THE HOMES, INC. NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2021

THE HOMES
BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 15, 5:30 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

FALL FURNACE INSPECTIONS

INSPECTIONS ARE WRAPPING
UP. IF WE WERE UNABLE TO
PERFORM AN INSPECTION DUE
TO NO KEY, PETS, ETC. YOU
WILL BE CONTACTED TO
SCHEDULE A DAY.

OUTSIDE INSPECTIONS HAVE BEGUN

IF YOU RECEIVE A LETTER PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO COMPLETE THE TASK(S) LISTED. IF THE TASK(S) IS NOT COMPLETED THE HOMES WILL DO IT AND A CHARGE WILL BE ADDED TO YOUR ACCOUNT.

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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 & COMPLAINT	S 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 to report broken street signs?

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH NEWS

Neighborhood Watch is in need of leadership. Interested individuals would host a monthly meeting at the clubroom or in their home. You would be encouraged to communicate ways to improve the security of our community with residents. If possible attend a monthly meeting at the south police station. This East Patrol Division meeting is hosted by the police and community leaders attend and discuss crime in our area. If interested please contact the office.

OFFICE DUMPSTER

The office dumpster will be locked after business hours. If you would like access to the dumpster call the office. You will be given a one-time four digit number that will be good for 24 hours. DO NOT PUT TRASH AROUND THE DUMPSTER. We will review the security camera footage and you will be charged!

We are going to try to complete Drivers Education for 100 kids by the end of next year December 2022. Classes will have 8-15 students. Rules must be followed, kids will have to responsible for themselves just as they are responsible for operating a vehicle. Expectation and Rules:

- MUST be a PAL member for at least 2 months (sign up at gym Monday to Thursday between 5:30 & 7:30pm at 800 N. 5th Street, Kansas City Kansas 66101)
- Must be on time to every class, do not be late or risk being dropped. No horseplay and all must pay attention, no joking around during class and no being disruptive. Being disrespectful to anyone will not be tolerated. More info in the PAL member packet during sign up.
- Be in good standing at the PAL
- Complete 8 service hours at the PAL
- Be participating in any of our programs weekly at least 1 hour a week
- Attend school, have a 2.0 GPA or better and must provide grade card before class starts
- This program will be taught for free

Students will be selected for classes upon there completion of above guidelines and work ethic. Contact PAL about this opportunity at info@palkck.com. (913) 534-4781

3.	Name a zip code that is eligible for a free ride to get a COVID vaccine and other social services?

The winner of Newsletter Trivia was Gwendolyn Davis

4. What is the only material you can use for a fence?

11/13/21 - Legendary Tree Lighting Ceremony

Legends Outlets Kansas City, 1843 Village West Parkway Suite C-127, Kansas City, KS 66111, (913) 788-3700. Free. Time: 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Get ready to light up the season with us on Saturday, Nov. 13, from 5 – 8 p.m., and enjoy live music, entertainment, activities, prize giveaways, photo stations, and more!

11/18/21 - 01/02/22 - Holiday Light & Magic | A Drive-Thru Christmas Lights Experience 12599 State Ave. Kansas City, KS 66102. It has come to management's attention that the group of Santa's elves who snuck away to Kansas City last year to put on Winter Magic are at it again - except this time they've added an ALL NEW experience out by Legends Shopping Center. \$25 a carload for the weekends, \$20 a carload during the week. More for the commercial vehicles.

11/6/21 - Central Avenue Dia de los Muertos Parade

Central Avenue Betterment Association, 1621 Central Avenue Kansas City, KS 66102, (913) 707-4622. Time: 3:00 PM to 9:00 PM. The Central Avenue Betterment Association invites you to participate in the Second Annual Central Avenue Day of the Dead Parade. Enact the joy of being reunited with your love ones who have passed and enjoy the culture and community! This celebration is acknowledged internationally in many other cultures. The multi-day holiday including the Parade focuses on gatherings of family and friends to ask for and remember friends and family members who have died, and help support their spiritual journey. In 2008, the tradition was inscribed in the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity by UNESCO. We all can be part of the celebration!

Setup - 10:00 am High School Marching Bands - 12:00pm - 2:00pm

Art in the Park - 12:00pm - 9:00pm

Face Painting - 10:00pm - 6:00pm

Beer Gardens - 2:00pm - 5:00pm

Live Music - 4:00pm - 6:00pm

Offrendas - 12:00pm - 9:00pm

DJ Music - 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Walking Catrinas - 3:00 - 5:00pm

Food & Vending - 12:00pm - 6:00pm

Parade - 6:00pm - 7:30pm All fun ends at 9:00pm

11/11/21 - Veterans Day Parade

Historic Downtown Leavenworth 4th & Cherokee LEAVENWORTH, KS 66048-1912.

bjohnson.lvvetpar@gmail.com. (816) 797-7464. Price: Free. Time: 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Event honoring all past and present US Armed Forces personnel for their services. Open to public no fees to participate or attend parade.

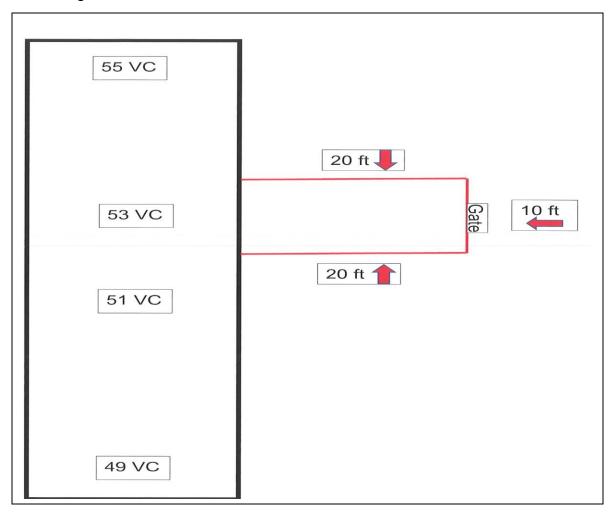
TRASH COLLECTION

THE HOMES INC TRASH COLLECTION DAY IS WEDNESDAYS. PLEASE DO NOT PUT TRASH OUT BEFORE 4:30 PM ON TUESDAY. IF YOU ARE PUTTING OUT A MATTRESS YOU MUST WRAP THE ENTIRE MATTRESS IN PLASTIC. DEFFENBAUGH WILL NOT PICK IT UP IF IT IS NOT IN PLASTIC. IF THE HOMES PICKS IT UP, A CHARGE WILL BE ADDED TO YOUR ACCOUNT.

5. Name one thing that should be submitted with a fence change request?

The Board of Directors will consider allowing stockholders to install fences. The following are the specifications that must be met for consideration.

- 1. A stockholder change request must be completed.
- 2. A drawing or map showing the layout of the fence with feet and inches indicated on each side of the fence, and gate location, EX.



- 3. A detailed list of the materials that will be used, EX.
 - -Terminal posts shall be 2 1/2" x 6'
- -Line post shall be 2" x 6'

-Top rail shall be 1 5/8" x 21'

- -All posts shall be set in concrete
- 4. You must have a gate in the back or on each side. If the gate is going to be locked, you must provide the office with a key to the lock. If we cannot gain access to a locked gate the lock will be cut at the expense of the stockholder.
- 5. All fences have to be galvanized (chain link). A vinyl coating of the fence is preferred for durability.
- 6. All fences must be located in the back yard
- 7. Accumulation of materials within the fence is prohibited. If a stockholder repeatedly accumulates materials the approval will be revoked and the fence must be removed at the stockholders expense.
- 6. What is the earliest that trash can be set at the curb?

New Wyco Connect Program Links People Living in Wyandotte County to Important COVID-19 Community Resources

With vaccine rates lagging and the COVID-19 virus still haunting our community, the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas's Public Health Department (UGPHD) and the Community Health Council of Wyandotte County (CHC) have combined their forces and missions to help slow the spread of the virus in our community. Through collaboration and care, they created the WyCo Connect initiative to address the critical issues of the community. This initiative brought on and trained 17 new Community Health Workers (CHWs) directly from historically marginalized communities in Kansas City, Kansas and Wyandotte County. The initiative supports racial and ethnic groups impacted by COVID and various health inequities such as African American, Latinx and Hispanic, refugee, and immigrant communities as well as people living in 66101, 66102, 66104, and 66105 zip codes. WyCo Connect will have these CHWs helping in the community until the end of 2022, allowing time for people to receive COVID-related assistance as well as access to the vaccine and the available resources. WyCo Connect Community Resources

These CHWs are designated to a variety of tasks in an effort to reduce the burden of the virus on Wyandotte County, especially on people from historically oppressed communities. They walk alongside those in the community to assess their needs as well as their access to COVID-19 specific healthcare and resources. CHW tasks include, but are not limited to:

- Educating and connecting individuals from targeted communities on several COVID-19 issues like the vaccine, testing and address personal and communal hesitancies about vaccine and its benefits
- Connecting individuals to free COVID-19 related resources, such as:
- COVID-19 testing and vaccines at community locations or delivered to people's homes
- Quarantine housing for people who have been exposed to COVID-19 or who have tested positive.
- This resource includes meals and cleaning services.
- Food assistance for people who are in quarantine or who have reduced food access due to COVID-19.
- Transportation to access COVID-19 vaccines and testing for anyone who lives in Wyandotte County
- Free rides to other social services are available to zip codes 66101, 66102, 66104 and 66105. Funding for this resource is provided by Health Forward Foundation.
- Assisting with health navigation like finding a primary doctor or safety-net clinic.
- Receive, interpret, and utilize feedback to address ways the UGPHD and WyCo Connect can increase equity in vaccine campaigns and dismantle barriers people may face accessing the vaccine, testing and other COVID related programs and services
- Most importantly, walk alongside those in the community to address their physical, mental, social, and economic needs and access to COVID-19 specific healthcare opportunities and resources

Everyone living in Wyandotte County can access the COVID resources listed for free by calling 3-1-1 (913-573-5311) or by filling out online request forms available at ughealth.info/WycoConnect

Impact of COVID-19 on the community

Throughout the pandemic, COVID-19 rate of positivity and death totals have substantially been higher in Wyandotte County as compared to other local jurisdictions. Wyandotte County has experienced inequalities which have impacted the vaccination rates among communities of color and target populations. The county's vaccination rate has improved significantly through the

course of 2021, but at just over 50%, still lags behind the vaccination rate for the U.S. and is not at a level of herd immunity. Lower vaccination rates can be attributed to countless barriers and accessibilities impacting target populations, such as healthcare, language, transportation, income constraints, housing instability, and an overall mistrust of medical and governmental institutions. This is why WyCo Connect is focused more heavily on specific communities and zip codes that have faced more of these barriers and health inequities, both during and long before the pandemic.

Where to Get a Booster Shot in Wyandotte County

People who live in Wyandotte County and fall into one of the categories outlined in the CDC recommendations can now come to the UGPHD's vaccination facility to get their booster shot for free. No insurance is required. Van Liew outlined what eligible people need to know before arriving to receive their booster dose:

- The UGPHD encourages patients to bring their COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card to help expedite the process.
- Patients will be asked to sign a form attesting that they qualify for this booster dose because they fall into one of the categories of the public outlined in the updated CDC guidance, as listed above.

Free COVID-19 vaccinations are available at the former Kmart building at 7836 State Avenue in Kansas City, KS, Wednesday through Friday from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Van Liew also pointed out that these booster doses are available at a wide variety of other locations throughout Wyandotte County, including many pharmacies, medical practitioners and other healthcare providers. To learn more about where booster doses are available near them, people should visit vaccines.gov.

Free Vaccinations and Incentives Still Available!

In addition to these booster doses, the UGPHD continues to offer free COVID-19 vaccines for people who live in Wyandotte County age 12 and older, at the former Kmart site at 7836 State Avenue. Hours for COVID-19 vaccinations and testing are as follows (NOTE: All of these services are free of charge!):

- COVID Testing: Monday Friday 9 am 3 pm
- COVID Vaccines: Wednesday Friday 10 am 6 pm

Incentives for those who get their **first dose** of COVID-19 vaccine at the Kmart facility are still available, through September 30th. Get more information on available vaccine incentives at WycoVaccines.org.

For more information on where to get vaccinated in Wyandotte County, visit WycoVaccines.org or call 3-1-1. To learn more about upcoming UGPHD mobile vaccination events visit their Facebook page at facebook.com/UGHealthDept

Community Information and Questions: Vaccine information: Go to WycoVaccines.org or call 3-1-1 (913-573-5311) Other COVID-19 updates: Go to wycokck.org/COVID-19

RETURNED ONLINE PAYMENTS

The Homes will start charging \$25 for online payments that are returned.

UNITS FOR SALE

NONE

ON-LINE PAYMENTS

The Homes, Inc. is able to accept on-line payments.

Go to our website at www.thehomesinc.com

At the bottom of the homepage click

"MAKE A PAYMENT"

You can make a onetime payment or create an account to make reoccurring payments.

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COVID-19 VACCINE AND TESTING HOURS



UGPHD's Kmart Vaccination Site

Former Kmart building, 7836 State Ave, KCK

FREE COVID-19 Vaccines:

For people ages 12 and older.
Prizes are available through September 30 for people who live in Wyandotte County.

Wednesday – Friday 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

FREE COVID-19 Tests

PCR Saliva Kits results in 48-72 hours:

Please don't eat, drink, smoke, chew gum, or anything by mouth for at least 30 minutes prior to the test.

Monday – Friday 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Free COVID-19 Tests by WellHealth

National Guard Armory, 100 S. 20th St, KCK. Same-day appointments available **visit GoGetTested.com**

PCR Saliva Kits results in 48-72 hours:

Please don't eat, drink, smoke, chew gum, or anything by mouth for at least 30 minutes prior to the test.

Monday – Friday 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM Saturday – Sunday 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM



Free rides to vaccines, testing and more:









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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Veterans Day Office Closed	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Thanksgiving Office Closed	26 Office and Credit Union Closed	27
28	29	30				

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

Water Main Breaks – 573-9622 Broken Traffic Lights - 573-9522 Wild or Dead Animal - 321-1445 Drug Dealing - 573-6280 Abandoned House – 573-8600 Weeds in Yard – 573-8600 Trespasser/Solicitor – 596-3000 Broken Street Sign – 573-5776 Belligerent Person – 596-3000 Abandoned Appliance – 573-8600 Hazardous Sidewalk – 573-5400 Trash and Debris - 573-8600 Abandoned Car – 596-3000 Suspected Arson Activity – 573-5550 Illegal Fireworks – 596-3000 Potholes - 573-8307 Broken Street Light - 573-9522 Building Alarm - 596-3000 Gas Leak - 1-800-794-4780 Power Line Problems – 573-9522 Graffiti Hotline – 573-8600 Stray Dog - 321-1445 Rats - 573-6705 Prostitution - 596-3000 Foul Odor - 573-8600 Clogged Storm Drain – 573-5400 Illegal Dumping – 573-8600 Car Alarm - 596-3000 Polluting Chemicals – 321-4803 Loud Music or Noise - 596-3000 For more helpful county info contact Livable Neighborhoods Task Force – 573-8737. AA Hotline – 816-471-7229

DON'T FORGET THAT THE HOMES HAS A FOOD PANTRY LOCATED ON THE DECK OF THE OFFICE. IF YOU ARE NEEDING HELP WITH A THANKSGIVING MEAL WE HAVE CANNED FRUITS, VEGETABLES AND SOUP, RICE, PASTAS AND MUCH MORE. IT IS AVAILABLE 24/7.