



CITY OF TOPEKA

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT BY THE NUMBERS

FEBRUARY 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.

- 1,440 DISTRIBUTED COMPUTERS INTO THE COMMUNITY
- 61 DIGITAL LITERACY TRAINING
- 5 LIFELINE SIGN-UPS

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 likely 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 mglaudef@topeka.org or 785-368-4470.

> 3,260 BAGS DISTRIBUTED

2025 DREAMS Program WORKSHOP Wednesday, March 27th Sign Up by March 21st, 2024

The annual information Workshop for the 2025 Topeka DREAMS application process will be held on **Wednesday, March 27th, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM** at the Holliday Building, 620 SE Madison, Holliday Conference Room, First Floor. Attendance at this informational workshop is required for any NIA that plans to apply for 2025 DREAMS Program funding.

Contact Bianca Burnett if you have any questions or need special accommodation at 785-368-3663 or lburnett@topeka.org.

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

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

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