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Dear Neighbor,

I am more optimistic than ever that Missouri is finally going to establish a statewide witness protection program that will encourage more people to testify about murders and other violent crimes which will help take repeat violent offenders off the streets before they can hurt other victims.

House Bill 66 that I co-sponsored to create a pretrial witness protection program was recommended for passage this week by the House Judiciary Committee by a 17-0 vote and then recommended for passage by the House Rules-Administrative Oversight Committee 13-0.

The bill is scheduled to be considered by the full House early next week, and if approved as expected, it will go to the Senate for consideration.

Earlier during the current special session of the General Assembly, the Senate passed an omnibus anti-crime bill that included witness protection provisions as well as some controversial provisions that was not taken up by the House. The witness protection provisions did not appear controversial.

House Bill 66 will establish a pretrial witness protection fund administered by the State Department of Public Safety that will provide financial aid to law enforcement agencies to protect victims, witnesses and their immediate families if their testimony would put their lives in jeopardy.

Law enforcement agencies would need to apply for funding for specific cases and explain the methods they plan to use to protect the victims or witnesses including projected costs.

I greatly appreciate the testimony of representatives of the City of KCMO and the Missouri Association of Prosecuting Attorneys supporting this legislation before the Judiciary Committee.

House Bill 2 that I also co-sponsored should dramatically reduce the incentive for guilty defendants in homicide cases or other serious felonies to try to have witnesses killed before their trials or to intimidate them into not testifying.

This bill will allow a judge to admit statements by witnesses into evidence if the judge finds that a defendant engaged in wrongdoing (or consented to wrongdoing) to prevent a witness from testifying and the witness fails to appear despite a prosecutor's due diligence or is unavailable "because the defendant caused the death of the witness".

Wrongdoing is defined "as the conduct constituting the offense of tampering with a witness or victim" under current Missouri law.

In a jury trial, a hearing to determine if such statements will be admissible will have to be held outside the presence of the jury.

This bill also appears to have an excellent chance of passage. It was recommended for passage as a House committee substitute for the original bill earlier this week by the House Judiciary Committee by a 17-0 vote and then recommended for passage by the House Rules-Administrative Oversight Committee 12-0.

Hopefully, these bills will have a real impact on reducing our skyrocketing number of homicides in KCMO, as well as the number of other violent crimes.

As of yesterday, KCMO had recorded 125 homicides this year, including 16 in South Patrol. This is 15 more homicides in the city than the number reported in the August 1 Capitol Report when I first started tracking homicides in this Report. It also represents a 42.9% increase from the average number of homicides in the city by the same date for the last four years.

Please scroll down to the Weekly Capitol Update for information on the other bills intended to reduce crime that are scheduled for House consideration next week.

Email is probably the best way to reach my office. If you are unable to quickly reach me, my assistant [Brian Farmer](#) is ready to help you.

Feel free to forward this newsletter to your friends and family who might want to know the latest news about what is happening in state government and about important local events. Be safe and God bless!

Yours in Service,

Mark A. Sharp

Mark A. Sharp Weekly Capitol Report

Friday, August 21st, 2020

FOUR MORE BILLS AWAITING HOUSE ACTION NEXT WEEK

Besides the two witness protection proposals already discussed, four more bills dealing with criminal justice and public safety are awaiting action by the full House next week.

House Bill 11 will make it a Class D felony to aid or encourage a child under 17 to commit a state weapons offense. This bill was recommended for passage by the House General Laws Committee by a vote of 8-4 and by the House Rules-Legislative Oversight Committee 9-0.

House Committee Substitute for House Bill 12 will raise the age from 12 to 16 before a juvenile offender can be considered for prosecution as an adult for offenses that would be felonies if committed by adults.

(Under present law, 17 year olds are considered adults under Missouri's criminal justice system, but that age is scheduled to increase to 18 on January 1, 2021,)

Currently juvenile judges are authorized to conduct hearings on whether there are reasonable prospects of rehabilitation within the juvenile justice system for such juvenile offenders or whether they should be transferred for prosecution through the adult criminal justice system.

Current law mandates such hearings for specified serious felonies such as murder, first degree assault, forcible or first degree rape, forcible or first degree sodomy or first degree robbery.

This legislation adds armed criminal action (committing a felony

through the use of a dangerous instrument or deadly weapon) to the list of offenses that automatically trigger a transfer hearing, but eliminates distribution of drugs and manufacturing a controlled substance.

The bill mandates that before a transfer hearing is held there must be an evidentiary hearing to determine if the preponderance of evidence indicates there is probable cause to believe the juvenile committed the alleged offense.

It also mandates that if juvenile offenders are convicted as adults and sentenced to incarceration that they be physically separated from adult offenders and that rehabilitation programs be established for such offenders that include programs that award a high school diploma or its equivalent.

This legislation was recommended for passage by the House Special Committee on Criminal Justice by a vote of 7-1 and by the House Rules-Administrative Oversight Committee 12-1.

House Committee Substitute for House Bill 16 gutted the original version of this bill that I co-sponsored to make it a Class E felony to knowingly deliver, give, lend or sell a firearm or blackjack to someone under 18 without the consent of the recipient's custodial parent or guardian. It is already a Class A misdemeanor to recklessly do this, but the original version of the bill stiffened the penalty for those who actually know the recipient is under 18 and the custodial parent or guardian has not consented.

Unfortunately, the House General Laws Committee adopted a committee substitute that eliminated both the proposed stiffer penalty for knowingly delivering, giving, lending or selling a firearm to persons under 18 in these circumstances and the existing penalty for recklessly doing so.

The committee substitute left intact the stiffer penalty for blackjack

transactions (which I highly doubt is a common problem). It also makes it a Class E felony for such firearm transactions only if it can be proven they were committed for the purpose of avoiding, interfering with or preventing a felony arrest, detention or investigation, which is much more narrow in scope than the original bill.

This legislation was recommended for passage by the House General Laws Committee by a vote of 7-4 and by the Rules-Legislative Oversight Committee 6-3.

House Committee Substitute for House Bill 46 will eliminate the current requirement that officers and civilian employees of the St. Louis City Municipal Police Department, Fire Department and Sheriff's Office be residents of the city but will allow the city to require they live within an hour's drive of the city limits.

For those personnel hired after August 31, 2023, they may be required to live in the city for seven years and then may only be required to live within an hour's drive.

This legislation was recommended for passage by the House Judiciary Committee by a vote of 12-4 and by the House Rules-Administrative Oversight Committee 11-2.

If the House approves these bills, which appears highly likely for at least three of them, they will then go to the Senate for consideration.

CLEAN MISSOURI REPEAL BALLOT LANGUAGE REWRITTEN

A Cole County judge rewrote the ballot language for a measure aimed at repealing new voter-enacted redistricting reforms, calling various aspects of the original wording "misleading," "objectively untrue," "literally false" and a "deception," among other strongly worded terms.

The Republican-controlled General Assembly passed Senate Joint Resolution 38 in May, and I joined 55 of my House colleagues in voting no on the measure which passed 98-56.. The proposed constitutional amendment seeks to reverse an overhaul of Missouri's state legislative redistricting process that voters overwhelming ratified in 2018 as Amendment 1, also known as Clean Missouri. SJR 38 will appear on the Nov. 3 ballot as Amendment 3.

Although the Missouri secretary of state traditionally writes the ballot language for measures sent to voters, SJR 38's sponsor, Senator Dan Hegeman, R-Cosby, exercised his prerogative under state law to include his own ballot language in the legislation. Hegeman's language makes no mention of repealing the new redistricting process created by Clean Missouri, an omission Cole County Circuit Judge Patricia Joyce, said obscures SJR 38's main goal.

"The 'central purpose' or 'primary objective' of SJR 38 is to effectively repeal Amendment 1," Joyce wrote. "Accordingly, the summary statement must alert voters to that change in some fashion. Instead, the General Assembly's statement does not mention the change at all. It is insufficient, unfair and must be rewritten."

The new redistricting system is slated to be used for the first time during next year's redistricting cycle.

Under Clean Missouri, a non-partisan state demographer is charged with drawing new state House and Senate districts based on constitutionally established criteria, including partisan fairness and competitive balance. SJR 38 seeks to reinstate a modified version of Missouri's old redistricting system, under which commissions controlled by the two major political parties had first crack at crafting new legislative districts.

In addition to omitting the central purpose of Amendment 3, Joyce said the ballot language also makes false, misleading or overstated

claims about other aspects of the proposal.

“This sort of deception is the exact evil the summary statement is meant to combat, not promote,” Joyce wrote.

Joyce’s rewritten ballot language focuses on the proposed repeal of the new redistricting system, while more accurately describing minor changes Amendment 3 would make regarding restrictions on lobbyist gifts to lawmakers and contribution limits to state senate candidates.

Attorney General Eric Schmitt is appealing Joyce’s decision on behalf of Secretary of State Jay Ashcroft and Republican legislative leaders. A three-judge panel of the Missouri Court of Appeals Western District is scheduled to hear the case, *Barbara Pippens, et al., v. John R. Ashcroft, et al.*, on Aug. 28.



WE'RE HIRING! JOIN OUR NEW ANIMAL SERVICES DIVISION TEAM

KC Pet Project will soon provide contract animal control services for the city of Kansas City, Missouri, and we are looking for individuals who want to make a difference in the lives of people and pets in our community as part of our new Animal Services Division.



OUR ANIMAL SERVICES DIVISION WILL:

- Treat all animals humanely, properly, and with compassion at all times.
- Provide community outreach, education, and engagement with residents to provide information on proper pet care and control including spay/neuter, welfare concerns, and related ordinances and regulations.
- Receive and respond to requests for animal control service(s).
- Support KC Pet Project's mission in creating a compassionate and safe community for pets and people.

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Saturday, August 22, 2020
10:00 am - 12:00 pm

- • • • KC Campus for Animal Care
- • • • (Adoptions entrance)
- • • • 7077 Elmwood Avenue
- • • • Kansas City, MO., 64132

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS:

- Animal Services Manager
- Animal Services Officers
- Dispatch

KCPETPROJECT.ORG/CAREERS

Critical Conversations

The Future of Policing – Part 2

A panel discussion

The death of George Floyd has sparked a global movement denouncing the racism that permeates much of our lives. As part of our commitment to providing an inclusive environment where we can learn from each other, UMKC is holding a series of critical conversations addressing systemic racism in the United States. The panel discussions feature UMKC faculty, staff, students and community leaders who will enlighten, educate and explore the causes and potential cures for racism.

Future of Policing -- Part 2 is the third discussion in the Critical Conversations series, sponsored by the office of UMKC Chancellor Mauli Agrawal and the Division of Diversity and Inclusion.

Panelists



Gwendolyn Grant,
president and CEO,
Urban League of Greater
Kansas City



Ron Lindsay, senior
pastor, Concorde Fortress
of Hope, Kansas City,
Missouri



Ken Novak, UMKC
professor, Criminal
Justice and Criminology





Karl Oakman, deputy chief,
Kansas City Missouri Police
Department



Cynthia "Cyndy" Short,
defense attorney,
sentencing mitigation
expert and advocate

Moderators



Gary O'Bannon, executive
in residence, UMKC Henry
W. Bloch School of
Management



Jasmine Ward, student,
UMKC School of Law;
president, Black Law
Students' Association

Thursday, Aug. 27 2020

2-4 p.m.

This is a virtual event. Attendance is free but pre-registration is required. Zoom link is provided on registration confirmation.

[Register today!](#)



AUGUST 29, 2020 | 8 A.M. - 12 P.M.

LOCATIONS

Southeast High School, 3500 E Meyer Blvd: tires (with or without rims), trash, bulky items, leaf & brush, electronics (see price list)

Center Alternative School, 8434 The Paseo: tires (with or without rims), trash, bulky items,

leaf & brush

2801 E 80th St
Tires (with or without rims), trash, bulky items, leaf & brush

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News from the
City Communications Office

City of Kansas City, Missouri
kcmo.gov

Public Improvement Advisory Committee (PIAC) Hearings

PIAC Public Hearings

The Public Improvements Advisory Committee (PIAC), in cooperation with the Mayor and City Council, will be holding public hearings across the city. These hearings are being held so that the Committee and Council can hear from citizens about the city's public improvements needs. The PIAC will use information gathered through the hearings to recommend projects for funding to the Council for Year Thirty- Eight (Fiscal Year 2021-22) of the one-cent sales tax for public improvements

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, PIAC is modifying the public hearing process to include a remote meeting in each district. Two hearings will be held for each district and will include one virtual meeting and one in-person meeting. The PIAC is making a full effort to ensure that all those who wish to participate in the PIAC district hearings are able to do so in a safe manner. If you have further questions or concerns, please contact PIAC@kcmo.org. Each district's PIAC representatives are also available for contact and further information. Additional information about City impacts, help, resources, and more on the City's response to COVID-19 can be found at kcmo.gov/coronavirus.

In addition to coming to the hearings, citizens can also tell PIAC about needed public improvements by completing a PIAC application request form. These forms will be available at the hearings or are available from the Capital Improvements Program by phone: (816) 513-8828 or by e-mail.

The 2020 deadline date to submit a request is August 31.

PIAC District Hearings Schedule

PIAC District Hearings will be held for each district. Meetings will accommodate a virtual option through Zoom and one meeting in each district will accommodate an in-person option. Meetings with an in-person option are identified in the schedule below. Please note that applicants and community members wishing to participate virtually (speak or show content) should do so through the video conference platform.

District Five – Public Improvement Advisory Committee (PIAC) Hearings

Virtual Meeting with In-Person Option

Tuesday, August 25, 2020

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Southeast Community Center (gymnasium); 4201 E 63rd St

<https://zoom.us/j/98964150726?pwd=OGxVT1Z1OFc5SzJJNFBjZUxIWkt1QT09>

Password: 327522

Zoom call in option – 312.626.6799

Zoom Conference ID – 98964150726

*PIAC representatives for **District Five** are Ruth Turner and Eric Dickinson. City Council members for District Five are Lee Barnes and Ryana Parks-Shaw.*

**Citywide - Public Improvement Advisory Committee (PIAC)
Hearing**

Virtual Meeting

Friday, August 28, 2020

11am- Noon

<https://zoom.us/j/92156907195?pwd=MmFudjEzMW9mUXR4Z0J3UTMrNkJVdz09>

Passcode: 609466

Zoom call in option – 312.626.6799

Zoom Conference ID –92156907195



Introduction to Drawdown: Reversing Global Warming Monday, Sept. 8 from 7:00-8:00 PM Central Time on Zoom

This short Introduction will feature the new data in the Project **Drawdown 2020 Review** which revised the top solutions to reversing global warming. You must register for this free online introduction at this link:

[Register Here for the Zoom Introduction to Drawdown Sept. 8](#)

If you miss this date, you are welcome to watch the recording of the live-stream on YouTube at this link:

[View the Live-Stream of the Introduction to Drawdown Sept. 8](#)

Presenter: David Hakan

"Getting Into Action"

5-Session Course Starting in September

PREREQUISITE: attend an Introduction to Drawdown, live or online

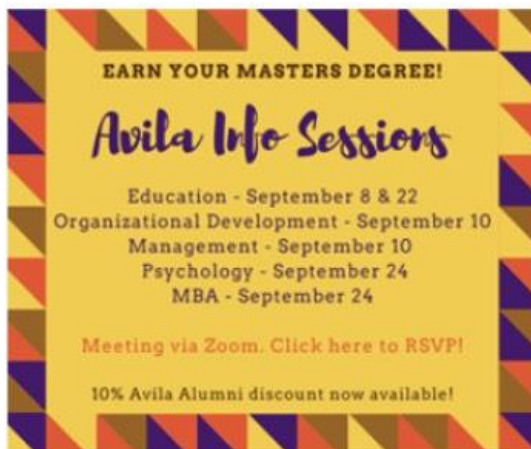
Now that you know that it's *possible* to reverse global warming,
what will it take to get YOU to your the next steps?

This course will get you into gear!

You will move from just knowing to taking effective action;
learn more about Drawdown actions; learn how to talk to others
about global warming and Drawdown; find your personal
Drawdown solutions; and develop your capacity
to achieve what you choose to do.

Click here to Register for this free 5-session course on Zoom.

- Sunday @ 2:00 - 5:00 PM - beginning Sept. 27, 2020 on Zoom. (The next 4 sessions will be spread out over the next 8 weeks.)



Avila Information Sessions

If you're looking to pivot professionally or you're looking to increase your earning potential, an Avila graduate degree might be for you. With advanced study available in Education, Business, Psychology, Organizational Development and Management, graduate programs at Avila are targeted toward prepping you to become a leader in the workforce.

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MOVIE NIGHT AT STARLIGHT

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
THE PRINCESS AND THE FROG

Doors Open at 7:00 p.m., Movie Starts at 7:30 p.m.
Special Guest: Dr. Mark Bedell, Superintendent of Kansas City Public Schools
Parking in Zebra Lot, Enter through Gate 8
FREE FOOD & BEVERAGES

- Everyone will need to wear a facemask throughout the evening.
- Seating will be spaced for social distancing.
- If you want to bring a bag in, it will need to be clear.
- Sanitizing stations will be available inside the venue.

Seating is limited! You must PRE-REGISTER to attend at:
<https://cbkcmovienight.eventbrite.com>

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OMNI is honored to be retained by Youth Guidance in their search for an Executive Director. This outstanding opportunity is available due to the exciting expansion of Youth Guidance programs into the Kansas City market. Youth Guidance is seeking a dynamic and passionate leader to spearhead the expansion of Becoming a Man (BAM) and Working on Womanhood (WOW) to bring programmatic success to the academic and life outcomes of young men and women in the Hickman Mills School District.

Originating in Chicago, Youth Guidance creates and implements school-based programs that enable children to overcome obstacles, focus on their education, and ultimately, to succeed in school and life. The organization is a leading provider of outcomes-driven programs and capacity building initiatives, directly serving more than 13,000 youth.

BAM & WOW are school-based counseling and mentoring programs that guide young men and women in 7th-12th grades to learn, internalize and practice social cognitive skills, make responsible decisions for their future, and become positive members of their school and community.

As leader and spokesperson for BAM and WOW in Kansas City, the Executive Director will facilitate the launch of programming by raising funds, building brand awareness, hiring team members, and guiding a strategic vision to ensure long term sustainability in the region. Initially serving two schools in the Hickman Mills School District 20-21's school year and expanding to serve 16 schools and over 1,600 youth by the 25-26 school year, this is an exciting opportunity to thoughtfully scale a program at the forefront of innovative youth development work.

Executive Director

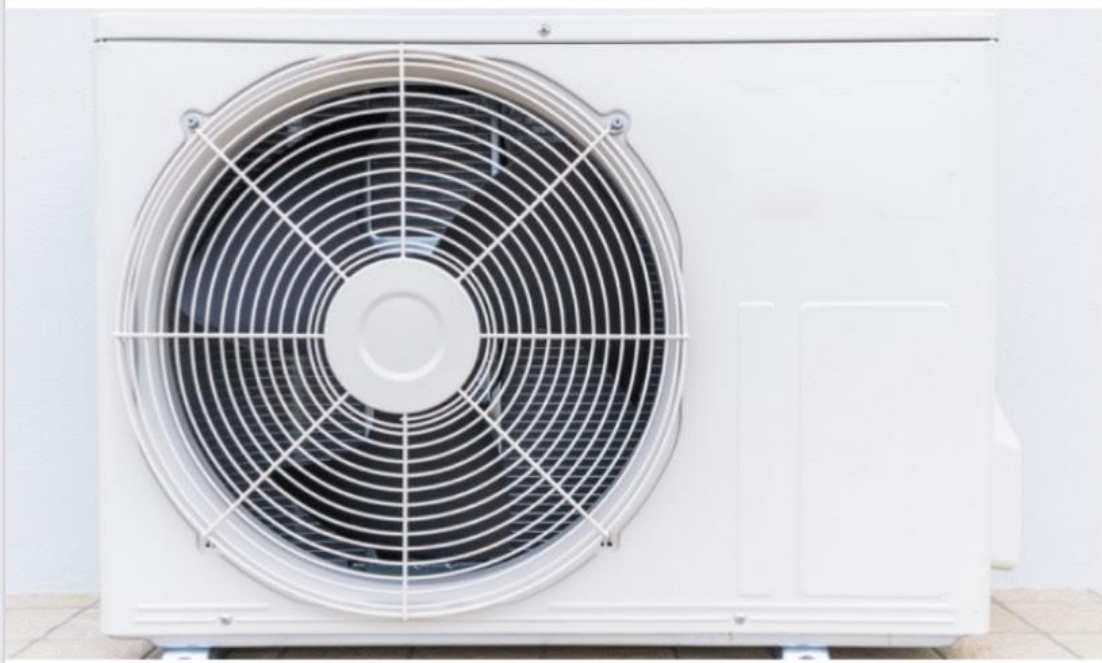
- Recruit, manage, and professionally develop the staff, initially consisting of the Program Supervisor and two BAM and two WOW Counselors.
- Collaborate with the Program Supervisor and Youth Guidance National staff to ensure the effective implementation of programming across Kansas City Public School sites, including program planning, training, implementation, and evaluation.
- Serve as the external spokesperson for Youth Guidance with key partners in local school districts, corporations, nonprofits, philanthropic organizations and the media to increase visibility and brand awareness of the BAM and WOW programs.
- Proactively develop and execute strategies to increase organizational brand awareness and visibility, relentlessly pursuing partnerships that highlight the work of the organization and develop a wider community presence among funders, community members, and elected officials.
- Lead all Kansas City-based fundraising activities, leveraging detailed fundraising plans to secure gifts across a wide array of revenue streams including individual donors, corporate partners, foundations, and state and federal competitive programs.
- Recruit, manage and support Advisory Council members in enhancing local fundraising efforts and building connections that advance programmatic goals.

- Build and maintain strong, positive relationships with existing and prospective investors, deploying robust prospect research, cultivation, solicitation, and stewardship action steps to expand the individual funding base.
- Refine and lead the process to build annual and multi-year development plans aligned to our strategic growth goals.
- Develop the annual budget in alignment with national strategic plans and programmatic priorities.

Inquiries about the position should be directed to Michelle Anderson (phone: 913-653-8067), Senior Search Consultant at OMNI Human Resource Management

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LEAKSTOPPERS PROGRAM

Bridging the Gap is offering a FREE program called Leakstoppers. In partnership with KC Water, Bridging The Gap is helping income-eligible KCMO households reduce their water consumption and water bills by finding and fixing toilet leaks and installing toilet tank banks, fill cycle diverters, high-efficiency showerheads, and faucet
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Check it out!



Who:

The KCMO Health Department has partnered with the Harvesters Community Food Network to help individuals and families in need of food assistance.

What:

Variety fruits and vegetables available at no cost to you

When:

2nd Tuesday of every month, starting at 1:30pm until supplies run out

Where:

KCMO Health Department in the UMKC Health Sciences District
2400 Troost Ave., Kansas City, MO 64108

South KC Mobile Food Pantries

With so many people out of work due to the coronavirus pandemic, a growing number of families in south Kansas City are being forced to rely on community food pantries such as Community Assistance Council's to have enough to eat.

Fortunately, Harvesters (the community food network) brings the semi-truck that serves as its mobile food pantry to four sites in south Kansas City monthly to distribute fresh produce and other healthy food to families in need. The sites are:

Evangel Church, 1414 E. 103rd St., from 7 to 8:30 a.m. the second Saturday of the month. Persons may remain in their vehicles, and food will be brought to them.

Ruskin High School, 7000 E. 111th St., from 4 to 5:30 p.m. the third

Thursday of the month. Vehicles should line up on Ruskin Way on the east side of the school, and food will be loaded in the vehicles when they reach the school by staff and student volunteers. This event is sponsored by the school and Community Assistance Council.

Colonial Presbyterian Church, 9500 Wornall Rd., with registration beginning at 8 a.m. and food distribution running from about 8:30 to 10 a.m. on the third Saturday of the month. Families are asked to bring two cardboard boxes for volunteers to put the food in.

Martin City K-8 School, 201 E. 133rd St., from 11 a.m. until food runs out on the third Saturday of the month. This event is sponsored by Three Trails Community church.

Truman Medical Centers has available services for Jackson County residents during the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic.

If you are experiencing a fever, a new cough or new shortness of breath, you can call **404-CARE (2273)** and speak to a health care professional to be screened for COVID-19.



Coronavirus Facts and Resources

Kansas City

If you would like to receive updates about what the City is doing in response to the coronavirus, **text COVIDKC to 888777** or go online to kcmo.gov/coronavirus

Missouri

The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services is operating a [hotline](#) for residents and health care providers to call for information and guidance about COVID-19.

The statewide hotline number is **877-435-8411**. The hotline is being operated by medical professionals and is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.



Website for Essential Companies Hiring NOW!!

Missouri faces unprecedented times due to the impacts of COVID-19. Here at the Department of Economic Development, we recognize that many of the low-income, at-risk citizens your organizations work with will be hit the hardest and be the first to lose employment. With that in mind, we wanted to direct your attention to the Missouri Now Hiring website <https://missourionestart.com/now-hiring>. Missouri One Start is connecting unemployed workers to essential companies who are staffing up to meet the increased demand for their products and services. There you will find a list of companies that are hiring right now. This site takes workers directly to the hiring/application pages of the respective companies. The list is updated on an ongoing basis, so checking back daily is advised. Please link your clients in-need to this website so our workers can make it past this situation as painlessly as possible.

UNEMPLOYMENT

How to File?

If you're eligible, you'll need the following:

1. Your Social Security number;
2. Any amount you were paid in the past week, before taxes and deductions;
3. The name and mailing address of each job you worked in the past 18 months;
4. The dates you started and ended work at each of those jobs.

If this is your first time filing for unemployment please watch [this video](#) on unemployment basics. Visit uinteract.labor.mo.gov, create an account and file your claim. If your job loss is related to coronavirus issues, make sure to check a box that says “COVID-19” in your application to waive a requirement to search for a new job amid the crisis.

Missouri provides benefits for up to 20 weeks, which can be extended to 33 weeks under the federal provisions.

The state will pay you up to \$320 per week, and the federal government will provide \$600 on top of whatever you get from the state for each week you're on unemployment prior to July 31.

Benefits can be paid within 22 days unless there is an issue with your eligibility, which on average can take 4-6 weeks to resolve.

You should continue filing weekly requests for payment even if you have not yet received benefits.

Regional Claims Center representatives are available by phone Monday – Friday from 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM by calling:

Kansas City Claims Center: 816-889-3101 or visit

[Missouri Unemployment Website](#)

Please visit the Missouri Department of Labor's website for more information about COVID-19 FAQ's for Businesses and Workers: <https://labor.mo.gov/coronavirus>

US Department of Labor has a few sites dedicated to Families First Coronavirus Response Act.

<https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/pandemic/ffcra-employee-paid-leave>

<https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/pandemic/ffcra-questions>

GREATER KANSAS CITY CRIME STOPPERS
816-474-TIPS HOTLINE

PRESS RELEASE
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

DATE: August 21, 2020

FROM: Det. Kevin Boehm, Crime Stoppers
Coordinator

SUBJECT: Unsolved – Brian Jacobs Homicide –
June 4, 2015

KANSAS CITY, MO --- The Greater KC Crime Stoppers TIPS Hotline and the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department are asking for the support of the public by providing any information known in regard to the June 4, 2015 homicide of Brian Jacobs at 6125 Walrond.

Over five years ago, KCFD personnel responded to a car fire and discovered a Honda CR-V burning in the backyard of the residence at 6125 Walrond. Upon extinguishing the fire, the body of Mr. Jacobs was discovered on the rear floor board of the vehicle. Bomb and Arson detectives determined the fire had been deliberately set and in addition to being badly burned, Mr. Jacobs had been shot.



The family and church community of Mr. Jacobs, St. Thomas More Catholic Church, has increased the reward for information received through the TIPS Hotline leading to an arrest or filing of charges in the case.

Brian's mother, Lola Jacobs, is available for comment at [\(816\) 442-7074](tel:8164427074).

Anyone with information is urged to contact Crime Stoppers Greater Kansas City TIPS Hotline at [816-474-TIPS](tel:8164747477) (8477), TIPS may also be submitted electronically at www.KCcrimestoppers.com, or by downloading our NEW mobile app, P3TIPS, on Google Play or the Apple iOS stores for FREE. Information leading to an arrest and/or filing of charges could be eligible for up to \$27,000.00 in reward money. ALL INFORMATION IS ANONYMOUS.

**GREATER KANSAS CITY CRIME STOPPERS
816-474-TIPS HOTLINE**

FROM: Det. Kevin Boehm, Crime Stoppers Coordinator

SUBJECT: Reward Increase – 9 Year Old Dominic Young Homicide

KANSAS CITY, MO --- The Kansas City, Missouri Police Department and the Greater KC Crime Stoppers TIPS Hotline continue to seek information in the January 20, 2018 homicide of 9 year old Dominic Young Jr. at 71 Highway and Emanuel Cleaver II Blvd.

Dominic Young Jr. was apparently hit by a stray gunshot while occupying a vehicle driven by his father and died as a result of his injuries. Dominic, his father and brother were en route to Grandview at the time. The vehicle driven by Dominic's father was hit by gunshots from other vehicles apparently engaged in a gunfight according to statements.

KCPD found a possible crime scene near the intersection where the father said the shooting happened. When the father arrived home in Grandview, Dominic was not responsive. Grandview police initially responded to the father's home and found the boy in critical condition. He was later pronounced dead at a hospital.

A number of community leaders and organizations including State Representative Richard Brown, Mayor Pro Tem Kevin McManus, former City Councilmen Scott Taylor, Scott Wagner, John Sharp; the City of KCMO and Concord Fortress of Hope Church (Pastor Ron Lindsay) have come forward to increase the existing reward in the case up to \$30,000.00. Those leaders are available for comment in regard to the case.

Anyone with information is urged to contact Crime Stoppers Greater Kansas City TIPS Hotline at 816-474-TIPS (8477), TIPS may also be submitted electronically at www.KCcrimestoppers.com, or by downloading our NEW mobile app, P3TIPS, on Google Play or the Apple iOS stores for FREE. Information leading to an arrest and/or filing of charges could be eligible for up to \$30,000.00 in reward money. ALL INFORMATION IS ANONYMOUS.



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