



CITY OF TOPEKA

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2025 TOPEKA DREAMS NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES DREAMS PROGRAM APPLICATION COVER PAGE

Preliminary Application Due: Friday, September 13, 2024, 5:00 p.m.

Final Application Due: Friday, October 11, 2024, 5:00 p.m.

Application Questions / Technical Assistance: Bianca Burnett, Senior Community Engagement Coordinator,
lburnett@topeka.org or 785-368-3663

Project Eligibility Requirement: *All Projects must have prior approval via the City of Topeka Consult Meeting process before the application is submitted. (2024 Consult Meetings: January – April 2024)*

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION INFORMATION

Click on the gray field boxes below to answer each question. Do not use 'Tab' on your keyboard.

Applying Organization:			
Application Date:			
President/Director:		Phone:	
Address:			
E-mail:			
Grant Contact Person (If different from above):		Phone:	
Address:			
E-mail:			
Project Contact Person (If different from above):		Phone:	
Address:			
E-mail:			

Neighborhood Rating (as defined in the 2020 Neighborhood Health Map):	<input type="checkbox"/> Intensive Care Neighborhood	<input type="checkbox"/> At-Risk Neighborhood	<input type="checkbox"/> Out-Patient Neighborhood
	<input type="checkbox"/> Healthy Neighborhood		

PROJECT PRIORITY & FUNDING

Project Priority (Rank Number Provided by NIA with multiple projects):		Total Amount Requested for Project:	
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Application For	<input type="checkbox"/> DREAMS 1	<input type="checkbox"/> DREAMS 2 Housing	<input type="checkbox"/> DREAMS 2
	<input type="checkbox"/> DREAMS 3		

DREAMS 2 BIENNIAL MAJOR NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM
OR DREAMS 3 – ANNUAL MINI-GRANTS PROGRAM APPLICATION

Preliminary Application Due: Friday, August 30, 2024, 5:00 p.m.

Final Application Due: Friday, October 4, 2024, 5:00 p.m.

Application Questions / Technical Assistance: Bianca Burnett, Senior Community Engagement Coordinator,
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APPLICATION SUMMARY

This application is for funding consideration of (select ONE)

NOTE: YOU MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE APPLICATION IF YOU ARE APPLYING FOR MULTIPLE PROJECTS)

DREAMS 2 BIENNIAL MAJOR NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM

DREAMS 3 – ANNUAL MINI-GRANTS PROGRAM

Project Title:

Project Location & Address:

Project Priority
(Rank if submitting more than one project application):

Total Amount Requested for Project:

Conflict of Interest should be avoided in the recommendation and decision-making process. Applicants shall not sit on the recommendation and decision-making committees that make the selection of TOPEKA DREAMS NIIP recipient neighborhoods FOR: DREAMS 2 BIENNIAL MAJOR NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM OR DREAMS 3 – ANNUAL MINI-GRANTS PROGRAM

1. Select the Initiative Type Below (select one):

- Infrastructure Repair/Replacement (Streets, sidewalks, alleys, etc.)
- Quality of Life Enrichments (Parks, Bus Shelters, Public Facility amenities, etc.)
- Neighborhood Beautification (Murals, Banners, Signs, etc.)
- Community Public Service Activities (Health education, Substance Abuse Prevention, Crime Awareness, etc.)

2. Describe the initiative. Include who this initiative will directly impact or benefit and how, and what is the sustainability or future plans for this initiative (150 words or less).

3. Which of the following [HUD National Objectives](#) does this initiative align with MOST (select one)?

- Benefit to low- and moderate- income (LMI) persons
- Aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight
- Meet a need having a particular urgency (referred to as urgent need)

4. Which of the following [City of Topeka Strategic Goals/Focus Areas](#) does this initiative MOST align with (select one)?

- Safe and Secure Communities
- Stewardship of the City’s Physical Assets
- Thriving and Livable Neighborhoods

5.	Does this initiative specifically align with (select one):
	<input type="checkbox"/> Your Neighborhood's Comprehensive Neighborhood Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Your Neighborhood's Published Goals & Objectives (documents that have been made available to the public through print, distribution, and public announcement) <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> None of the above If applicable, please explain how it aligns (150 words or less):
6.	Which of the following stakeholders were involved in the decision to choose this initiative? (select all that apply)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Residents of the neighborhood <input type="checkbox"/> NIA Officers <input type="checkbox"/> Other Community Groups (associations) <input type="checkbox"/> Public Institutions (Schools, local Government Agencies, Libraries, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Private Institutions (Hospitals, Universities, Banks, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Local Businesses
7.	How were the above stakeholders engaged in supporting this initiative? (select all that apply)
	<input type="checkbox"/> The project/program selection process <input type="checkbox"/> The development/idea for the initiative <input type="checkbox"/> Will be involved in the implementation of the initiative <input type="checkbox"/> Will be or has already provided additional funding for the initiative If applicable, please describe the stakeholder engagement process for this initiative (150 words or less):
8.	Which of the following has your organization sought for this initiative? (select all that apply)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteers <input type="checkbox"/> Private Funding <input type="checkbox"/> Other Local, State, or Federal Government Funding <input type="checkbox"/> In-Kind materials or services <input type="checkbox"/> None of the above If applicable, please describe how these resources will be used in the implementation of this initiative (150 words or less):
9.	Budget Summary – Attach an itemized list, professional estimate, quote, and/or budget summary of the total expenses for this project to this application.
	Total Anticipated Project Cost Total Amount Requested from City of Topeka for this initiative List ALL other entities that you have received or have applied for pending funds from: Total Amount of ALL Additional Non-City funding received Total Amount of ALL Additional Non-City funding pending