

00:19:41 Historic Old Town Neighborhood Improvement Association: Reacted to "Marcus Miller, Distr..." with !!

00:22:23 Michael Bell: Hey, Sylvia!

00:22:57 Marcus: Reacted to "Hey, Marcus! Glad yo..." with 🙏

00:32:48 Cole Mosier HNTE: 5 skills is ambitious

00:32:54 Jonathan Smith: Five skillsets?

00:33:46 Historic Old Town Neighborhood Improvement Association: Replying to "Five skillsets?"

Correct

00:34:35 Jonathan Smith: Shout out Yvonne!!

00:34:48 Michael Bell: Yay!

00:35:05 sortiz: Hey M. Bell 🙏

00:35:33 Michael Bell: Hey, hey, hey! How you doin'?

00:37:39 Historic Old Town Neighborhood Improvement Association: Did I hear right? Jill is expecting?

00:38:10 sortiz: Yes, you did. Twins

00:38:31 Historic Old Town Neighborhood Improvement Association: The stork has been busy! :0D

00:40:43 Jonathan Smith: That IS Daniel Martin! What a bunch of qualified Topekans!

00:41:33 Historic Old Town Neighborhood Improvement Association: Central Highland Park is looking good! :0D

00:41:49 Jonathan Smith: Reacted to "Central Highland Par..." with 😊

00:47:56 Jonathan Smith: Congrats on getting to 5!

00:48:04 Historic Old Town Neighborhood Improvement Association: Reacted to "Congrats on getting ..." with 😊

01:13:18 sortiz: Who is talking?

01:13:20 Jonathan Smith: These "good neighbor" acts of kindness, comes off as inauthentic or even negative.

01:13:24 Jonathan Smith: Daniel Martin

01:13:28 Historic Old Town Neighborhood Improvement Association: The gentleman from CHPNIA

01:13:58 Historic Old Town Neighborhood Improvement Association: You definitely have to know your space. And that's why it can work.

01:14:08 Historic Old Town Neighborhood Improvement Association: You have to find the strengths.

01:15:10 Jonathan Smith: How does neighborhood watch fall into "good neighbor" stuff? People don't like when others are getting into their business in my experience.

01:15:35 Historic Old Town Neighborhood Improvement Association: Replying to "How does neighborhood..."

It's debatable. It works in some neighborhoods. Not in others.

01:17:31 Michael Bell: I've been advocating for LMI people and neighborhoods for 26 years and have had the great fortune to meet and work with other activists throughout Topeka.

01:22:10 Historic Old Town Neighborhood Improvement Association: sl.simms@yahoo.com
informhistoricaltownnia@gmail.com

01:26:06 Jonathan Smith: I gotta dip out. This was very fun and inspiring. Thank you everyone for the opportunity to sit in!

01:26:30 Michael Bell: Be well!

01:26:36 Jonathan Smith: Reacted to "Be well!" with 

01:37:38 Debra McClelland: Habitat for Humanity has videos about projects

01:39:49 Historic Old Town Neighborhood Improvement Association: I could probably talk about the land bank

01:40:15 Michael Bell: Yup!

01:52:03 Cole Mosier HNTE: thanks everyone!



CITY OF TOPEKA

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT BY THE NUMBERS

JANUARY 2024

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION SUPPORT FUNDS BUDGET REPORTS

Support funds are provided by the City of Topeka Division of Community Engagement through the Federal Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Federal regulations permit the City of Topeka to enact policies in accordance with federal HUD guidelines. The following table includes items that are permissible and items that are restricted from federal funding use.

NIA Support	\$57,500.00
Contingency	\$ 5,000.00
Citizen Advisory Council	\$ 2,500.00
Total NIA Support Annual Budget	\$ 65,000.00

<https://www.topeka.org/citymanager/neighborhood-association-information/neighborhood-improvement-association-support-fund-budget-reports/>

TSC GET DIGITAL

The Topeka and Shawnee County Get Digital program provides affordable and equitable access to computer and internet equipment and services, along with technical support, training opportunities, and digital literacy services for low and moderate-income individuals and families. Through community collaboration and partnership, the program focuses on strategies and investments to create opportunities that help to reduce barriers to technology access and use with the overall goal of ensuring that all Topeka and Shawnee County residents and neighborhoods have the equipment and services needed for civic and cultural participation, employment, lifelong learning, and access to other essential health and human services.

- 1,412 DISTRIBUTED COMPUTERS INTO THE COMMUNITY
- 18 DIGITAL LITERACY TRAINING
- 62 ACP SIGN-UP

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT RESOURCE BAGS

The Community Resource Bag is a printed version of local community resource information to give a quick view of helping agencies you are mostly liked to need when helping yourself or someone else. We probably haven't captured everything, but our team is working hard to constantly improve the information by adding verified community programming on a weekly basis.

If you are interested in obtaining resource bags for your agency/organization please contact Monique Glaude' at mglaude@topeka.org or 785-368-4470.

➤ 6,500 BAGS DISTRIBUTED

Affordable Connectivity Program ACP

The ACP program deadline is **Wednesday, February 7th, 2024.**

The USAC systems will become unavailable for consumer application and enrollment processing, effective 11:59 p.m. EST.

<https://vimeo.com/880774759/fd0bb9b956>

50-50 Sidewalk Repair Program

The City of Topeka is accepting applications to remove and replace defective public sidewalks through a cost-sharing of 50% paid by the City, and 50% aid by the property owner. Additional funding assistance may be available for those who are income-qualified.

For more information:

50-50sidewalk@topeka.org or 785-368-3842

FREE GUN LOCK DISTRIBUTION 2024 EVENTS

A SMART GUN OWNER IS A SAFE GUN OWNER

- 2/19/24 – CRC Stout, 2303 SW College Ave
- 3/18/24 – Hillcrest Community Center, 1800 SE 21st
- 4/10/24 – Crestview Community Center, 4801 SW Shunga Dr.
- 5/15/24 – Garfield Community Center, 1600 NE Quincy St.
- 6/10/24 – CRC Care Center, 455 SE Golf Park Blvd.

FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED/ONE PER PARTICIPANT

Question? Contact Monique Glaude' mglaude@topeka.org or 785-368-4470

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50/50 SIDEWALK APPLICATION



CITY OF TOPEKA

Phone 785-368-3842

Fax 785-368-3881

Email 50-50sidewalk@topeka.org

Address of Substandard Sidewalk

Name

Mailing Address

City, State

Zip

Holliday Building
620 SE Madison,
2nd Floor, unit #7
Topeka, KS 66607

Phone

Email

All applications will be reviewed and all applicants will receive a response.

If your household income is at or below HUDs 80% Income Limit* based on the number of members in your household, you could qualify for additional funding assistance. See chart below.

80% Income Limit*	1 Person	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person	6 Person	7 Person	8 Person
	\$46,350	\$52,950	\$59,550	\$66,150	\$71,450	\$76,750	\$82,050	\$87,350

*Income limit is determined by HUD and may change from year to year.

Check the box if you think you qualify. For qualifying purposes, **please provide your birthdate:** _____
A City staff person may contact you as part of the qualifying process.

50/50 Sidewalk Repair Program

Purpose

The City of Topeka accepts applications to remove and replace defective concrete and brick sidewalks through a cost-sharing plan of 50% paid by the City of Topeka and 50% paid by the property owner. Additional funding assistance could be available for those who are income-qualified or in a priority area.

General Qualifying Criteria

- The property must be classified as residential. In addition, the property must be owner-occupied if applying for funding assistance.
- The sidewalk must be in violation of the city standards for sidewalk maintenance and or ADA standards. Violations include a 1-inch or more trip hazard, uneven brick surface, a severe cross slope that would be dangerous for pedestrians and those in wheelchairs, and concrete that has deteriorated into gravel.
- Brick replacement/repair will be allowed per the city's brick sidewalk policy, but the City's share will be determined based on 50% of a concrete sidewalk.
- The project does not include the cleaning of brick sidewalks or the installation of ADA accessible ramps.
- Property owners cost share must be received prior to the property being added to the list unless homeowner qualifies for funding assistance.
- The property owner must not have outstanding construction permit violations and no outstanding indebtedness to the city.

Note: Funding is limited and is available on a first come, first serve basis. However, priority will be given to areas deemed by the Planning Department to be in high pedestrian demand according to the Pedestrian Master Plan including primary school routes, transit linkages, etc.