

January 2024

Livable Neighborhoods News

Livable Neighborhoods strives to improve the quality of life in our community through organized neighborhood and government partnerships that provide information, training, resources, and a forum for open discussion.

Office: Neighborhood Resource Center (NRC), 4953 State Avenue

Hours: 8am-5pm (NRC lobby closes at 4pm)

Contact: livableneighborhoods@wycokck.org or (913) 573-8737



Stay connected with us via Facebook and Instagram. Subscribe to our e-newsletter by visiting wycokck.org

Livable Neighborhoods Monthly Meeting

Every 4th Thursday of the month

January to October

9:00am - 10:30am

Attend in-person at the Neighborhood Resource Center or virtually via Zoom. To receive a Zoom invitation send an email to:

livableneighborhoods@wycokck.org

Next meeting will be held January 25th.

Updates from:

Livable Neighborhoods Task Force

UG Mayor's Office

UG Public Health Department

WYCO Sheriff's Department

WYCP/KCK District Attorney's Office

KCK Police Department

KCK Fire Department

UG Neighborhood Resource Center

KCK School District USD 500

Turner School District

Board of Public Utilities

“
THE MEANING OF
LIFE IS TO FIND
YOUR GIFT. THE
PURPOSE OF LIFE
IS TO GIVE IT
AWAY.
”

- PABLO PICASSO

“
NEVER BELIEVE THAT A
FEW CARING PEOPLE
CAN'T CHANGE THE
WORLD. FOR, INDEED,
THAT'S ALL WHO EVER
HAVE.
”

- MARGARET MEAD

Reminders

January 10th — Law Enforcement Advisory Board Meeting

January 11th — Full Commission Meeting

January 13th — KCKFD Open House

January 18th — Sheriff's Office Testing Event

January 25th — Full Commission Meeting

DO
something
GOOD in your
neighborhood

Good & Bad Bugs Found in Kansas Environments

PRESENTED BY EMG DON CRIM

Thursday, January 4th
11:30 am

WYANDOTTE COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE:
1208 N 79TH ST. KCK 66112

There are about 15,000+ insect species found in Kansas but only about 5% are harmful in some way. The rest of the insects are beneficial or neutral. I will cover some of the most common beneficial insects and harmful insects. I will explain what characteristics that make each insect beneficial or harmful. I will also give some tips on how to protect yourself from injury or damage that harmful insects cause. Spiders are not insects, but I will discuss various spider species as well.

Wyandotte.ksu.edu

913-299-9300

K-STATE
Research and Extension
Master Gardener
Wyandotte County

K-State Research and Extension is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all programs, services and activities. Program information may be available in languages other than English. Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities, including alternative means for communication (e.g., Braille, large print, audio tape, and American Sign Language) may be requested by contacting the event contact (Jo Mieland) two weeks prior to the start of the event (913-299-9300 and jmieland). Requests received after this date will be honored when it is feasible to do so. Language access services, such as interpretation or translation of vital information will be provided free of charge to limited English proficient individuals upon request.

Catch someone
DOING
something
GOOD in your
neighborhood

Have you seen someone doing something good in your Wyandotte County or KCK neighborhood?

Send in a photo with a brief description to livableneighborhoods@wycokck.org and they will be featured in an upcoming e-newsletter.

We want to recognize them!



 American Red Cross

GIVE SOMETHING THAT
Means Something
GIVE BLOOD

Blood Drive Neighborhood Resource Center

In the Large Meeting Room
4953 State Ave
Kansas City, KS 66102

Thursday, January 4, 2024
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

In Partnership with Livable Neighborhoods

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: LivableNeighborhoods to schedule an appointment.

Come give Jan. 1-5 for a Red Cross T-shirt, ltd. qty & automatic entry for a chance to win a trip for two to Super Bowl LVIII in Vegas! Includes travel, hotel, \$1,000 gift card, pre-game activities & more! Terms apply; visit RedCrossBlood.org/SuperBowl.

Schedule your blood donation appointment today!

1-800-RED CROSS | RedCrossBlood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

Transit Ridership Survey

Help us get you where you want to go.

The Unified Government Transportation Department is conducting a survey so we can better serve you.

Copy the link below to share your input on transit.

English: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/UGTransit>

Spanish: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/UGTransit>



English

Spanish



Use this survey through January 19, 2024, to comment on the services you use, needs, improvements, and more.

Utilice esta encuesta hasta el 19 de enero de 2024 para comentar acerca de los servicios que utiliza, necesidades, mejoras y mucho más.

January 2024 Neighborhood-Based Clinics

Wyandotte County | Kansas City, Kansas.
All services are free.
No appointments needed.

	Screenings Exámenes Uchunguzi wa အတုညွှန်းများ	FREE Supplies Suministros Gratis Vifaa vya bure အခမဲ့ ထောက်ပံ့ပစ္စည်းများ
Immunizations Vacunas Chanjo ကိုယ်ခံအားပေးခြင်း	COVID testing Pruebas de COVID Upimaji wa COVID Covid စစ်ဆေးခြင်း	Personal care Cuidado personal Utunzaji wa kibinazi ပုဂ္ဂိုလ်ရေး
Blood Pressure Presión arterial Shinikizo la damu သွေးဖိအား	Diabetes Diabetes Kisukari ဆီးချိုရောဂါ	At-home COVID tests Pruebas COVID caseras Vipimo vya COVID nyumbani အိမ်တွင်း COVID စစ်ဆေးခြင်း
Vision & glasses Visión y gafas Maono na miwani အမြင်အာရုံနှင့် ဖျားနာမှုများ	Groceries Viveres Mboga စားသောက်ကုန်များ	
1/13/2024 9 AM – 1 PM Saturday, January 13 Wilhelmina Gill Center 645 Nebraska Ave Kansas City, KS 66101		
1/20/2024 9 AM – 1 PM Saturday, January 20 Guiding Star Missionary Baptist Church 3035 N. 27th Street Kansas City, KS 66104		



Become a Reading Mentor

Help a student learn to read during your lunch hour!

Lead to Read KC is recruiting volunteers to read **once a week** for **30 minutes** with students in high-need elementary schools.

Only **20%** of third-grade students in Kansas City public and charter schools are **reading proficiently**, so **WE NEED YOU!**

It's the easiest, most meaningful volunteer experience in the city. No evenings or weekends!



Free at-home COVID-19 tests

- Order free at-home COVID-19 tests at [CovidTests.gov](https://www.CovidTests.gov)
- Find a location in Wyandotte County with free at-home COVID tests at [ughealth.info/free-covid-tests-wyco](https://www.ughealth.info/free-covid-tests-wyco)

Pruebas Gratuitas de COVID para hacerse en casa

- Solicite pruebas gratuitas de COVID-19 en [CovidTests.gov](https://www.CovidTests.gov)
- Encuentre un lugar en el Condado de Wyandotte con pruebas gratuitas de COVID en [ughealth.info/pruebas-gratuitas-covid-wyco](https://www.ughealth.info/pruebas-gratuitas-covid-wyco)

Last Updated: January 11, 2024

Go to leadtoreadkc.org to apply and learn more.

22ND ANNUAL EAGLE Days

FEATURING:
Live Birds of Prey
Coloring Contest
Crafts
Photo Ops
Birdwatching & More!

SATURDAY 9AM - 5 PM
SUNDAY 12 PM - 4 PM

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:
Operation Wildlife & BPU

Mr. & Mrs. F.L. Schlagle Library & James P. Davis Hall

JAN | 20 & 21 | 2024

kckpl.org | flsinfo@kckpl.org | (913) 295-8250 ex. 2

Library programs, events, and classes are photographed or videotaped for promotional purposes or to document library activities. Notify library staff if you prefer not to be photographed.

Free At-Home COVID Test Kits in Wyandotte County while supplies last.



Joe F. Amayo Argentine Community Center
2810 Metropolitan Ave, Kansas City, KS 66106
(913) 261-4382
Monday – Friday: 7:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Avenue of Life
500 N 7th St Trfy, Kansas City, KS 66101
(816) 787-6101
Tues, Thurs and Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Saturday: 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Beatrice L. Lee Community Center
1310 N 10th St, Kansas City, KS 66101
(913) 551-0438
Monday – Friday: 2:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Bethel Neighborhood Center
14 S 7th St, Kansas City, KS 66101
(913) 371-8218
Monday – Friday: 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Bonner Springs Community Center
200 E 3rd St, Bonner Springs, KS 66012
(913) 422-7010
Monday – Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Bonner Springs Public Library
201 N Nettleton Ave, Bonner Springs, KS 66012
Monday – Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Friday – Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Edwardsville City Hall
690 S 4th St, Edwardsville, KS 66111
(913) 441-3707
Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

The Merc Co+op
501 Minnesota Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101.
(913) 320-0404
7 days a week: 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Kansas City, Kansas Public Libraries:
Monday – Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Friday & Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Main Library
625 Minnesota Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101
South Branch Library
3104 Strong Ave, Kansas City, KS 66106
West Wyandotte Library
1737 N 82nd St, Kansas City, KS 66112

Turner Community Library
831 S. 55th St, Kansas City, KS 66106
Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Rosedale Development Association
1403 Southwest Blvd, Kansas City, KS 66103
(913) 677-5097
Monday – Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Turner Recreation Center
831 S 55th St, Kansas City, KS 66106
(913) 287-2111
Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Wilhelmina Gill Services Center
645 Nebraska Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101
(913) 621-4690
Monday – Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Wyandotte County Neighborhood Resource Center
4953 State Ave, Kansas City, KS 66102
(913) 573-8600
Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

You can also order free at-home COVID-19 tests at [CovidTests.gov](https://www.CovidTests.gov).

Updated January 3, 2024

“IT’S A BEAUTIFUL DAY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. A BEAUTIFUL DAY FOR A NEIGHBOR. WOULD YOU BE MINE; COULD YOU BE MINE?”
- FRED ROGERS



Staying Warm in Wyandotte

DURING THE DAY

Willa Gill Services Center

Monday – Friday 9AM – 1PM
Saturday, Sunday, and Monday (Holiday) 9AM – 1PM

Frank Williams Outreach Center

Jan 13. – Jan. 22, 2024
Monday – Sunday 8:00AM – 4:30PM (5PM when needed)

Unified Government Community Centers

Monday – Friday 2PM – 5PM (EXCEPT Monday Jan 15th – CLOSED)
Saturday 9AM – 2PM (Except Bethany)
Sunday – Closed

KCK Main Library – Downtown*

Monday – Thursday 9AM – 6PM
Friday – Saturday 9AM – 5PM
Sunday 1PM – 5PM
Monday – Jan. 15th, CLOSED.

Avenue of Life*

Monday – Friday 8AM – 4:30PM (EXCEPT Wednesdays)
Wednesday 8AM – 8PM
Saturday 8AM – 12PM
Sunday and Monday (Holiday) CLOSED

*NOTE: Avenue of Life and the KCK Public Library will follow school district cancellations. If schools are closed, these warming centers will be closed as well.

AS OF FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 2024



OVERNIGHT

KCK Cold Weather Shelter

Monday – Sunday 6PM – 8AM when below 25° F
Friday, Jan. 12 - Sunday, Jan. 14 - 5PM - 8:15AM
Monday, Jan. 15 4:30PM - 8:15AM
Tuesday, Jan. 16 - Wednesday, Jan. 17 - 5PM - 8:15AM

Scan the QR Code to find the location nearest you or visit wycokck.org



TRANSPORTATION

Monday – Friday ALL Routes are running as normal.



wycokck.org/transit

Weekend Service:

- 101 State – Saturday & Sunday
- 104 Argentine – Saturday
- 106 Quindaro – Saturday & Sunday
- 107 7th Street – Saturday

MLK Day | Monday, January 15th, 2024

- 102 Central Avenue
- 103 3rd Street/Fairfax
- 113 Leavenworth Road
- 116 West Parallel
- 118 18th Street
- 101 State Avenue
- 104 Argentine
- 106 Quindaro
- 107 7th Street



WYCO/KCK Parks and Recreation Presents



Someone Special Dance

Friday, February 9th

6 PM - 8 PM

Joe Amayo Community Center
2810 Metropolitan

Every child has someone special in their life, a parent, aunt, uncle or mentor. This dance allows them to dance the night away with someone special. There will be a DJ with music, light refreshments, photo opportunities and a huge dance floor to party all night.

\$5.00 per (1 Adult + 1 Child)

\$2.00 per addition child



Register at www.wycokck.org/wycoparks

913-573-8327



Harvesters

Mobile Food Distribution



Sponsored by

LRA & Sunset Hills Church

In partnership with

Community Oriented Policing Unit

Of the

Kansas City Kansas Police Department

**6347 Leavenworth Road
Kansas City, KS**

Kansas City/ Wyandotte County, Kansas proof of residency required for first time visitors

Food distribution to begin at approximately 1:30 p.m.

Line closes when food distribution begins this process assures everyone in line will receive some fresh food



1st and 3rd Fridays of the month



Please enter from North 63rd Street and Roswell Avenue
(from N. 63rd Street turn west onto Roswell, turn north onto N 64th Street go to the west entrance of the Sunset Hills Church lot)

