

# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT BY THE NUMBERS OCTOBER 2023

### 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-associationinformation/neighborhood-improvement-association-support-fundbudget-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.

> 1,285 DISTRIBUTED COMPUTERS
INTO THE COMMUNITY
> # DIGITAL LITERACY TRAINING

## 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.

> 4,218 BAGS DISTRIBUTED

## CHANGING OUR CULTURE OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

2023 Mowing Initiative

The year end report will be released at the upcoming Public Safe and Health Committee meeting on Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023

### FIGHT THE BLIGHT

**14** participating NIAs

**101.19 TONS** 

As of 11/01/23

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- NIA support Funds Deadline is Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
- Special DREAMS Debrief Meeting, January 10<sup>th</sup>
- DREAMS Recommendation to City Council, November 21st
- DREAMS Recommendation City Council Approval, December 5<sup>th</sup>

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