50/50 Sidewalk Repair Program

**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.

**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.

**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.