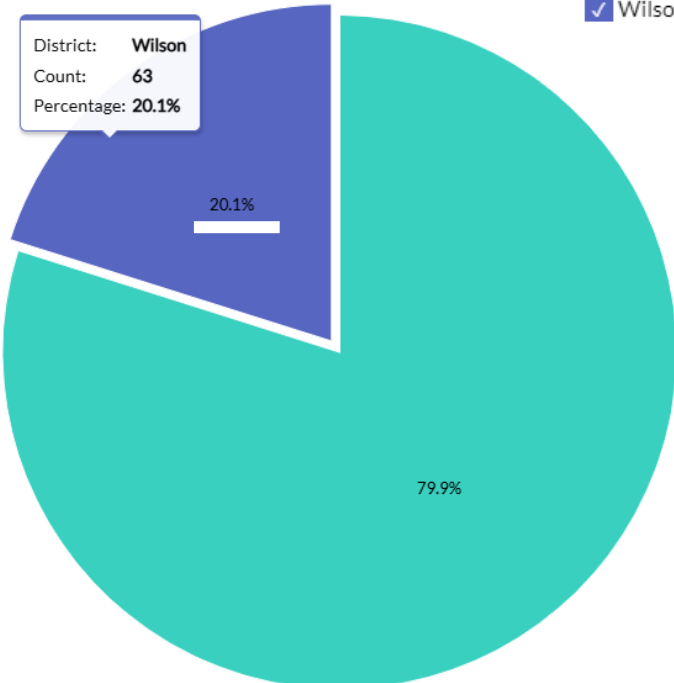
# 2024 →

### SEPT 19 TO NOV 20

# 2023 →



- District
- Independence Ave
- Wilson



# AVAILABLE SPACE ON...

Independence AVE



**2601 INDEPENDENCE**



**2435 INDEPENDENCE**



~~**2635 INDEPENDENCE**~~



**2425 INDEPENDENCE**



~~**2807 INDEPENDENCE**~~



**5926 WILSON**

**FOUR CORNERS  
COMMUNITY CALL**



Last week's Independence Avenue Community Improvement District 4-Corners Community Call was at Total by Verizon located at 2601 Independence Avenue

**JOIN US THIS WEEK FOR OUR  
4 CORNERS COMMUNITY CALL:**

Kansas City Public Library  
6000 Wilson Avenue



**10-4-2024 FRUTOPIA**



**10-18-2024 HARDEE'S**



**11-1-2024 NEKC CHAMBER & CID**



**10-11-2024 FRESH MARKET 5901 IND**



**9-20-2024 MCDONALD'S**



**11-8-2024 THE GAME ROOM**



**11-15-2024 TED'S BARBAR SHOP**

# INDEPENDENCE AVENUE'S 'OVERLAY' ZONES

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### INDEPENDENCE AVENUE CORRIDOR OVERLAY - ZONE B



Zone B Myrtle Avenue looking east. Photo by Dorri Purdin

The Independence Avenue Corridor Overlay ordinance states the general boundaries of Zone B run along the Independence Corridor from Myrtle to Topping Avenues. This document establishes the development standards, which vary from the properties' underlying base zoning. The design characteristics and present land use in each zone are reflected in these development standards.

Land-use in Zone B includes multi-family units and small-scale commercial properties. There are very few single-family homes within Zone B. The eastern end of Zone B encompasses two large-scale land-uses, Northeast Middle

School and Hordesty Storage. Numerous vacant lots provide in-fill development opportunities. Land within Zone B is primarily zoned R3-D (Multi-Family Residential) and UR (Urban Renewal). Any land area that has a UR designation is exempt from ordinance standards – but the standards described in the Overlay District Ordinance must be used to guide the standards of UR districts. Hordesty Storage – which includes the storage facility as well as several other buildings and vacant land is zoned UR – is thus exempt. Any proposed development, such as the Northeast Leafs project, must use these standards as a guide as it moves forward.

These standards apply to design elements and also to land uses. For example, single-family homes and group homes are prohibited. Drive-through facilities are allowable, as long as a special-use permit is obtained. There are several existing fuel and convenience stores in operation. These are grandfathered and allowed to continue to operate. Additional fuel and convenience stores are not allowed. If a convenience store were to cease business, there is a six-month grace period. Once this grace period expires,

that location would not be allowed to operate as that type of business again.

While the Independence Avenue Overlay prohibits detached single-family homes, attached homes (townhomes), multi-unit houses (four-plus) and apartment buildings (no more than 45 feet in height) are permissible – subject to numerous design standards. Developers of these styles of residences can choose to comply with Courtyard Design Guidelines. All styles of residential units, along with commercial and mixed-use facilities, must utilize primary and secondary materials.

A noticeable design standard applied to developments is that of transparency, which refers to the percentage of window that allows clear views of indoor space or product display areas. At least 70% of the facade fronting Independence Avenue – between two and 10 feet above the sidewalk – must be composed of windows. Buildings used solely for residential purposes may reduce their transparency to 40% on the first floor. For commercial properties, display windows that do not provide interior

views may count towards this percentage requirement as long as they are internally illuminated and at least three feet in length.

All design standards have not been described in this article. The overlay district standards also include standards on parking, loading, signage, fencing, transparency, facade articulation and other design elements. Please refer to the overlay documents viewable on the Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce web page: <https://nekcchamber.com/commercial-property/> or municipal codes for more information.



Zone B Topping Avenue looking westward. Photo by Dorri Purdin



This information is provided for you through the Independence Avenue CID (Community Improvement District) the Northeast Kansas City Chamber of Commerce, and the Northeast News. For more information, visit [www.nekcchamber.com](http://www.nekcchamber.com)

**CURRENT ISSUE 9-25-2024**

### FOUR CORNERS COMMUNITY CALL



JOIN US THIS FRIDAY AT 3PM FOR OUR 4 CORNERS COMMUNITY CALL  
El Mercado Fresco  
5117 Independence Ave

### NEED MORE INFORMATION?

Check out the full Independence Avenue Overlay Corridor Ordinance and the design guidelines in each zone.  
Scan Here

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### INDEPENDENCE AVENUE CID STREET AMBASSADOR SPOTLIGHT

**Adrian VanHusen**  
Urban Street Ambassador

What is a Community Improvement District? The Independence Avenue CID is a special district that provides a framework for the development and improvement of the Independence Avenue Corridor. It is a unique partnership between the City of Kansas City, the Chamber of Commerce, and the CID itself. The CID is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the district, including the maintenance of the street, the promotion of economic development, and the improvement of the quality of life for the residents of the district.

Join us for a community call on Friday, August 23rd at 3pm at El Mercado Fresco, 5117 Independence Ave. We will discuss the current status of the CID and the plans for the future. We will also have a Q&A session and a chance to meet with the CID staff.

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**8-20-2024**

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### INDEPENDENCE AVENUE CORRIDOR OVERLAY - PENULTION ARTS BLOCK

#### FOUR CORNERS COMMUNITY CALL

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### INDEPENDENCE AVENUE CORRIDOR OVERLAY - ZONE A

The design characteristics in Zone A tend to reflect large-scale retail and commercial properties – associated with historic neighborhood properties. The design characteristics and present land use in each zone are reflected in these development standards.

Development in Zone A is primarily zoned R3-D (Multi-Family Residential) and UR (Urban Renewal). Any land area that has a UR designation is exempt from ordinance standards – but the standards described in the Overlay District Ordinance must be used to guide the standards of UR districts. Hordesty Storage – which includes the storage facility as well as several other buildings and vacant land is zoned UR – is thus exempt. Any proposed development, such as the Northeast Leafs project, must use these standards as a guide as it moves forward.

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**9-11-2024**

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### INDEPENDENCE AVENUE CID ZONE 4: INDUSTRIAL

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**8-12-2024**

LOCAL JOURNALISM SUPPORTED BY YOUR LOCAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BI-ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

### The NEKC Chamber invites you to its bi-annual International Taste and Tour Sept. 6

Join us for a community call on Friday, August 4th at 3pm at El Mercado Fresco, 5117 Independence Ave. We will discuss the current status of the CID and the plans for the future. We will also have a Q&A session and a chance to meet with the CID staff.

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**9-4-2024**

# The EGG EVENTS Book Your Event @ theEGG Online [www.NEKCchamber.com](http://www.NEKCchamber.com)



## DEC 7 & 8: HNE ARTISTS OPEN STUDIO TOUR



Save these dates  
 Sat. Dec 7, 10 am - 6 pm  
 Sun. 12 pm - 4 pm 2024  
 A Free Two Day  
 Self-Guided Art Tour



8 studios featuring visual artists, creatives and an author.

## DEC 7 & 8: BOOK SIGNING

Looking for Christmas gift ideas?

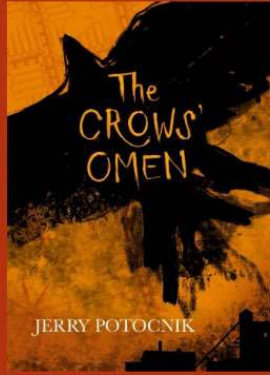
How about giving the special people in your life hours of satisfying entertainment?

Consider giving *The Crows' Omen* as a gift this holiday season. *The Crows' Omen* is a fascinating work of historical fiction set in the late 1800s in the once idyllic prairie of southeastern Kansas, now riven apart by greedy forces desperate for the coal beneath. This book has it all: suspense, intrigue, lies and deception, mystery, love, devotion, heroes, and lots of shady characters.

If there's someone in your life who loves historical fiction, or who loves to read about times long ago, they will absolutely love this story.

*The Crows' Omen* is available for purchase in hard copy and ebook formats at:

[www.thecrowsomen.com](http://www.thecrowsomen.com)



Author, Jerry Potocnik will be at the EGG (Economic Growth Gallery)

2659 Independence Ave  
 Saturday December 7 from 10 am. to 6 pm.  
 Sunday December 8 from 12 Noon to 4 pm.

"The Crows' Omen"

will be available for purchase and signing both days.

Bonus location !

The EGG is the first location on a Studio Tour of Eight where you can pick up a Map for a self guided tour of 28 visual artists and creatives. Enjoy visiting artists in their creative and showing spaces.

## AVAILABLE FOR CREATIVITY

### Fees:

Weekend Rate per day:	8am to 10pm \$200
Evening Rate:	6pm to 10pm \$75
Daily Rate; morning:	8am to 12pm \$50
Daily Rate; afternoon:	1pm to 5 pm \$50



# UPCOMING EVENTS



COFFEE CULTURE &  
CONVERSATION

THURSDAY DEC 12, 2024

CANCELLED

TASTY TOPIC TALK LUNCH

TUESDAY, NOV 26, 2024

CANCELLED

CASH MOB

WEDNESDAY, DEC 4, 2024

Cash Mob, Soma Cafe

International marketplace shopping  
experience.



CELEBRATORY TOAST

FRIDAY, DEC 13, 2024

ANNUAL CELEBRATORY TOAST 2024



SHOP SMALL

SATURDAY, NOV 30, 2024



# THE INTERNATIONAL MARKETPLACE

2657 INDEPENDENCE BLVD, KCMO



## NORTHEAST KANSAS CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



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Manager IA-CID



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Owner, Law Office of Jerry Potocnik



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Realtor & Certified Property Manager



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Secretary  
Jackson County, Mo Legislature



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**AMANDA HOCKMAN**  
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Realtor, Northeast Realty



## INDEPENDENCE AVENUE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT



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CID District Manager  
NEKC Chamber of Commerce



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Missouri Lake Living Vacations, LLC