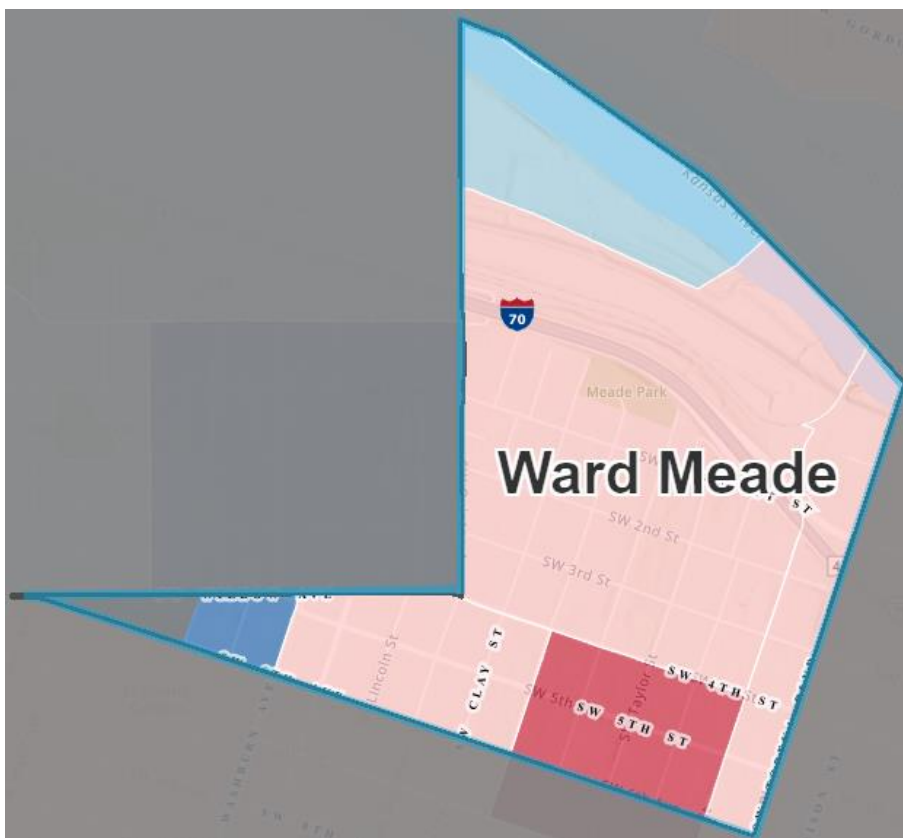


2019 Ward Meade Team Up to Clean Up



This year we continued the Topeka Team Up to Clean Up (TUCU) project by working in two neighborhoods. Developed in May of 2018 by City staff, TUCU uses specific guidelines to select neighborhoods based on the City of Topeka Neighborhood health map. The City chooses these neighborhoods by utilizing two criteria: (1) Whether or not the neighborhood is in “intensive care” on the Neighborhood Health Map and (2) Whether the neighborhood has active participants in its Neighborhood Improvement Association (NIA).



This project requires a massive team effort that includes collaborative participation from NIA's, residents, volunteers from partnering agencies, and City departments. Donated services, tools, and resources also come in from a variety of other area organizations.

The overall goal of these engagements is to leave the NIA with the tools and resources they need to improve the health ratings of the neighborhood. These tools include personalized classes on property maintenance, providing information about City resources, and talking to neighbors about what their issues and concerns are.

For more information on becoming involved or volunteering for future Team up to Clean Up initiatives, please contact Sasha Haehn, Director of the Department of Neighborhood Relations at (785) 368-3711 or email sstiles@topeka.org.

<https://www.topeka.org/neighborhoodrelations/team-up-to-clean-up/>



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Utilities

644 meters exchanged

10 hydrants replaced

177 storm inlets inspected and cleaned

Forestry

1 tree removed

87 trees trimmed

\$2,555: cost of actions taken

Property Maintenance

446 staff hours

557 program neighborhood mailings

657 Total violations

Police

214 staff hours

17 checks for people with warrants

42 traffic stops

Fire

47 smoke detectors installed

770 staff hours

300 door hangers

Planning and Development

7 violations

6 cases closed by voluntary compliance

1 case being pursued



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Completed TUCU Engagements:

2018 Spring: Historic Old Town Neighborhood

2018 Summer: Central Park Neighborhood

2019 Spring: East End Neighborhood

2019 Fall: Ward Meade Neighborhood

The City of Topeka would like to extend a warm thank you to each of our community partners who made this event possible.

Ward Meade TUCU Partners:

Ace Hardware	Shawnee County Parks & Recreation	Let's Help, Inc.
Advisors Excel	Evergy	Safe Streets
American Red Cross	Freedom Now USA	PARS and Recovery Services
Habitat for Humanity	Community Action	Topeka/Shawnee County Public Library
Kansas Gas Service	Kansas Department of Revenue	Al-Anon Services
COT, Neighborhood Relations Dept.	COT, Property Maintenance Division	COT, Development Services Division
COT, Human Resources Department	COT, Finance Department	COT, Utilities Department

