

# THE HOMES, INC. NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 2020

## THE HOMES BOARD MEETING August 17<sup>TH</sup>, 6:00 pm IN THE CLUBROOM THE MEETING WILL BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS

**IF YOU HAVE A MATTER THAT YOU  
WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS WITH THE  
BOARD CONTACT THE MANAGER**

**IF YOU PLACE A WORK ORDER FOR  
YOUR KITCHEN, BATHROOM AND/OR  
UTILITY ROOM PLEASE REMOVE ALL  
ITEMS THAT WOULD BE IN THE WAY TO  
WORK. THE LESS ITEMS THAT THE  
MAINTENANCE TECHS TOUCH THE  
SAFER YOU ARE AND SO IS THE STAFF**

**THE OFFICE IS OPEN. ONLY 1  
RESIDENT AT A TIME IS  
ALLOWED IN THE OFFICE  
YOU MUST WEAR A MASK  
IF YOU DO NOT WANT TO COME INTO THE  
OFFICE, YOU CAN CALL, AND WE CAN MEET  
YOU AT YOUR CAR**

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### **IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

|                                  |                |
|----------------------------------|----------------|
| THE HOMES INC                    | 913-321-2471   |
| AFTER HOURS MAINTENANCE          | 913-948-2211   |
| QHFCU                            | 913-342-3421   |
| KCK POLICE DEPARTMENT            | 913-596-3000   |
| KCK ANIMAL CONTROL               | 913-321-1445   |
| POTHOLES                         | 913-573-8307   |
| CITY QUESTIONS & COMPLAINTS      | 311            |
| BPU(Customer Service)            | 913-573-9190   |
| BPU ELECTRIC (Lights/power line) | 913-573-9522   |
| BPU WATER                        | 913-573-9622   |
| KS GAS SERVICE                   | 1-800-794-4780 |

### **NEWSLETTER TRIVIA**

We want to encourage all residents to read the newsletter. You will find **10** questions within the newsletter. Write down your answers, along with your name and address. Bring the information to the office. At the monthly board meeting we will randomly choose an answer sheet and if all the answers are correct, that resident will receive \$30 off the next month's HOA fee.

1. What number do you call for Loud Music or Noise?

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# NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS

## AUGUST'S MEETING IS CANCELLED

If the weather is nice there may be a meeting in the soccer park.

### TriGlow LED Dusk-to-Dawn A19 Bulb, 9W (60W Equivalent) 800 Lumen, Non-Dimmable, Dusk-to-Dawn LED Bulbs

SAVE MONEY: 9 Watt bulbs replaces 60 Watt incandescent equivalent, saving you 85% in energy costs!

DUSK TO DAWN: These light bulbs feature automated built in dusk to dawn sensor that will automatically turn on and shut off based on whether or not there is daylight.

The Neighborhood Watch will come and install the light for you. Cost is FREE. Call the office 913-321-2471 for more information.

### Rent & Utilities Assistance

#### **The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception**

1112 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64105, (816) 842-0416 x132

For Emergency Utilities Assistance, call Tuesday through Friday, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., [kcgolddome.org](http://kcgolddome.org)

#### **Guadalupe Center**

Various programs/resources for Latino communities

1015 Avenida Cesar E. Chavez, Kansas City, MO 64108, (816) 421-1015, <http://www.guadalupecenters.org/>

#### **Bethel-Riverview Coordination and Development**

Emergency financial assistance for utilities; Food pantry

947 Osage, Kansas City, KS 66105, (913) 321-7418

#### **Economic Opportunity Foundation Inc.**

Emergency assistance to help families obtain needed supports such as utility and rent assistance, and mortgage default counseling, and to address emergency situations.

1542 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66102, (913) 371-7800, [www.eofkck.org](http://www.eofkck.org)

#### **City Union Mission Community Assistance**

City Union Mission provides compassionate service to low-income and homeless community members. Relief efforts include distribution of food, clothing, school supplies, household items, utility assistance, case management, affordable housing referrals, Life Skills classes, and services for homebound elderly and disabled people.

1310 Wabash Ave., Kansas City, MO 64127, (816) 329-1444, [cityunionmission.org/community-assistance](http://cityunionmission.org/community-assistance)

#### **Della Lamb – Community Services**

Della Lamb serves thousands of Kansas City people annually through rent, utility, food, back-to-school supplies and holiday assistance. Residency restrictions apply.

500 Woodland Ave., Kansas City, MO 64106, (816) 842-8040, Ask for Social Services Department, [dellalamb.org/educational-support-services/emergency-services/](http://dellalamb.org/educational-support-services/emergency-services/)

2. How many units are for sale?

3. What is the name of the company used to deposit cash onto a prepaid or bank debit card?

4. How many days is the Recycling and Yard Waste Center open in November?

## **Mask Order Amended Further in Wyandotte County**

A new Local Health Officer (LHO) Order was issued with additional amendments to the mask wearing requirements for Wyandotte County. The Order is set to go into effect at 12:01 AM on Wednesday, July 15.

The new amendments are:

- Athletes who are engaged in indoor activities and those exercising indoors are hereby required to wear masks or face coverings. This includes both team sports activities and in gym/weightlifting settings.
- Solitary outdoor exercise remains exempt from the face covering requirement.
- All children over 5 years of age and all staff in daycare/childcare/educational settings are required to wear masks or face coverings at all times unless actively eating, drinking, or sleeping. Medical exemptions from LHO 7/6/20 remain in effect.

“We’ve gotten many questions about the mask order, especially as it relates to exercise and sports. Socially distanced outdoor exercise is relatively safe, but we are really concerned about the potential for spread of the virus that causes COVID-19 with indoor exercise, whether it is people working out at a gym or participating in team sports,” said Dr. Erin Corriveau, Deputy Medical Officer with the Unified Government Public Health Department (UGPHD). “Wearing a mask while exercising indoors may be a bit uncomfortable, and it takes some getting used to, but there’s no scientific evidence to indicate that it is harmful to wear a mask during exercise.”

“Another concern was about childcare settings. We feel it is incredibly important for face coverings to be worn in these settings for the protection of the children, staff, and their families,” said Dr. Allen Greiner, Chief Medical Officer with the UGPHD. “We realize this is an adjustment for families and childcare providers, but it’s the best way to minimize the risk of the coronavirus spreading in settings like this.”

Masks are required locally for children over age five, but the CDC actually recommends masks for anyone age two or older. Children under age two should never wear masks as it is a safety hazard at that age.

These new amendments follow an LHO Order that was issued on July 6 adopting Governor Kelly’s Executive Order 20-52 requiring masks for the state, with one amendment for Wyandotte County. This previous amendment remains in effect:

- The term “Public Space” includes public and private offices where more than one individual is congregating, workspaces where more than one individual is present, and any area of the office complex where more than one individual is present, such as a kitchen or break room.

Certain exceptions to the mask requirement for health, safety, and accessibility remain in effect, such as:

- People age five years or under – children age two years and under in particular should not wear a face covering because of the risk of suffocation
- People with a medical condition, mental health condition, or disability that prevents wearing a face covering
- People who are deaf or hard of hearing, or communicating with a person who is deaf or hard of hearing, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication

See the full Governor’s Executive Order 20-52 for more information on exceptions:

<https://governor.kansas.gov/executive-order-no-20-52/>

For more information on COVID-19 in Wyandotte County, go to [wycokck.org/COVID-19](http://wycokck.org/COVID-19) or call 3-1-1.

5. What are the open hours of the UG Public Health Department?

### Phase 3 of Reopening Continues

Wyandotte County remains under Phase 3 of the Ad Astra reopening plan. We'd initially announced that our Phase 3 extension would go until at least today (at least two weeks from when the Local Health Officer Order was issued). This was not designated as an official end date, merely a minimum amount of time we would remain in this phase. The Order remains in effect as we continue to see high numbers of new positive cases. See our latest COVID-19 data on our COVID Hub at [wycokck.org/COVID-19](https://wycokck.org/COVID-19)

### Testing Hours Expanded

As of Tuesday, July 7, the Unified Government Public Health Department (UGPHD) changed its COVID-19 testing hours to Monday – Friday, 9 AM – 3 PM. This adds an additional two hours of testing time each day compared to the previous 1 – 5 PM schedule. We have seen increased traffic at our testing facility recently, and we expanded our hours to accommodate this need. Our testing resources at the UGPHD are designated to serve Wyandotte County, and as such our testing site is open to people who live or work in WyCo and either have symptoms of COVID-19, or have been exposed to COVID-19.

When people arrive for testing, they will be asked for:

- Their name and contact information (phone number, address) so we can contact them with their test results
- Information on any symptoms they are having or COVID-19 exposures (such as through close contact with someone who tested positive)
- Something to show that they either live or work in Wyandotte County
- Examples of what people can bring to show residence or employment in WyCo:
- Utility bill, bank statement, or other piece of mail with their name and address
- Vehicle registration or insurance
- A pay stub
- A work badge
- A photo ID
- Other items clearly indicating that the person lives or works in Wyandotte County

We do not require people to provide a government issued ID, and we do not retain any copies of a person's proof of residence or employment in WyCo. We ask for this because our testing resources are still limited, and the funding and supplies for our site are earmarked to serve Wyandotte County. People who do not live or work in Wyandotte County can find other testing locations in the KC metro here: <https://www.comebackkc.com/kc-covid-testing-locations/>

Please note, some clinical services provided by the UGPHD have been put on hold for the month of July in order to expand COVID-19 testing and support our efforts to address the pandemic. The majority of the UGPHD's other program areas remain in operation, with precautions put in place due to COVID-19.

Wyandotte County residents can get clinical services like family planning, sexually transmitted infection (STI) services, immunizations, and laboratory services at several local safety net clinics. Please note, clinic hours or procedures at these locations may have changed in response to COVID-19.

As always, for more information on COVID-19 in Wyandotte County, go to [wycokck.org/COVID-19](https://wycokck.org/COVID-19) or call 3-1-1.

6. What is a safety hazard for children under age two?

## **Recycling & Yard Waste Center**

The Unified Government's Public Works Department is re-opening Wyandotte County's Recycling & Yard Waste Center on July 10.

Closed since late March 2020 due to the impact of COVID-19 in Wyandotte County, the Center will re-open to the public every other Friday and Saturday from 10 AM to 3 PM beginning July 10. Wyandotte County residents will need to show proof of residency, such as a BPU bill. The Center is not open to non-profits, businesses, or other commercial entities.

Due to revenue shortfalls caused by the sharp drop in sales and gasoline tax collections during Wyandotte County's Stay-At-Home response to COVID-19, the Recycling & Yard Waste Center will have limited hours.

During the 2020 season, the Recycling & Yard Waste Center will be open from 10 AM to 3 PM on the following days:

July 10, 11, 24, 25

October 2, 3, 16, 17, 30, 31

August 7, 8, 21, 22

November 13, 14

September 4, 5, 18, 19

Residents are required to wear masks or face coverings and practice social distancing while at the Center until otherwise directed by the Unified Government's Public Health Department.

### **Who Can Use the Recycling & Yard Waste Center?**

The Recycling & Yard Waste Center is available at no charge to all residents of Wyandotte County. Wyandotte County residents will need to show proof of residency, such as a BPU bill. The Recycling & Yard Waste Center is not open to non-profits, businesses, or other commercial entities.

### **What Recycling is Accepted?**

Clear, brown, and colored glass is accepted at the Center. The glass does not have to be separated by color and will be placed in the same container. In addition, other recyclables do not need to be separated and will be placed in one container. Other recyclable items accepted include newspapers, magazines, mixed office paper, cardboard, paperboard, food & beverage cans, and plastics. Please remove recyclables from plastic bags before placing them into recycling containers. Please break down cardboard boxes.

### **What Recycling is Not Accepted?**

No plastic bags. No plastic toys. No motor oil or other auto product containers. No herbicide or pesticide containers. No Styrofoam materials such as peanuts, packaging blocks/sheets, or cups. No plastic cereal box or cake box liner bags. No plastic 6-pack holders. No plastic pipe, PVC pipe. No plastic building materials or plastic sheet materials.

### **What Yard Waste is Accepted?**

Wyandotte County residents can take grass clippings, garden trimmings, leaves, and branches to the Recycling & Yard Waste Drop Off Center.

### **What Yard Waste Is Not Accepted?**

The Center cannot accept stumps and logs larger than 12 inches in diameter or items more than four feet in length

7. How much money is left for PPP loans?

### **Where Can I Take Items not Accepted at the Recycling & Yard Waste Center?**

The Johnson County landfill will accept landscape waste delivered by Wyandotte County residents, free of charge, based on the following guidelines:

- Yard waste is defined as leaves, grass clippings, branches 3 inches or less in diameter and 4 feet or less in length, fallen fruit, nuts, and acorns.
- Yard waste must be generated from a residential property within Wyandotte County
- Yard waste must be transported to the landfill by the resident disposing of it
- Visitors must provide proof of residency upon arrival at the landfill
- Residents are limited to one-load of no more than 3-cubic yards of material per week
- Material not accepted as landscape/yard waste includes, but is not limited to, branches/stumps in excess of 3 inches in diameter, cut or rolls of sod, and manure

Material is accepted Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM, and on Saturdays from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM at 17955 Holliday Drive, Shawnee, Kansas 66217.

### **When is the Next Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Event?**

The Household Hazardous Waste Center remains closed until further notice.

Residents with questions about the Yard Waste & Recycling Center may contact 3-1-1 or Public Works at (913) 573-5400. For weekend assistance, call (816) 807-8076. For assistance on Fridays, call (913) 371-2034.

### **BPU Scam Alert**

We're experiencing an increase in customers alerting us of scam calls and imposters knocking on their doors demanding payment. Here are some of the scam calls customers have received this week: • Caller said he was sending someone out to turn off the power unless \$800 was paid by MoneyPak (MoneyPak is used to deposit cash onto a prepaid or bank debit card). The scammer gave instructions on how to get a MoneyPak before hanging up. • Caller stated the customer owed over \$200 and someone would be out to disconnect if the balance was not paid. • Two customers experienced a scam call followed by a knock on the door requesting money for a BPU bill. Your safety and well-being are our top concerns. Our staff will NEVER demand payment or threaten to disconnect services. Remember these tips: • Always ask to see BPU identification if anyone approaches you, or your door claiming to be a BPU employee. If they don't show you I.D., close the door and call the police. • If you get a call and you're unsure if the person works for BPU, ask for their name, hang up, and call us at (913) 573-9190.

# UNITS FOR SALE

| Two Bedroom Up     | Amenities                                 | Owner       | Phone        | Price    |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|----------|
| 708 Manorcrest     | C/A , Fridge , Stove, Shed , Washer/Dryer | Caraballo   | 816.309.0805 | \$8,000  |
| 84 Viewcrest Drive |                                           | QHFCU       | 913.321.2471 | \$7,500  |
| 86 Viewcrest Drive | C/A , Fridge Stove , Shed                 | Magenheimer | 913.940.9640 | \$12,000 |
| 3 Bedroom Up       | Amenities                                 | Owner       | Phone        | Price    |
| 66 Viewcrest Drive | Stove , Shed                              | Munoz       | 913.548.1444 | \$10,000 |
| Double Unit        | Amenities                                 | Owner       | Phone        | Price    |
| 3141/3133 N Allis  | Stove , Fridge , Shed, W/D                | Tavis       | 913.907.9350 | \$25,000 |

## SCAM ALERT

Service Protection Advantage is sending a statement/bill to resident's about their air conditioner or appliance. The statement/bill is made to look like you owe money. Do not reply.

## FREE SUMMER BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

MON-FRI: 8-9AM AND 12-1PM

NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED FOR ANY YOUTH AGES 0-18

RAINBOW MENNONITE CHURCH

1444 SOUTHWEST BLVD

KANSAS CITY, KS 66103.

## 2020 CENSUS

Only 65% of the population of WYCO have returned the census. The more accurate the census, the more money WYCO gets for SNAP, Health, Transportation, infrastructure and electoral representation. If any of our stockholders need help completing the census, call Bob at 913-342-2660. Also, you can go on-line at [2020census.gov/en.html](https://2020census.gov/en.html) to complete the census. It only takes about 2 minutes and the questions are about who is living in your household and date of births.

9. Where will the neighborhood watch meeting take place if the weather is nice?

# AUGUST 2020

| SUNDAY | MONDAY                                              | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|
|        |                                                     |         |           |          |        | 1        |
| 2      | 3                                                   | 4       | 5         | 6        | 7      | 8        |
| 9      | 10                                                  | 11      | 12        | 13       | 14     | 15       |
| 16     | 17<br>BOARD<br>MEETING<br>(CLOSED TO THE<br>PUBLIC) | 18      | 19        | 20       | 21     | 22       |
| 23     | 24                                                  | 25      | 26        | 27       | 28     | 29       |
| 30     | 31                                                  |         |           |          |        |          |

Please call or email the office if you would like the Newsletter hand delivered. The newsletter is always available in the office.

## HELPFUL COUNTY RESOURCE PHONE #'S

Broken Traffic Lights - 573-9522  
 Drug Dealing – 573-6280  
 Trespasser/Solicitor – 596-3000  
 Abandoned Appliance – 573-8600  
 Abandoned Car – 596-3000  
 Potholes – 573-8307  
 Gas Leak – 1-800-794-4780  
 Stray Dog – 321-1445  
 Clogged Storm Drain – 573-5400  
 Car Alarm – 596-3000

Water Main Breaks – 573-9622  
 Abandoned House – 573-8600  
 Broken Street Sign – 573-5776  
 Hazardous Sidewalk – 573-5400  
 Suspected Arson Activity – 573-5550  
 Broken Street Light – 573-9522  
 Power Line Problems – 573-9522  
 Rats – 573-6705  
 Foul Odor – 573-8600  
 Polluting Chemicals – 321-4803

Wild or Dead Animal – 321-1445  
 Weeds in Yard – 573-8600  
 Belligerent Person – 596-3000  
 Trash and Debris – 573-8600  
 Illegal Fireworks – 596-3000  
 Building Alarm – 596-3000  
 Graffiti Hotline – 573-8600  
 Prostitution – 596-3000  
 Illegal Dumping – 573-8600  
 Loud Music or Noise – 596-3000

For more helpful county information contact Livable Neighborhoods Task Force – 573-8737

AA Hotline – 816-471-7229

10. Where should you remove items that would be in the way for a work order?