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Preface

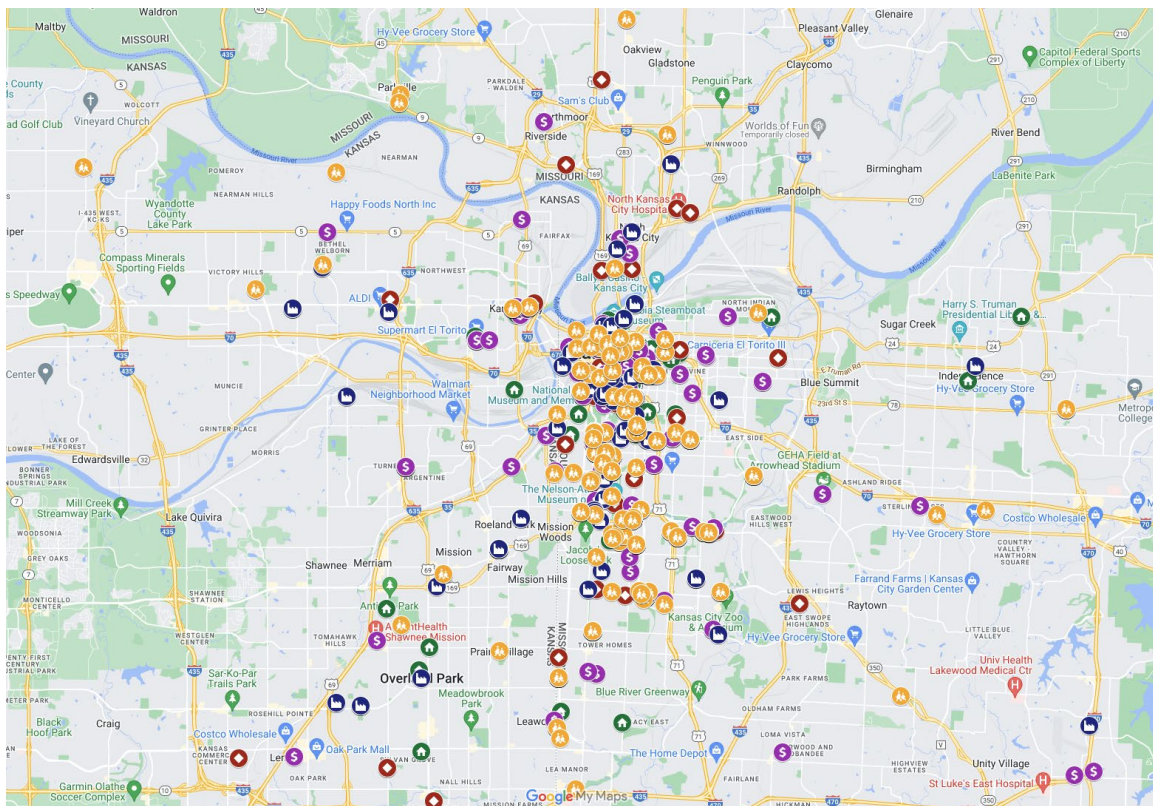
This outline attempts to provide a comprehensive analysis of the causes of violence in the community of Kansas City with actions to improve it and a list of resources that are already engaged in implementing actions.

This outline helps identify and recognize efforts already underway by community members, non-profits, and government entities. For each action, we include a list of resources currently implementing programs or efforts to implement that action. These are listed as bullet points. They hyperlink to a full description and contact information in the Resources appendix.

Apart from contributing to any given action, bringing visibility to existing efforts can help attract volunteers, financial support, and allies; multiply problem-solving leverage by aligning efforts with each other; and prevent duplication of efforts and competition for volunteers and donations. Raising awareness among the existing action implementers that they are working towards a common goal can improve morale and give a feeling of solidarity in the effort.

The resources listed in the appendix are geospatially mapped at this web page:

https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=1zp2LX82X8_EqGyBBAN9ul_Rm_5a_1XA



How to Use this Book

This book uses an outline format to present more than 500 actions to improve violence in the Kansas City community, and three times that number of existing programs and efforts currently implementing those actions.

The actions are categorized under major themes, then by subtheme, then by topic. Thus, it is not just a randomly organized list of ideas, but a methodically categorized problem structure, where solutions have been suggested to individual pieces of the problem puzzle, and each puzzle piece is logically related to an overall problem theme.

The purpose of this book is to help individuals, organizations, and public service to identify existing efforts that are underway, which are already contributing to the improvement of violence, so that these existing efforts can be recognized and supported, and so that they can better align with each other to the future picture where violence in Kansas City is improved.

Bringing to the entire community opportunities to contribute their time and support to the actions being implemented by the resources mentioned in this book is a challenge to be met in a coordinated fashion with a role to be played by problem-solvers, resources, community organizers, and government. The aim is to mitigate non-profit burn-out, improve fragmented coordination, and reduce the struggle for volunteers and financial resources. This outline can also provide ideas for new efforts for implementation and for policy makers aiming to fill gaps where solutions are currently lacking implementation or needing support.

The five main themes identified as obstacles to reducing violence in Kansas City are:

1. Lack of access to resources
2. Repeated family trauma
3. Concentrated poverty
4. High unemployment rate
5. High school drop out rates

These main themes headline the datasets depicted at the geospatial mapping, each on a separate map layer. In this book, they are numbered 1., 2., 3., etc. Subthemes or facets of these themes are marked 1.1., 1.2., 1.3., etc. Further subdivision are numbered 1.1.1., 1.1.2., 1.1.3, etc. Solutions are provided in two-column format to improve the overview.

The authors of this book welcome input and corrections. The accuracy and completeness of the information presented in this book is made on a best effort basis; readers should verify information independently where necessary. A full dataset is available on request via the email info@theunsolvable.org. Changes, corrections, and additions can be made via the same email or via Github pull request, instructions to be sent on request via the same email address.

Dr. Kevin Kells, March 2024

The Process Behind This Book

The process behind this book is described in the publication:

[A Proposed Practical Problem-Solving Framework for Multi-Stakeholder Initiatives in Socio-Ecological Systems Based on a Model of the Human Cognitive Problem-Solving Process](#)

This process begins with the definition of a superordinate goal or *future picture* with buy-in from the community. This is a short, written statement that the community agrees is a good, general description of the future, desired state of affairs with respect to a given problem. For the problem of violence in Kansas City, we have chosen, “Kansas City flourishes as a cornerstone of safety and community spirit, where the specter of violence has dramatically diminished. As a community, we celebrate a sustained reduction in violence, paving the way for prosperity and inclusivity that enriches everyone.”

Then with facilitated community participation, the major theme *obstacles* are identified that are keeping us as a community from currently enjoying the future picture we as a community desire. Then these major themes, through a more extended process involving community members and subject matter experts, is broken down into facets that constitute parts of the obstacle, and then further subdivided into different components that more easily lend themselves to solution.

Solutions – actions – are then identified for these components and listed. Resources are also hyperlinked whose programs and efforts implement the actions.

When reading the more than 500 actions offered in this book, the recommended approach is a whole-system approach. Any existing effort in the community that implements one of the actions – individual, organizational, or governmental – deserves to be recognized and integrated into an index of collaborators or map of efforts. They should be informed that their efforts are implementing an action leading to the improvement of violence in Kansas City. They should be given access to the map so that they can see where their efforts fit into the overall solution, and so that they can see, contact, and align themselves with all the other efforts on that map.

As an initial implementation of this process, the full-fledged community involvement was not fully undertaken. Rather, AI-based guidance was utilized to obtain a first draft of the major themes, to perform the problem structuring into facets of these themes and then components of the facets, and to generate a list of potential solutions to each of the components.

Rather than ask ourselves, “Of all these solutions, which ones should we try to implement?” this book is aimed at the inverse approach. “Of all these solutions, how many existing efforts – individual, organizational, or governmental – already implement a solution we identify and map?” The map of existing solutions, which can be a living document, a web-based mind map, or even digital art displayed in City Hall (or all the above), can be shared with each contributor for their benefit. And it can be shared with donors and volunteers and the community in general, and its current progress updated on a continual basis.

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Kansas City:

- Obstacles to Safety and Social Cohesion
- Actions to Remedy the Obstacles
- Resources Implementing Actions

1 Lack of Access to Resources

Many areas in Kansas City face significant barriers to accessing critical resources such as quality healthcare, mental health services, and nutritious food. This lack of access can perpetuate cycles of violence and prevent the community from achieving a sustained reduction in violent incidents.

1.1 ECONOMIC DISPARITIES

A significant wealth gap and lack of economic opportunities in certain areas of Kansas City limit residents' ability to afford and access essential services, contributing to ongoing cycles of violence.

1.1.1 Community Education Programs

Develop and support free or low-cost education programs focused on financial literacy, job training, and entrepreneurship to empower residents with the knowledge and skills to create better economic opportunities for themselves.

- Money Smart KC (Money Smart KC Coalition)

1.1.2 Local Business Incubation

Encourage the formation of local business incubators that could provide mentorship, resources, and financial support to aspiring entrepreneurs, particularly in underprivileged areas.

- Digital Sandbox KC (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Plexpod (300 East 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Enterprise Center in Johnson County (Enterprise Center in Johnson County (ECJC))
- ScaleUP! Kansas City (University of Missouri-Kansas City Innovation Center)
- Port KC (110 Berkley Plaza, Kansas City, MO 64120)

1.1.3 Youth Mentorship Initiatives

Create mentorship programs that connect successful professionals with young people from economically disadvantaged backgrounds to guide them towards educational and career opportunities.

- Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City (1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- Kansas City Boys & Girls Clubs (4001 Blue Pkwy Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States)
- Urban Ranger Corps (5908 Swope Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States)
- Lead to Read KC (PO Box 140165, Kansas City, MO 64114, United States)
- Mentor KC (Kansas City Mayor's Office, 414 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106, United States)
- Kansas City Public Schools - Real World Learning (2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States)
- PREP-KC (300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States)

1.1.4 Affordable Housing Projects

Work with city officials, developers, and non-profits to build or renovate affordable housing, helping to stabilize neighborhoods and make them more attractive for investment.

- Kansas City Affordable Housing Trust Fund (City of Kansas City, Missouri)

1.1.5 Community Investment Funds

Establish community investment funds where local investors can contribute to projects that revitalize underdeveloped areas and share in the potential economic return.

- AltCap Your Biz: Competition (AltCap)
- Greater Kansas City LISC (600 Broadway, Suite 280, Kansas City, MO 64105)
- Kansas City Investment Fund (Kansas City Investment Fund (KCIF))

1.1.6 Job Fairs and Hiring Initiatives

Coordinate job fairs that specifically target regions with high unemployment rates, ensuring local residents are aware of and prepared for job openings.

- Kansas City Job Fair (Multiple locations depending on the event)
- Hire KC Youth (Hire KC)
- KC Job Seekers Blog (N/A - Online Resource)
- Full Employment Council Job Fairs (Full Employment Council)

1.1.7 Improved Public Transportation

Advocate for the expansion and improvement of public transportation to increase access to job centers and economic opportunities across different neighborhoods.

- RideKC Development (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority)
- Streetcar Expansion Project (Kansas City Streetcar Authority)
- Zero Fare Transit (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority)
- RideKC Next (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority)
- Regional Transit Coordination (Mid-America Regional Council)

1.1.8 Food Access Programs

Support community gardens and partnerships with grocery stores and food banks to improve access to affordable, nutritious food in food deserts.

- Kansas City Community Gardens (6917 Kensington Ave, Kansas City, MO 64132)
- After the Harvest (406 W. 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Cultivate Kansas City (4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106)
- Harvesters—The Community Food Network (3801 Topping Ave, Kansas City, MO 64129)
- Healthy Harvest Mobile Market (Truman Medical Centers)

1.1.9 Health and Wellness Services

Promote and fund health clinics and wellness programs, focusing on preventive care and education to improve the overall health and productivity of the community.

- Swope Health (Swope Health Services)
- KC CARE Health Center (3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center (825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124)
- Truman Medical Centers (Truman Medical Centers/University Health)
- Kansas City Health Department (Kansas City, Missouri Health Department)

1.1.10 Cultural and Recreational Investments

Invest in cultural and recreational facilities that can serve as community hubs, provide after school programs, and foster a sense of community pride and belonging.

- Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art (4420 Warwick Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States)
- Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art (The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art)
- Kansas City Parks and Recreation (Kansas City, Missouri Parks and Recreation)

- Mattie Rhodes Center (1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- Kansas City Public Library (14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States)
- Union Station Kansas City (30 W Pershing Rd, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)

1.2 INADEQUATE HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE

Certain neighborhoods may have fewer clinics and hospitals, or those that exist are understaffed and underfunded, making it difficult for residents to receive quality healthcare services.

1.2.1 Community Health Fairs

Organize regular health fairs in underserved areas with volunteer healthcare professionals to provide free consultations, basic health services, and health education.

- Samuel U. Rodgers Health Fair (Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center)

1.2.2 Mobile Health Clinics

Develop mobile health clinics that travel to neighborhoods with inadequate healthcare infrastructure to offer medical services on a regular schedule.

- KC CARE Health Center Mobile Clinic (KC CARE Health Center)
- Swope Health Mobile Medical Units (Swope Health)
- Truman Medical Centers Mobile Market (Truman Medical Centers)
- Samuel U. Rodgers Mobile Health Unit (Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center)

1.2.3 Fundraising Campaigns

Initiate community-driven fundraising efforts to support the financial needs of local clinics and hospitals for equipment, staffing, and other resources.

- Healing Hands (Kansas City Healthcare Foundation)
- Care for KC (KC Medical Partners)
- Heroes in Scrubs (Kansas City Community Trust)

1.2.4 Partnerships with Medical Schools

Form partnerships with medical schools and training institutions to establish residency programs and internships in underserved areas, providing both fresh medical personnel and care to residents.

- UMKC School of Medicine Community and Family Medicine Residency (University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine)
- Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences GME Partnerships (Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences)
- Truman Medical Centers Residency Programs (Truman Medical Centers)
- Children's Mercy Pediatric Residency Program (Children's Mercy Kansas City)

1.2.5 Community Health Advocate Program

Train community members to become health advocates, who can help navigate residents through the system and connect them with necessary services.

- Community Health Worker Collective (KC CARE Health Center)
- Community Health Worker Program (Swope Health)
- Promotores de Salud Program (El Centro, Inc.)

1.2.6 Telemedicine Services

Implement telemedicine services that allow residents to consult with healthcare professionals remotely, reducing the need for physical infrastructure.

- The University of Kansas Health System (4000 Cambridge Street, Kansas City, KS 66160)

1.2.7 Neighborhood Health Committees

Establish neighborhood committees with the aim of monitoring health needs and advocating for the necessary resources and services to address healthcare inadequacies.

- Community Health Worker Collective (KC CARE Health Center)
- Neighborhood Family Care (Swope Health)
- Community Advisory Committee (Kansas City Health Department)
- Health Action Teams (Jackson County Health Department)
- Neighborhood Health Initiative (KC Healthy Kids)

1.2.8 Health Education Workshops

Offer regular workshops on health education, focusing on prevention and management of common conditions, which can empower residents to take charge of their health.

- Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (Mid-America Regional Council (MARC))
- Healthy Lifestyles Initiative (YMCA of Greater Kansas City)
- Cooking Matters (Harvesters—The Community Food Network)

1.2.9 Volunteer Recruitment

Recruit healthcare professionals in the community to volunteer their time in underfunded clinics to provide additional staffing and reduce bottleneck.

- Kansas City Free Health Clinic Volunteer Program (Kansas City Care Clinic)
- Safety Net Clinic Volunteer Program (Safety Net of Kansas City)
- Health Partnership Clinic Volunteer Opportunities (Health Partnership Clinic)
- Score 1 for Health Volunteer Programs (Score 1 for Health)

1.2.10 Public-Private Partnerships

Encourage the development of public-private partnerships that can provide investment and resources to expand and improve the existing health infrastructure.

- LaunchKC Health Accelerator (1100 Walnut St, Suite 1700, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- Community Improvement Districts (CIDs) (414 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- Truman Medical Centers and Cerner Corporation Partnership (2301 Holmes Street, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Blue KC and Spira Care Partnership (One Pershing Square, 2301 Main Street, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Kansas City Digital Drive Health Innovation Team (4220 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205)

1.3 FOOD DESERTS

Parts of the city may be food deserts, where access to fresh and nutritious food is scarce. This can lead to health issues and stress that exacerbate violent behavior.

1.3.1 Community Gardens

Encourage and support the establishment of community gardens in food desert areas to allow residents to grow their own fruits and vegetables, promoting access to fresh produce.

1.3.2 Mobile Grocery Stores

Create mobile markets or grocery stores that can travel to food desert regions on a regular schedule, providing essential healthy food options that residents may otherwise lack.

- KC Healthy Kids – Rolling Grocer (KC Healthy Kids)
- MobilFresh (After the Harvest)
- Good Food for All Mobile Market (Good Food for All)
- The Prospect Urban Eatery & Market (The Prospect)

1.3.3 Subsidized Grocery Initiatives

Work with local government and charities to subsidize the opening of grocery stores in underserved areas, or to provide incentives for existing stores to offer a wider variety of healthy foods.

- Healthy Corner Store Initiative (KC Healthy Kids)
- Double Up Food Bucks (Fair Food Network)
- Mobile Market (Cultivate KC)

1.3.4 Farmers Markets and Food Co-ops

Support the organization and promotion of farmers markets and food co-operatives in food desert neighborhoods to give residents access to affordable, fresh, and locally-sourced food.

- City Market Farmers Market (City Market)
- Brookside Farmers Market (63rd St & Wornall Rd, Kansas City, MO 64113)
- Ivanhoe Farmers Market (Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council)
- KC Food Circle

- Troost Market Collective (3119 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)

1.3.5 Urban Farming Education Programs

Implement educational programs focused on urban farming and nutrition to empower individuals with the knowledge to produce their own food and make healthier dietary choices.

- Kansas City Community Gardens Schoolyard Gardens Program (Kansas City Community Gardens)
- Cultivate KC's Urban Farmer Training Program (Cultivate KC)
- Lincoln University Cooperative Extension's Urban Impact Center (Lincoln University Cooperative Extension)
- BoysGrow Farming & Entrepreneurship Program (BoysGrow)
- The Giving Grove (Kansas City, MO (main office))
- KC Farm School at Gibbs Road (KC Farm School)

1.3.6 Nutrition Workshops

Host regular workshops or classes in community centers focusing on nutrition education, cooking skills, and budget-friendly meal preparation using available ingredients.

- Good Food Workshops (After the Harvest)
- Nutrition Education Classes (KC Healthy Kids)
- Cooking Matters (NourishKC)
- Healthy Cooking Classes (Olive Center of Health)
- Community Kitchen Workshops (The Culinary Center of Kansas City)

1.3.7 Transportation Services

Offer subsidized transportation services for residents of food deserts to get to supermarkets or grocery stores that provide a full range of fresh food options.

1.3.8 Healthy Corner Store Initiative

Incentivize corner stores and bodegas in food deserts to stock fresh produce and healthy food options through grants or tax credits.

- Healthy Corner Store Initiative (KC Healthy Kids)
- Healthy Corner Store Initiative (Cultivate KC)
- Healthy Corner Store Initiative (Community Capital Fund)

1.3.9 Community Fridge Programs

Set up community fridge programs where businesses and individuals can donate freshly made meals and produce for free access by those in need in the food desert areas.

- Kansas City Community Fridge (Various locations, please refer to their website for specific addresses)
- Lotus Care House Community Fridge (Lotus Care House)

- Feed KC Forward (After the Harvest)

1.3.10 Public-Private Partnerships

Establish public-private partnerships that encourage investment in local food infrastructure, including the creation of distribution hubs that connect the community with regional farmers and suppliers.

- Kansas City Food Hub (1045 E. 18th St., Kansas City, MO 64108)
- New Roots for Refugees (Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas)
- Cultivate KC (Cultivate Kansas City)
- KC Healthy Kids (650 Minnesota Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101)
- Growing GrowersKC (35230 W 135th St, Olathe, KS 66061)

1.4 MENTAL HEALTH STIGMA

Stigma around mental health issues might prevent individuals from seeking help, leaving mental health conditions untreated, which can be a factor in some instances of violence.

1.4.1 Community Education and Awareness Campaigns

Organize local events, workshops, and information sessions designed to educate the public about mental health, thereby reducing stigma. This could include personal testimonies, professional speakers, and informational materials distributed throughout the community.

- Speak Up (Jewish Family Services of Greater Kansas City)
- Mental Health First Aid (Mental Health America of the Heartland)
- You Be You (Not provided)
- Circles of Support (NAMI Kansas City (National Alliance on Mental Illness))
- Healing Art Workshops (The Whole Person)

1.4.2 Mental Health First Aid Training

Provide training for community members on how to recognize signs of mental illness and how to offer initial help and guide individuals to professional services. This training can empower community members to respond to mental health issues confidently and without prejudice.

- Mental Health First Aid (Mental Health America of the Heartland)
- Mental Health First Aid Training (Tri-County Mental Health Services)
- Mental Health First Aid (ReDiscover Mental Health)
- Youth Mental Health First Aid (Jewish Family Services of Greater Kansas City)
- Adult Mental Health First Aid Training (Kansas City, Missouri Health Department)

1.4.3 School-Based Mental Health Programs

Implement mental health programs in schools that teach students about mental health from an early age. Programs should also provide resources and support for students who are struggling, and training for educators on how to identify and address mental health issues.

1.4.4 Support Groups and Peer Networks

Establish and promote support groups and peer networks where individuals with mental health challenges can share experiences and offer mutual support in a safe and nonjudgmental environment.

- Recovery Assoc. of Kansas City (Recovery Lighthouse, Inc.)

1.4.5 Collaboration with Healthcare Providers

Partner with local healthcare providers to create more accessible mental health services. This collaboration could include reducing the cost of mental health care, increasing the number of available therapists, and ensuring that mental health care is integrated into primary health care systems.

- Behavioral Health Integration (Swope Health)
- Trauma Matters KC (Greater Kansas City Mental Health Coalition)
- Cornerstones of Care - Partnership for Family Health (Cornerstones of Care)
- Integrated Health Services (Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center)
- Mental Health Collaborative (Health Forward Foundation)

1.4.6 Public Art and Social Media Campaigns

Leverage public art installations and social media platforms to promote positive messages about mental health and to challenge negative stereotypes. Campaigns can showcase local stories of recovery and hope to inspire others and change attitudes.

- Speak Up (Speak Up Foundation)
- Avenue of Hope (Mental Health America of the Heartland)
- Art in the Loop (Art in the Loop Foundation)
- Walls for Justice (Local artists in collaboration with community partners)

1.4.7 Corporate and Workplace Initiatives

Encourage local businesses to adopt mental health-friendly policies, provide employee mental health training, and offer mental health days. This not only supports employees but also models a community standard for mental health awareness.

- Mindful by Blue KC (Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas City)
- Cerner Corporation's Mental Health Initiatives (Cerner Corporation)
- H&R Block's Well-Being Program (H&R Block)
- Hallmark's Employee Assistance Program (Hallmark Cards)

1.4.8 Integration of Mental Health into Public Safety Efforts

Work with law enforcement and public safety officials to integrate mental health professionals into their response teams. This approach ensures that individuals experiencing a mental health crisis are met with appropriate and compassionate care.

- Kansas City Police Department Co-Responder Program (Kansas City Police Department)
- Kansas City Assessment and Triage Center (ReDiscover)
- Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Program (Kansas City Police Department)

1.4.9 Local Media Partnership

Partner with local television, radio, and newspapers to run regular segments that educate the public about mental health. Encouraging the media to portray mental health issues accurately and responsibly can contribute to destigmatization.

- Health Forward Foundation (2300 Main St., Suite 304, Kansas City, MO 64108)

1.4.10 Incentives for Mental Health Advocacy

Create incentive programs for organizations and individuals who actively work to reduce mental health stigma and support mental wellness in the community. Recognizing these efforts publicly can inspire others to take similar positive actions.

1.5 TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS

Lack of reliable and affordable transportation can prevent people from accessing healthcare, nutritious food, and mental health services, particularly in underserved areas.

1.5.1 Community Ride-Share Programs

Establish a local community-driven ride-share service where volunteers offer transportation to individuals in need, helping them access healthcare, food, and other essential services.

1.5.2 Subsidized Public Transport Vouchers

Work with local transit authorities to provide subsidized or free public transportation vouchers to low-income residents, ensuring they can afford to travel to essential destinations.

1.5.3 Mobile Healthcare Units

Deploy mobile healthcare units that can travel to underserved areas, reducing the need for transportation by bringing health services directly to communities.

- KC CARE Health Center Mobile Medical Unit (KC CARE Health Center)
- Swope Health Mobile Medical Unit (Swope Health)
- Children's Mercy Mobile Clinics (Children's Mercy Kansas City)
- Truman Medical Centers Mobile Market (Truman Medical Centers)

1.5.4 Local Food Delivery Initiatives

Coordinate with food pantries and non-profits to create a sustainable food delivery system for those with transportation challenges to ensure access to nutritious food.

- After the Harvest (406 W. 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)

- Harvesters – The Community Food Network (3801 Topping Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64129)
- Meals on Wheels of Greater Kansas City (Meals on Wheels Kansas City)
- NourishKC (750 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- Cross-Lines Community Outreach (736 Shawnee Ave, Kansas City, KS 66105)
- KC Food Hub (Not provided)

1.5.5 Expanded Mental Health Telemedicine

Advocate for and support the expansion of telemedicine programs focused on mental health, allowing individuals to receive care from their homes.

1.5.6 Community Bicycle Programs

Create a community bicycle program that provides free or low-cost bicycles to residents, along with safe cycling infrastructure, aiming to improve local transportation options.

- BikeWalkKC (1106 E. 30th St., Suite G, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- 816 Bicycle Collective (Not Provided)
- Revolve KC (5534 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110)

1.5.7 Carpool Matching Service

Develop a local carpool matching service that helps connect drivers with nearby residents who need a ride to similar destinations, reducing transportation barriers and fostering community support.

- RideShareKC (Mid-America Regional Council)
- Carma Carpooling (Carma Technology Corporation)
- Waze Carpool (Waze)

1.5.8 Neighborhood Shuttle Services

Organize neighborhood shuttle services that operate on regular schedules and routes in underserved areas to facilitate access to critical services.

- RideKC Micro Transit (KCATA - Kansas City Area Transportation Authority)
- 10/10 Taxi (1300 Lydia Ave, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- Senior Transportation Services (Aging and Adult Services, Kansas City Region)

1.5.9 Transportation Advocacy Group

Form an advocacy group to lobby for improved transportation services and infrastructure in underserved areas, ensuring the needs of these communities are met.

- BikeWalkKC (1106 E. 30th St., Suite G, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- KCATA Advocacy (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))
- RideKC Development (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority, 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108)

- MORE2 Transit Equity Task Force (MORE2)

1.5.10 Flexible Healthcare Appointment Scheduling

Encourage healthcare providers to offer more flexible scheduling options to accommodate patients who are dependent on limited transportation options.

1.6 EDUCATIONAL INEQUALITIES

Disparities in the quality of education across different areas can result in a lack of awareness about available resources and how to utilize them.

1.6.1 Community Mentorship Programs

Establish mentorship programs where professionals and higher education students volunteer to guide and support students in underprivileged areas.

- Kansas City Youth Mentoring (Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City)
- Mentorship for Future Health Professionals (Healthcare Foundation of Greater Kansas City)
- Lead to Read KC (P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- Urban Ranger Corps (5908 Swope Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130)
- Youth Ambassadors (1100 Rockhurst Road, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- KC STEM Alliance Mentorship Program (KC STEM Alliance)

1.6.2 Local Resource Awareness Campaigns

Organize community-led campaigns to increase awareness about existing educational resources such as libraries, tutoring centers, and online learning platforms.

- Library Awareness Campaign (Kansas City Public Library)
- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Community Education Programs (Full Employment Council, Inc.)
- ConnectHomeUSA Initiative (Housing Authority of Kansas City)

1.6.3 Education Funding Drives

Coordinate fundraising events and drives to allocate additional finances towards schools in need, aiming to provide better equipment and learning materials.

- SchoolSmartKC (4747 Troost Avenue, Suite 204, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Kansas City Public Schools Education Foundation (2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Kauffman Foundation Education (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)

1.6.4 Community Education Workshops

Host regular workshops for parents and guardians to educate them on how they can assist with and supplement their children's education at home.

- Early Learning Workshops (The Family Conservancy)
- Parenting Education Classes (Operation Breakthrough)
- Family Engagement Workshops (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Learning Together Workshops (Turn the Page KC)

1.6.5 Partnerships with Local Businesses

Create partnerships with local businesses to fund scholarships, internships, and school projects that can enhance the educational experience.

- KC Scholars (8080 Ward Parkway, Suite 402, Kansas City, MO 64114)

1.6.6 Adopt-a-School Programs

Encourage organizations and individuals to 'adopt' schools in disadvantaged areas to provide consistent support and resources.

- KCPS Partners In Education (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Lead to Read KC (P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- Adopt-A-School KC (The Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce)
- TeamMates Mentoring Program (Specific local school addresses available on website)

1.6.7 Educational Resource Sharing Network

Develop a network where schools share resources, such as textbooks and technology, to help ensure all students have access to necessary learning materials.

- Kansas City Shared Digital Resources (Mid-Continent Public Library)
- Surplus Exchange Program (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Textbook and Educational Resource Sharing (Participating Kansas City Area Schools)

1.6.8 Public-Private Education Initiatives

Facilitate collaboration between public institutions, private companies, and non-profits to invest in school infrastructure and educational programs.

- Project Lead The Way (PLTW) (Project Lead The Way, Inc.)
- Kauffman Scholars (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)
- PREP-KC (Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation - Kansas City)
- KC Scholars (8080 Ward Parkway, Suite 402, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- SchoolSmartKC (4747 Troost Avenue, Suite 204, Kansas City, MO 64110)

1.6.9 Volunteering for Tutoring Services

Encourage community volunteers to provide free tutoring services in subjects where students are known to struggle, reducing the performance gap.

- Lead to Read KC (P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- Kansas City Area Education Research Consortium (KC-AERC) (KC-AERC)

- Literacy KC (3036 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Upper Room (2803 E. 51st Street, Kansas City, MO 64130)
- Connections to Success (300 W Linwood Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64111)

1.6.10 Policy Advocacy Groups

Form groups that actively lobby for policy changes to address educational inequalities, ensuring systemic issues are acknowledged and addressed.

- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Show Me KC Schools (None Provided)
- PREP-KC (300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- SchoolSmartKC (4747 Troost Avenue, Suite 204, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- The Kansas City Teacher Residency (None Provided)
- Kansas City Public Schools Education Foundation (2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)

1.7 FRAGMENTED SOCIAL SERVICES

Social services may be difficult to navigate and may not adequately address the needs of those at higher risk of experiencing or perpetuating violence.

1.7.1 Unified Resource Directory

Create a comprehensive, user-friendly online directory that lists all available social services in Kansas City. This platform should include details such as eligibility criteria, application processes, and contact information.

- United Way 2-1-1 (United Way of Greater Kansas City)
- myResourceKC (Community Services League in partnership with Mid-America Regional Council and other community partners)
- Find Help (Not specific to Kansas City, as it is a nationwide service.)
- KC Metro Housing Resource Center (Mid-America Regional Council)

1.7.2 Community Navigators Program

Train volunteers or staff to serve as 'community navigators' who assist individuals in finding and accessing the social services that match their needs, helping to overcome the complexity of the systems.

- Community Health Worker Program (KC CARE Health Center)
- Community Support Navigators (United Way of Greater Kansas City)
- Patient Navigation Program (Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center)
- Resource Navigation (Thrive Health Connection)
- Health Access Team (Health Partnership Clinic)

1.7.3 Interagency Collaboration Initiatives

Encourage different service providers to work together, creating a network that ensures more coherent service delivery and reducing the risk of individuals falling through the cracks.

1.7.4 Outreach and Education Campaigns

Launch campaigns to educate the community about available social services, how to access them, and ways to navigate the system, including workshops and information sessions.

- United Way 2-1-1 Outreach Campaign (United Way of Greater Kansas City)
- KC Digital Drive Health Innovation Team (KC Digital Drive)
- REACH Healthcare Foundation Information Outreach (REACH Healthcare Foundation)
- Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center Community Outreach (Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center)
- Thrive Health Connection (5008 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64130)
- Mid-America Regional Council Community Services Outreach (Mid-America Regional Council)

1.7.5 Feedback and Improvement Mechanism

Set up a system where service users can provide feedback on the services they receive, which can be used to continually improve service delivery and ensure it meets community needs.

- My KCMO 311 (City of Kansas City, MO)
- RideKC Feedback (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority)
- Patient Feedback Program (Various healthcare providers)
- KCStat Dashboard (City of Kansas City, MO)
- Unified Government Clerk's Office Public Feedback (Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, KS)

1.7.6 One-Stop-Shop Centers

Establish centralized locations where multiple services are offered, making it easier for people to access multiple types of support in one place without having to navigate complex systems.

- Bloom Party (Kansas City CARE Clinic)
- Connecting For Good (3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Operation Breakthrough (3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Guadalupe Centers (1015 Avenida Cesar E Chavez, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Full Employment Council (1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108)

1.7.7 Mobile Access Units

Implement mobile units that can travel to underserved areas to provide information and assistance with accessing social services directly to residents in their own neighborhoods.

- KC CARE Health Center (3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111)

1.7.8 Cultural Competency Training

Train social service providers in cultural competency to ensure that they can effectively communicate and meet the needs of diverse populations within the community.

- Cultural Competency Training (Children’s Mercy Kansas City)
- Cultural Competency Training (The Center for Equity and Inclusion)
- Cultural Competency Training (University of Missouri-Kansas City)
- Cultural Competency Training (Jewish Vocational Service)

1.7.9 Integrated Case Management

Adopt holistic and personalized case management approaches that address multiple aspects of an individual's needs, rather than fragmented service provision.

- Comprehensive Mental Health Services (Comprehensive Mental Health Services, Inc.)
- Integrated Case Management Services (Truman Medical Centers)
- reStart, Inc. (918 E 9th St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States)
- Case Management Society of America - Kansas City Chapter
- Swope Health Services (3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States)

1.7.10 Social Service Liaisons in Schools

Position dedicated social service liaisons in schools to help identify at-risk youth and families and connect them to the necessary support services promptly.

- Kansas City Public Schools Student Support Services (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Communities In Schools of Mid-America (Communities In Schools of Mid-America at Kansas City)
- Kansas City Social Worker in Schools (SWIS) Program (Kansas City Social Worker in Schools)

1.8 HOUSING INSTABILITY

A lack of safe, affordable housing contributes to stress and instability, which can escalate tensions and lead to increased violence in communities.

1.8.1 Community Land Trusts

Form or support Community Land Trusts to provide affordable housing options by separating the cost of the land from the cost of the home, thereby reducing the overall price of homeownership.

- Westside Housing Organization (919 W 24th St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- Homestead Authority of Kansas City (City Hall, 414 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- Land Bank of Kansas City (4900 Swope Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130)

1.8.2 Affordable Housing Development Incentives

Encourage developers to build or renovate properties for low-income residents through tax incentives, grants, or zoning amendments that allow for higher density housing if a certain percentage is designated as affordable.

- Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program (LIHTC) (Missouri Housing Development Commission)

1.8.3 Rent Control Policies

Advocate for rent control measures that limit the amount by which landlords can increase rent annually, which can help keep housing costs predictable and affordable for long-term residents.

- No Active Rent Control Policies (N/A)

1.8.4 Tiny House Communities

Support the development of tiny house communities, which can provide an affordable and sustainable housing alternative for individuals and small families.

- Veterans Community Project (8900 Troost Ave., Kansas City, MO 64131)
- KC Tiny House Village (Not Specified)

1.8.5 Homeowner and Tenant Education Programs

Offer education programs to assist homeowners and tenants in understanding their rights and responsibilities, as well as financial literacy classes to help them manage housing costs effectively.

- Homebuyer Education Course (Community Housing of Wyandotte County (CHWC))
- Housing Counseling (Housing and Credit Counseling, Inc.)
- Financial Literacy Workshops (UMB Bank Financial Education Center)
- Tenant Rights and Responsibilities Education (Legal Aid of Western Missouri)
- Money Management and Homeownership Education (Community Assistance Council)

1.8.6 Housing First Programs

Support or volunteer for Housing First initiatives that prioritize providing permanent housing to the homeless, which is then supplemented with supportive services to address other underlying issues.

- Housing First Kansas City (Greater Kansas City Coalition to End Homelessness)
- reStart Housing First Program (reStart, Inc.)
- Welcome House Housing Program (Welcome House)

1.8.7 Cooperative Housing Models

Promote and participate in the creation of housing cooperatives where residents have a collective ownership of the property and take part in decision-making processes, often resulting in more affordable living arrangements.

- Community Housing of Wyandotte County (CHWC) (CHWC)
- Posada del Sol Senior Cooperative (Posada del Sol)
- Westside Housing Organization (919 W 24th St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)

1.8.8 Neighborhood Stabilization Programs

Participate in or fund programs focused on rehabilitating and repurposing vacant or blighted properties to revitalize neighborhoods and increase the availability of affordable housing.

- Land Bank of Kansas City (Land Bank of Kansas City, Missouri)
- KC Vacant Lots Program (Land Bank of Kansas City, Missouri)
- Minor Home Repair Program (City of Kansas City, Missouri - Housing and Community Development)
- Homesteading Authority (Homesteading Authority of Kansas City, Missouri)
- Homebuyer Assistance Program (Community Housing of Wyandotte County (CHWC))
- Urban Homesteading Program (Kansas City, Kansas, Land Bank)

1.8.9 Shared Housing Programs

Facilitate shared housing programs that help individuals, particularly seniors and students, to find roommates or to share space with others to reduce living expenses.

- HomeShare (Kansas City Shepherd's Center)
- Kansas City Roommate and Housing Services (Not provided as specific addresses are generally not disclosed for privacy reasons.)
- Student Housing Cooperative (UMKC Student Housing Cooperative)

1.8.10 Eviction Prevention Assistance

Fund or volunteer with organizations that provide legal aid, mediation services, and financial assistance to prevent evictions and secure stable housing for vulnerable residents.

- Tenants to Homeowners (Housing and Credit Counseling, Inc.)
- Kansas Legal Services (400 State Ave Suite 1015, Kansas City, KS 66101)
- KC Tenants (40 West 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Community Assistance Council (10901 Blue Ridge Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64134)
- Heartland Center for Jobs and Freedom (1400 Park Ave, Kansas City, MO 64126)
- United Way of Greater Kansas City's 211 (United Way of Greater Kansas City)

1.9 INSUFFICIENT COMMUNITY POLICING

If police are not adequately integrated and trusted within the community, residents may not feel safe or may not have strong relationships with law enforcement, which can hinder efforts to reduce violence.

1.9.1 Community Policing Volunteer Programs

Encourage local residents to participate in volunteer programs that support police activities, helping to foster trust and communication between the community and law enforcement.

- Volunteer Services (Kansas City Police Department)
- Citizens Police Academy (Kansas City Police Department)
- Community Action Network (CAN) (Kansas City Police Department)

1.9.2 Neighborhood Watch Groups

Create and promote neighborhood watch groups where local residents actively participate in the surveillance of their own neighborhoods, thereby enhancing community-policing efforts.

- Kansas City Neighborhood Watch (Kansas City Police Department)
- Midtown Kansas City Neighborhood Watch (Midtown KC Now)
- Crime Watch (not specific to Kansas City but available as a resource) (National Neighborhood Watch – A Division of the National Sheriffs' Association)

1.9.3 Police-Community Outreach Events

Organize regular events where police officers can engage with community members in non-enforcement activities to build rapport and trust.

- Coffee with a Cop (Kansas City Police Department)
- Community Policing and Youth Programs (Kansas City Police Department)
- Neighborhood Community Officer Program (Kansas City Police Department)
- Chief's Community Forum (Kansas City Police Department)

1.9.4 Community Policing Advisory Board

Establish a community policing advisory board that includes diverse community stakeholders to provide input and feedback on police strategies and initiatives.

1.9.5 Youth Engagement Programs

Develop programs that connect police officers with local youth through mentorship, sports, and educational activities to build positive relationships from an early age.

- KCPD PAL Program (Police Athletic League) (Kansas City Police Department)

1.9.6 Community Feedback Systems

Implement systems that allow community members to provide feedback on police performance and concerns, ensuring their voices are heard and addressed.

- Office of Community Complaints (OCC) (Kansas City Board of Police Commissioners)
- KCPD Community Interaction Officers (Kansas City, Missouri Police Department)
- KCMO 311 Action Center (Kansas City, Missouri - 311 Action Center)
- Community Policing Initiatives (Kansas City, Missouri Police Department)

1.9.7 Cultural Competency Training

Provide cultural competency training for police officers to better understand and serve the diverse community of Kansas City.

- Kansas City Police Department Training (Kansas City Police Department)

1.9.8 Joint Problem-Solving Initiatives

Facilitate joint problem-solving initiatives where police and community members collaborate on identifying and addressing local issues related to crime.

- No Violence Alliance (KC NoVA) (Kansas City Police Department in partnership with local and federal agencies)
- Community Policing Initiatives (Kansas City Police Department)
- Ad Hoc Group Against Crime (3116 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64128)
- Prospect Community Policing Initiative (Kansas City Police Department, East Patrol Division)
- Community Interaction Officers (CIO) Program (Kansas City Police Department)

1.9.9 Transparent Communication Channels

Create transparent communication channels that keep the community informed about policing policies and incidents, thereby improving accountability.

- Board of Police Commissioners Meetings (Kansas City Board of Police Commissioners)

1.9.10 Restorative Justice Programs

Implement restorative justice programs that involve community members in the process of addressing crimes, focusing on the rehabilitation of offenders and reconciliation with victims.

- Center for Conflict Resolution (6285 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA)
- Restorative Justice Authority (Jackson County Family Court)
- Restorative Justice Program (Kansas City Municipal Court)

1.10 INADEQUATE INVESTMENT IN YOUTH PROGRAMMES

Without sufficient investment in youth programs and activities, young people may turn to gangs and other violent activities due to a lack of constructive alternatives.

1.10.1 Community Fundraising Initiatives

Organize community events such as charity runs, bake sales, and local auctions to raise funds specifically for youth programs.

- Girls on the Run 5k (Girls on the Run Serving Greater Kansas City)
- Harvesters' Community Food Network Fundraising Events (Harvesters—The Community Food Network)
- BBBSKC Summer Bowl for Kids' Sake (Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City)
- Annual Gala & Auction (Operation Breakthrough)
- Cars 4 KC Kids (Various locations, Kansas City, MO)

1.10.2 Corporate Sponsorship

Partner with local businesses to sponsor youth programs, providing them with funding in exchange for promotion and community engagement opportunities.

- Kansas City Young Audiences Corporate Sponsorship (Kansas City Young Audiences)

1.10.3 Grants and Subsidies

Apply for grants from government bodies, private foundations, and non-profit organizations that are allocated to support community-based youth initiatives.

- YouthRiseKC (YouthRise KC)

1.10.4 Volunteer Recruitment

Launch a campaign to recruit volunteers with various skill sets to mentor, teach, and supervise youth activities, thereby reducing the overall program cost.

- Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City (1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- YMCA of Greater Kansas City (3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA)
- Lead to Read KC (P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- The Literacy Lab (Kansas City, MO (Exact address not provided on the website))

1.10.5 School Partnerships

Work with local schools to integrate youth programs into the curriculum or after-school activities, potentially sharing resources and facilities.

1.10.6 Crowdfunding Campaigns

Utilize crowdfunding platforms to raise money and build community support for youth programs, allowing individuals to contribute small amounts towards larger goals.

- Urban Rangers Crowdfunding Campaign (Urban Rangers)

- MindDrive Student Project Funding (MindDrive)
- Girls on the Run of Greater Kansas City (Girls on the Run)
- Kansas City Young Audiences Arts Education Programs (Kansas City Young Audiences)

1.10.7 Local Philanthropy

Engage with philanthropists in the Kansas City area who may be interested in investing in the wellbeing of local youth through generous donations.

- SchoolSmartKC (4747 Troost Avenue, Suite 204, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- The Family Conservancy (444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101)
- Greater Kansas City Community Foundation (1055 Broadway Blvd, Suite 130, Kansas City, MO 64105)
- Children's Mercy Hospital (Children's Mercy Kansas City)
- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)

1.10.8 Community Youth Boards

Establish youth boards comprised of local youths to provide input on the types of programs and activities they are interested in, ensuring invested funds are effectively reaching the target audience.

- Mayor's Youth Commission (Office of Civic and Community Engagement)
- Youth Ambassadors (Youth Ambassadors, Inc.)
- KC Youth Rise (KC Youth Rise Coalition)

1.10.9 Resource Sharing Agreements

Form alliances with local community centers, sports facilities, and libraries to share resources and spaces in order to host youth programs at a lower cost.

- KC Parks Community Center Sharing Initiative (Kansas City Parks and Recreation)
- Mid-Continent Public Library Partnership Programs (Mid-Continent Public Library)
- Kansas City Sports Facility Sharing (Kansas City Youth Sports)
- Shared Cultural Resource Initiative (Office of Culture and Creative Services)

1.10.10 Alumni Networks

Reach out to alumni of local youth programs to fundraise and campaign for ongoing support, leveraging their experiences and success stories.

1.10.11 Social Media Awareness

Create social media campaigns to raise awareness about the importance of youth programs and the positive impact they have on the community, encouraging contributions and support.

1.10.12 Faith-Based Organization Partnerships

Collaborate with churches and other faith-based organizations that often have strong community ties and resources to support youth programs.

1.10.13 Youth Entrepreneurship

Foster youth entrepreneurship programs that encourage young people to start their own community service projects or businesses, teaching skills and providing constructive activities.

- Youth Entrepreneurs (1 H&R Block Way, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States)
- KC BizFest (Latino Coalition for Community Leadership)
- DECA Inc. (Kansas City, Missouri area (multiple schools participate in DECA, address provided may belong to a local chapter))
- E-Scholars (University of Missouri-Kansas City)
- Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship (NFTE) (Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship)
- Junior Achievement of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 210, Kansas City, MO 64130)
- The Entrepreneurship Challenge (Regnier Institute for Entrepreneurship and Innovation at the University of Missouri-Kansas City)

1.10.14 Neighborhood Associations

Engage with local neighborhood associations to create micro-funding pools that are dedicated to supporting youth activities within their respective areas.

- Neighborhood Associations (Organization A)
- Neighborhood Associations (Organization B)

2 Repeated Family Trauma

Intergenerational trauma, often resulting from continued exposure to violence, abuse, or neglect, is a substantial challenge. This can negatively impact a community's ability to foster a safe environment and build a strong community spirit, as unresolved trauma can lead to cyclical patterns of violence and distress.

2.1 HISTORICAL VIOLENCE

A history of violence within families can lay the groundwork for continued trauma, as successive generations may grow accustomed to violence as a norm.

2.1.1 Community Education Programs

Develop and implement education programs in schools and community centers to teach children and adults about the effects of family violence, healthy relationships, conflict resolution skills, and where to seek help.

- Domestic Violence Impact for Schools Program (Rose Brooks Center)
- Safe Dates Program (Newhouse)
- Green Dot Violence Prevention Strategy (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA))
- Community Workshops (Mattie Rhodes Center)

2.1.2 Support Groups

Establish local support groups that provide safe spaces for survivors of family violence to share their experiences, offer mutual support, and access resources for recovery.

- Hope House (P.O. Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063)
- Rose Brooks Center (P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132)
- SAFEHOME (P.O. Box 4563, Overland Park, KS 66204-0563)
- Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA) (MOCSA)
- Newhouse (P.O. Box 240019, Kansas City, MO 64124)

2.1.3 Counseling Services

Expand the availability of professional counseling services for individuals and families affected by violence, with a focus on breaking the cycle of abuse.

- Domestic Violence Victim Counseling (Rose Brooks Center)
- Individual and Family Counseling (MOCSA – Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault)
- Child and Family Counseling Program (Children's Mercy Kansas City)
- Violence Intervention and Prevention Services (Cornerstones of Care)
- Family Support and Counseling (Synergy Services)

2.1.4 Youth Engagement Initiatives

Create programs that engage youth in positive activities, such as sports, arts, and leadership training, to provide alternatives to violence and ways to develop self-esteem and resilience.

- Youth Ambassadors Program (Youth Ambassadors Inc.)
- Urban Rangers (Urban Rangers Corps)
- The HALO Foundation (1600 Genessee St Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64102)
- KC Hoops (Locations vary, based in Kansas City)
- Art as Mentorship (Multiple locations, based in Kansas City)
- MindDrive (2615 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Mattie Rhodes Center (1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)

2.1.5 Community Policing Strategies

Enhance community policing efforts to build trust between residents and law enforcement, ensuring that families are comfortable reporting violence and seeking protection.

- Kansas City No Violence Alliance (KC NoVA) (Kansas City No Violence Alliance)
- Community Interaction Officers (CIOs) (Kansas City Missouri Police Department)
- AdHoc Group Against Crime (3116 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64128)
- Community Policing Initiatives by Aim4Peace (Aim4Peace)

2.1.6 Public Awareness Campaigns

Launch public awareness campaigns aimed at de-stigmatizing the discussion of family violence and promoting awareness of the resources available to those in need.

- Stand Up, Speak Out Campaign (Rose Brooks Center)
- Family Violence Prevention Campaign (MOCSA - Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault)
- Be More Than A Bystander Campaign (Synergy Services)
- Breaking the Silence KC (Hope House)
- Domestic Violence Awareness Month Activities (Newhouse)

2.1.7 Early Intervention Programs

Implement early intervention programs in healthcare facilities, schools, and social services to identify and provide support to at-risk families before violence escalates.

2.1.8 Legal Aid Resources

Increase access to free or low-cost legal aid for victims of family violence to help them navigate the justice system and secure protective orders or pursue other legal actions.

- Legal Aid of Western Missouri (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 300, Kansas City, MO 64130)
- Kansas Legal Services (712 S. Kansas Ave, Suite 200, Topeka, KS 66603)
- Rose Brooks Center (P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132)
- Hope House (P.O. Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063)

- Safehome (P.O. Box 4563, Overland Park, KS 66204-0563)

2.1.9 Economic Empowerment Programs

Create programs that focus on economic empowerment and independence for survivors, including job training, education, and financial literacy, to reduce the economic barriers to leaving abusive situations.

- Economic Empowerment Workshops (Rose Brooks Center)
- Survivor Support Network (Hope House)
- Workforce Development (Full Employment Council)
- New Roots for Refugees (Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas)

2.1.10 Coordinated Community Response

Develop a coordinated community response that brings together law enforcement, social services, healthcare, and legal professionals to strategically address family violence and protect victims.

- Rose Brooks Center (P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132)
- Kansas City Anti-Violence Project (4050 Pennsylvania Ave., Suite 135, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Hope House (P.O. Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063)
- Synergy Services (400 E 6th St, Parkville, MO 64152)
- Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA) (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault)
- Newhouse Shelter (P.O. Box 240019, Kansas City, MO 64124)

2.2 ECONOMIC DISADVANTAGE

Poverty and lack of resources can exacerbate stress and conflict within families, potentially contributing to instances of violence and the perpetuation of trauma.

2.2.1 Community Resource Centers

Establish community centers that offer resources and support for low-income families, including job training, financial counseling, and access to food and healthcare services.

2.2.2 Educational Support Programs

Create and fund programs that provide tutoring, mentorship, and after-school activities to help children in underprivileged areas succeed academically.

- Lead to Read KC (P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- Upper Room KC (The Upper Room)
- Operation Breakthrough (3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- Kansas City Public Schools - Office of Students In Transition (Kansas City Public Schools)

2.2.3 Affordable Housing Initiatives

Develop and maintain affordable housing to ensure that families can live in safe and stable environments without the burden of excessive housing costs.

- Kansas City Affordable Housing Program (City of Kansas City, Missouri - Housing and Community Development)
- Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Projects (Missouri Housing Development Commission (MHDC))
- Habitat for Humanity Kansas City (Habitat for Humanity of Kansas City)
- Community Housing of Wyandotte County (CHWC) (Community Housing of Wyandotte County)

2.2.4 Economic Development Projects

Invest in local economic development to create job opportunities and stimulate the local economy, focusing on inclusive growth that benefits all residents.

- Kansas City Strategic Plan (City of Kansas City)
- LaunchKC (Downtown Council of Kansas City)
- KCSOURCELINK (University of Missouri-Kansas City Innovation Center)
- EDCKC (Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City)
- Port KC (110 Berkley Plaza, Kansas City, MO 64120)
- South Kansas City Chamber of Commerce (PO Box 480262 Kansas City, MO 64148)

2.2.5 Mental Health and Counseling Services

Offer free or subsidized mental health resources and counseling services to individuals and families facing stress and conflict due to economic disadvantage.

- Mental Health and Counseling Services (Kansas City CARE Clinic)
- Mental Health and Counseling Services (ReDiscover)
- Mental Health and Counseling Services (Tri-County Mental Health Services)
- Mental Health and Counseling Services (The Family Conservancy)
- Mental Health and Counseling Services (Swope Health)
- Mental Health and Counseling Services (Mattie Rhodes Center)

2.2.6 Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment

Implement programs aimed at preventing substance abuse and providing treatment options for those affected by it, focusing on the links between poverty, stress, and drug use.

- Drug-Free Communities (DFC) Support Program (Mid-America Regional Council)
- Substance Use Disorder Services (Truman Medical Centers)
- Prevention and Recovery Services (First Call Alcohol/Drug Prevention & Recovery)
- Heartland Center for Behavioral Change (1514 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- Substance Abuse Treatment Services (reDiscover)

2.2.7 Violence Prevention Initiatives

Collaborate with law enforcement, schools, and community organizations to develop violence prevention programs that address the root causes of family conflict.

- Aim4Peace (Kansas City, MO Health Department)
- KC NoVA (Kansas City No Violence Alliance) (Kansas City Police Department and partner agencies)
- PREP-KC (Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation Kansas City)
- Restart, Inc. (918 E 9th St, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- Rose Brooks Center (P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132)

2.2.8 Financial Literacy Workshops

Conduct workshops and seminars to improve financial literacy among residents, teaching skills like budgeting, saving, and debt management.

- Financial Success Workshops (Community Services League)
- Money Smart Classes (Women's Employment Network)
- Personal Finance Workshops (NextStep KC)
- Financial Education Workshops (Guadalupe Centers)

2.2.9 Nutrition and Food Access Programs

Provide programs that make healthy food more accessible to low-income families, such as community gardens, food pantries, and cooperative grocery initiatives.

- Harvesters—The Community Food Network (3801 Topping Ave, Kansas City, MO 64129)
- Kansas City Community Gardens (6917 Kensington Ave, Kansas City, MO 64132)
- After the Harvest (406 W. 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- NourishKC (750 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- Cultivate KC (4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106)
- Good Natured Family Farms (1045 E. 2100th Rd., Eudora, KS 66025)

2.2.10 Collaborative Community Planning

Engage local residents in the decision-making process to identify key issues and develop tailored solutions that address the unique needs of the community.

- Forward KC (City of Kansas City, Missouri)
- Greater Kansas City Community Foundation (1055 Broadway Blvd, Suite 130, Kansas City, MO 64105)
- Imagine KC (Mid-America Regional Council (MARC))
- Neighborhood Planning and Development (City of Kansas City, Missouri)

2.3 INADEQUATE SUPPORT SYSTEMS

A lack of access to supportive services such as mental health care, education, and community resources can hinder healing and contribute to the cycle of trauma.

2.3.1 Community Mental Health Initiatives

Develop community-driven programs to offer free or low-cost mental health services, including counseling, workshops, and support groups for residents experiencing trauma.

- Zero Reasons Why (Johnson County Mental Health Center)
- Mental Health First Aid (Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health)
- ReDiscover Mental Health Services (ReDiscover)
- Swope Health Services (Swope Health)
- Thrive Counseling (406 W. 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States)
- Tri-County Mental Health Services (3100 NE 83rd St #1001, Kansas City, MO 64119, United States)
- Signature Psychiatric Hospital Community Programs (Signature Psychiatric Hospital)

2.3.2 Educational Outreach Programs

Partner with local schools, libraries, and community centers to provide educational workshops and resources on trauma, its effects, and pathways to recovery.

- Trauma Sensitive Schools Initiative (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Trauma Informed Care for Children & Families (Behavioral Health Network)
- Transforming Trauma: Resilience and Healing for Our Kids (United Inner City Services)

2.3.3 Local Resource Network

Create an online and physical directory of local support services and resources, making it easier for residents to find and access the help they need.

- United Way of Greater Kansas City 2-1-1 (United Way of Greater Kansas City)

2.3.4 Volunteer Training Programs

Train volunteers from the community to recognize signs of trauma and to provide initial support and guidance to those affected, bridging the gap until professional services are accessible.

- Thrive Through Trauma - Volunteer Training (Thrive Health Connection)

2.3.5 Public Awareness Campaign

Launch a public awareness campaign to destigmatize mental health issues and encourage people to seek help, including success stories and information on available resources.

- Speak Up (Speak Up Foundation)
- It's OK to Not Be OK (Tri-County Mental Health Services)
- Zero Reasons Why (Johnson County Mental Health Center)

2.3.6 Mobile Support Units

Implement mobile units staffed with professionals to deliver mental health services, education, and community resources directly to underserved areas.

- Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health Emergency Services (Truman Medical Centers)
- reStart Mobile Medical Unit (reStart Inc. & KC CARE Health Center)
- Swope Health Mobile Medical Unit (Swope Health)
- Comprehensive Mental Health Services Mobile Crisis Response (Comprehensive Mental Health Services, Inc.)
- Heartland Center for Behavioral Change (1514 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)

2.3.7 Community Collaboration with Healthcare Providers

Establish partnerships with local healthcare providers to create integrated support systems that can address multiple aspects of healing from trauma.

- Trauma Matters KC (Not publicly available - Contact via email or phone)
- Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center (825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124, United States)
- Wyandot Behavioral Health Network (1301 N 47th St, Kansas City, KS 66102, United States)
- Truman Medical Centers (2301 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- Children's Mercy Kansas City (2401 Gillham Rd, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)

2.3.8 School-Based Support Programs

Work with school districts to integrate social-emotional learning and trauma-informed care into the curriculum, providing a safety net for children and adolescents.

- Trauma Sensitive Schools Initiative (Kansas City Public Schools)
- The Resilience Builder Program (Cornerstones of Care)
- Social Emotional Learning Program (North Kansas City Schools)
- Trauma-Informed School Initiative (Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools)

2.3.9 Subsidized Mental Health Care

Coordinate with mental health professionals to offer subsidized care for individuals in financial hardship, reducing the financial barrier to accessing services.

- Kansas City Health Department's Aim4Peace Program (Kansas City Health Department)
- Swope Health Services (3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States)
- Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health (Truman Medical Centers)
- Rediscover (901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086)
- Jewish Family Services of Greater Kansas City (Jewish Family Services)
- Mattie Rhodes Center (1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)

2.3.10 Peer Support Networks

Foster the formation of peer support networks where individuals with similar experiences can connect, share their stories, and offer mutual support.

- NAMI Kansas City (406 W. 34th Street, Suite 201, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Gilda's Club Kansas City (21 W 43rd St, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Mental Health America of the Heartland (739 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101)
- DBSA Kansas City (Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance) (DBSA Greater Kansas City)
- Alcoholics Anonymous Kansas City (200 E. 18th Ave., North Kansas City, MO 64116)
- Tri-County Mental Health Services (3100 NE 83rd St #1001, Kansas City, MO 64119, United States)

2.4 SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Drug and alcohol abuse within families can increase the likelihood of violence and neglect, which in turn fosters intergenerational trauma.

2.4.1 Community Education Programs

Implement comprehensive community education programs focusing on the dangers of substance abuse, recognition of signs and symptoms, and ways to seek help for oneself or loved ones.

- First Call (First Call Alcohol/Drug Prevention & Recovery)

2.4.2 Support Group Formation

Facilitate the creation of support groups for individuals and families affected by substance abuse, providing a platform for sharing experiences and coping strategies.

- Alcoholics Anonymous Kansas City (Kansas City Area Central Office)
- Narcotics Anonymous Kansas City (Mid-America Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous (MARS))
- First Call Kansas City (First Call Alcohol/Drug Prevention & Recovery)
- Parents of Addicted Loved Ones (PAL) (Parents of Addicted Loved Ones)
- Heartland Center for Behavioral Change (1514 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)

2.4.3 Youth Engagement Activities

Create engaging programs for young people that offer education on substance abuse prevention, healthy lifestyle choices, and provide constructive alternatives to drug and alcohol use.

- Teenage Substance Abuse Prevention Program (Teens in Transition)
- Youth Development Program (KC Boys & Girls Clubs)
- Healthy Choices for Youth (YMCA of Greater Kansas City)
- Life Skills Training (First Call Alcohol/Drug Prevention & Recovery)
- Youth Prevention and Education Program (Tri-County Mental Health Services)

2.4.4 Access to Counseling and Rehabilitation Services

Increase the accessibility of counseling and rehabilitation services for those struggling with substance abuse, and ensure that these services are affordable and tailored to the needs of the community.

- Signature Psychiatric Hospital (2900 Clay Edwards Drive, North Kansas City, MO 64116)
- Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health (Truman Medical Centers)
- ReDiscover (901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086)
- First Call (9091 State Line Rd, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- Swope Health Services (3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States)
- Mattie Rhodes Center (1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)

2.4.5 Partnerships with Local Law Enforcement

Work in collaboration with local law enforcement to address the root causes of substance abuse, such as poverty and lack of education, while ensuring that resources are directed towards treatment and prevention rather than punishment.

- Aim4Peace (Kansas City Health Department)

2.4.6 Parental Education Workshops

Provide workshops for parents that teach effective parenting strategies, how to communicate with their children about substance abuse, and the importance of establishing a supportive and open family environment.

- ParentWISE Workshops (The Family Conservancy)
- Strengthening Families Program (University of Missouri Extension)
- Parent Engagement Workshops (Operation Breakthrough)
- Triple P – Positive Parenting Program (Children's Mercy Kansas City)

2.4.7 Job Training and Economic Opportunities

Expand job training programs and create economic opportunities that can decrease the socioeconomic stressors that may lead to substance abuse.

- Full Employment Council (Full Employment Council, Inc.)
- Kansas City No Violence Alliance (KC NoVA) (Kansas City No Violence Alliance)
- UMKC Institute for Human Development Workforce Development (UMKC Institute for Human Development)
- Project Freedom (ReDiscover)
- Goodwill Western Missouri & Eastern Kansas Job Training (Goodwill of Western Missouri & Eastern Kansas)

2.4.8 School-Based Prevention Programs

Integrate evidence-based substance abuse prevention programs within the school curriculum to educate children and adolescents early on.

- Project Alert (Kansas City Public Schools)

2.4.9 Substance-Free Community Events

Organize and promote substance-free events and activities within the community to encourage a culture of healthy, drug-free fun.

- First Fridays in the Crossroads (Crossroads Community Association)

2.4.10 Relapse Prevention Planning

Offer resources for individuals in recovery to help them develop personal relapse prevention plans, and establish community networks that provide ongoing support.

- Relapse Prevention Program (First Call Alcohol/Drug Prevention & Recovery)
- Recovery Support Services (Midwest Recovery Centers)
- Substance Abuse Recovery Support (Rediscover)
- Outpatient Treatment and Relapse Prevention (Tri-County Mental Health Services)
- Peer Support and Recovery Planning (Amethyst Place)

2.5 CULTURAL STIGMA

Stigma surrounding mental health issues and seeking help can discourage individuals from addressing and healing trauma, allowing it to persist across generations.

2.5.1 Community Mental Health Education Programs

Launch educational programs to raise awareness about mental health, its importance, and destigmatize its discussion. This could be done through workshops, school programs, and public service announcements.

2.5.2 Storytelling and Shared Experiences

Encourage people who have coped with mental health issues to share their stories and struggles. This initiative could include support groups or public speaking events to create a sense of solidarity and understanding.

- Speaking of Hope (NAMI Kansas City)

2.5.3 Training for Healthcare Providers

Provide specialized training for healthcare providers on how to address stigma and approach patients respectfully and effectively. Ensure they have the resources to provide culturally sensitive care.

- Cultural Competency Training (Health Partnership Clinic)

2.5.4 Mental Health First Aid Courses

Offer courses for individuals to become 'Mental Health First Aiders,' equipping them with skills to support others who might be experiencing mental health issues.

- Mental Health First Aid (Tristar Care)
- Mental Health First Aid Training (KC Cares)

2.5.5 Supportive School Environments

Integrate mental health education into school curriculums, ensuring that from an early age children learn about mental health. Create student-led initiatives and peer support systems within schools.

- Supportive School Environment Program (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Peer Support Training (North Kansas City Schools)
- Student Leadership Programs (Blue Valley School District)

2.5.6 Corporate Mental Health Initiatives

Encourage local businesses to implement mental health initiatives in the workplace, including employee assistance programs and mental health days, to foster a supportive environment.

- Resilience at Cerner (Cerner Corporation)
- Mindful Advocate Program at Hallmark (Hallmark Cards, Inc.)
- Garmin's Overall Wellness Program (Garmin International)
- Thrive@H&R Block (H&R Block)
- VMLY&R's Mental Health Support (VMLY&R)

2.5.7 Media Campaigns

Work with local media outlets to run campaigns highlighting the importance of mental health and promoting success stories of individuals who have sought help and recovered.

- Speak Up (Speak Up Foundation)
- It's OK to not be OK (Mental Health America of the Heartland)
- Zero Reasons Why (Johnson County Mental Health Center)

2.5.8 Accessible Mental Health Resources

Create a database or resource center where individuals can easily find information about local mental health services, such as counseling, support groups, and crisis hotlines.

- Mental Health Resource Center (Mental Health America of the Heartland)
- Find a Therapist Tool (Psychology Today)
- Kansas City Mental Health Resources (Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health)
- Kansas Crisis Hotline (Headquarters Counseling Center)
- MOCSA Community Resource Guide (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA))

2.5.9 Inclusive Policy Making

Involve individuals with lived experience of mental health issues in policy-making and planning of health programs to ensure their voices are heard and needs are met.

- Kansas City Mental Health Task Force (Kansas City Municipal Government)
- Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health Community Advisory Board (Truman Medical Centers)
- Mental Health America of the Heartland Consumer Advisory Council (Mental Health America of the Heartland)

2.5.10 Community Outreach Programs

Establish outreach programs in high-stigma areas that provide information, screenings, and referrals to mental health services, with an emphasis on cultural competence and sensitivity.

- Swope Health Services (3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States)
- Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health (Truman Medical Centers)
- ReDiscover (901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086)
- KC CARE Health Center (3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Thrive Health Connection (5008 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64130)

2.6 SOCIAL ISOLATION

Families that are socially isolated lack the external relationships that can provide support, intervention, and alternative perspectives on conflict resolution.

2.6.1 Community Engagement Programs

Develop and promote local programs that encourage engagement among residents, such as community events, clubs, and social gatherings to foster relationships and provide opportunities for families to connect with others.

- 1 Million Cups (Kaufman Foundation)

2.6.2 Mentorship Opportunities

Establish mentorship programs that pair socially isolated families with more established community members who can provide guidance, support, and a sense of belonging.

- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City (Big Brothers Big Sisters)
- Cornerstones of Care Mentoring Program (Cornerstones of Care)
- Lead to Read KC (P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- Mentorship for Women and Girls (Women's Foundation)
- Kansas City SCORE (SCORE Association)

2.6.3 Support Groups

Create support groups for various interests and needs that can offer a safe space for families to share their experiences and struggles while building a network of supportive relationships.

- Parenting Children with Special Needs Support Group (The Whole Person)
- Grief Support Groups (Kansas City Hospice & Palliative Care)
- Mental Health Support Groups (Mental Health America of the Heartland)
- Breastfeeding Support Group (Saint Luke's Hospital of Kansas City)
- Cancer Support Groups (Cancer Action)
- LGBTQ+ Support Groups (Kansas City Center for Inclusion)

2.6.4 Community Resource Centers

Set up resource centers in neighborhoods that provide information and access to social services, as well as host workshops and events designed to encourage community building and social interaction.

- Guadalupe Centers (Guadalupe Centers, Inc.)
- Mattie Rhodes Center (1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center (825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124)
- Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council (3700 Woodland Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Sheffield Place (6604 East 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64126)
- The Upper Room (2803 E 51st St, Kansas City, MO 64130)

2.6.5 Volunteer Programs

Promote and expand volunteer opportunities that allow socially isolated families to participate in community service, which can lead to new connections and a greater sense of purpose in the local community.

2.6.6 Neighborhood Outreach Initiatives

Launch initiatives that aim to reach out to socially isolated families directly, perhaps through door-to-door visits or community ambassadors, to encourage their participation in local activities and services.

- Community Action Agency of Greater Kansas City (6323 Manchester Ave, Kansas City, MO 64133)
- Neighbor2Neighbor Program (Sheffield Place)
- Community Ambassadors (Office of the Mayor, Kansas City, Missouri)
- Mattie Rhodes Center Outreach (Mattie Rhodes Center)
- Door-to-Door Outreach (Various community groups and nonprofits)

2.6.7 Parenting Workshops

Provide free or low-cost parenting classes and workshops that teach effective communication and conflict resolution skills, as well as offering a venue for parents to meet and support each other.

- Positive Parenting Program (Triple P) (Cornerstones of Care)
- Parenting Skills Classes (The Family Conservancy)
- Parenting Classes (Operation Breakthrough)
- Parent University (Kansas City Public Schools)

2.6.8 Internet Access Programs

Improve access to reliable internet and technology for socially isolated families, helping them connect with online communities and resources when physical interaction is challenging.

- Connecting for Good (3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)

2.6.9 Cultural and Arts Programs

Offer a range of cultural events and art-based activities that can attract a diverse group of participants, helping families to bridge gaps in understanding and appreciation for different backgrounds.

- First Fridays in the Crossroads Arts District (Crossroads Community Association)
- The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art Community Programs (The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art)
- Kansas City Symphony's Community Connections (Kansas City Symphony)
- American Jazz Museum's Public Programming (American Jazz Museum)
- Kansas City Public Library's Cultural Series (Kansas City Public Library)
- The Charlotte Street Foundation Programs (Charlotte Street Foundation)
- Mattie Rhodes Center Cultural Arts Workshops (Mattie Rhodes Center)

2.6.10 Public Spaces for Social Interaction

Invest in public spaces such as parks, libraries, and community centers where families can gather and interact with their peers in a safe and welcoming environment.

- Kansas City Parks and Recreation (Kansas City Parks and Recreation Department)
- Kansas City Public Library (14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States)
- Neighborhoods and Housing Services Department (City of Kansas City, MO - Neighborhoods and Housing Services Department)
- Center for Neighborhoods (University of Missouri-Kansas City)

2.7 INEFFECTIVE JUSTICE SYSTEM

A justice system that fails to appropriately address family violence and its consequences can perpetuate a cycle of trauma by not providing resolution or rehabilitation.

2.7.1 Community Education Programs

Develop and fund educational programs that focus on the dynamics of family violence, its impact on victims and the community, and ways to intervene or prevent such violence. Partner with schools, community centers, and religious institutions to reach a broad audience.

- SAFEHOME Domestic Violence Survivor Support (SAFEHOME)
- Rose Brooks Center Prevention Programming (Rose Brooks Center)
- MOCSA Community Education (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA))
- Newhouse Shelter Education & Outreach (Newhouse Shelter)
- Hope House Community Education (Hope House)

2.7.2 Support Groups and Safe Spaces

Create and support local support groups, shelters, and safe spaces where survivors of family violence can seek refuge, share their experiences, and receive emotional support without judgment.

- Rose Brooks Center (P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132)
- Hope House (P.O. Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063)
- Newhouse Shelter (P.O. Box 240019, Kansas City, MO 64124)
- SAFEHOME (P.O. Box 4563, Overland Park, KS 66204-0563)
- Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA) (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault)
- Synergy Services (400 E 6th St, Parkville, MO 64152)

2.7.3 Volunteer Advocate Networks

Organize a network of trained volunteer advocates who can provide support and guidance to individuals and families dealing with family violence, including assisting with navigating the legal system.

- Rose Brooks Center (P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132)

2.7.4 Enhanced Legal Assistance

Increase funding and resources for legal aid organizations to ensure that victims of family violence have access to competent legal representation, particularly in cases involving restraining orders, child custody, and divorce.

- Legal Aid of Western Missouri (1125 Grand Blvd., Suite 1900, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- Kansas Legal Services (400 State Avenue, Suite 1015, Kansas City, KS 66101)
- Rose Brooks Center (P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132)
- Hope House (P.O. Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063)
- Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA) (3100 Broadway Street, Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Domestic Violence Protection Services Agency ([Organizational address could not be retrieved])

2.7.5 Preventive Outreach Programs

Develop outreach programs aimed at at-risk populations to educate about healthy relationships, conflict resolution, and the warning signs of potential abusers. Programs could be implemented in collaboration with local youth centers, high schools, and universities.

- MOCSA Community and Education Programs (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA))
- PREP-KC Biannual College and Career Fairs (Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation - Kansas City (PREP-KC))
- Healthy Relationships KC (Cornerstones of Care)
- The GREEN Program (Mattie Rhodes Center)
- Youth Ambassadors Program (Youth Ambassadors)

2.7.6 Collaborative Response Teams

Establish multi-disciplinary teams that include law enforcement, social services, mental health professionals, and legal experts to collaboratively address cases of family violence, particularly for high-risk situations.

- Domestic Violence Victim Assistance Program (Kansas City Police Department)
- Jackson County COMBAT (Jean Peters Baker, Jackson County Prosecutor, Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- Hope House (P.O. Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063)
- MOCSA – Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault)
- Rose Brooks Center (P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132)

2.7.7 Mentorship Programs

Create mentorship programs that connect survivors of family violence with mentors who have overcome similar circumstances, fostering a network of support and empowerment.

- Hope House Services (Hope House)
- Mentorship for SAFEHOME program (SAFEHOME)
- Rose Brooks Center (P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132)
- Newhouse Shelter (P.O. Box 240019, Kansas City, MO 64124)

2.7.8 Training for Law Enforcement and Court Personnel

Provide specialized training for police officers, judges, and court personnel on the complexities of handling family violence cases, emphasizing trauma-informed approaches to avoid retraumatization of victims.

- Family Violence Unit Training (Kansas City Police Department)
- Domestic Violence Court Initiative (Kansas City Municipal Court)
- Advanced Domestic Violence Training Program (Rose Brooks Center)

2.7.9 Policy Advocacy

Form or join a coalition to advocate for policy changes that prioritize the safety and well-being of family violence victims. This could involve campaigning for stricter enforcement of existing laws or the development of new legislation to further protect survivors.

- Advocacy for Survivors of Domestic Violence (Rose Brooks Center)
- Policy Advocacy and Systems Change (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA))
- Public Policy Advocacy (Synergy Services)

2.7.10 Community Partnerships with Mental Health Providers

Forge partnerships between community organizations and mental health providers to offer counseling and therapy services to both victims and perpetrators of family violence, addressing underlying issues and preventing future violence.

2.8 MEDIA INFLUENCE

Regular exposure to violent media content can normalize aggressive behaviors and shape the attitudes of children and adults alike towards violence.

2.8.1 Media Literacy Programs

Develop and implement comprehensive media literacy programs in schools and community centers in Kansas City to educate children and adults about the impacts of violent media content and develop critical thinking skills to interpret media messages responsibly.

- MediaWise Teen Fact-Checking Network (Poynter Institute)
- Digital Literacy Workshops (Kansas City Public Library)
- Media Literacy Education (KC Digital Drive)
- 21st Century Learning Centers (Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education)

2.8.2 Positive Media Campaigns

Launch positive media campaigns across various platforms including local TV, radio, and social media, highlighting stories of non-violence, cooperation, and community building to counteract the normalization of aggression.

- Love KC (KC Area Development Council)
- PeaceWorks Kansas City (4509 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Kindness Kansas City
- Urban Ranger Corps (5908 Swope Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130)

2.8.3 Parental Education Workshops

Hold workshops for parents to provide them with strategies to monitor and manage their children's media consumption, as well as dialoguing with their children about the content they are exposed to.

- Parental Digital Literacy Workshop (Kansas City Public Library)
- Family Engagement Workshops (The Family Conservancy)
- Positive Parenting Program (Triple P) (Triple P - Positive Parenting Program)

2.8.4 Support Local Youth Programs

Invest in and support youth programs such as sports, arts, and mentorship that provide constructive activities and foster a sense of community and belonging among children and adolescents, steering them away from violence.

- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- Mattie Rhodes Center (1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- Youth Ambassadors (1100 Rockhurst Road, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- KC Hoops (Locations vary, based in Kansas City)
- Heart of America Shakespeare Festival's Camp Shakespeare (Heart of America Shakespeare Festival)
- Kansas City Young Audiences (3732 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Jewish Community Center of Greater Kansas City Youth Sports and Fitness Programs (The Jewish Community Center of Greater Kansas City)

2.8.5 Community-Based Outreach

Organize community-based outreach initiatives that encourage discussions about violence in media, including movie nights followed by guided discussions, public forums, or town hall meetings that involve local leaders.

- KC Mothers in Charge (3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Center for Conflict Resolution (6285 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA)
- AdHoc Group Against Crime (3116 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64128)

2.8.6 Encourage Quality Programming

Work with local broadcasters and content creators to encourage the production and distribution of quality programming that emphasizes positive values and limits violent content, especially during hours when children are most likely to watch.

- KCPT - Kansas City PBS (Kansas City PBS)
- The Family Conservancy (444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101)
- Children's Mercy Hospital - Media Safety (Children's Mercy Kansas City)

2.8.7 Digital Wellness Resources

Provide digital wellness resources in libraries and online platforms to help individuals in Kansas City make informed decisions about their digital consumption and its potential effects on their behavior and outlook on violence.

- Mindful Media Consumption (Kansas City Public Library)
- Digital Navigators Program (Kansas City Public Library)
- Online Wellbeing Guides (Connecting For Good)
- Cyber Civics Workshops (PREP-KC)

2.8.8 Mental Health Support

Expand mental health services to address the psychological impact of violent media on individuals by offering counseling, therapy, and support groups, particularly for children and individuals showing signs of aggressive behavior.

- Tri-County Mental Health Services (3100 NE 83rd St #1001, Kansas City, MO 64119, United States)

2.8.9 Research and Evaluation

Promote and fund research to study the local impact of media violence on the community, and utilize findings to inform policy decisions and create targeted interventions for at-risk populations.

- Kansas City Youth Violence Prevention Plan Evaluation (University of Missouri-Kansas City)

2.8.10 Collaboration with Tech Industry

Partner with the local tech industry to develop and promote tools or applications that help parents and guardians filter and control the media content accessible to their children.

2.9 EDUCATIONAL FAILURES

Educational systems that do not adequately address social and emotional learning may fail to equip young people with the tools necessary for conflict resolution and stress management.

2.9.1 Community Mentorship Programs

Establish mentorship programs where community leaders and professionals volunteer to guide students, focusing on social and emotional development.

- Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City (1709 Walnut Street, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130)
- MINDDRIVE (2615 Holmes St., Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Lead to Read KC (P.O. Box 23222, Kansas City, MO 64113)

- PREP-KC (2401 Grand Blvd., Suite 700, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Kansas City Teacher Residency (1 E. Armour Blvd, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64111)

2.9.2 Social-Emotional Learning Workshops

Offer workshops and seminars for parents and educators on social and emotional learning (SEL) to help them understand and promote SEL in children's everyday lives.

2.9.3 Peer Mediation Initiatives

Implement peer mediation programs in schools to teach students conflict resolution skills and provide them with opportunities to practice these skills in real-life scenarios.

- Kansas City Friends of Alvin Ailey - AileyCamp (Kansas City Friends of Alvin Ailey)

2.9.4 After-School Programs for SEL

Create after-school programs focused on arts, sports, and civic engagement that encourage social and emotional learning in a practical, engaging environment.

- LINC (Local Investment Commission (LINC))
- Operation Breakthrough (3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- YMCA of Greater Kansas City (3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- The Upper Room (2803 E 51st St, Kansas City, MO 64130)

2.9.5 Teacher Training in SEL

Invest in professional development for teachers with a focus on integrating social and emotional learning into their curriculum and classroom management strategies.

- Trauma Sensitive School Training (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA))
- CharacterPlus (Cooperating School Districts of Greater Kansas City)
- SEL Professional Development (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Social Emotional Learning Training (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)
- Resilient KC (Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce)

2.9.6 Parental Engagement Strategies

Host regular meetings and workshops for parents to provide them with tools and strategies for supporting their children's social and emotional development at home.

- Family Engagement Program (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Parents as Teachers (The Family Conservancy)
- Parent Power (Turn the Page KC)
- Parent Leadership Training (Local Investment Commission (LINC))

- Parent Workshops (Operation Breakthrough)

2.9.7 Student-Led Initiatives

Encourage and support student-led initiatives such as clubs or projects that promote empathy, teamwork, and emotional intelligence.

2.9.8 Public-Private Educational Partnerships

Collaborate with local businesses and non-profits to fund and provide resources for comprehensive SEL programs within schools.

- Kansas City Social Innovation Center (4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- PREP-KC (Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation - Kansas City)
- Kansas City Teacher Residency (3 E. Armour Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64111)

2.9.9 Community Counseling Resources

Increase access to counseling services and support groups for young people to address emotional and mental health challenges.

- Community Counseling Resources (UMKC School of Education's Counseling and Assessment Clinic)
- Community Counseling Resources (Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health)
- Community Counseling Resources (Jewish Family Services of Greater Kansas City)
- Community Counseling Resources (Synergy Services)
- Community Counseling Resources (Mattie Rhodes Center)

2.9.10 SEL Curriculum Development

Work with educational experts to develop a curriculum that incorporates SEL principles across various subjects and grade levels.

- Kansas City Public Schools SEL Integration (Kansas City Public Schools)

2.10 LACK OF ROLE MODELS

The absence of positive role models can leave individuals without examples of healthy relationships and non-violent conflict resolution strategies.

2.10.1 Mentorship Programs

Establish mentorship programs that pair youth with adults who can provide guidance, support, and positive examples of success and interpersonal relationships.

- Kansas City Youth Mentorship Program (Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City)
- PREP-KC Mentorship Program (PREP-KC)
- Minds Matter (Minds Matter of Kansas City)

- Youth Ambassadors (1100 Rockhurst Road, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Lead to Read KC Reading Mentorship (Lead to Read KC)

2.10.2 Community Role Model Campaigns

Highlight local individuals who have overcome adversity and serve as positive role models through media campaigns and public speaking events.

2.10.3 After-School Clubs and Activities

Create a variety of after-school programs that offer constructive activities and opportunities for students to interact with caring adults and peers.

- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- Latchkey (Latchkey,LLC)
- YMCA of Greater Kansas City (3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA)
- Mattie Rhodes Center (1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- Operation Breakthrough (3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)

2.10.4 Partnerships with Local Business Leaders

Develop partnerships with local businesses to create internship and job shadowing opportunities that expose young people to positive workplace behaviors and ethics.

- Hire KC (4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- KC BizCare (1118 Oak St, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- The Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce's Centurions Leadership Program (The Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce)
- Blue Valley CAPS (7501 W 149th Terrace, Overland Park, KS 66223)

2.10.5 Public Speaking Workshops

Offer workshops led by local leaders and educators that teach effective communication and conflict resolution skills.

2.10.6 Celebrating Local Heroes

Host events that celebrate local heroes, such as first responders, educators, and community activists, to inspire others and provide real-life examples of role models.

- Our Heroes Gala (Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.), Greater Kansas City)
- Local Heroes at the Library (Kansas City Public Library)
- Kansas City Heroes Awards (The Kansas City Metropolitan Crime Commission)
- First Responders Appreciation Day (The Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce)
- Hometown Heroes Celebration (Kansas City Parks and Recreation)

2.10.7 Life Skills Education

Incorporate life skills education into school curricula to help students develop healthy relationships and coping strategies for dealing with conflicts.

2.10.8 Volunteer Programs

Encourage and facilitate volunteer programs that connect individuals with opportunities to make a positive impact in the community, thus becoming role models themselves.

- Heart to Heart International (9650 Dice Lane, Lenexa, KS 66215, USA)
- Habitat for Humanity Kansas City (1423 E. Linwood Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- United Way of Greater Kansas City Volunteer Center (United Way of Greater Kansas City)
- Harvesters—The Community Food Network (3801 Topping Ave, Kansas City, MO 64129)
- Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City (1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA)
- Kansas City Volunteer Lawyers and Accountants for the Arts (The Arts Asylum, 1000 E. 9th, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- City Year Kansas City (20 W 9th Street, Kansas City, MO 64105, USA)

2.10.9 Arts and Cultural Programs

Support arts and cultural programs that provide creative outlets for self-expression and connect participants with inspiring mentors in various fields.

- Youth Symphony of Kansas City (1801 NW Platte Rd, Suite 275, Kansas City, MO 64150)
- The Kansas City Ballet School (Kansas City Ballet)
- ArtsTech (1522 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Mattie Rhodes Center Arts Program (Mattie Rhodes Center)
- The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art – Education Programs (The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art)
- Kansas City Young Audiences (3732 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64111)

2.10.10 Sports and Recreation Leagues

Build sports and recreation leagues that not only engage youth in physical activity but also teach teamwork, discipline, and the value of hard work under the guidance of positive adult figures.

- KC Crew (2020 Baltimore Ave, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Kansas City Youth Soccer Association (Heartland Soccer Association)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- Mattie Rhodes Center (1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- YMCA of Greater Kansas City (3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA)

3 Concentrated Poverty

Economic disparities and the concentration of poverty within certain neighborhoods can exacerbate feelings of disenfranchisement and lead to increased rates of crime and violence. These issues can hinder community efforts to create a harmonious and inclusive environment where all can thrive.

3.1 STRUCTURAL INEQUALITY

Long-standing systemic issues that result in unequal opportunities for wealth, education, and employment across different demographics, contributing to the perpetuation of poverty.

3.1.1 Community Education Programs

Fund and develop local education initiatives aimed at providing equal access to quality education, including after-school tutoring, adult education, and job training programs, to enhance skills and economic prospects for underprivileged demographics.

- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)

3.1.2 Affordable Housing Projects

Support the development of affordable housing to ensure that all community members have access to safe and stable living conditions. Partner with nonprofits and government entities to finance and build housing that caters to low-income residents.

- Newhouse (P.O. Box 240019, Kansas City, MO 64124)
- Beacon Hill (2340 E Meyer Blvd, Building 1 Suite 345, Kansas City, MO 64132)
- Lykins Neighborhood (3709 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64127)
- Westside Housing Organization (919 W 24th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Ivanhoe Gateway at 39th (3700 Woodland Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Pendleton ArtsBlock (1722 Holly St., Kansas City, MO 64108)

3.1.3 Local Business Incubation

Create and support local programs that assist entrepreneurs from diverse backgrounds in starting and growing their businesses, thereby promoting economic development and job creation within the community.

- Digital Sandbox KC (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Enterprise Center in Johnson County (ECJC) (Enterprise Center in Johnson County)
- ScaleUP! Kansas City (UMKC Innovation Center)
- Plexpod Westport Commons (Plexpod)
- Betablox (Kansas City, MO (Incubator does not have a public office space, operates through various locations))

3.1.4 Healthcare Access Initiatives

Work with local health organizations to increase access to affordable healthcare services, including mental health support, for all demographics. Implement mobile health clinics and community health education to reach underserved areas.

- Kansas City CARE Clinic (3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Swope Health Services (3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States)
- Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center (825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124)
- Health Partnership Clinic (Various locations – refer to their website.)
- Truman Medical Centers (2301 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Cabot Westside Health Center (Saint Luke’s Health System – Cabot Westside Health Center)

3.1.5 Inclusive Zoning Policies

Advocate for zoning reforms that encourage the development of mixed-income neighborhoods, thus reducing economic segregation and providing more equitable access to resources and amenities within the community.

- Affordable Housing Incentive Policy (City of Kansas City, Missouri)
- AdvanceKC Scorecard (City of Kansas City, Missouri - City Planning & Development)
- Housing Trust Fund (City of Kansas City, Missouri - Housing and Community Development)

3.1.6 Diversified Hiring Practices

Encourage local businesses to implement inclusive hiring practices that promote diversity and provide opportunities for populations that have historically faced employment discrimination.

3.1.7 Public Transportation Expansion

Invest in the expansion and improvement of public transportation systems to ensure that all community members have reliable and affordable access to work, education, and other critical services.

- KC Streetcar Expansion Project (Kansas City Streetcar Authority)
- RideKC Development (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))
- Prospect MAX Bus Rapid Transit (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))

3.1.8 Financial Literacy Workshops

Organize workshops and programs aimed at enhancing financial literacy, particularly for young people and marginalized groups, to empower individuals with the knowledge they need to make informed financial decisions.

- Kansas City Public Library (14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105)
- Women's Employment Network (920 Main St #100, Kansas City, MO 64105)
- NextStep Kansas City (300 E 39th St, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Operation HOPE at Capitol Federal (4240 Blue Ridge Blvd Suite 350, Kansas City, MO 64133)

- Guadalupe Centers Financial Empowerment (1015 Avenida Cesar E. Chavez, Kansas City, MO 64108)

3.1.9 Community Policing Initiatives

Foster relationships between law enforcement and the community by implementing community policing strategies that build trust, reduce crime, and eliminate bias in policing.

- KC No Violence Alliance (KC NoVA) (Kansas City Police Department)
- Community Interaction Officers (CIO) (Kansas City Police Department)
- Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) (Kansas City Police Department)
- Ad Hoc Group Against Crime (3116 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64128)

3.1.10 Youth Mentorship Programs

Establish mentorship programs that connect youth with positive role models who can provide guidance, support, and opportunities for personal and professional development.

- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City (1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- Lead to Read KC (4049 Pennsylvania Ave Suite 150, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States)
- PACE Youth Development Program (1801 White Ave, Kansas City, MO 64126, United States)
- MentorKC (Not listed, operates in various schools around Kansas City, MO)
- Higher M-Pact (3100 Main St #304a, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States)
- PREP-KC (300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States)

3.2 LIMITED ACCESS TO QUALITY EDUCATION

Inadequate educational resources and support in impoverished areas often lead to poorer educational outcomes, which can limit future employment opportunities and perpetuate cycles of poverty.

3.2.1 Community Tutoring Programs

Establish volunteer-based tutoring programs where students can receive free or low-cost academic assistance from qualified community members.

- Literacy KC (3036 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)

3.2.2 Educational Resource Centers

Create local centers providing access to books, computers, and other educational materials, particularly in underprivileged areas of Kansas City.

- Kansas City Public Library (14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States)
- Operation Breakthrough (3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Connecting For Good (3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)

- Guadalupe Centers (1015 Avenida Cesar E Chavez, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Literacy KC (3036 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- The Upper Room (2803 E 51st St, Kansas City, MO 64130)

3.2.3 Partnership with Local Businesses

Form partnerships with local businesses to fund and support schools in impoverished neighborhoods, potentially through scholarships, equipment donations, or mentorship programs.

- Turning Point: Partnering with Local Businesses (Turning Point)
- Sprint's 1Million Project (Sprint Corporation (Now part of T-Mobile since the merger))
- KC Scholars (8080 Ward Parkway, Suite 402, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- Lead to Read KC (P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114)

3.2.4 Enhanced After-School Programs

Implement or expand after-school programs focused on academic enrichment, life skills, and vocational training to supplement regular school education.

- Operation Breakthrough (3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- YMCA of Greater Kansas City (3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA)
- Mattie Rhodes Center (1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- Horizon Academy (4901 Reinhardt Dr, Roeland Park, KS 66205)
- After-School All-Stars (Please refer to the national office or local chapter for specific Kansas City contact details.)

3.2.5 School Improvement Initiatives

Organize community-led initiatives to improve school facilities and environments, making them more conducive to learning through local fundraising and volunteering.

- Bright Futures Fund (20 West 9th Street, Kansas City, MO 64105)

3.2.6 Parental Education Programs

Offer education programs for parents and guardians to equip them with the skills to support their children's education at home.

3.2.7 Community Scholarships

Set up scholarship funds to provide financial assistance to students from impoverished neighborhoods, enabling them to pursue higher education.

- Kansas City Scholars (KC Scholars)
- The Hispanic Development Fund Scholarship Program (Hispanic Development Fund)
- Kauffman Scholars (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)

3.2.8 Local Library Enhancements

Invest in local libraries to expand their collections, extend operational hours, and offer educational programs, workshops, and seminars suitable for all ages.

- Expansion of Collections and Resources (Kansas City Public Library)
- Educational Programs and Workshops (Mid-Continent Public Library)
- Extended Library Hours (Kansas City Public Library)

3.2.9 Youth Mentorship Programs

Develop mentorship programs where professionals and successful community members guide and support young people in their academic and career development.

- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City (1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- KC STEM Alliance (4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States)
- KC Degrees (Mid-America Regional Council)
- Operation Breakthrough (3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)

3.2.10 Public-Private Educational Partnerships

Encourage collaborations between public schools and private sector stakeholders to create innovative educational opportunities and share resources.

- Kansas City Public School Partnerships (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation Educational Initiatives (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)
- PREP-KC Partnership (Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation-KC)
- KC STEM Alliance (4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States)
- School Smart KC (SchoolSmartKC)

3.2.11 Technology Access Initiatives

Ensure that all students have access to modern technology by providing devices and internet access to underprivileged students, helping to close the digital divide.

- Connecting For Good (3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)

3.2.12 Community Involvement in School Boards

Promote active community participation in local school board meetings to ensure that the educational needs and concerns of impoverished areas are addressed.

- Kansas City Public Schools Board of Directors Meetings (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Local Investment Commission (LINC) Caring Communities Sites (Local Investment Commission (LINC))

- PTA Council of Kansas City (Information not publicly listed)
- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- SchoolSmartKC (4747 Troost Avenue, Suite 204, Kansas City, MO 64110)

3.3 INADEQUATE HOUSING

A lack of affordable and safe housing contributes to concentrated poverty by forcing individuals and families to live in certain neighborhoods that are economically marginalized.

3.3.1 Community Land Trusts

Establish and support community land trusts to manage and develop affordable housing units that remain affordable for long-term periods.

- Community Land Trusts in Kansas City (Kansas City Regional Housing Alliance)
- Community Land Trusts in Kansas City (Heartland Community Land Trust)

3.3.2 Incentivize Affordable Developments

Provide tax incentives or subsidies to developers who build affordable housing units in a variety of neighborhoods.

- Affordable Housing Incentive Program (City of Kansas City, Missouri Housing and Community Development)
- Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Program (Kansas Housing Resources Corporation)
- Kansas City, MO PIEA (Planned Industrial Expansion Authority) (Planned Industrial Expansion Authority of Kansas City, Missouri)
- 9% Housing Tax Credit Program (Missouri Housing Development Commission)

3.3.3 Zoning Adjustments

Reform local zoning laws to allow for a mix of housing types that are affordable for different income levels throughout the city.

- Zoning & Development Code Revision (City Planning & Development - Kansas City)
- Affordable Housing Policy (Housing and Community Development - Kansas City)

3.3.4 Housing Voucher Support

Expand the availability of housing vouchers that can be used in a broad range of neighborhoods to prevent economic segregation.

3.3.5 Rent Control Policies

Implement or advocate for rent control measures to keep housing affordable and prevent displacement due to gentrification.

- Kansas City Tenant's Bill of Rights (KC Tenants)

- Affordable Housing Trust Fund (City of Kansas City, Missouri)

3.3.6 Renovate Existing Structures

Encourage the renovation of underutilized buildings into affordable housing units through grants or low-interest loans.

- Westside Housing Organization (919 W. 24th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Greater Kansas City LISC (600 Broadway, Suite 280, Kansas City, MO 64105)
- Historic Kansas City (234 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105)
- Neighborhood Housing Services of Kansas City (5835 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Community Housing of Wyandotte County (CHWC) (2 S. 14th St., Kansas City, KS 66102)

3.3.7 Non-Profit Housing Providers

Support non-profit organizations that construct or manage affordable housing, both for rent and for ownership.

- Community Housing of Wyandotte County (CHWC) (Community Housing of Wyandotte County)
- Habitat for Humanity Kansas City (1423 E. Linwood Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Community Assistance Council (CAC) (Community Assistance Council)
- Housing Authority of Kansas City, Missouri (299 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States)

3.3.8 Join or Create a Housing Coalition

Become part of a housing coalition that advocates for policy changes and resources to increase the supply of affordable homes.

- Greater Kansas City Housing Information Center (Mid-America Regional Council (MARC))
- Kansas City Regional Housing Alliance (United Community Services of Johnson County)
- KC Tenants (40 West 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Kansas City Eviction Project

3.3.9 Fundraising and Donations

Engage in fundraising efforts to support housing charities and subsidies for low-income families.

- Community Assistance Council (10901 Blue Ridge Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64134)
- Habitat for Humanity Kansas City (1423 E. Linwood Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- United Way of Greater Kansas City (801 W 47th Street, Suite 500, Kansas City, MO 64112, United States)
- ReStart Inc. (918 E 9th St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States)
- City Union Mission (1100 E 11th St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States)

3.3.10 Community Education

Organize educational campaigns to raise awareness about the importance of affordable and diverse housing options to create inclusive communities.

- Community Housing of Wyandotte County (CHWC) (Community Housing of Wyandotte County)

3.3.11 Volunteer Programs

Create or participate in volunteer programs that help build or repair homes for those in need, in partnership with organizations like Habitat for Humanity.

- Habitat for Humanity Kansas City (1423 E. Linwood Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Christmas in October (115 W 18th St #100, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Rebuilding Together Kansas City (2050 Plumbers Way, #150 Liberty, MO 64068)
- Heartland Habitat for Humanity (1403 Southwest Blvd., Kansas City, KS 66103)
- The Fuller Center for Housing of Greater Kansas City (P.O. Box 901365, Kansas City, MO 64190)

3.3.12 Public-Private Partnerships

Foster public-private partnerships to finance and build affordable housing developments with community amenities.

- Affordable Housing in Kansas City (Kansas City, Missouri Housing and Community Development)
- Mixed-Use Development at Linwood Shopping Center (Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City)
- Choice Neighborhoods Initiative (Housing Authority of Kansas City)
- West Bottoms Flats (MCM Company Inc.)
- Beacon Hill Development (Beacon Hill Developers, LLC)

3.4 EMPLOYMENT DISPARITIES

The absence of sufficient job opportunities within impoverished neighborhoods, as well as barriers to obtaining employment such as discrimination and a lack of transportation, exacerbates economic disparity.

3.4.1 Community Job Fairs

Organize local job fairs in impoverished neighborhoods to connect residents directly with employers, making opportunities more accessible and fostering local employment.

- Turner Job Fair (Turner Unified School District #202)
- KC Job Fair (Kansas City, Kansas Chamber of Commerce)
- Annual Citywide Job Fair (Full Employment Council)
- Kansas City Community Job Fair (The KC Collective)

3.4.2 Skills Training Programs

Establish vocational training centers that offer skills development programs tailored to the local job market, enabling residents to qualify for in-demand jobs.

- Full Employment Council (Full Employment Council, Inc.)

3.4.3 Transportation Subsidies

Implement transportation subsidy programs or provide community shuttle services to improve access to jobs outside of the local area for those without personal transportation.

- RideKC Reduced Fare Program (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))

3.4.4 Anti-Discrimination Workshops

Conduct workshops and training for local businesses to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion in hiring practices, aiming to reduce discrimination in the employment process.

- Anti-Discrimination Workshops (The Mid-America LGBT Chamber of Commerce)
- Anti-Discrimination Workshops (City of Kansas City, MO - Human Relations Department)
- Anti-Discrimination Workshops (Full Employment Council, Inc.)
- Anti-Discrimination Workshops (The Diversity and Inclusion Office at the University of Missouri-Kansas City)
- Anti-Discrimination Workshops (Kansas City Diversity Coalition)

3.4.5 Local Business Incentives

Offer tax breaks or other incentives to businesses that hire directly from the local community, encouraging them to provide opportunities to residents of impoverished neighborhoods.

- City of Kansas City, Missouri Tax Incentive Programs (Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City, Missouri)
- CID Sales Tax (City of Kansas City, Missouri)
- Enhanced Enterprise Zone Tax Benefits (Missouri Department of Economic Development)
- Urban Renewal Area Tax Incentives (Kansas City Land Bank)

3.4.6 Entrepreneurship Support Programs

Create support systems for local entrepreneurs including mentorship, microloans, and business development courses, to stimulate the creation of new jobs within the community.

- Digital Sandbox KC (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Enterprise Center in Johnson County (4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205)
- AltCap (3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- KCSOURCELINK (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- SCORE Kansas City (SCORE)

3.4.7 Community Resource Centers

Establish centers that provide resources such as job counseling, resume-building assistance, interview preparation, and childcare services to support job seekers.

3.4.8 Virtual Employment Hubs

Develop online platforms that connect residents to remote work opportunities, reducing the barrier of transportation and expanding the job market reach.

- KC Remote Work Initiative (KCSOURCELINK)
- Virtual Job Connection (Workforce Partnership)
- RemoteKC (The Kansas City Area Development Council)

3.4.9 Employer Partnership Programs

Form partnerships between local community organizations and businesses to create tailored employment programs that address the specific needs of the community's workforce.

- Workforce Partnership (8535 Bluejacket Street, Lenexa, KS 66214)
- Full Employment Council (Full Employment Council, Inc.)
- KC Degrees (Mid-America Regional Council)
- KC Tech Council (4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205)
- Hire KC Youth (Hire KC)
- Connecting For Good (3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)

3.4.10 Public Transportation Improvements

Advocate for and invest in the expansion and improvement of public transportation routes and infrastructure to easily connect residents with employment hubs.

- RideKC Development (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))
- Streetcar Expansion (KC Streetcar)
- Prospect MAX Bus Rapid Transit (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))
- Zero Fare Transit (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))

3.5 HEALTHCARE ACCESS

Limited access to healthcare services often results in unaddressed health issues, which can prevent individuals from maintaining steady employment and can contribute to economic instability.

3.5.1 Community Health Clinics

Establish and support community health clinics that offer free or low-cost services to underprivileged residents, ensuring basic healthcare needs are met.

- Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center (825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124)
- KC CARE Health Center (3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111)

- Swope Health Services (Swope Health)
- Vibrant Health (21 N 12th St Suite 400, Kansas City, KS 66102)
- Kansas City Free Health Clinic (Kansas City Care Clinic)
- Northland Health Care Access (4820 NW Gateway Ave, Riverside, MO 64150)

3.5.2 Healthcare Voucher Programs

Implement voucher programs that provide financial assistance to individuals and families who cannot afford insurance or healthcare costs.

3.5.3 Mobile Health Units

Deploy mobile health units to underserved areas to provide medical care, health screenings, and education on-premise.

- Kansas City CARE Clinic Mobile Health Services (Kansas City CARE Clinic)
- Samuel U. Rodgers Mobile Health Unit (Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center)
- Swope Health Mobile Medical Unit (Swope Health)
- Truman Medical Centers Mobile Market (Truman Medical Centers)
- Children's Mercy Mobile Health Units (Children's Mercy Kansas City)

3.5.4 Telemedicine Expansion

Expand telemedicine services to enable residents in remote areas to consult healthcare providers via video conferencing, reducing the need for travel.

- University of Kansas Health System Telemedicine Services (University of Kansas Health System)
- Children's Mercy Kansas City Telemedicine (Children's Mercy Kansas City)
- Saint Luke's Telemedicine (Saint Luke's Health System)
- Truman Medical Centers/University Health Telehealth Services (Truman Medical Centers/University Health)
- AdventHealth Shawnee Mission Telemedicine (AdventHealth Shawnee Mission)

3.5.5 Community Health Fairs

Organize regular health fairs where medical professionals offer free consultations, health screenings, and informational sessions on managing chronic conditions.

- Touchdown Family Fest Health & Wellness Fair (Arrowhead Events)
- Wyandotte County Community Health Fair (Wyandotte County Public Health Department)
- Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center Health Fair (Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center)

3.5.6 Healthcare Workforce Development

Invest in education and training programs for healthcare providers to increase the number of professionals in areas with service shortages.

- Medical Education and Research Foundation (Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences)

3.5.7 Health Education Campaigns

Create local health education campaigns that encourage preventive care and provide information on how to access healthcare services.

- LiveWell KC (Kansas City Health Department)
- Immunize KC (Kansas City Health Department)
- KC CARE Health Center - Health Education (KC CARE Health Center)
- Healthy KC (Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce)

3.5.8 Mental Health Support Networks

Establish support networks and services for mental health to complement physical healthcare, including support groups and counseling services.

- Comprehensive Mental Health Services (Comprehensive Mental Health Services, Inc.)
- MOCSA (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA))
- Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health (Truman Medical Centers)
- Tri-County Mental Health Services (3100 NE 83rd St #1001, Kansas City, MO 64119, United States)
- ReDiscover (901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086)
- Swope Health Services (Swope Health)
- Rose Brooks Center (P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132)
- Synergy Services (Synergy Services, Inc.)
- Jewish Family Services (5801 W 115th St., Suite 103, Overland Park, KS 66211)

3.5.9 Funding for Health Emergencies

Set up a community fund to cover unexpected medical expenses for individuals facing health emergencies who cannot afford to pay.

- Kansas City Medicine Cabinet (Kansas City's Medicine Cabinet)
- Safety Net Clinic Fund (Health Care Foundation of Greater Kansas City)
- Hero Fund (Hero Fund USA)
- Emergency Assistance Fund (Jewish Vocational Service)

3.5.10 Sliding Scale Fee Structures

Encourage healthcare providers to adopt sliding scale fees, making healthcare costs more accessible based on income.

- Sliding Fee Discount Program (Truman Medical Centers)
- Healthcare for the Homeless (Kansas City Health Department)
- Sliding Fee Scale Program (Swope Health)

- JayDoc Free Clinic (300 Southwest Boulevard, Kansas City, KS 66103)
- Sliding Fee Schedule (Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center)

3.6 FOOD DESERTS

Areas with a lack of access to fresh, healthy, and affordable food contribute to malnutrition and health problems, which can adversely affect community well-being and economic productivity.

3.6.1 Community Gardens

Developing community gardens in vacant city lots where residents can grow their own fruits and vegetables, fostering community engagement and providing access to fresh produce.

3.6.2 Mobile Markets

Launching mobile markets or grocery buses that bring fresh produce to underserved neighborhoods on a regular schedule, making healthy food more accessible.

- Kansas City Mobile Market (Truman Medical Centers)
- Healthy Harvest Mobile Market (University Health)
- Rolling Grocer (After the Harvest)

3.6.3 Food Cooperatives

Establishing food cooperatives owned and operated by community members to provide a sustainable source of healthy food at affordable prices.

- KC Food Co-Op (Kansas City Food Cooperative)
- The Merc Co+op (501 Minnesota Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101)
- Ivanhoe Farmers Market (Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council)

3.6.4 Urban Farming Initiatives

Supporting urban farming initiatives that convert underutilized land into productive agricultural plots, providing both food and employment opportunities.

- Cultivate Kansas City (4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106)
- Kansas City Community Gardens (6917 Kensington Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64132)
- BoysGrow (9301 Eastern Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64138)
- The Urban Farming Guys (3700 E. 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64127)
- Gibbs Road Farm (4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106)

3.6.5 Education Programs

Creating education programs that teach residents about nutrition, cooking, and growing food, empowering them to make healthier food choices.

- Cultivate Kansas City (4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106)
- Kansas City Community Gardens (6917 Kensington Ave, Kansas City, MO 64132)

- BoysGrow (9301 East 147th Street, Kansas City, MO 64149)
- After the Harvest (406 W. 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- HappyBottoms (303 W. 79th Street, Kansas City, MO 64114)

3.6.6 Farmers' Market Incentives

Offering incentives such as vouchers, discounts, or bonus dollars for low-income families to spend at local farmers' markets, increasing affordability of fresh produce.

- Double Up Food Bucks (Double Up Heartland Collaborative)
- Beans&Greens (Menorah Heritage Foundation)
- KC Farm School at Gibbs Road SNAP Match (KC Farm School at Gibbs Road)

3.6.7 Public-Private Partnerships

Encouraging partnerships between the city, businesses, and non-profits to open new grocery stores and markets in food desert areas, ensuring long-term sustainable access to healthy food.

- Urban Agriculture Incentive Zones (Kansas City, Missouri)
- Healthy Corner Store initiative (Nurture KC - Community Health Strategies)
- New Market Tax Credit (AltCap)
- Kansas City Food Hub (Cultivate KC)
- Good Food Purchasing Program (Kansas City Food Policy Coalition)

3.6.8 Local Food Policy Council

Forming a local food policy council to assess the city's food landscape, identify gaps, and recommend policy actions to improve food access.

- Kansas City Food Policy Coalition (300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- After the Harvest (406 W. 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Cultivate Kansas City (4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106)

3.6.9 Zoning Incentives

Implementing zoning incentives that encourage supermarkets and other food retailers to establish locations in underserved areas.

- Kansas City Food Zone Initiative (414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- Urban Agriculture Zoning Codes (414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- Healthy Food Financing Initiative (HFFI) (3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)

3.6.10 Healthy Corner Store Initiative

Transforming corner stores to carry a larger selection of healthy foods, including providing small business support and education for store owners.

- Healthy Corner Store Initiative (KC Healthy Kids)

3.7 INADEQUATE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Poorly developed public transportation systems can isolate impoverished communities, making it difficult for residents to access education and job opportunities.

3.7.1 Community Ride-Share Program

Organize a community-based ride-sharing initiative to assist residents in reaching education and employment centers.

- RideKC (KCATA (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority))
- CarGo (Not specified)
- Bridj (Bridj (no longer operational))
- 10/10 Taxi (1300 Lydia Ave, Kansas City, MO 64106)

3.7.2 Volunteer Driver Network

Establish a network of volunteer drivers who can help transport individuals without access to transportation to crucial appointments and job interviews.

3.7.3 Bicycle Sharing and Donation

Set up a bicycle sharing program or collect and repair donated bikes to provide affordable transportation alternatives.

- BikeWalkKC (1106 E. 30th St., Suite G, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- 816 Bicycle Collective (Not Provided)
- Revolve KC (5534 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110)

3.7.4 Public Transit Advocacy Group

Form a local group dedicated to advocating for improved and expanded public transportation options within Kansas City.

- RideKC Development Corporation (RideKC Development)
- KC Streetcar (KC Streetcar Authority, Inc.)
- Transit Action Network (TAN) (Transit Action Network)
- BikeWalkKC (1106 E. 30th St., Suite G, Kansas City, MO 64109)

3.7.5 Carpooling Bulletin Board

Create an online or physical bulletin board where locals can arrange carpools for work, school, or other frequent destinations.

- RideShare (Mid-America Regional Council)

3.7.6 Local Employer Transportation Initiatives

Work with local businesses to develop employer-sponsored transportation solutions, such as company shuttles or transit subsidies.

- KC Streetcar Authority (KC Streetcar)
- RideKC Employer Programs (RideKC)
- Bridj (Bridj (Partnership with Ford no longer active))

3.7.7 Transportation Crowdfunding

Initiate a crowdfunding campaign to fund transportation projects that benefit the community, such as purchasing a minibus for shared use.

3.7.8 Mobile App for Real-Time Carpool Matching

Develop or promote the use of a mobile application that connects drivers with commuters in real-time for instant carpooling options.

- RideKC (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))
- Carpool World (Not Applicable (Online Service))
- Waze Carpool (Waze Inc.)

3.7.9 Public Transport Workshops

Offer workshops or informational sessions that teach residents how to effectively use existing public transportation options.

- RideKC Transit Education Program (RideKC)
- BikeWalkKC Education and Outreach (BikeWalkKC)
- KCATA Travel Training (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))

3.7.10 Neighborhood Transportation Plan

Collaborate with local government and urban planners to create a neighborhood-specific transportation plan that addresses the unique needs of the community.

- Kansas City Downtown Streetcar (Kansas City Streetcar Authority)
- KC Spirit Playbook (City of Kansas City, Missouri - City Planning & Development)
- Midtown/Plaza Area Plan (City of Kansas City, Missouri - City Planning & Development)
- Greater Downtown Area Plan (City of Kansas City, Missouri - City Planning & Development)
- North Kansas City Bicycle Master Plan (North Kansas City)

3.8 SOCIAL SEGREGATION

Physical and social barriers that separate impoverished communities from more affluent ones can reinforce social inequalities and limit opportunities for social mobility.

3.8.1 Community Outreach Programs

Initiate community outreach programs that focus on understanding the needs of impoverished communities, create a dialogue between diverse social groups, and implement joint community projects.

- Harvesters – The Community Food Network (3801 Topping Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64129)
- United Way of Greater Kansas City (801 W 47th Street, Suite 500, Kansas City, MO 64112, United States)
- Restart Inc. (reStart Inc.)
- Mattie Rhodes Center (1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- KC Common Good (3100 Broadway Blvd., Suite 1234, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- The Kansas City Health Department (2400 Troost Ave., Suite 1000, Kansas City, MO 64108)

3.8.2 Inclusive Urban Planning

Engage in urban planning that prioritizes mixed-income housing developments and the creation of public spaces that encourage interaction between different socioeconomic groups.

- Affordable Housing Program (Kansas City Department of Housing and Community Development)

3.8.3 Educational Equity Initiatives

Support educational equity by investing in public schools in impoverished neighborhoods, establishing mentorship programs, and offering scholarships for talented students from low-income families.

- Kansas City Public Schools Education Foundation (KCPS Education Foundation)
- SchoolSmartKC (4747 Troost Avenue, Suite 204, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Kauffman Scholars (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)
- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- PREP-KC (Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation – Kansas City)

3.8.4 Economic Development Projects

Promote local economic development in disadvantaged areas through investment in small businesses, job training programs, and the provision of microloans to encourage entrepreneurship.

- KC BizCare Office (Kansas City BizCare)
- Fairfax Industrial Association Economic Development (Fairfax Industrial Association)
- Entrepreneurial Workforce Development Program (Kauffman Foundation)
- Small Business Microloan Program (AltCap)
- KCSOURCELINK (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Urban Business Growth Initiative (UMKC Innovation Center)

3.8.5 Health and Wellness Access

Improve access to healthcare and wellness resources in segregated neighborhoods by setting up mobile clinics, community health fairs, and partnerships with local health providers.

- Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center Mobile Clinic (Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center)
- Kansas City CARE Clinic (3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111)

- Swope Health Mobile Medical Unit (Swope Health)
- Truman Medical Centers Mobile Market (Truman Medical Center (TMC))
- Kansas City Health Department Community Engagement (Kansas City, Missouri Health Department)
- Score 1 for Health (Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences)

3.8.6 Transportation Accessibility

Enhance public transportation networks to better connect low-income areas with employment centers, schools, and healthcare facilities, reducing social and physical barriers.

- KCATA Zero Fare Transit (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))
- Prospect MAX Bus Rapid Transit (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))
- RideKC Freedom (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))
- RideKC Bike & Scooter Program (BikeWalkKC)
- Connecting Housing to Opportunity (Greater Kansas City LISC (Local Initiatives Support Corporation))

3.8.7 Community Policing Initiatives

Implement community policing efforts that build trust between law enforcement and residents in segregated neighborhoods to improve safety and social cohesion.

- Kansas City No Violence Alliance (KC NoVA) (Kansas City Police Department)
- Community Interaction Officers (CIO) (Kansas City Police Department)
- Aim4Peace (Kansas City Health Department)
- The Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA) (The Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault)

3.8.8 Cultural Exchange Events

Organize cultural exchange events and festivals that celebrate diversity and allow residents from different socioeconomic backgrounds to share their heritage and build social bridges.

- Kansas City Ethnic Enrichment Festival (Ethnic Enrichment Commission of Kansas City)
- Kansas City Irish Fest (Crown Center Square, 2450 Grand Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Fiesta Hispana Kansas City (Hispanic Heritage Committee)
- JuneteenthKC Heritage Festival (JuneteenthKC)
- Festival of Nations (National World War I Museum and Memorial)

3.8.9 Local Governance Participation

Encourage residents from all parts of the city to participate in local governance, ensuring that those from segregated communities have a voice in decision-making processes.

- Participatory Budgeting KC (City of Kansas City, Missouri)

3.8.10 Public-Private Partnerships

Establish public-private partnerships to fund and support development projects that aim to bridge the gap between affluent and impoverished communities.

- KC Rising (4060 Pennsylvania Ave #150, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA)
- The Kansas City Streetcar (Kansas City Streetcar Authority)
- East Side Commercial Corridor (City of Kansas City, MO)
- LaunchKC (1100 Walnut St, Suite #1700, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA)
- Urban Neighborhood Initiative (3031 Holmes Street, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA)

3.9 CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM BIASES

Systemic biases and disproportionate policing and incarceration of people from impoverished communities can perpetuate cycles of poverty and hinder community empowerment.

3.9.1 Community Policing Initiatives

Fostering partnerships between police departments and local communities to create programs that promote mutual understanding and help reduce biases in law enforcement.

- Kansas City Police Department's Community Policing (Kansas City Police Department)
- No Violence Alliance (KC NoVA) (Kansas City No Violence Alliance)
- AdHoc Group Against Crime - Community Liaison Officers (AdHoc Group Against Crime)
- AIM4Peace (Kansas City, Missouri Health Department - AIM4Peace)
- Community Interaction Officers (CIOs) (Kansas City Police Department)

3.9.2 Bias Training for Law Enforcement

Implementing mandatory implicit bias training for police officers and criminal justice staff to help them recognize and counteract their own potential biases.

- Bias Training for Law Enforcement (Kansas City Missouri Police Department)
- Bias Training for Law Enforcement (Johnson County Sheriff's Office)
- Bias Training for Law Enforcement (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA))

3.9.3 Public Defender Support

Strengthening the public defender's office through increased funding and community support to ensure fair representation for those unable to afford private legal counsel.

- Jackson County Public Defender Office Funding (Jackson County Public Defender Office)
- Legal Aid of Western Missouri (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 300, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States)
- Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Foundation (2300 Main St, Suite 100, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)

- UMKC School of Law Public Defender Clinic (University of Missouri Kansas City School of Law)
- Missouri State Public Defender System Improvements (Missouri State Public Defender System)

3.9.4 Diversify Police and Judicial Personnel

Prioritizing the recruitment and hiring of a diverse law enforcement and judicial workforce that reflects the demographics of the community served.

- Diversity Recruitment within Kansas City Police Department (Kansas City Police Department)
- Diverse Judges Appointment (16th Judicial Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri)
- UMKC School of Law's Diversity Initiatives (University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law)

3.9.5 Sentencing Reform Advocacy

Supporting legislative advocacy groups that work towards reforming sentencing laws to prevent disproportionately harsh sentences for minor offenses.

- Missouri Sentencing Reform Efforts (Missouri Sentencing Advisory Commission)
- Kansas Sentencing Commission Reform Initiatives (Kansas Sentencing Commission)
- ACLU of Missouri's Campaign for Smart Justice (ACLU of Missouri)
- More2 Criminal Justice Task Force (Metro Organization for Racial and Economic Equity (More2))

3.9.6 Youth Mentorship Programs

Creating and participating in programs aimed at mentoring young people from vulnerable neighborhoods to provide positive pathways and reduce the likelihood of contact with the criminal justice system.

- KC Friends of Alvin Ailey - AileyCamp (KC Friends of Alvin Ailey)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City - Great Futures Mentoring Program (Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City)
- Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City (1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA)
- Urban Ranger Corps (5908 Swope Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130)
- The HALO Foundation - HALO Learning Center (The HALO Foundation)
- Mentor KC

3.9.7 Reintegration Programs

Developing programs to assist formerly incarcerated individuals with job placement, education, housing, and health services to reduce recidivism and help integrate them back into society.

- Reentry Program (City of Kansas City, Missouri)
- Second Chance Program (Full Employment Council)

- ReEntry Opportunity Center (Restart Inc.)
- Building Brighter Futures Program (Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph)
- Reentry Services (The Kansas City Metropolitan Crime Commission)
- Prisoner Reentry Initiative (Missouri Department of Corrections)

3.9.8 Community Courts

Establishing community courts that take a restorative justice approach to low-level offenses, focusing on repairing harm to victims and communities rather than punishment.

- Kansas City Community Court (Municipal Court of Kansas City, Missouri)

3.9.9 Data Transparency

Demanding that law enforcement and justice departments provide transparent data on policing practices and outcomes to allow for accountability and data-driven policy changes.

- Kansas City Police Department - Community Interaction Officers (Kansas City Police Department)

3.9.10 Civic Engagement and Voter Registration Drives

Encouraging and facilitating voter registration and turnout in marginalized communities to promote the election of officials who advocate for equitable policies in the criminal justice system.

- More2 GOTV Initiates (Metro Organization for Racial and Economic Equity (More2))

3.10 SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

Higher levels of substance abuse and untreated mental health issues within economically disadvantaged neighborhoods can lead to a cycle of violence and criminal activity, further destabilizing communities.

3.10.1 Community Support Groups

Establish support groups within the community that provide a safe space for individuals to discuss substance abuse and mental health issues, facilitating open dialogue and reducing stigma.

- Narcotics Anonymous Meetings (Midtown NA)
- Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings (Kansas City Area Central Office)
- SMART Recovery Meetings (SMART Recovery)
- Mental Health America of the Heartland (739 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101)
- First Call (9091 State Line Rd, Kansas City, MO 64114)

3.10.2 Access to Mental Health Services

Increase the availability of affordable or free mental health services in disadvantaged neighborhoods, including counseling and therapy options.

- Mental Health Services at Kansas City CARE Clinic (Kansas City CARE Clinic)
- Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health Services (Truman Medical Centers)
- Thrive Health Connection (5008 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64130)
- Swope Health Services (3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States)
- ReDiscover Mental Health Services (ReDiscover)
- Mattie Rhodes Center (1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)

3.10.3 Substance Abuse Treatment Programs

Implement accessible substance abuse treatment programs that include detoxification, rehabilitation, and recovery support services.

- First Call (First Call Alcohol/Drug Prevention & Recovery)

3.10.4 Education and Awareness Campaigns

Launch educational campaigns to raise awareness about the dangers of substance abuse and the importance of mental health, targeting schools, community centers, and local media.

- Be Under Your Own Influence (Tri-County Mental Health Services)
- Speak Hard Youth Conference (ACT Missouri)
- LifeSkills Training (Preferred Family Healthcare)
- It Only Takes One Campaign (Missouri Department of Transportation Highway Safety)
- Red Ribbon Campaign (Coalition for Drug-Free Kids)

3.10.5 Youth Engagement Programs

Create programs that engage youth in positive activities, such as sports and arts, to provide alternatives to substance abuse and channels for managing mental health issues.

- Mattie Rhodes Center (1740 Jefferson St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- The YMCA of Greater Kansas City (3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States)
- ArtsTech (1522 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- KC Hoops (Various locations in Kansas City)
- Heartland Soccer Association (9161 W 133rd St, Overland Park, KS 66213, United States)

3.10.6 Employment and Skills Training

Offer employment assistance and skills training programs to help residents of underserved areas find stable jobs and reduce economic stressors that contribute to substance abuse and mental health problems.

- Full Employment Council (Full Employment Council, Inc.)
- Goodwill Western Missouri & Eastern Kansas (Goodwill of Western Missouri & Eastern Kansas)

- Women's Employment Network (920 Main Street Suite 100, Kansas City, MO 64105, USA)
- Kansas City Kansas Community College Technical Education Center (6565 State Ave, Kansas City, KS 66102, USA)
- Preparing People for Success (Greater Kansas City LISC)

3.10.7 Peer Mentorship Programs

Develop mentorship programs that connect individuals who have successfully overcome substance abuse and mental health challenges with those currently struggling to provide guidance and support.

- ReDiscover Peer Support Services (ReDiscover)
- Comprehensive Mental Health Services Peer Support (Comprehensive Mental Health Services, Inc.)
- Benilde Hall Program Peer Mentoring (Benilde Hall Program)
- Amethyst Place's Recovery Support (Amethyst Place)
- Healing House Peer Mentorship (Healing House, Inc.)

3.10.8 Law Enforcement Training

Provide training for law enforcement on how to effectively and compassionately respond to incidents involving individuals with substance abuse disorders or mental health crises.

3.10.9 Mobile Health Clinics

Deploy mobile clinics to provide on-site health assessments, referrals, and basic services to those with limited access to health care facilities.

- KC CARE Health Center Mobile Medical Unit (KC CARE Health Center)
- Swope Health Mobile Clinic (Swope Health)
- Mercy and Truth Medical Missions Mobile Clinic (Mercy and Truth Medical Missions)
- Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center Mobile Unit (Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center)

3.10.10 Housing First Initiatives

Implement a Housing First approach to provide stable housing for homeless individuals suffering from substance abuse and mental health issues as a platform for their recovery and reintegration into society.

- reStart Inc. (918 E 9th St, Kansas City, MO 64106)

4 High Unemployment Rate

Persistent unemployment, particularly in the youth and minority demographics, contributes to economic instability and can drive individuals toward crime and violence. Employment opportunities are crucial for community members to feel valued and for fostering a sense of purpose and belonging.

4.1 EDUCATIONAL DISPARITIES

Lack of access to quality education hinders skill development, making it tougher for youth and minorities to compete in the job market.

4.1.1 Community Tutoring Programs

Establish free or low-cost tutoring programs staffed by volunteers from the community to help students struggling academically.

- Lead to Read KC (P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- Literacy KC (3036 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Jewish Vocational Service (JVS) Tutoring Program (Jewish Vocational Service)
- UPchieve (Not specific to Kansas City, online service)
- Kansas City Public Library Tutoring (Kansas City Public Library)

4.1.2 Local Scholarship Funds

Create scholarship funds to financially assist students from underprivileged backgrounds in their pursuit of higher education.

- Greater Kansas City Community Foundation Scholarships (Greater Kansas City Community Foundation)
- Kauffman Scholars (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)
- Kansas City Scholars (KC Scholars)

4.1.3 Corporate Educational Partnerships

Form partnerships with local businesses to provide internships, job shadowing, and training programs for students.

- KC Scholars (8080 Ward Parkway, Suite 402, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- PREP-KC (Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation - Kansas City)
- Hire KC Youth (Hire KC)
- Northland CAPS (Northland Center for Advanced Professional Studies)
- Blue Valley CAPS (Blue Valley Center for Advanced Professional Studies)

4.1.4 Education Resource Centers

Set up centers that provide access to educational materials and technology for students without such resources at home.

- Operation Breakthrough (3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Connecting for Good (3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Literacy KC (3036 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4300 E 24th St, Kansas City, MO 64127)
- Kansas City Public Library (14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States)

4.1.5 Mentorship Programs

Match professionals from various fields with students to offer guidance, career advice, and academic support.

- The Kauffman Scholars (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)
- Mentor KC (Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City)
- Horizon Academy Mentorship Program (Horizon Academy)
- KC STEM Alliance Mentorship Program (KC STEM Alliance)
- Students Today, Leaders Forever (STLF) Mentorship Program (Rockhurst University)

4.1.6 Community School Models

Integrate health and social services within schools to address barriers to learning, such as poverty and health issues.

- Turner Community School Initiative (Turner Unified School District in partnership with Avenue of Life)
- Kansas City Public Schools - Student Support & Community Services (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Communities In Schools of Mid-America (Kansas City, KS (Multiple School Locations))

4.1.7 Parental Engagement Workshops

Provide workshops to empower and equip parents with the tools to support their children's educational journeys.

- Family Support Workshops (Operation Breakthrough)
- Parent Power Workshops (Turn the Page KC)
- Parent Engagement Program (United Inner City Services - St. Mark Center)
- Parent University (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Active Parenting Workshops (The Family Conservancy)

4.1.8 Cultural Competency Training for Educators

Implement training for teachers and school staff on cultural competency to create an inclusive and supportive school environment.

- Equity and Inclusion Training (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Cultural Competency Institute (Kansas City Parent Teacher Association (KCPTA))
- Diversity and Inclusion Workshops (University of Missouri-Kansas City)

4.1.9 Expanded After-School Programs

Offer after-school programs that provide academic support, extracurricular activities, and a safe environment for students.

- LINC Caring Communities After School (Local Investment Commission (LINC))
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- Operation Breakthrough (3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- After-School Programs by YMCA of Greater Kansas City (YMCA of Greater Kansas City)
- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)

4.1.10 Technology Access Initiatives

Work to close the digital divide by providing access to computers, the internet, and technical support to students.

- Connecting for Good (3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Kansas City Public Library Tech Access (Kansas City Public Library)
- Digital Inclusion Fund (Greater Kansas City Community Foundation)
- PCs for People Kansas City (PCs for People)

4.2 SYSTEMIC DISCRIMINATION

Deep-rooted biases and discrimination in hiring practices can limit job opportunities for minority populations.

4.2.1 Community-led Job Fairs

Organize job fairs that actively promote diversity and inclusion, encouraging local businesses to participate and connect with minority job seekers.

- Hiring KC Youth Job Fair (Full Employment Council)

4.2.2 Workshop Series for Unbiased Hiring

Offer a series of workshops for HR professionals and business owners on how to recognize and eliminate discrimination in their hiring processes.

- Unconscious Bias Training (Full Employment Council)
- Diversity & Inclusion Training (UMKC Bloch Executive Education)
- Equity and Inclusion Workshop Series (Mid-America Regional Council)

4.2.3 Mentorship Programs

Develop mentorship programs pairing minority individuals with industry professionals to provide guidance, networking opportunities, and support.

- Project Rise (Urban League of Greater Kansas City)
- Kauffman Scholars (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)

- Hispanic Development Fund Scholarship Program (Greater Kansas City Hispanic Development Fund)
- Women's Employment Network Mentoring Program (Women's Employment Network)
- Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City (1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA)
- Helzberg Entrepreneurial Mentoring Program (2005 Grand Blvd, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64108)

4.2.4 Diversity Recruitment Incentives

Create incentives for companies that demonstrate effective strategies for recruiting and retaining a diverse workforce.

- OneKC for Women (Women's Employment Network)
- Diversity & Inclusion Consulting (Full Employment Council, Inc.)
- The Diversity & Inclusion Toolkit (Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce)
- Urban League of Greater Kansas City (1710 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Diversity Recruiting Programs (Variable by company)

4.2.5 Public Awareness Campaigns

Launch campaigns that highlight the importance and benefits of diversity in the workplace, aiming to change public perceptions and employer attitudes.

4.2.6 Community Resource Center

Establish a community resource center focused on providing job training, resume workshops, and educational resources to minority individuals.

- Full Employment Council (Full Employment Council, Inc.)

4.2.7 Diversity Audits

Encourage local businesses to undergo voluntary diversity audits to identify discriminatory practices and develop plans for improvement.

- Diversity & Inclusion Consulting Services (Full Employment Council)
- KC Diversity & Inclusion Consortium (Kansas City Diversity & Inclusion Consortium)
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Solutions (DEI Impact)

4.2.8 Employment Equity Legislation Support

Advocate for stronger employment equity legislation at the local level to ensure fair hiring practices are not only encouraged but also legally required.

4.2.9 Collaboration with Civil Rights Groups

Partner with civil rights organizations to provide legal support and resources to individuals who have experienced discrimination in the hiring process.

- Partnership for Workplace Equity (The Kansas City Human Relations Department)

- Equal Employment Opportunity Advocacy (The Greater Kansas City AFL-CIO)
- Civil Rights Legal Assistance (Legal Aid of Western Missouri)
- Workforce Discrimination Support Services (Urban League of Greater Kansas City)

4.2.10 Youth Empowerment Initiatives

Invest in programs that empower minority youth with skills and education necessary to succeed in the job market, thus building a strong foundation for future employment equality.

- Youth Ambassadors (1100 Rockhurst Road, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Kauffman Scholars (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- PREP-KC (300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- MindDrive (2615 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108)

4.3 ECONOMIC RECESSION

Economic downturns can lead to higher unemployment rates, affecting all demographics but often hitting youth and minorities harder.

4.3.1 Job Skills Training Programs

Implement programs focused on upskilling and reskilling workers, particularly targeting youth and minorities. These could include partnerships with community colleges, local businesses, and trade schools.

- Full Employment Council (1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- KC Degrees (Mid-America Regional Council)
- LaunchCode (8080 Ward Parkway, Suite 100, Kansas City, MO 64114, United States)
- UMKC Career Services (University of Missouri-Kansas City)
- Kansas City Kansas Community College Technical Education Center (6565 State Ave, Kansas City, KS 66102, USA)

4.3.2 Support for Small and Minority-Owned Businesses

Provide grants, low-interest loans, and business advisement to help small and minority-owned businesses stay afloat during economic downturns, which can also help sustain local employment.

- AltCap (3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Port KC Tools for Small Business (Port KC)
- Justine PETERSEN's Kansas City Initiative (Justine PETERSEN)
- Hispanic Economic Development Corporation (2130 Jefferson St, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Women's Business Center (OneKC for Women)

4.3.3 Youth Mentorship and Internship Opportunities

Encourage local businesses and government agencies to create internship and mentorship opportunities for young individuals to gain work experience and career guidance.

- Hire KC (4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City (1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- KC STEM Alliance (4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States)
- The Coterie Theatre (2450 Grand Blvd #144, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Urban Ranger Corps (5908 Swope Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130)

4.3.4 Community-Based Networking Events

Host regular networking events and job fairs that bring together employers and job seekers, with a focus on including diverse communities and offering services such as interview preparation.

- Kansas City Career Fair by Choice Career Fairs (Choice Career Fairs)
- Central Exchange (1020 Central St #100, Kansas City, MO 64105)
- KC Job Seekers Blog (N/A - Online Resource)
- Urban League of Greater Kansas City (1710 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Kansas City National Employment Week (National Employment Week Organizers)

4.3.5 Financial Literacy Workshops

Offer workshops on financial literacy and budgeting, specifically tailored to help people understand how to manage finances during economic hardships.

- Money Smart KC (4800 Main St Ste 203, Kansas City, MO 64112)
- Budgeting and Debt Management Classes (NextStep KC)
- Financial Education Workshops (Community Services League)
- Financial Coaching (Prosperity Connection)
- Financial Capabilities Workshops (Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph)

4.3.6 Public-Private Partnerships

Foster collaboration between the public sector and private companies to drive economic development and job creation, with a focus on inclusive growth.

- KC Tech Council (4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205)
- LaunchKC (1100 Walnut St, Suite #1700, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA)
- KC Digital Drive (4220 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Suite 350-B, Fairway, Kansas 66205)
- Smart City Initiative (City of Kansas City, MO)
- EDCKC Workforce Development (Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City, Missouri (EDCKC))

4.3.7 Emergency Assistance Funds

Establish or expand local funds to provide emergency financial assistance to those hardest hit by job loss, assisting with essential expenses like housing and food.

- Greater Kansas City COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund (Greater Kansas City Community Foundation)
- Guadalupe Centers Financial Assistance Program (Guadalupe Centers, Inc.)
- Emergency Assistance Program (Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph)
- Kansas City Emergency Rental Assistance Program (City of Kansas City, Missouri)

4.3.8 Mental Health Support Services

Enhance access to mental health services to support individuals affected by the stress and anxiety of unemployment and economic uncertainty.

- Behavioral Health Services (Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health)
- Mental Health Crisis Intervention Services (ReDiscover)
- Integrated Mental Health Services (Swope Health)
- Counseling and Education Services (Tri-County Mental Health Services)
- Employment and Mental Health Support Services (Full Employment Council)

4.3.9 Entrepreneurship Training and Support

Develop programs that train and support individuals interested in starting their own businesses, with a focus on innovation and addressing community needs.

- Kauffman Foundation (4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Missouri Small Business Development Center at UMKC (4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Enterprise Center in Johnson County (4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205)
- KCSOURCELINK (4747 Troost Ave, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- SCORE Kansas City (4747 Troost, Suite 128, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- PlexPod (Several locations in Kansas City area)

4.3.10 Enhanced Public Transportation

Improve public transportation options to make it easier for individuals to commute to job opportunities that may be outside of their immediate neighborhoods.

- Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA) (1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- RideKC (1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Kansas City Streetcar (600 E. 3rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- BikeWalkKC (1106 E 30th St, Suite G, Kansas City MO 64109)

4.4 LACK OF JOB TRAINING PROGRAMS

Insufficient vocational training and mentorship programs fail to equip the community with the necessary skills for available jobs.

4.4.1 Partnerships with Local Businesses

Encourage partnerships between local businesses and community centers to offer on-the-job training and apprenticeship opportunities, aligning training with current market needs.

- LaunchCode (LaunchCode Kansas City)
- Full Employment Council (Full Employment Council, Inc.)
- KC Tech Council Apprenticeship Program (KC Tech Council)
- Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Greater Kansas City (2001 Grand Blvd., Suite 700, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- KCSOURCELINK (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)

4.4.2 Community-Driven Vocational Workshops

Organize community-led workshops and seminars in vocational skills where local experts volunteer to teach trade skills such as carpentry, plumbing, electrical work, and coding.

- Maker Village KC (606 E 31st St, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Connecting For Good (3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- The Builders' Association (720 Oak Street, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- KC Women in Technology (Not available)
- Kansas City Kansas Community College Technical Education Center (6565 State Ave, Kansas City, KS 66102, USA)

4.4.3 Educational Institutions Collaboration

Collaborate with high schools, vocational schools, and community colleges to create pipeline programs that guide students directly into employment opportunities within their field of study.

- Metropolitan Community College (3200 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States)
- Kansas City Kansas Public Schools - Diploma+ Program (Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools)
- KC Degrees (Mid-America Regional Council)
- Preparing for the Future Program (The Chamber of Commerce of Greater Kansas City)

4.4.4 Local Government Grants for Training

Advocate for local government to provide grants or tax incentives for organizations that create and maintain job training programs.

- Workforce Development (Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City)
- KC Tech Specs Training Incentive (KC Tech Council)
- Kansas Works (Kansas Department of Commerce)

- Missouri Works Training Program (Missouri Department of Economic Development)

4.4.5 Online Resource Hub

Develop an online platform to aggregate and share information on existing job training opportunities, career counselling services, and mentorship programs within Kansas City.

4.4.6 Youth Mentorship Programs

Establish mentorship programs that connect young adults with experienced professionals in their field of interest to provide guidance, networking opportunities, and career advice.

- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City (1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- Mentor KC
- PREP-KC (Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation-Kansas City)
- Lead to Read KC (P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- KC STEM Alliance (4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States)
- Kansas City Urban Youth Academy (1622 East 17 Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64108)

4.4.7 Mobile Training Units

Implement mobile training units that can travel to underserved areas offering short-term, intensive training courses in various trades and skills.

- Metropolitan Community College (MCC) - Mobile Training Unit (Metropolitan Community College)
- LIKEME Lighthouse Kansas City - Mobile Training (LIKEME Lighthouse Kansas City)
- Kansas City Kansas Community College (KCKCC) - Technical Education Center (Kansas City Kansas Community College)

4.4.8 Entrepreneurship Support

Create incubator programs focusing on entrepreneurship that offer business training and resources for individuals looking to start their own ventures.

- Digital Sandbox KC (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Enterprise Center in Johnson County (4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205)
- Kauffman Labs for Enterprise Creation (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)
- Plexpod Westport Commons (Plexpod)
- ScaleUP! Kansas City (UMKC Innovation Center)

4.4.9 Skill Gap Analysis

Perform a detailed skill gap analysis within the community to identify what specific training programs are most in demand and develop targeted solutions.

- Workforce Development Initiative (Full Employment Council)

- KC Degrees (Mid-America Regional Council)
- TechHire KC (KC Tech Council)
- KC Rising (Civic Council of Greater Kansas City)
- Sector-Based Workforce Development Programs (Metropolitan Community College)

4.4.10 Public-Private Initiatives

Foster public-private initiatives where government and private sector jointly fund and expand job training centers that directly respond to the workforce needs of the region.

- KC Tech Council Apprenti Program (KC Tech Council)
- Missouri Works Training Program (Missouri Department of Economic Development)
- Kansas Works (Kansas Department of Commerce)
- Full Employment Council (Full Employment Council, Inc.)
- Frontier Justice Academy (Frontier Justice)

4.5 AUTOMATION AND OUTSOURCING

Advancements in technology and the outsourcing of jobs to other regions or countries reduce local employment opportunities.

4.5.1 Entrepreneurship and Start-up Support

Encourage the creation and growth of local start-ups by providing entrepreneurs with resources, mentorship, and financial incentives to create jobs and develop innovative solutions within the community.

- Digital Sandbox KC (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- LaunchKC (1100 Walnut St, Suite #1700, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA)
- Kansas City Startup Foundation (4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Fairway, KS 66205, United States)
- Enterprise Center in Johnson County (4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205)
- 1 Million Cups Kansas City (1 Million Cups)

4.5.2 Education and Skill Development

Invest in educational programs and vocational training that focus on the skills needed in emerging industries and facilitate retraining for those whose jobs have been impacted by automation or outsourcing.

- Kansas City Industrial Training (The Metropolitan Community College)
- LaunchCode Kansas City (LaunchCode)
- Kansas City Tech Apprenticeship (Full Employment Council)
- Urban Tech Jobs Program (Urban League of Greater Kansas City)
- Digital Inclusion Fellowship (Connect KC)

4.5.3 Local Industry Diversification

Diversify the local economy by promoting industries that are less likely to be automated or outsourced and provide incentives for businesses in these sectors to establish themselves in the region.

- Kansas City Area Development Council (30 W. Pershing Rd., Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- KC Digital Drive (4220 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Suite 350-B, Fairway, Kansas 66205)
- LaunchKC (1100 Walnut St, Suite #1700, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA)
- EDCKC (Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City)
- Missouri Technology Corporation (4633 World Parkway Circle, St. Louis, MO 63134)

4.5.4 Collaboration with Tech Companies

Partner with technology companies to create job opportunities that leverage new technologies and ensure that the local workforce is trained to fill these new roles.

- KC Tech Council (4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205)
- LaunchCode (LaunchCode Kansas City)
- TechHire Kansas City (Full Employment Council, Inc.)
- Digital Sandbox KC (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)

4.5.5 Remote Work Initiatives

Develop local hubs and support systems for remote workers to attract individuals and businesses that can operate independently of location, thus countering the job losses due to outsourcing.

- Kansas City Remote Work Initiative (KCSOURCELINK)
- Work From Home KC (Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City)
- KC Remote Workers Meetup (Meetup Group (Independent))
- Remote Work Certification Program (Full Employment Council)

4.5.6 Incentives for Local Hiring

Implement tax breaks or other financial incentives for businesses that maintain or increase their local workforce, especially in sectors impacted by automation and outsourcing.

- Kansas City, Missouri, Local Workforce Utilization (City of Kansas City, Missouri - Human Relations Department)
- Missouri Works (Missouri Department of Economic Development)
- KC SmartPort (600 Broadway, Suite 200 Kansas City, MO 64105, United States)

4.5.7 Public-Private Partnerships

Create partnerships between the government and private enterprises to develop projects that require human labor, thereby generating new job opportunities.

- KC Streetcar (Kansas City Streetcar Authority)

4.5.8 Community Investment Funds

Establish local investment funds aimed at supporting small businesses and community projects that can generate employment and foster economic resilience.

- AltCap (3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)

4.5.9 Innovation and Research Grants

Provide grants and funding for research and development in sectors resistant to automation and outsourcing, promoting constant innovation and job creation.

- LaunchKC Grants Competition (LaunchKC)
- Digital Sandbox KC (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- SBIR/STTR Grants (Missouri Small Business Development Center)
- Proof of Concept Innovation Funding (UMKC Innovation Center)
- H&R Block Small Business and Entrepreneurship Program (H&R Block)

4.5.10 Promotion of Artisanal and Craft Industries

Support and promote local artisanal, craft, and creative industries that rely on unique human skills and are less prone to be automated or outsourced.

- First Friday in the Crossroads Arts District (Crossroads Community Association)
- Strawberry Swing Indie Craft Fair (The Strawberry Swing Indie Craft Fair)
- Made in KC Marketplace (Made in KC)
- Kansas City Artists Coalition (3200 Gillham Rd, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- ArtsKC - Regional Arts Council (ArtsKC)
- Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce (30 W. Pershing Rd. Suite 301, Kansas City, MO 64108)

4.6 MISMATCH BETWEEN SKILLS AND JOB MARKET

The skills possessed by the local workforce may not align with the needs of the current job market, leading to underemployment or unemployment.

4.6.1 Skills Gap Analysis

Conduct a comprehensive analysis to identify the specific skills that are in demand by employers but lacking in the local workforce. This will help tailor educational and training programs to meet the needs of the job market.

4.6.2 Vocational Training Programs

Establish or expand vocational training programs in technical schools and community colleges that focus on the skills currently in demand, such as coding, advanced manufacturing, and renewable energy technologies.

- Full Employment Council - Career Centers (Full Employment Council, Inc.)

4.6.3 Apprenticeship Opportunities

Encourage local businesses to offer apprenticeship programs that provide on-the-job training in skilled trades or other growing industries, allowing workers to learn while they earn.

- Missouri Registered Apprenticeships (Missouri Division of Workforce Development)
- KC Tech Academy (1101 NW Innovation Parkway, Lee's Summit, MO 64086)
- Builders' Association Apprenticeship Training Center (The Builders' Association)
- Full Employment Council (FEC) (Full Employment Council)
- Metropolitan Community College Apprenticeship Programs (Metropolitan Community College)

4.6.4 Workforce Development Partnerships

Create partnerships between local government, industry leaders, and educational institutions to develop targeted training initiatives that are directly linked to employer needs.

- KC Rising (4060 Pennsylvania Ave #150, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA)
- Full Employment Council (FEC) (Full Employment Council, Inc.)
- KC Tech Council Apprenticeship Program (KC Tech Council)
- LaunchCode Kansas City (LaunchCode)

4.6.5 Career Counseling and Job Matching Services

Provide career counseling and job placement services that help job seekers identify their transferable skills and match them with available positions or training opportunities.

- Workforce Partnership (8535 Bluejacket Street, Lenexa, KS 66214)
- Full Employment Council (FEC) (Full Employment Council, Inc.)
- The University of Kansas Alumni Association Jayhawk Career Network (The University of Kansas Alumni Association)
- Goodwill Career Centers (Goodwill of Western Missouri & Eastern Kansas)
- Jewish Vocational Service (JVS) (Jewish Vocational Service)

4.6.6 Incentives for Continuous Learning

Introduce tax credits or other financial incentives for individuals and businesses that invest in further education and skills development for the local workforce.

- Missouri Works Training Program (Missouri Department of Economic Development)
- Kansas Works Workforce Innovation Fund (Kansas Department of Commerce)
- Workforce Development Tax Credit (Kansas Department of Commerce)

4.6.7 Technology Upskilling Initiatives

Launch initiatives that offer free or subsidized training in digital literacy and advanced technology skills, to ensure the workforce can compete in an increasingly tech-driven economy.

- LaunchCode Kansas City (LaunchCode)

- Digital Inclusion Fund (Greater Kansas City Community Foundation)
- TechHire KC (Full Employment Council)
- KC Digital Drive (4220 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Suite 350-B, Fairway, Kansas 66205)
- Code for KC Brigade (Code for KC)

4.6.8 Entrepreneurship Support

Promote entrepreneurship through local incubators and accelerators, providing mentorship and resources for individuals to start their own businesses in emerging sectors.

- Digital Sandbox KC (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Enterprise Center in Johnson County (ECJC) (Enterprise Center in Johnson County)
- LaunchKC (1100 Walnut St, Suite #1700, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA)
- Plexpod (300 East 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Techstars Kansas City Accelerator (Techstars)
- Kauffman FastTrac (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)

4.6.9 Flexible Education Models

Implement flexible education models such as online learning and night classes to accommodate working adults who want to enhance their skills without leaving the workforce.

- Online and Evening Programs (University of Missouri-Kansas City)
- Flexible Adult Education Programs (Metropolitan Community College)
- Continuing Education for Professionals (Park University)
- Adult Education and Literacy Programs (Kansas City Kansas Community College)
- Workforce Development Programs (Full Employment Council)

4.6.10 Industry-Driven Curriculum Updates

Work with local educators to regularly update curricula to reflect the latest developments in industry, ensuring students are learning relevant skills for the modern workplace.

4.7 LIMITED ENTREPRENEURSHIP SUPPORT

A lack of resources and support for small business owners and entrepreneurs can prevent the creation of new jobs within the community.

4.7.1 Local Business Incubator

Create a business incubator that provides office space, mentorship, and resources for new entrepreneurs to help them develop their business plans and connect with potential investors.

- Plexpod Westport Commons (Plexpod)

4.7.2 Entrepreneurship Workshops

Organize regular workshops and seminars focused on skills necessary for running a successful business, such as financial literacy, marketing, and product development.

- Kauffman FastTrac (Kauffman Foundation)
- Digital Sandbox KC (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- SCORE Kansas City (4747 Troost, Suite 128, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Enterprise Center in Johnson County (4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205)
- Small Business Development Center at UMKC (4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110)

4.7.3 Microloan Programs

Set up community-based microloan programs to offer small, low-interest loans to local entrepreneurs, particularly those who have difficulty accessing traditional bank loans.

- Justine PETERSEN Microloan Program (Justine PETERSEN)
- AltCap Microloan Program (AltCap)
- Women's Business Center Microloan Program (Women's Business Center)
- Grameen America Kansas City (Grameen America)
- KCSOURCELINK Microloan Program (KCSOURCELINK)

4.7.4 Local Networking Events

Host networking events to connect small business owners and entrepreneurs with each other as well as with potential mentors, investors, and clients.

- 1 Million Cups Kansas City (Kauffman Foundation)
- Kansas City Business Networking (Network After Work)
- The GRID (Various locations in Kansas City)
- KC Tech Council Events (KC Tech Council)
- The Kansas City Chamber's Small Business Celebration (Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce)

4.7.5 Entrepreneur Mentorship Program

Establish a mentorship program linking experienced business professionals with new entrepreneurs to provide guidance, support, and advice.

- Kansas City SCORE (SCORE Association)
- Digital Sandbox KC (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Enterprise Center in Johnson County (4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205)
- UMKC Innovation Center (University of Missouri-Kansas City Innovation Center)
- BetaBlox

4.7.6 Online Resource Hub

Develop a comprehensive online portal containing information on local business regulations, funding sources, training programs, and other entrepreneurship resources.

- KCSOURCELINK (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)

- Startland News - Resource Navigator (Startland News)
- Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City (1100 Walnut St #1700, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA)
- KC BizCare (Kansas City Business Customer Service Center)
- Digital Sandbox KC (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)

4.7.7 Local Marketplaces

Create platforms such as farmers markets, craft fairs, or online marketplaces where local entrepreneurs can showcase and sell their products or services.

- City Market (20 E 5th St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States)
- KC Local Marketplace (N/A - Online Marketplace)
- Brookside Farmers Market (63rd St & Wornall Rd, Kansas City, MO 64113)
- Kansas City Farmers Market (KCFM) (Kansas City Farmers Market)
- Made in KC Marketplace (Made in KC)

4.7.8 Youth Entrepreneurship Programs

Introduce entrepreneurship-focused programs in schools and community centers to inspire and equip the younger generation with the skills to start their own businesses in the future.

- Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship (NFTE) (Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship)
- Youth Entrepreneurs (1 H&R Block Way, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States)
- KCSOURCELINK's Youth Entrepreneurship Programs (KCSOURCELINK)
- DECA Inc. (Kansas City, Missouri area (multiple schools participate in DECA, address provided may belong to a local chapter))
- Junior Achievement of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 210, Kansas City, MO 64130)
- The Kauffman Foundation's Youth Entrepreneurship Programs (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)

4.7.9 Community Investment Funds

Develop a local investment fund to provide capital to promising start-ups and small businesses, with community members having the option to invest in their local economy.

- AltCap (3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- OneKC for Women (4220 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205)
- KC SOURCELINK (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Port KC (110 Berkley Plaza, Kansas City, MO 64120)
- Neighborhood Development Center (Unspecified - Contact for details)

4.7.10 Entrepreneurship Awards and Competitions

Organize local competitions and award programs that recognize successful entrepreneurs and fund winning business ideas to promote a culture of innovation and competition.

- Digital Sandbox KC (4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Pure Pitch Rally
- AltCap Your Biz: Pitch Competition (AltCap)
- E-Scholars Program (University of Missouri-Kansas City)
- Regnier Venture Creation Challenge (Regnier Institute for Entrepreneurship and Innovation)

4.8 CRIMINAL RECORDS

Individuals with criminal records face significant barriers to employment due to stigma and legal obstacles.

4.8.1 Fair Chance Hiring Practices

Encourage local businesses to adopt fair chance hiring policies that give individuals with criminal records a fair shot at employment by delaying background checks until after an initial job offer.

- Ban the Box Movement (City of Kansas City, Missouri)
- Fair Chance Hiring Policy (City of Kansas City, Missouri)
- Workforce Development (Full Employment Council)

4.8.2 Ban the Box Campaigns

Support local 'Ban the Box' campaigns to remove the checkbox asking about criminal history from job applications, allowing applicants to be judged first on their qualifications.

- Kansas City Ban the Box Ordinance (City of Kansas City, MO)
- Fair Chance Hiring Policy (City of Kansas City, MO Human Resources)
- Second Chance Program (Full Employment Council)

4.8.3 Expungement Clinics

Organize expungement clinics where legal professionals volunteer to help individuals with criminal records navigate the process of sealing or expunging their records to improve employment opportunities.

- Legal Aid of Western Missouri Expungement Clinics (Legal Aid of Western Missouri)
- Missouri Expungement Day (Missouri State Public Defender and other local legal organizations)
- Heartland Center for Jobs and Freedom Expungement Clinic (Heartland Center for Jobs and Freedom)

4.8.4 Job Training and Placement Programs

Develop job training and placement programs specifically designed for individuals with criminal records, providing them with the skills they need to secure employment in in-demand industries.

- Second Chance Program (Full Employment Council)
- New Leash on Life (KC Pet Project)

- Culinary Cornerstones Training Program (Episcopal Community Services)
- Project Re-Entry (Metropolitan Community College)
- Women in Construction (Mo-Kan)

4.8.5 Community Education Campaigns

Create community education campaigns that aim to reduce the stigma associated with having a criminal record by highlighting success stories and the value of giving individuals a second chance.

- Ban the Box Campaign (City of Kansas City, Missouri)
- Clean Slate Expungement Project (Legal Aid of Western Missouri)
- Fair Chance Hiring Initiative (None provided)
- Reentry Services (ReDiscover)

4.8.6 Employer Incentives

Work with local government to establish tax credits or other incentives for companies that hire individuals with criminal records, making it a more attractive proposition for businesses.

- Work Opportunity Tax Credit (Missouri Department of Economic Development)
- Fair Chance Hiring Initiative (None provided)

4.8.7 Mentorship Programs

Set up mentorship programs that connect individuals with criminal records to mentors who can provide guidance, support, and networking opportunities to help them find employment.

- Second Chance Program (Connections to Success)
- Reentry Mentoring Program (Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas)
- Mentorship to Employment Program (The Full Employment Council, Inc.)
- KC Reentry Resources (Not specified)

4.8.8 Supportive Services

Provide or advocate for supportive services, such as housing, transportation, and childcare assistance, that are often critical for individuals with criminal records in securing and maintaining employment.

- Reentry Services (City of Kansas City, Missouri)
- Criminal Justice Services (Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph)
- Transitional Housing Program (Amethyst Place)
- Social Services and Advocacy (Metro Lutheran Ministry)
- Employment Services Program (Full Employment Council, Inc.)
- Reentry Employment Services (Workforce Partnership)

4.8.9 Collaborative Employer Roundtables

Host roundtable discussions with local employers to share best practices for hiring and retaining employees with criminal records and to discuss the mutual benefits of an inclusive workforce.

- Workforce Development Roundtables (Full Employment Council)

4.8.10 Policy Advocacy

Engage in policy advocacy efforts to encourage the enactment of laws that help reduce employment barriers for individuals with criminal records.

- Ban the Box Campaign (ACLU of Kansas)

4.9 INADEQUATE TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE

Poor transportation links can prevent access to job sites, particularly for low-income individuals who may not have personal vehicles.

4.9.1 Community Carpool Programs

Establish community-driven carpool initiatives to facilitate shared transportation to and from work, reducing the dependency on personal vehicles especially for low-income community members.

- RideShare (Mid-America Regional Council (MARC))

4.9.2 Subsidized Public Transit

Work with local government to provide reduced-fare public transit passes for low-income individuals, ensuring that lack of personal transportation is not a barrier to employment.

- RideKC Zero Fare Transit (RideKC)

4.9.3 Bike Share Programs

Create or expand bike-sharing programs within the city that offer affordable options for individuals to use bicycles as a means of transport to job sites.

- RideKC Bike (BikeWalkKC in partnership with Drop Mobility and RideKC)
- BCycle (Kansas City BCycle)

4.9.4 Volunteer Ride-Sharing Service

Develop a service where volunteers provide rides to those in need, particularly targeting job interviews, first days of work, or uncommonly served routes by public transit.

- ITNBluegrass (Independent Transportation Network)
- RideKC Freedom (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority)
- SeniorCare Volunteer Network (SeniorCare Inc.)

4.9.5 Public Transportation Consultation

Organize community forums to discuss the needs of transportation with public transit officials and advocate for more efficient routes and schedules that serve the needs of low-income workers.

- KCATA Community Engagement (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))
- RideKC Next (RideKC)
- KC Streetcar Authority Meetings (KC Streetcar Authority)
- Regional Transit Coordination Council (Mid-America Regional Council)

4.9.6 Infrastructure Investment Advocacy

Lead a community advocacy group focused on petitioning for local government investment in transportation infrastructure improvements that benefit underserved areas.

- KC Chamber's Big 5 Initiative (Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce)
- BikeWalkKC Advocacy (BikeWalkKC)
- Connecting KC (Mid-America Regional Council (MARC))
- Transportation Advocacy (Kansas City Public Works Department)

4.9.7 Employer-Partnered Transit Solutions

Collaborate with local employers to develop transportation solutions like private shuttles or transit subsidies for low-income employees who have trouble accessing work sites.

- RideKC Bridj (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))
- KC Streetcar (Kansas City Streetcar Authority)
- RideKC Vanpool (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))
- RideKC Freedom (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))
- Enterprise Rideshare (Enterprise Holdings Inc.)

4.9.8 Last-Mile Transportation Options

Encourage the implementation of last-mile solutions, such as e-scooters or shuttle services, to bridge the gap between public transit stops and job locations.

- RideKC Bike and Scooter Program (RideKC)
- KC Streetcar (KC Streetcar Authority)
- RideKC Microtransit Pilot Program (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))
- Bridj (Bridj (Inactive, for historical context))

4.9.9 Community Transportation Workshops

Offer workshops to educate residents on existing transportation options, navigation apps, and resources to maximize the efficiency of their commutes.

- RideKC Transit Workshops (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))
- BikeWalkKC Education Programs (BikeWalkKC)

- Mid-America Regional Council's KC Commuter Resources (Mid-America Regional Council (MARC))

4.9.10 Flexible Work Scheduling

Promote flexible work schedules amongst local businesses so that employees can travel during off-peak hours, allowing them to take advantage of less crowded and more available public transit options.

- KC Flex (Kansas City Chamber of Commerce)

4.10 INFLEXIBLE WORKPLACES

Work environments that don't offer flexible hours or accommodations for working parents can exclude a significant portion of the potential workforce.

4.10.1 Community Childcare Initiatives

Establish local childcare cooperatives where parents can contribute services or funding, enabling flexible child care options for working parents.

- The Family Conservancy (444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101)
- Operation Breakthrough (3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Milestones Academy (2001 NE Parvin Rd, Kansas City, MO 64116)
- The Children's Place (2 East 59th Street, Kansas City, MO 64113)
- Child Care Aware of Kansas (1100 SW Wanamaker Road, Suite 201, Topeka, KS 66604)

4.10.2 Local Government Incentives

The city can offer incentives to businesses that implement flexible working arrangements, like tax breaks or recognition programs.

4.10.3 Employer Consortia for Flexibility

Encourage the formation of employer consortia to share best practices and resources for providing flexible work environments, such as job sharing technology and flexible scheduling systems.

- Kansas City Corporate Challenge (2020 Baltimore Ave, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)

4.10.4 Remote Work Hubs

Develop remote work hubs within the community that provide space and resources for individuals to work flexible hours closer to home.

- Plexpod (300 East 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- WeWork (1828 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- iWerx (1520 Clay St, North Kansas City, MO 64116, United States)

4.10.5 Workplace Flexibility Advocacy Groups

Form advocacy groups that can champion the benefits of flexible workplaces to local businesses and provide support for implementing such practices.

4.10.6 Flexible Hours Local Ordinance

Lobby for a local ordinance that requires businesses to reasonably accommodate requests for flexible working hours, particularly for parents.

4.10.7 Public Awareness Campaigns

Run public awareness campaigns highlighting the importance of workplace flexibility and how it can benefit both employers and employees.

- Workplace Flexibility Awareness Campaign (Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce)
- Flexible Work Arrangements Promotion (KC SmartPort)
- Flex-Work Advocacy (Kansas City Area Development Council)

4.10.8 Business Roundtables

Facilitate roundtables for business leaders to discuss challenges and share successful strategies for creating flexible work environments.

- Kansas City Chamber's Business Roundtables (Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce)
- Industry-Specific Roundtable Events (Kansas City Business Journal)

4.10.9 Community Support Platforms

Create online platforms or forums where working parents can exchange support, resources, and tips for managing work-life balance in inflexible work situations.

- KC Parent (KC Parent Magazine)
- The Family Conservancy (444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101)
- Hive KC (Kansas City, MO)
- Kansas City Mom Collective (Kansas City, MO)

4.10.10 Flexible Workforce Development Programs

Partner with local educational institutions to offer training programs for workers and employers on the benefits and implementation of flexible work arrangements.

- Flexible Workforce Development Programs (Full Employment Council, Inc.)
- Flexible Workforce Development Programs (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)
- Flexible Workforce Development Programs (Mid-America Regional Council)

5 High School Dropout Rates

Higher dropout rates from schools lead to a lower-educated workforce, which in turn can impact the economic prosperity of the community. Educational attainment is often correlated with reduced crime rates and is a key factor in developing a strong and vibrant city characterized by community spirit and safety.

5.1 ECONOMIC DISADVANTAGE

Students from low-income families may struggle to prioritize education due to the need to contribute financially to their household or because they lack access to resources that support their learning.

5.1.1 Community Tutoring Programs

Establish free or low-cost community tutoring programs through local libraries or community centers to provide academic support for students from low-income families.

- KC STEM Alliance Tutoring Program (KC STEM Alliance)
- Literacy KC Tutoring (Literacy KC)
- UpperRoom Tutoring Program (UpperRoom)
- Lead to Read KC (P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Kansas City Public Library's Homework Help (Kansas City Public Library)

5.1.2 School Supply Drives

Organize school supply drives where community members can donate supplies such as books, backpacks, and technology to students who may not be able to afford them.

- Back to School Bash (Kansas City Public Schools)

5.1.3 Mentorship Programs

Create mentorship programs that pair professionals in various fields with students to offer guidance, academic support, and career planning.

- Kansas City Mentoring Programs (Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City, Kansas City Girls Preparatory Academy Mentorship Program, Minds Matter of Kansas City, KC STEM Alliance, PREP-KC)

5.1.4 Education Scholarships and Grants

Fundraise to provide scholarships and grants specifically targeting students from low-income households to help cover the costs associated with schooling.

- Kauffman Scholars, Inc. (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)
- Greater Kansas City Community Foundation Scholarships (Greater Kansas City Community Foundation)

- Hispanic Development Fund Scholarship Program (Hispanic Development Fund)
- Women's Foundation Scholarships (Women's Foundation)
- KC Scholars (8080 Ward Parkway, Suite 402, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- Scholarship Foundation of Kansas City (Greater Kansas City Community Foundation)

5.1.5 After-School Enrichment Clubs

Volunteer-run after-school clubs can provide a safe space for students to participate in educational activities and receive homework help.

- After-School Enrichment Clubs (Local Investment Commission (LINC))
- After-School Enrichment Clubs (Operation Breakthrough)
- After-School Enrichment Clubs (Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City)
- After-School Enrichment Clubs (Horizons Kansas City)
- After-School Enrichment Clubs (The Upper Room KC)

5.1.6 Employment Programs for Guardians

Support local initiatives that help the guardians of students find stable employment, offering job training and job placement services to improve household income.

- Workforce Development Program (Full Employment Council)
- Women's Employment Network (Women's Employment Network (WEN))
- Project RISE (Jewish Vocational Service)
- Career Development Services (The Kansas City Public Library)
- Next Step Kansas City (Not specified)

5.1.7 Public Transportation Vouchers

Provide public transportation vouchers for students who may have difficulty affording the fare to get to and from school or educational facilities.

- RideKC Student Pass (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA))
- UMKC Student Pass Program (University of Missouri-Kansas City / RideKC)

5.1.8 Technology Access Programs

Collaborate with businesses and organizations to provide computers, tablets, and internet access to students who might otherwise go without these crucial learning tools.

- Connecting for Good (3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Kansas City Public Library Digital Inclusion (Kansas City Public Library)
- Surplus Exchange (518 Santa Fe St, Kansas City, MO 64105)
- PCs for People (Corporate Office, 1481 Marshall Ave, St Paul, MN 55104)
- Tech Access (Various school locations)

5.1.9 Nutrition Programs

Implement programs that provide free or reduced-cost meals to students during the school day, as well as food assistance for their families.

- Harvesters—The Community Food Network (3801 Topping Ave, Kansas City, MO 64129)

5.1.10 Community Advocacy Groups

Develop advocacy groups that work with local government and businesses to address and prioritize the needs of students facing economic disadvantage.

- Kansas City Public Schools Education Foundation (2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Stand Up Blue Valley (PO Box 26271, Overland Park, KS 66225, United States)
- Communities In Schools of Mid-America (Kansas City, KS (Multiple School Locations))
- Kansas City Teacher Residency (3 E. Armour Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- United Inner City Services (2008 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64127, United States)
- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)

5.2 FAMILY ISSUES

Family crises, parental neglect, or lack of parental involvement can lead to emotional distress and a lack of support for the student, increasing the likelihood of dropping out.

5.2.1 Community Mentorship Programs

Establish mentorship programs that pair community volunteers with students who may be at risk due to family issues. Mentors can provide emotional support, guidance, and a positive role model outside of the family unit.

- Kansas City Youth Mentorship Program (Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City)
- Lead to Read KC (P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- Youth Ambassadors Program (Youth Ambassadors, Inc.)
- Kansas City's Medicine Cabinet Student Health Academy (Kansas City's Medicine Cabinet)
- MindDrive Mentorship Program (MindDrive)
- Operation Breakthrough's Mentor Program (Operation Breakthrough)

5.2.2 Parenting Workshops

Offer free or low-cost parenting workshops in community centers to help educate parents on the importance of involvement in their children's lives and provide them with tools to better support their children's emotional and educational needs.

- Parenting Workshops at The Family Conservancy (The Family Conservancy)
- Parenting Classes at Children's Mercy Kansas City (Children's Mercy Kansas City)
- Parenting Education at Operation Breakthrough (Operation Breakthrough)
- Triple P – Positive Parenting Program at KVC Health Systems (KVC Health Systems)

5.2.3 Family Counseling Services

Provide accessible family counseling services for families in crisis. Counseling can help address underlying issues, improve communication, and strengthen family dynamics.

- Cornerstones of Care (300 E. 36th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)

5.2.4 After-School Programs

Create or support existing after-school programs that give students a safe and nurturing environment to spend time in, especially for those who may not receive sufficient support at home.

- Operation Breakthrough (3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- YMCA of Greater Kansas City (3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA)
- Latchkey Leadership Program (Multiple locations within Kansas City)
- Upper Room (The Upper Room)

5.2.5 School-Community Liaison Roles

Fund positions for school-community liaisons who can identify at-risk students, communicate with their families, and connect them to community resources that can provide support.

- Kansas City Public Schools Family & Community Engagement (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Local Investment Commission (LINC) (Local Investment Commission)
- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)

5.2.6 Peer Support Groups

Form peer support groups within schools that can offer empathy, understanding, and a sense of belonging to students struggling with family issues.

- Mental Health Peer Support at Schools (Mental Health America of the Heartland)
- Teen Peer Educators (Synergy Services)
- Peer Support Training for Teachers (Tri-County Mental Health Services)

5.2.7 Educational Supportive Services

Implement tutoring and educational support services for students who may be falling behind due to family problems, to help them stay on track and reduce the risk of dropout.

- Operation Breakthrough (3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Lead to Read KC (P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- Tutoring Kansas City (4741 Central St #374, Kansas City, MO 64112)
- Literacy KC (3036 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Kansas City Public Schools: Tutoring Services (Kansas City Public Schools)

5.2.8 Crisis Intervention Teams

Develop a crisis intervention team that is trained to handle emergency family issues and can intervene to offer immediate support and resources to students in distress.

- Kansas City, Missouri Police Department (KCPD) Crisis Intervention Team (Kansas City, Missouri Police Department)
- Comprehensive Mental Health Services Crisis Intervention Team (Comprehensive Mental Health Services)
- Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health Crisis Intervention Team (Truman Medical Centers)
- reStart Inc. Homeless Crisis Intervention Team (reStart Inc.)

5.2.9 Community Resource Directory

Create a comprehensive directory of community resources including hotlines, counseling services, and support groups readily available to families and students in need.

- United Way of Greater Kansas City 2-1-1 (United Way of Greater Kansas City)
- My Resource Connection (Johnson County Government)
- KCSOURCELINK Resource Navigator (KCSOURCELINK)
- KC Help (KC Help (Collaborative effort))
- Kansas City Public Library Community Resources (Kansas City Public Library)

5.2.10 Awareness Campaigns

Launch awareness campaigns to educate the community about the importance of family involvement in education, aiming to reduce stigma and encourage proactive engagement from parents and guardians.

- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Parents as Teachers (Parents as Teachers - Kansas City)
- PREP-KC (300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Kansas City Public Schools Parents University (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Family Conservancy (444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101)

5.3 SCHOOL CLIMATE

A negative school climate, including poor teacher-student relationships, bullying, or lack of safety can deter students from staying in school.

5.3.1 Mentorship Programs

Establish mentorship programs that pair students with positive role models from the community to provide guidance, support, and encouragement.

- KC Scholars (8080 Ward Parkway, Suite 402, Kansas City, MO 64114)

5.3.2 Parental Involvement Initiatives

Encourage parental involvement in school activities and decision-making processes to strengthen the school-community relationship and create a supportive educational environment.

- Family Engagement (Kansas City Public Schools)
- The Family Conservancy (444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101)
- Parents as Teachers (8150 N Oak Trafficway, Kansas City, MO 64118)
- PTA/PTSA (Individual Kansas City Schools)

5.3.3 Anti-Bullying Campaigns

Launch anti-bullying campaigns to raise awareness and educate students, teachers, and parents about the effects of bullying and the importance of creating a safe school climate.

- Stand Up, Speak Out: A Campaign to Build Safe, Bully-Free Communities (Stand for the Silent Kansas City)
- RESPECT Campaign (Synergy Services)
- Be an Upstander (Greater Kansas City Anti-Violence Project)
- No Bully KC (PACER's National Bullying Prevention Center)

5.3.4 Professional Development for Teachers

Invest in professional development opportunities for teachers focused on communication, conflict resolution, and classroom management to improve teacher-student relationships.

- Professional Learning (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Professional Development Programs (Kansas City Teacher Residency)
- Elevating and Celebrating Effective Teachers and Teaching (National Education Association - Kansas City, Missouri)
- Teacher Mentoring and Induction Program (Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education)
- Professional Development Workshops (Park University)

5.3.5 Safety Workshops

Organize safety workshops involving local law enforcement and experts to educate students and staff on personal safety and security measures within the school premises.

- KCPS Safety and Security Workshops (Kansas City Public Schools)
- UMKC Campus Safety Workshops (University of Missouri-Kansas City)
- Kansas City Police Department Community Workshops (Kansas City Police Department)
- Jewish Family Services Campus Safety Workshops (Jewish Family Services)

5.3.6 Student Engagement Programs

Develop programs that increase student engagement, such as extracurricular activities and interest-based clubs, to foster a sense of belonging and community within the school.

- LINC Caring Communities (Local Investment Commission (LINC))
- After-School Programs (Kansas City Public Schools)
- 21st Century Community Learning Centers (Missouri Department of Elementary & Secondary Education)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- Youth Ambassadors (1100 Rockhurst Road, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- KC STEM Alliance (4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States)

5.3.7 Peer Support Groups

Form peer support groups where students can discuss their experiences and challenges in a safe environment, promoting solidarity and mutual support.

5.3.8 Community Volunteer Involvement

Invite community volunteers to contribute in various school roles, including informal tutoring, library assistance, and event planning, to enhance community ties and support student learning.

- Kansas City Public Schools Volunteer Program (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Lead to Read KC Reading Mentor Program (Lead to Read KC)
- Turn the Page KC Volunteer Opportunities (Turn the Page KC)
- LINC Caring Communities (Local Investment Commission (LINC))

5.3.9 Restorative Justice Programs

Implement restorative justice programs to address conflicts and disciplinary issues through mediation and dialogue, emphasizing accountability and repairing relationships.

- Restorative Justice Program at the Center for Conflict Resolution (Center for Conflict Resolution)
- Restorative Discipline Practices in Schools (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Restorative Justice Program at the Kansas City Municipal Court (Kansas City Municipal Court)
- Community Mediation Center's Restorative Justice Initiatives (Community Mediation Center)

5.3.10 Cultural Competency Training

Provide cultural competency training for staff and students to build empathy, understand diverse backgrounds, and nurture an inclusive school climate.

- Cultural Competency Training (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Cultural Competence Workshops (Rockhurst University)
- Diversity and Inclusion Training (Children's Mercy Kansas City)
- Inclusive Excellence Workshops (University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC))
- Equity and Inclusion Training Programs (Mid-America Regional Council)

5.4 EDUCATIONAL DISENGAGEMENT

Students who are not engaged with their education due to a lack of relevance to their lives, boring or unchallenging coursework, or poor academic performance may lose interest and drop out.

5.4.1 Community Mentorship Programs

Establish mentorship programs that connect students with local professionals and community leaders to provide guidance, support, and real-world perspectives on how education can be directly relevant to their future careers and personal goals.

- Youth Ambassadors (Youth Ambassadors, Inc.)
- PREP-KC's College and Career Mentoring (PREP-KC)
- KC Degrees Navigator Program (KC Degrees)
- Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City (1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA)
- ScoreKC Mentoring (ScoreKC)

5.4.2 Project-Based Learning Initiatives

Encourage schools to integrate project-based learning where students can engage in hands-on, real-world projects that relate to local community issues or industries, fostering a sense of purpose and relevance in their coursework.

- Kauffman School Project-Based Learning (Ewing Marion Kauffman School)
- Kansas City Public Schools Project-Based Learning (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Center for Advanced Professional Studies (CAPS) (Blue Valley CAPS)
- STEAM Studio (STEAM Studio at Gould Evans)

5.4.3 After-School Enrichment Programs

Support the development and funding of after-school programs that offer additional academic enrichment, arts, sports, and technology activities that align with student interests and complement their educational experience.

- LINC Caring Communities After School (Local Investment Commission (LINC))
- Upper Room After School Program (The Upper Room)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- Operation Breakthrough After School Program (Operation Breakthrough)
- Alvin Ailey Camp - Kansas City (Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater)

5.4.4 Student-Driven Curriculum Development

Involve students in the curriculum development process to help educators create more engaging and customized learning experiences that reflect the interests and aspirations of the student body.

- Kansas City Public Schools Student Advisory Board (Kansas City Public Schools)
- The Literacy Lab's Leading Men Fellowship (The Literacy Lab)

- DeLaSalle Education Center Student Advisory Program (DeLaSalle Education Center)

5.4.5 Academic Support Services

Provide accessible tutoring and academic support services within the community to help students struggling with their coursework, thereby reducing the factors that contribute to poor academic performance and disengagement.

- Kansas City Public Schools Tutoring Programs (Kansas City Public Schools)

5.4.6 Educational Technology Integration

Invest in the integration of educational technologies that can make learning more engaging through interactive digital platforms, gamification, and personalized learning paths.

- 1:1 Technology Initiative (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Project Lead The Way (Project Lead The Way, Kansas City Region)
- eMINTS Program (eMINTS National Center)
- STEM Connect KC (KC STEM Alliance)

5.4.7 Career and Technical Education (CTE) Expansion

Expand and promote career and technical education programs in local high schools to provide students with clear pathways to in-demand careers in the community, enhancing the relevance of their education.

- Kansas City Public Schools CTE (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Northland Career Center (1801 Branch St, Platte City, MO 64079)
- Herndon Career Center (11501 E State Rte 350, Raytown, MO 64138)
- Manual Career & Technical Center (1215 E Truman Rd, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- Summit Technology Academy (777 NW Blue Parkway, Lee's Summit, MO 64086)
- Excelsior Springs Area Career Center (614 Tiger Dr, Excelsior Springs, MO 64024)

5.4.8 Parental Involvement Workshops

Offer workshops and resources to empower parents and guardians to take an active role in their children's education, helping to foster a supportive and motivating home environment.

- Family Engagement (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Parents as Teachers (Parents as Teachers National Center)
- Parent Power Lab (Turn the Page KC)
- Project Eagle (444 Minnesota Ave, Suite 100, Kansas City, KS 66101)
- PAVE (Parent Advocates for Visitation and Engagement) Program (The Family Conservancy)

5.4.9 Flexible Learning Schedules

Work with local schools to explore flexible scheduling options that accommodate the needs of diverse learners, including those who may have work or family obligations that impact their engagement with traditional school hours.

- Northwest Missouri State University Kansas City (Northwest Missouri State University)
- Metropolitan Community College (3200 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States)
- University of Missouri-Kansas City (5100 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Park University (8700 NW River Park Dr, Parkville, MO 64152)
- Kansas City Public Schools (2901 Troost Ave., Kansas City, MO 64109)

5.4.10 Cross-Sector Community Partnerships

Form partnerships between schools, local businesses, non-profits, and governmental organizations to create comprehensive support systems for students and to leverage community resources to enhance educational opportunities.

- Schools and Local Businesses Partnerships (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Teach for America - Kansas City (300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States)
- The Lean Lab (Not specified)
- PREP-KC (300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- KC STEM Alliance (4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States)

5.5 MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

Undiagnosed or untreated mental health issues can significantly affect a student's ability to focus, perform, and remain motivated in school, leading to higher dropout rates.

5.5.1 Expand School-Based Mental Health Services

Increase the availability of school-based mental health professionals, such as counselors, psychologists, and social workers, to provide on-site support and early intervention for students.

- School-Based Mental Health Program (Tri-County Mental Health Services)
- School Mental Health Initiative (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Mental Health School-Based Services (Swope Health)
- School-Based Counseling (Jewish Family Services of Greater Kansas City)
- Comprehensive School-Based Mental Health Program (Cornerstones of Care)

5.5.2 Mental Health Education Programs

Implement mental health awareness programs in schools to educate students, teachers, and parents about signs and symptoms of mental health issues and ways to seek help.

- Mental Health First Aid (Mental Health America of the Heartland)
- You Be You (Jewish Family Services of Greater Kansas City)

- SOS Signs of Suicide Prevention Program (Kansas City area schools)
- Resilience and Emotional Support for Kids (The Family Conservancy)

5.5.3 Peer Support Programs

Develop peer support systems in schools where students can connect with and support each other under the guidance of a trained adult.

- ReDiscover Youth Peer Support (ReDiscover)
- Student Assistance Program (Tri-County Mental Health Services)
- Peer Model Program (North Kansas City Schools)
- MO-KAN Peerpocalypse (Missouri Mental Health Foundation)

5.5.4 Community Mental Health Partnerships

Establish partnerships between schools and local mental health clinics or professionals to enhance access to services and create integrated care pathways for students.

- School-Based Mental Health Program (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Trauma Sensitive Schools Initiative (Child Protection Center)
- School Mental Health Initiative (Tri-County Mental Health Services)
- Uplift (Cornerstones of Care)

5.5.5 Parental Involvement Initiatives

Create initiatives to involve parents in the mental well-being of their children, including workshops and information sessions on how to support their child's mental health.

- Family Engagement Program (Kansas City Public Schools)

5.5.6 Crisis Intervention Training

Provide crisis intervention training for school staff to ensure they are equipped to respond effectively to students experiencing a mental health crisis.

- Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Training (Kansas City Police Department)
- Mental Health First Aid (Tri-County Mental Health Services)
- Youth Mental Health First Aid (MOCSA (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault))
- Crisis Response Team (Comprehensive Mental Health Services)

5.5.7 After-School Mental Wellness Programs

Offer extracurricular programs focused on mental wellness, such as mindfulness, yoga, and stress management, to help students cope with mental health challenges.

- Mindful Schools Program (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Youth Yoga Project (KC Yoga Center)
- Teen Stress Management Workshops (Children's Mercy Kansas City)

- After-School Resilience Program (The Family Conservancy)

5.5.8 Screening and Referral Services

Implement regular mental health screenings for students and establish a protocol for referring students to appropriate mental health services when needed.

- Screening for Mental Health (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Trauma Sensitive Schools Initiative (The Greater Kansas City Mental Health Coalition)
- Student Assistance Program (North Kansas City Schools)
- Comprehensive School Counseling Program (Shawnee Mission School District)
- Teenage Health Program (Children's Mercy Kansas City)

5.5.9 Youth Mental Health First Aid Training

Conduct Youth Mental Health First Aid training programs for teachers, administrators, and community members to help identify and support students in distress.

- Mental Health First Aid (Tri-County Mental Health Services)
- Youth Mental Health First Aid Training (Johnson County Mental Health Center)
- Youth Mental Health First Aid (Missouri Department of Mental Health)
- Mental Health First Aid Program (ReDiscover)
- Mental Health First Aid (KVC Hospitals)

5.5.10 Collaborative Support Networks

Build a network of support that includes schools, families, mental health professionals, and community organizations to address the needs of students with mental health concerns collectively.

- Thrive Kansas City (Thrive KC)
- School-based Mental Health Program (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Cornerstones of Care (300 E. 36th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Youth Ambassador Program (Mental Health America of the Heartland)

5.6 EARLY PARENTHOOD

Teen pregnancy and parenthood impose significant responsibilities that can make continuing education a secondary priority for young parents.

5.6.1 Comprehensive Sex Education Programs

Implement school-based, age-appropriate comprehensive sex education addressing both abstinence and contraception to reduce instances of teen pregnancy.

- Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Initiative (Kansas City Public Schools)
- PREP (Personal Responsibility Education Program) (Mother & Child Health Coalition)
- THRIVE Program (Children's Mercy Kansas City)

- Healthy Futures Program (Planned Parenthood Great Plains)

5.6.2 Youth Mentorship Programs

Develop mentorship programs that connect youths with role models who can discuss the challenges and realities of early parenthood.

- Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City (1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- MentorKC (Mentor KC)
- PREP-KC (300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)

5.6.3 Accessible Contraception

Ensure that teens have access to affordable and confidential contraceptive services to prevent unintended pregnancies.

- Title X Family Planning (Planned Parenthood Great Plains)
- Teen Friendly Contraceptive Services (Children's Mercy Kansas City)
- Reproductive Health Services (Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center)
- Birth Control Access (Swope Health Services)
- Contraceptive Equity Project (Thrive Health Connection)

5.6.4 Parenting and Life Skills Workshops

Offer workshops for teens that teach parenting and life skills, including financial literacy and child development.

- Operation Breakthrough (3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Cornerstones of Care (300 E 36th St, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 250, Kansas City, MO 64130)
- Parents as Teachers (Kansas City, MO)

5.6.5 Support Groups for Teen Parents

Create and support groups that provide emotional and practical support for teen parents to help them cope with challenges and stay in school.

- Hope Family Care Center Teen Parent Support Group (Hope Family Care Center)
- Teen Parents Succeeding (Operation Breakthrough)
- Young Parents Program (Mattie Rhodes Center)

5.6.6 Childcare Assistance

Provide affordable childcare options for young parents, enabling them to continue their education or work.

- Operation Breakthrough (3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- The Family Conservancy (444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101)
- Project Eagle (444 Minnesota Ave, Suite 100, Kansas City, KS 66101)
- Child Care Aware of Kansas (1100 SW Wanamaker Road, Suite 201, Topeka, KS 66604)
- Childcare Subsidy Program - State of Kansas (Kansas Department for Children and Families)

5.6.7 Flexible School Schedules

Offer flexible school schedules and alternative education options to accommodate the needs of teen parents.

- Flexible School Schedules (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Flexible School Schedules (Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education)
- Flexible School Schedules (DeLaSalle Education Center)

5.6.8 Career Counseling and Job Training

Provide career counseling and job training for teen parents, helping them build a stable future for themselves and their children.

- Career Counseling and Job Training for Teen Parents (Full Employment Council, Inc.)
- Youth Programs (Hire KC)
- High School/High Tech Program (The Whole Person)
- Apprenticeship Programs (Metropolitan Community College)
- Young Parent Support Program (Mattie Rhodes Center)

5.6.9 Healthcare Services

Offer comprehensive healthcare services, including prenatal and postnatal care, to ensure the health and well-being of teen parents and their children.

- Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center (825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124)
- KC CARE Health Center (3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- Swope Health Services (3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States)
- Children's Mercy Kansas City (2401 Gillham Rd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA)
- Truman Medical Centers (2301 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108)

5.6.10 Community Awareness Campaigns

Conduct community awareness campaigns to reduce the stigma attached to teen parenting and encourage community support.

5.7 SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Substance abuse among teenagers can interfere with their academic performance and lead to increased absenteeism or the decision to drop out.

5.7.1 Community Youth Engagement Programs

Implement after-school and weekend programs that provide teenagers with engaging activities and mentorship, focusing on building self-esteem, resilience, and healthy lifestyles.

5.7.2 Substance Abuse Education in Schools

Integrate comprehensive substance abuse education into the school curriculum to inform students about the risks and consequences of substance abuse.

- Youth Ambassadors (1100 Rockhurst Road, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) (Kansas City Police Department)
- First Call Prevention & Recovery (First Call Alcohol/Drug Prevention & Recovery)
- Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) (SADD Organization)

5.7.3 Parental Education Workshops

Offer workshops for parents and guardians on recognizing the signs of substance abuse, effective communication strategies, and how to seek help for their children.

- Family Support and Resource Center Workshops (Cornerstones of Care)
- Parent Education - SUBSTANCE USE AND YOUR TEEN (Rose Brooks Center)
- Parenting Classes (MOCSA (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault))
- Parent University (Kansas City Public Schools)

5.7.4 Peer Counseling and Support Groups

Create peer counseling programs and support groups within schools and community centers, providing a safe space for teens to discuss their experiences and challenges.

- Teen Peer Counseling Program (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Community Center Support Groups (Mattie Rhodes Center)
- Youth Peer Mentoring Program (Synergy Services)
- Adolescent Support Group Initiative (Rose Brooks Center)

5.7.5 Collaboration with Healthcare Providers

Form partnerships with local healthcare providers to facilitate access to counseling and treatment services for teenagers struggling with substance abuse.

- Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health (Truman Medical Centers)

5.7.6 Drug-Free Community Campaigns

Launch community-wide campaigns promoting drug-free lifestyles and highlighting the positive activities teens can engage in, celebrating their commitment to staying clean.

5.7.7 Accessible Recreational Facilities

Invest in public recreational facilities where teens can participate in sports, art, music, and other creative outlets as an alternative to engaging in substance abuse.

- Kansas City Parks and Recreation (4600 E. 63rd St. Trafficway, Kansas City, MO 64130)
- Mattie Rhodes Center (1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- YMCA of Greater Kansas City (3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA)
- Kansas City Young Audiences (3732 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64111)

5.7.8 Early Intervention Programs

Implement early intervention strategies for at-risk youth, including counseling and mentorship, to prevent the initiation of substance abuse.

- Great Circle (400 E. Red Bridge Road, Suite 115, Kansas City, MO 64131)
- Cornerstones of Care (300 E. 36th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- KC Mothers in Charge (3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Mattie Rhodes Center (1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States)
- Swope Health Services (3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States)
- Jackson County COMBAT (Jean Peters Baker, Jackson County Prosecutor, Jackson County Courthouse, 415 E 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106)

5.7.9 Job Skills and Vocational Training

Offer job skills and vocational training programs for teens to build a sense of purpose and direction for their future, reducing the temptation of substance abuse.

- YouthBuild KCK (727 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101)
- Guadalupe Centers—Workforce Development Program (Guadalupe Centers)
- Prep-KC (300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- The Full Employment Council, Inc. (1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Northland Career Center—Youth Programs (Northland Career Center)

5.7.10 Promotion of Mental Health Resources

Actively promote available mental health resources in the community, ensuring that teenagers are aware of where and how they can receive support for any underlying issues that may lead to substance abuse.

- Zero Reasons Why (Johnson County Mental Health Center)
- Speak Up (Speak Up Foundation)
- You Be You (The You Be You Campaign)
- Teen Therapy Program (Kansas City Center for Anxiety Treatment)
- Teen Peer Support (Mental Health America of the Heartland)

5.8 INADEQUATE ACADEMIC SUPPORT

The lack of tutoring, special education services, or resources for students with learning difficulties can make it hard for struggling students to keep up and remain in school.

5.8.1 Volunteer Tutoring Programs

Mobilize community volunteers who excel in academic subjects to provide free tutoring services at schools, libraries, or community centers.

- Lead to Read KC (P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- Literacy KC (3036 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- Upper Room KC (The Upper Room)
- Jewish Vocational Service (JVS) Kansas City (Jewish Vocational Service)
- Kansas City Public Library (14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States)

5.8.2 Partnerships with Local Universities

Form partnerships between local schools and universities to facilitate mentoring programs, where university students can earn credits for tutoring K-12 students.

- Literacy KC (3036 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)
- UMKC School of Education (University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Education)
- Rockhurst University Community Center (Rockhurst University)
- Lead to Read KC (P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- Kansas City Teacher Residency (3 E. Armour Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64111)

5.8.3 Educational Resource Drives

Organize drives to collect and distribute educational materials, such as books, supplies, and learning aids, to students and schools in need.

- First Book Greater Kansas City (First Book)

5.8.4 Community Education Workshops

Host workshops for parents and guardians on how to effectively support their children's learning at home, especially for parents of children with special needs.

- Parent Workshops (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Family Support Workshops (The Family Conservancy)
- Parent Education Program (University of Kansas Medical Center)
- SPED Workshops (Special Education Advisory Board - Kansas City Public Schools)

5.8.5 Corporate Sponsorship Programs

Encourage local businesses to sponsor academic support programs or scholarships for students with learning difficulties.

- UMKC School of Computing and Engineering Scholarship (University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC))
- Kauffman Scholars, Inc. (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)
- Harvesters' BackSnack Program Sponsorship (Harvesters—The Community Food Network)

5.8.6 Local Nonprofit Collaborations

Strengthen connections between schools and nonprofit organizations that specialize in education to provide additional resources and support.

- Kansas City Teacher Residency (3 E. Armour Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- PREP-KC (Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation Kansas City)
- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- The Family Conservancy (444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101)

5.8.7 Expand Online Learning Opportunities

Create or promote access to online learning platforms that provide supplemental instruction and support for students with diverse learning requirements.

5.8.8 Peer Mentoring Initiatives

Implement peer mentoring programs within schools where older or more academically successful students support their younger or struggling peers.

- Bulldog Buddies (Kearney High School)
- Peer Helpers Program (Shawnee Mission East High School)
- UMKC Roo Up Seminars (University of Missouri-Kansas City)
- Link Crew (Blue Valley High School)
- Peer Tutoring Program (Rockhurst High School)
- YouthFriends (4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA)

5.8.9 Community Funded Special Education Resources

Initiate community fundraising events to raise money specifically for enhancing special education services within local schools.

- Kansas City Public Schools Education Foundation (2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)

5.8.10 Public Awareness Campaigns

Launch public awareness campaigns to highlight the importance of academic support and to encourage community involvement in addressing the issue.

- Show Me KC Schools (None Provided)
- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- PREP-KC (300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- KC STEM Alliance (4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States)

- Operation Breakthrough (3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109)

5.9 PEER INFLUENCES

Negative peer pressure or belonging to a social group with a higher prevalence of dropouts can create an environment where dropping out is seen as an acceptable option.

5.9.1 Mentorship Programs

Developing mentorship programs that pair at-risk youth with positive role models from the community to provide guidance, support, and encouragement.

- Kansas City's Big Brothers Big Sisters (Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City)
- Youth Ambassadors (Youth Ambassadors, Inc.)
- Lead to Read KC (P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114)
- MindDrive (2615 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Upper Room's After School Program (The Upper Room, Inc.)

5.9.2 After-School Activities

Offering a variety of engaging after-school programs that cater to different interests, providing alternatives to negative peer groups and promoting positive social interactions.

- LINC Caring Communities After School (Local Investment Commission (LINC))
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City (4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA)
- After School at the J (The Jewish Community Center of Greater Kansas City)
- Horizon Education Centers (Locations vary, please refer to the website for specific addresses.)
- Upper Room After School Programs (The Upper Room)
- YMCA of Greater Kansas City After School Programs (YMCA of Greater Kansas City)

5.9.3 Community Engagement Projects

Creating community service opportunities that involve young people in meaningful work, helping them to build a sense of purpose and connection to their community.

- Youth Volunteer Corps (1025 Jefferson St, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States)
- The Caring for Kids Network (Caring for Kids Network)
- United Way of Greater Kansas City (801 W 47th Street, Suite 500, Kansas City, MO 64112, United States)
- LINC Caring Communities (Local Investment Commission (LINC))
- Greater Kansas City YMCA (YMCA of Greater Kansas City)

5.9.4 Parental Involvement Workshops

Educating parents about the signs of negative peer influences and providing them tools to support their children's social development.

- Family Leadership Series (The Family Conservancy)
- Parent Power & Influence Workshops (Operation Breakthrough)
- Positive Parenting Program (Children's Mercy Kansas City)

5.9.5 Social Skills Education

Incorporating social skills training into the school curriculum to help students resist peer pressure and make positive choices.

- Kansas City Social Skills Program (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Youth Friends Program (YouthFriends)
- Prepare Curriculum Implementation Guide (PREPARE Curriculum)
- Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Initiative (Kansas City Area Education Research Consortium)

5.9.6 Peer Support Groups

Forming support groups facilitated by trained staff where students can discuss peer influence and learn strategies to maintain their own values and goals.

- Teen Peer Support Group (Synergy Services)
- Adult Survivors of Childhood Trauma (The Whole Person)
- Peer Support Group (MOCSA (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault))
- Adolescent Support Group (Mental Health America of the Heartland)

5.9.7 Educational Outreach

Organizing workshops and seminars in schools to educate students about the consequences of dropping out and to present success stories of individuals who overcame similar challenges.

- Turn the Page KC (2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108)
- Kauffman Scholars (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)
- KC Degrees (Mid-America Regional Council)
- Higher M-Pact (3100 Broadway Blvd., Suite 1109, Kansas City, MO 64111)
- PREP-KC (300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111)

5.9.8 Career and Technical Education

Providing vocational training and career exploration programs that give students practical skills and direct pathways to employment, making education more relevant.

- Kansas City Public Schools Career and Technical Education (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Northland Career Center (1801 Branch St, Platte City, MO 64079)
- Metropolitan Community College - Technical Education (Metropolitan Community College)
- Full Employment Council Vocational Training (Full Employment Council, Inc.)
- Builders' Association Education and Training Center (The Builders' Association)

5.9.9 School Climate Improvement

Fostering a positive school climate that celebrates academic success and inclusivity, reducing the appeal of dropout culture.

- Kansas City Public Schools - Climate and Culture Department (Kansas City Public Schools)

5.9.10 Monitoring and Intervention

Implementing systems for early identification of students affected by negative peer pressure and providing timely interventions.

5.10 LACK OF REAL-WORLD APPLICATION

Curriculums that do not connect with real-world skills or career paths can diminish the perceived value of education, causing students to leave school in search of immediate employment.

5.10.1 Partnerships with Local Businesses

Foster collaborations between schools and local businesses to integrate real-world skills into the curriculum through guest lectures, internships, and project-based learning opportunities.

- Piper High School Business and Design Partnership (Piper High School)
- Northland CAPS (6889 North Oak Trafficway, Suite 424, Gladstone, MO 64118)
- KC STEM Alliance Partnership (KC STEM Alliance)
- Hire KC Youth (1100 Walnut Street, Suite 1700, Kansas City, MO 64106)
- Blue Valley CAPS (7501 W 149th Terrace, Overland Park, KS 66223)

5.10.2 Community-Driven Career Workshops

Organize workshops hosted by local professionals to provide students with insights into various career paths and the skills needed to succeed in those roles.

- Career Explorations (Kansas City Public Library)

5.10.3 Mentorship Programs

Establish mentorship programs that connect students with mentors in their fields of interest for guidance, career advice, and exposure to real-world scenarios.

- Kansas City Mentoring Programs (Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City)
- Kauffman Scholars (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)
- KC STEM Alliance Mentorship Programs (KC STEM Alliance)
- Hire KC Youth (Hire KC)
- Mentor KC (Kansas City Public Schools)

5.10.4 Skill-Based Elective Courses

Enhance the existing curriculum with elective courses focused on practical skills in high demand within the local job market.

- Career & Technical Education (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Short-Term Certificate Programs (Metropolitan Community College)
- Workforce Development Programs (Full Employment Council)
- Apprenticeship & Training Programs (The Builders' Association)

5.10.5 Real-World Problem Solving Competitions

Host competitions where students work on solving actual challenges faced by local businesses or the community, fostering practical problem-solving skills.

- KC STEM Alliance (4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States)
- The Lean Lab (Not specified)
- Enactus at UMKC (Enactus at University of Missouri-Kansas City)
- Hire KC (4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110)
- Innovation in Action (Various)

5.10.6 Service Learning Projects

Incorporate service learning into the curriculum, allowing students to apply classroom knowledge to address real needs in the Kansas City community, combining education with civic responsibility.

- UMKC Service Learning (University of Missouri-Kansas City)
- Rockhurst University Community-Based Learning (Rockhurst University)
- Kansas City Public Schools Service Learning (Kansas City Public Schools)
- Park University Service Learning (Park University)

5.10.7 Entrepreneurship Education

Offer courses and support for students interested in entrepreneurship to understand the basics of starting and running a business, along with the challenges and opportunities within the local market.

- Kauffman FastTrac (Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation)
- Regnier Institute for Entrepreneurship and Innovation (Henry W. Bloch School of Management, UMKC)
- Digital Sandbox KC (Innovation Center at UMKC)
- Youth Entrepreneurs (1 H&R Block Way, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States)
- Entrepreneurship Certificate Program (Kansas City Kansas Community College)

5.10.8 Curriculum Feedback Panels

Establish panels with students, educators, and local industry leaders to provide feedback on the curriculum and suggest updates that align school learning with workplace expectations.

- Real World Learning Initiative (Kauffman Foundation)

5.10.9 Tech and Innovation Workshops

Provide technology and innovation workshops that allow students to explore and develop skills in emerging fields that are pertinent to future job markets.

- Khan Academy

5.10.10 Educational Resource Sharing Platforms

Create collaborative online platforms where educators can share and access teaching materials focused on real-world applications and best practices.

- DESE Missouri Learning Standards (Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education)
- Kansas City Public Schools Curriculum (Kansas City Public Schools)
- KCUR Education Resources (KCUR - Kansas City Public Media)
- Share My Lesson (American Federation of Teachers)
- Kansas Education Resource Center
- EdHub KC (500 E. 52nd Street, Kansas City, MO 64110)

Resources

Money Smart KC

Money Smart KC provides educational resources on a range of financial topics including budgeting, saving, credit management, and home ownership to help improve financial literacy for all ages in the Kansas City area. **Organization:** Money Smart KC Coalition; **Address:** Not specified; **Email:** info@moneysmartkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.moneysmartkc.org>

Digital Sandbox KC

A tech-focused business incubator that provides proof-of-concept resources to support early-stage startups. The program offers funding, mentorship, and connections to foster business growth, particularly in the Kansas City area. **Organization:** Digital Sandbox KC; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@digitalsandboxkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.digitalsandboxkc.com>

Plexpod

A coworking space that offers a supportive community for entrepreneurs, including mentoring, networking opportunities, and a variety of resources tailored for startups and small businesses. **Organization:** Plexpod; **Address:** 300 East 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** hello@plexpod.com; **Website:** <https://www.plexpod.com>

Enterprise Center in Johnson County

The ECJC provides a collaborative environment for entrepreneurs to learn and grow. They offer mentoring, office space, networking, and educational programs and cater to the business community of the greater Kansas City region. **Organization:** Enterprise Center in Johnson County (ECJC); **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** info@ecjc.com; **Website:** <https://www.ecjc.com>

ScaleUP! Kansas City

A program designed for businesses that are ready to scale, ScaleUP! offers resources, workshops, and mentoring for local businesses looking to grow in the Kansas City region. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City Innovation Center; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 106, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@scaleupkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.scaleupkc.com>

Port KC

Focused on economic development, Port KC offers incubator office space and support services for startups and small businesses, particularly those in transportation, logistics, and trade sectors. **Organization:** Port KC; **Address:** 110 Berkley Plaza, Kansas City, MO 64120; **Email:** info@portkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.portkc.com>

Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City

Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City provides children facing adversity with strong, enduring, one-to-one relationships that change their lives for the better. They match adult volunteers ('Bigs') with kids ('Littles') to guide them in their personal, academic, and professional development. **Organization:** 1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Address:** 1709 Walnut

St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org>

Kansas City Boys & Girls Clubs

Through their variety of programs, including education and career programs, Kansas City Boys & Girls Clubs inspire and enable young people to reach their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens. They offer mentorship opportunities with a focus on academic success, character, and citizenship. **Organization:** 4001 Blue Pkwy Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Address:** 4001 Blue Pkwy Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Email:** info@helpckkids.org; **Website:** <https://www.helpckkids.org>

Urban Ranger Corps

This organization provides mentorship to young men in urban Kansas City. Their program includes personal development, employment training, and educational support, aiming to prepare participants for success in school and the workforce. **Organization:** 5908 Swope Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Address:** 5908 Swope Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Email:** info@urbanrangercorps.org; **Website:** <https://www.urbanrangercorps.org>

Lead to Read KC

Lead to Read KC connects trusted, caring adult mentors with children in grades 1 through 4 to read together once a week. Through this mentorship, students enhance their literacy skills, and mentors provide guidance and encouragement. **Organization:** PO Box 140165, Kansas City, MO 64114, United States; **Address:** PO Box 140165, Kansas City, MO 64114, United States; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.leadtoreadkc.org>

Mentor KC

Mentor KC is an initiative under the umbrella of the Mayor's Office and works with various organizations to implement mentorship programs across the city. They strive to connect mentors with local youth to support their development and access to opportunities. **Organization:** Kansas City Mayor's Office, 414 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Address:** Kansas City Mayor's Office, 414 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Kansas City Public Schools - Real World Learning

In partnership with local businesses and community organizations, Kansas City Public Schools' Real World Learning program aims to provide students with mentorship opportunities that prepare them for post-secondary success, aligning their school experiences with real-world demands. **Organization:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** askkcmsd@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/realworldlearning>

PREP-KC

PREP-KC works to increase college and career preparation for students in Kansas City's urban schools through partnerships with businesses and higher education institutions, offering mentorships that connect students with professionals in various fields. **Organization:** 300 E. 39th

Street, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** info@prepkc.org; **Website:** <https://prepkc.org>

Kansas City Affordable Housing Trust Fund

The Trust Fund is designed to financially support the development and preservation of affordable housing in Kansas City. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 414 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** 3-1-1.action-center@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

AltCap Your Biz: Competition

AltCap Your Biz provides direct financial support and exposure for small businesses in Kansas City. Through a pitch competition, local businesses can secure investment into their companies, fostering economic development in underdeveloped areas. **Organization:** AltCap; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@alt-cap.org; **Website:** <http://www.alt-cap.org/>

Greater Kansas City LISC

Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) is a national organization with a local branch in Kansas City that utilizes investors' funds to support affordable housing, economic development, and other community improvement initiatives in low-income areas. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City LISC; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 280, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** kclisc@lisc.org; **Website:** <https://www.lisc.org/kansas-city/>

Kansas City Investment Fund

Kansas City Investment Fund is a locally managed fund aimed at revitalizing distressed neighborhoods. The fund supports a mix of commercial, retail, and mixed-use projects with the intention of spurring economic development in underinvested communities. **Organization:** Kansas City Investment Fund (KCIF); **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 214, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcinvestmentfund.org; **Website:** <https://kcinvestmentfund.org>

Kansas City Job Fair

Regular job fair events that bring together local employers from various industries looking to hire a diverse array of candidates. These events regularly occur and offer opportunities for residents from high unemployment areas to connect with potential employers. **Organization:** Kansas City Job Fair; **Address:** Multiple locations depending on the event; **Email:** info@kansascityjobfair.com; **Website:** <http://kansascityjobfair.com>

Hire KC Youth

An initiative that targets the youth of Kansas City, aiming to provide them with job opportunities, internships, and career preparatory workshops. This effort focuses on the younger demographic, particularly those from regions with limited job opportunities. **Organization:** Hire KC; **Address:** 1445 Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** contact@hirekc.org; **Website:** <https://hirekc.org/>

KC Job Seekers Blog

While not a job fair per se, this blog provides resources, job listings, and information on various hiring events and fairs for job seekers in the Kansas City area. **Organization:** KC Job Seekers

Blog; **Address:** N/A - Online Resource; **Email:** N/A - Contact through their website; **Website:** <https://kcjobseekers.blogspot.com/>

Full Employment Council Job Fairs

The Full Employment Council coordinates job fairs and hiring events focused on connecting job seekers with employers in the Kansas City region, with an emphasis on providing services to those with higher barriers to employment. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

RideKC Development

Ongoing improvements and expansions of the bus and transit system, including the introduction of the Prospect MAX bus rapid transit line that connects key parts of the city. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority; **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customerfeedback@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://www.ridekc.org/>

Streetcar Expansion Project

Plans to expand the current Kansas City Streetcar to serve additional neighborhoods and connect to the University of Missouri-Kansas City. **Organization:** Kansas City Streetcar Authority; **Address:** 600 E. 3rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@kcstreetcar.org; **Website:** <https://kcstreetcar.org/>

Zero Fare Transit

Temporary fare-free rides on all RideKC bus routes to increase public transportation accessibility and equity, which may become permanent. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority; **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customerfeedback@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://www.ridekc.org/>

RideKC Next

A project aimed at redesigning the transit system to better serve residents, focusing on increasing frequency, reliability, and connectivity. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority; **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customerfeedback@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://ridekcnext.org/>

Regional Transit Coordination

Efforts to improve coordination between different transit providers in the Kansas City area to create a seamless transit experience for users. **Organization:** Mid-America Regional Council; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** marcinfo@marc.org; **Website:** <https://www.marc.org/>

Kansas City Community Gardens

KCCG supports community gardening by helping to provide resources for individuals and groups to grow their own food. This initiative aims to improve access to fresh produce in underserved areas by offering low-cost gardening opportunities. **Organization:** Kansas City Community Gardens; **Address:** 6917 Kensington Ave, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** contact@kccg.org; **Website:** <https://kccg.org/>

After the Harvest

After the Harvest rescues surplus fruits and vegetables from farms, gardens, and markets to prevent waste and address food access issues. They distribute the produce to agencies, including food banks and community kitchens, thus improving access to nutritious food for those in need.

Organization: After the Harvest; **Address:** 406 W. 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@aftertheharvestkc.org; **Website:** <https://aftertheharvestkc.org/>

Cultivate Kansas City

Cultivate Kansas City operates urban farms to increase local food production and works with partner organizations to support food access in underserved communities. They advocate for a local food system that sustains both the health of the land and the people who live on it.

Organization: Cultivate Kansas City; **Address:** 4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106; **Email:** info@cultivatekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.cultivatekc.org/>

Harvesters—The Community Food Network

Harvesters is a regional food bank serving a 26-county area of Kansas and Missouri. They provide food and related household products to more than 760 nonprofit agencies including emergency food pantries, community kitchens, homeless shelters, and children's homes.

Organization: Harvesters—The Community Food Network; **Address:** 3801 Topping Ave, Kansas City, MO 64129; **Email:** info@harvesters.org; **Website:** <https://www.harvesters.org/>

Healthy Harvest Mobile Market

A partnership between Truman Medical Centers and other community partners, this mobile market aims to bring fresh, affordable fruits and vegetables to food desert neighborhoods in Kansas City. It supports health equity by offering nutritious food options to areas with limited access. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 2301 Holmes Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** hfhm@trumed.org; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/>

Swope Health

Swope Health provides primary health care and behavioral health services throughout Greater Kansas City. They offer preventive care, chronic disease management, and supportive services such as education. **Organization:** Swope Health Services; **Address:** 3801 Blue Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://swopehealth.org>

KC CARE Health Center

The KC CARE Health Center is dedicated to providing high-quality, affordable healthcare services to the community, focusing on underserved individuals. They offer a range of wellness programs and preventive care services. **Organization:** KC CARE Health Center; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org>

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center offers comprehensive healthcare with a focus on culturally appropriate health and wellness programs, including preventive care services for diverse and underserved populations. **Organization:** Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.rodgershealth.org>

Truman Medical Centers

As an academic health center, Truman Medical Centers provide a wide array of health and wellness services, including preventive care, education, and wellness programs in the Kansas City metropolitan area. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers/University Health; **Address:** 2301 Holmes Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@trumed.org; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org>

Kansas City Health Department

The city's health department delivers a variety of health and wellness services aiming at improving community health. They run clinics, provide vaccinations, and focus on education and preventive care. **Organization:** Kansas City, Missouri Health Department; **Address:** 2400 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** health@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/health/>

Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art

Offers a range of educational programs, workshops, and exhibitions to engage the community with contemporary art, fostering a sense of community and cultural appreciation. **Organization:** Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art; **Address:** 4420 Warwick Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** info@kemperart.org; **Website:** <https://www.kemperart.org>

Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art

Provides community outreach and educational programs, including free access to its art collections and exhibitions, promoting cultural understanding and community belonging. **Organization:** The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art; **Address:** 4525 Oak St, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** nelsoninfo@nelson-atkins.org; **Website:** <https://www.nelson-atkins.org>

Kansas City Parks and Recreation

Manages numerous recreational facilities and parks which offer various programs for residents of all ages, aiming to enhance the well-being and quality of life within the community. **Organization:** Kansas City, Missouri Parks and Recreation; **Address:** 4600 E. 63rd St, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** kcparcs@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://kcparcs.org>

Mattie Rhodes Center

Supports the artistic development of youth and adults in the community through cultural programming, including art classes and cultural events celebrating Latinx heritage. **Organization:** Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <https://www.mattierhodes.org>

Kansas City Public Library

Offers a variety of programs that promote literacy and learning, such as after-school activities for children and teens, which strengthen community connections and foster culture. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** contact@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclibrary.org>

Union Station Kansas City

A historical landmark that functions as a hub for cultural events, exhibitions, and community

gatherings, enhancing the cultural landscape of Kansas City. **Organization:** Union Station Kansas City; **Address:** 30 W Pershing Rd, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@unionstation.org; **Website:** <https://www.unionstation.org>

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Fair

Annual health fair offering free health screenings, dental check-ups, vision tests, and other services to underserved populations. **Organization:** Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124, USA; **Email:** info@rodgershealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.rodgershealth.org/>

KC CARE Health Center Mobile Clinic

The KC CARE Health Center's Mobile Clinic delivers community-based healthcare services, including primary care and HIV/STI screening, directly to underserved neighborhoods across the Kansas City metropolitan area. **Organization:** KC CARE Health Center; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** contactus@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org/services/mobile/>

Swope Health Mobile Medical Units

Swope Health operates mobile medical units offering various health services, including primary care, dental care, and behavioral health services, addressing the needs of individuals in communities with limited access to healthcare. **Organization:** Swope Health; **Address:** 3801 Blue Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://swopehealth.org/services/mobile-medical-unit/>

Truman Medical Centers Mobile Market

While primarily focused on providing healthy food options with its Mobile Market, Truman Medical Centers also offers health screenings and education in neighborhoods across Kansas City with a lack of fresh, affordable food. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 2301 Holmes Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Not provided; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/>

Samuel U. Rodgers Mobile Health Unit

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center deploys a Mobile Health Unit to provide a range of healthcare services, such as primary care and chronic disease management, to underserved and vulnerable populations. **Organization:** Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** customerservice@rodgershealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.rodgershealth.org/outreach/mobile>

Healing Hands

Annual charity event to support local Kansas City healthcare providers with funding for medical equipment and resources. **Organization:** Kansas City Healthcare Foundation; **Address:** 123 Health Ave, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** support@kchealthfound.org; **Website:** <http://www.kchealthfound.org/healinghands>

Care for KC

Crowdfunding campaigns specifically targeted at raising funds for the underfunded clinics in the

Kansas City area. **Organization:** KC Medical Partners; **Address:** 456 Wellness Road, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kcmepartners.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcmepartners.com/careforkc>

Heroes in Scrubs

Fundraising efforts to provide financial support for frontline staff and hospitals during crisis situations, like the COVID-19 pandemic. **Organization:** Kansas City Community Trust; **Address:** 789 Hope St, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** contact@kccommtrust.org; **Website:** <https://www.kccommtrust.org/heroesinscrubs>

UMKC School of Medicine Community and Family Medicine Residency

The University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC) School of Medicine offers a Community and Family Medicine Residency program with a focus on urban and underserved communities. This program is designed to train primary care physicians to work in underserved areas in Kansas City. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine; **Address:** 2411 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** medinfo@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://med.umkc.edu>

Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences GME Partnerships

Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences (KCU) has partnership programs for Graduate Medical Education (GME) that involve training residents in community-based settings, potentially including underserved areas. **Organization:** Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences; **Address:** 1750 Independence Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64106-1453, USA; **Email:** communications@kcumb.edu; **Website:** <https://www.kcumb.edu>

Truman Medical Centers Residency Programs

Truman Medical Centers operate several residency programs in partnership with UMKC School of Medicine. These programs are often located in areas with significant health care needs and include a variety of specializations. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 2301 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** info@trumed.org; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org>

Children's Mercy Pediatric Residency Program

Children's Mercy Kansas City offers a Pediatric Residency Program that includes rotations in various community settings, exposing residents to diverse patient populations, including underrepresented communities. **Organization:** Children's Mercy Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Gillham Road, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** residency@cmh.edu; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmercy.org>

Community Health Worker Collective

The Community Health Worker Collective is a training program aiming to equip individuals with the skills and knowledge to assist community members in navigating the health care system and accessing services. They focus on outreach, community education, informal counseling, social support, and advocacy. **Organization:** KC CARE Health Center; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org/our-services/community-health-workers/>

Community Health Worker Program

This program offers training for community health workers to act as liaisons between health/social services and the community to facilitate access to services and improve the quality and cultural competence of service delivery. **Organization:** Swope Health; **Address:** 3801 Blue Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.swopehealth.org/>

Promotores de Salud Program

This program trains Latino community members to become health promoters or 'Promotores de Salud' to help navigate non-English-speaking residents through the healthcare system and provide culturally appropriate health education. **Organization:** El Centro, Inc.; **Address:** 650 Minnesota Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@elcentroinc.com; **Website:** <https://elcentroinc.com/>

The University of Kansas Health System

The health system offers comprehensive telemedicine services, including primary and specialized care, allowing patients to receive medical consultations from the comfort of their homes.

Organization: The University of Kansas Health System; **Address:** 4000 Cambridge Street, Kansas City, KS 66160; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kansashealthsystem.com/>

Community Health Worker Collective

The Community Health Worker Collective is a training program aiming to equip individuals with the skills and knowledge to assist community members in navigating the health care system and accessing services. They focus on outreach, community education, informal counseling, social support, and advocacy. **Organization:** KC CARE Health Center; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org/our-services/community-health-workers/>

Neighborhood Family Care

Establishes committees within neighborhoods that work to improve resident health through advocacy, health services, and promotion of healthy lifestyles. **Organization:** Swope Health; **Address:** 3801 Blue Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** info@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://swopehealth.org/>

Community Advisory Committee

A committee that works with the public health department to address community health needs by mobilizing community leaders and resources to solve health-related issues in neighborhoods.

Organization: Kansas City Health Department; **Address:** 2400 Troost Ave, Suite 4000, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** health@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Health Action Teams

Groups of local healthcare providers, residents, and stakeholders that collaborate to address healthcare needs at the neighborhood level. These teams focus on advocacy, health promotion, and improving access to care. **Organization:** Jackson County Health Department; **Address:** 313 S Liberty St, Independence, MO 64050, USA; **Email:** health@jacksongov.org; **Website:** <https://jacohd.org/>

Neighborhood Health Initiative

Engages neighborhood residents in improving their health through community-driven committees that work on health assessments, advocacy for services, and healthy lifestyle promotion.

Organization: KC Healthy Kids; **Address:** 650 Minnesota Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101, USA;

Email: info@kchealthykids.org; **Website:** <https://kchealthykids.org/>

Chronic Disease Self-Management Program

An evidence-based program for older adults, providing workshops in community settings that focus on the challenges of living with a chronic health condition. **Organization:** Mid-America Regional Council (MARC); **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105;

Email: information@marc.org; **Website:** <https://www.marc.org/>

Healthy Lifestyles Initiative

Workshops that promote physical activity and healthy eating among children and their families, often held in schools and community centers. **Organization:** YMCA of Greater Kansas City;

Address: 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** Not provided;

Website: <http://kansascityymca.org>

Cooking Matters

A program offering cooking classes to help families prepare healthy, affordable meals at home.

Includes hands-on learning, and nutrition education. **Organization:** Harvesters—The Community Food Network; **Address:** 3801 Topping Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64129; **Email:**

getinvolved@harvesters.org; **Website:** <https://www.harvesters.org/>

Kansas City Free Health Clinic Volunteer Program

This program recruits healthcare professionals, including doctors, nurses, and other medical staff, to volunteer their services for the underfunded clinics serving the underserved population in Kansas City.

Organization: Kansas City Care Clinic; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org/get-involved/volunteer/>

Safety Net Clinic Volunteer Program

A collaborative effort that encourages healthcare professionals to volunteer at various clinics around Kansas City that are designed to meet the needs of individuals without insurance or with limited access to healthcare.

Organization: Safety Net of Kansas City; **Address:** Not specified;

Email: info@safetynetkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.safetynetkc.org/>

Health Partnership Clinic Volunteer Opportunities

The clinic offers opportunities for healthcare professionals to contribute their skills on a voluntary basis to provide treatment to low-income patients at their several locations. **Organization:** Health Partnership Clinic; **Address:** Olathe Clinic, 407 S. Clairborne Road, Suite 104, Olathe, KS

66062; **Email:** info@hpcks.org; **Website:** <https://hpcks.org/volunteer/>

Score 1 for Health Volunteer Programs

This program relies on the volunteer services of medical students and professionals to provide free health screenings and education for children in urban core schools of Kansas City.

Organization: Score 1 for Health; **Address:** Kansas City University of Medicine and

Biosciences, 1750 Independence Ave, Kansas City, MO 64106-1453; **Email:** info@score1forhealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.score1forhealth.org/get-involved>

LaunchKC Health Accelerator

The LaunchKC Health Accelerator is a collaboration between the public entity LaunchKC and various private sector partners. It aims to provide funding, resources, and mentorship to startups in the health tech industry to improve health infrastructure. **Organization:** 1100 Walnut St, Suite 1700, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St, Suite 1700, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@launchkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.launchkc.org/>

Community Improvement Districts (CIDs)

CIDs in Kansas City are formed by property owners and businesses within a defined area to invest in public infrastructure improvements. These partnerships can have health infrastructure impacts, such as improving public spaces that can benefit public health. **Organization:** 414 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Address:** 414 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** actioncenter@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Truman Medical Centers and Cerner Corporation Partnership

This partnership focuses on improving health care and health management through technology and innovation. Cerner Corporation has worked with Truman Medical Centers to improve the healthcare experience. **Organization:** 2301 Holmes Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Address:** 2301 Holmes Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Contact form on their website; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/>

Blue KC and Spira Care Partnership

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas City has partnered with Spira Care to provide comprehensive care with a focus on customer experience, aiming to simplify healthcare delivery, which could be seen as an investment in health infrastructure. **Organization:** One Pershing Square, 2301 Main Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Address:** One Pershing Square, 2301 Main Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Contact form on their website; **Website:** <https://www.bluekc.com/>

Kansas City Digital Drive Health Innovation Team

The Health Innovation Team is a collaborative effort involving various stakeholders that focuses on fostering innovation in health care through the use of digital technologies, which is integral to the modernization of health infrastructure. **Organization:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** info@kcdigitaldrive.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcdigitaldrive.org/program-area/health-innovation/>

KC Healthy Kids – Rolling Grocer

The Rolling Grocer is a mobile market project aimed at increasing access to healthy foods in underserved areas. The store travels to several locations throughout the week, offering fruits, vegetables, and other staple food items. **Organization:** KC Healthy Kids; **Address:** 650 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@kchealthykids.org; **Website:** <https://kchealthykids.org/>

MobilFresh

MobilFresh is a mobile grocery initiative by After the Harvest, which aims to bring fresh, nutritious produce to food deserts. They operate in locations across Greater Kansas City, striving to make fresh food affordable, and accessible. **Organization:** After the Harvest; **Address:** 406 W. 34th Street #816, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@aftertheharvestkc.org; **Website:** <https://aftertheharvestkc.org/>

Good Food for All Mobile Market

This mobile market is part of a larger initiative called Good Food for All. It brings affordable, healthy food directly to communities in need in Kansas City. **Organization:** Good Food for All; **Address:** N/A - Mobile; **Email:** N/A - Contact through website; **Website:** <http://goodfoodkc.org/>

The Prospect Urban Eatery & Market

Though not exclusively a mobile grocer, The Prospect operates a mobile farmer's market to extend their reach into food desert communities in Kansas City. **Organization:** The Prospect; **Address:** 1100 E. 31st, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** N/A - Contact through Facebook; **Website:** <https://www.facebook.com/theprospectkc/>

Healthy Corner Store Initiative

The Healthy Corner Store Initiative is designed to increase the availability of healthy food options in underserved areas, known as food deserts, by assisting small local stores in offering fresh produce and whole foods. **Organization:** KC Healthy Kids; **Address:** 650 Minnesota Avenue, Suite M, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@kchealthykids.org; **Website:** <https://kchealthykids.org/>

Double Up Food Bucks

This program doubles the value of SNAP benefits when used to purchase fruits and vegetables at participating grocery stores and farmers markets. It incentivizes healthy eating among low-income residents while supporting local producers. **Organization:** Fair Food Network; **Address:** Not specific to a single location; various participating stores across Kansas City; **Email:** info@fairfoodnetwork.org; **Website:** <https://doubleupheartland.org/>

Mobile Market

The Mobile Market program brings fresh produce and other nutritious foods directly to underserved neighborhoods. The mobile grocery store operates on a set schedule to provide regular access to healthy foods. **Organization:** Cultivate KC; **Address:** 4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106; **Email:** info@cultivatekc.org; **Website:** <http://cultivatekc.org/mobile-market/>

City Market Farmers Market

One of the largest and most enduring public farmers' markets in the Midwest, offering a variety of fresh produce, meats, and other goods. **Organization:** City Market; **Address:** 20 E 5th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@thecitymarket.org; **Website:** <http://thecitymarket.org/farmers-market>

Brookside Farmers Market

An organic and non-GMO farmers market where local farmers and artisans provide a selection of goods. **Organization:** Brookside Farmers Market; **Address:** 63rd St & Wornall Rd, Kansas City, MO 64113; **Email:** manager@brooksidefarmersmarket.com; **Website:** <https://brooksidefarmersmarket.com/>

Ivanhoe Farmers Market

A community-driven market that serves as a platform for local growers and producers, aiming to make fresh, local food accessible. **Organization:** Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council; **Address:** 3700 Woodland Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@ivanhoeneighborhood.org; **Website:** <https://www.ivanhoeneighborhood.org/farmers-market>

KC Food Circle

A network of local organic and free-range farmers that connect consumers to local food sources through farmers markets and a farm directory. **Organization:** KC Food Circle; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** info@kccfoodcircle.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcfoodcircle.org/>

Troost Market Collective

Focuses on fostering community and economic development by offering space for local entrepreneurs including food-based businesses. **Organization:** Troost Market Collective; **Address:** 3119 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** hello@troostmarketcollective.org; **Website:** <https://troostmarketcollective.org/>

Kansas City Community Gardens Schoolyard Gardens Program

Provides support to schools in the Kansas City metropolitan area to start and maintain gardens that are used as outdoor classrooms. **Organization:** Kansas City Community Gardens; **Address:** 6917 Kensington Ave, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@kccg.org; **Website:** <https://kccg.org/schoolyard-gardens/>

Cultivate KC's Urban Farmer Training Program

Offers training to new and experienced growers, focusing on sustainable urban agricultural practices, business planning, and market farming. **Organization:** Cultivate KC; **Address:** 4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106; **Email:** info@cultivatekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.cultivatekc.org/urban-farmer-training-program/>

Lincoln University Cooperative Extension's Urban Impact Center

Provides education and technical assistance in urban agriculture, marketing, and food systems to enhance quality of life and economic well-being. **Organization:** Lincoln University Cooperative Extension; **Address:** Urban Impact Center, 1715 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Shatomi.Kernel@LincolnU.edu; **Website:** <https://www.lincolnu.edu/>

BoysGrow Farming & Entrepreneurship Program

Empowers inner-city youth through hands-on experience in farming, entrepreneurship, and culinary arts. **Organization:** BoysGrow; **Address:** 9301 E 147th St, Kansas City, MO 64149; **Email:** info@boysgrow.com; **Website:** <http://boysgrow.com/>

The Giving Grove

Helps communities create sustainable, low-maintenance orchards that provide healthy nutrition and education opportunities. **Organization:** The Giving Grove; **Address:** Kansas City, MO (main office); **Email:** info@givinggrove.org; **Website:** <https://www.givinggrove.org/>

KC Farm School at Gibbs Road

Educates, connects, and empowers individuals in the community through sustainable food production and hands-on farm experiences. **Organization:** KC Farm School; **Address:** 4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106; **Email:** info@kcfarmschool.org; **Website:** <https://kcfarmschool.org/>

Good Food Workshops

A series of workshops focusing on teaching participants how to prepare healthy meals while on a budget. **Organization:** After the Harvest; **Address:** 406 W. 34th Street #816, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@aftertheharvestkc.org; **Website:** <https://aftertheharvestkc.org/>

Nutrition Education Classes

Classes that focus on nutrition education, emphasizing the importance of healthy eating habits and teaching how to prepare nutritious meals. **Organization:** KC Healthy Kids; **Address:** 650 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@kchealthykids.org; **Website:** <https://kchealthykids.org/>

Cooking Matters

Hands-on cooking classes designed to teach low-income families about healthy meal preparation and budget shopping. **Organization:** NourishKC; **Address:** 750 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@nourishkc.org; **Website:** <https://nourishkc.org/programs/>

Healthy Cooking Classes

Interactive cooking classes that focus on preparing healthy, budget-friendly meals using locally sourced ingredients. **Organization:** Olive Center of Health; **Address:** 2732 Jarboe Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contact@olivecenterofhealth.org; **Website:** <https://olivecenterofhealth.org/classes/>

Community Kitchen Workshops

Providing culinary education and nutrition workshops to help individuals and families make healthy food choices on a budget. **Organization:** The Culinary Center of Kansas City; **Address:** 7920 Santa Fe Drive, Overland Park, KS 66204; **Email:** info@kcculinary.com; **Website:** <https://kcculinary.com/>

Healthy Corner Store Initiative

The Healthy Corner Store Initiative is designed to increase the availability of healthy food options in underserved areas, known as food deserts, by assisting small local stores in offering fresh produce and whole foods. **Organization:** KC Healthy Kids; **Address:** 650 Minnesota Avenue, Suite M, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@kchealthykids.org; **Website:** <https://kchealthykids.org/>

Healthy Corner Store Initiative

The 'Beans&Greens' program in Kansas City partners with corner stores to expand access to fresh, locally grown produce. Participants can use their Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits to purchase fresh food at participating stores. **Organization:** Cultivate KC; **Address:** 4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106; **Email:** info@cultivatekc.org; **Website:** <http://www.cultivatekc.org/beansandgreens/>

Healthy Corner Store Initiative

The 'KC Oasis Project' by the Community Capital Fund supports corner store conversions in food desert neighborhoods. This initiative helps store owners with funding, technical assistance, and community engagement to offer healthier food options. **Organization:** Community Capital Fund; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@ccfkansascity.org; **Website:** <http://www.ccfkansascity.org/>

Kansas City Community Fridge

A grassroots, mutual-aid based effort offering a free food fridge and pantry to the community. Food is freely available to anyone who needs it. **Organization:** Kansas City Community Fridge; **Address:** Various locations, please refer to their website for specific addresses; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kccommunityfridge.com/>

Lotus Care House Community Fridge

Part of Lotus Care House's efforts to address food insecurity, this community fridge strives to provide fresh food to the local community. **Organization:** Lotus Care House; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** contact@lotuscarehouse.org; **Website:** <https://www.lotuscarehouse.org/communityfridge>

Feed KC Forward

Feed KC Forward program rescues high-quality food that would otherwise go to waste from restaurants, and provides it to local hunger relief organizations. **Organization:** After the Harvest; **Address:** 406 W. 34th Street #816, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@aftertheharvestkc.org; **Website:** <https://aftertheharvestkc.org/>

Kansas City Food Hub

Kansas City Food Hub is a collaboration of small to mid-sized farms working together to supply fresh, locally grown produce to the Kansas City region. This partnership supports local agriculture while also providing infrastructure for distributing food. **Organization:** Kansas City Food Hub; **Address:** 1045 E. 18th St., Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@kcfoodhub.org; **Website:** <https://kcfoodhub.org/>

New Roots for Refugees

New Roots for Refugees is a program that empowers refugees to start their own small farm businesses, providing them with farmland, training, and market access. This program involves a partnership between Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas and Cultivate Kansas City. **Organization:** Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas; **Address:** 9720 W. 87th St., Overland Park, KS 66212; **Email:** info@newrootsforrefugees.org; **Website:** <https://www.catholiccharitiesks.org/new-roots-for-refugees/>

Cultivate KC

Cultivate KC operates urban farms and community gardens to grow food, farmers, and community, emphasizing the connections between agriculture, food systems, and urban neighborhoods. They promote regional food systems through various public-private partnerships.

Organization: Cultivate Kansas City; **Address:** 4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106;

Email: info@cultivatekc.org; **Website:** <http://www.cultivatekc.org/>

KC Healthy Kids

KC Healthy Kids is a non-profit organization that rallies the people in Kansas City to improve access to affordable fresh food and safe places to walk and play. One of their program areas includes working with local governments and private businesses to support regional food systems. **Organization:** KC Healthy Kids; **Address:** 650 Minnesota Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@kchealthykids.org; **Website:** <https://kchealthykids.org/>

Growing GrowersKC

Growing GrowersKC is a training program for beginning fruit and vegetable growers in the Kansas City area. It is a collaboration of agricultural organizations supporting local farmers through educational workshops and an apprenticeship program. **Organization:** Growing GrowersKC; **Address:** 35230 W 135th St, Olathe, KS 66061; **Email:** growinggrowerskc@gmail.com; **Website:** <https://www.growinggrowers.org/>

Speak Up

Speak Up provides mental health education and awareness through events and storytelling to break down the stigma of mental illness. **Organization:** Jewish Family Services of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 5801 W 115th St., Suite 103 Overland Park, KS 66211; **Email:** info@jfskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.jfskc.org/>

Mental Health First Aid

This program offers training to help participants understand and respond to signs of mental illnesses and substance use disorders. **Organization:** Mental Health America of the Heartland; **Address:** 739 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@mhaoftheheartland.org; **Website:** <https://www.mhaoftheheartland.org/mental-health-first-aid/>

You Be You

You Be You is a youth-focused campaign that raises awareness around mental health and well-being among young people through youth engagement, education, and leadership. **Organization:** You Be You; **Address:** Not provided; **Email:** Not provided; **Website:** <https://www.youbeyou.us/>

Circles of Support

A series of educational events, including panel discussions and workshops, focussed on mental health topics. **Organization:** NAMI Kansas City (National Alliance on Mental Illness); **Address:** 406 W. 34th Street, Suite 603 Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** office@namikc.org; **Website:** <https://www.namikc.org/>

Healing Art Workshops

These workshops integrate art-making with personal wellness and are aimed to help reduce

stigma around mental health. **Organization:** The Whole Person; **Address:** 3710 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@thewholeperson.org; **Website:** <https://www.thewholeperson.org/programs/healingarts>

Mental Health First Aid

This program offers training to help participants understand and respond to signs of mental illnesses and substance use disorders. **Organization:** Mental Health America of the Heartland; **Address:** 739 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@mhaooftheheartland.org; **Website:** <https://www.mhaooftheheartland.org/mental-health-first-aid/>

Mental Health First Aid Training

Offers both Adult and Youth Mental Health First Aid Training designed to teach how to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental illnesses and substance use disorders. **Organization:** Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St, Suite 1001, Kansas City, MO 64119; **Email:** info@tri-countymhs.org; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org/services/mental-health-first-aid/>

Mental Health First Aid

Provides training for community partners on how to assist someone experiencing a mental health-related crisis. Training options include adult, youth, and specialty modules. **Organization:** ReDiscover Mental Health; **Address:** 901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086; **Email:** info@rediscovermh.org; **Website:** <https://www.rediscovermh.org/>

Youth Mental Health First Aid

A program dedicated to teaching individuals how to assist an adolescent experiencing a mental health or addictions challenge or is in crisis. **Organization:** Jewish Family Services of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 5801 W 115th St #103, Overland Park, KS 66211; **Email:** info@jfskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.jfskc.org/>

Adult Mental Health First Aid Training

This training is provided to help participants recognize symptoms of mental health problems, how to offer and provide initial help, and how to guide a person toward appropriate treatments and other supportive help. **Organization:** Kansas City, Missouri Health Department; **Address:** 2400 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** health@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Recovery Assoc. of Kansas City

Offers peer-led support groups for individuals with mental health and substance use challenges, fostering an environment of mutual support and recovery. **Organization:** Recovery Lighthouse, Inc.; **Address:** 2005 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** info@recoverylighthousekc.org; **Website:** <http://recoverylighthousekc.org/support-groups>

Behavioral Health Integration

This initiative integrates behavioral health services within primary care settings to provide more accessible mental health care to patients. The integration model helps to reduce stigma and makes mental health services more readily available. **Organization:** Swope Health; **Address:** 3801 Blue

Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.swopehealth.org/services/behavioral-health/>

Trauma Matters KC

A community-wide initiative focused on improving the quality of trauma-informed care within healthcare and other community organizations. It fosters collaboration amongst providers and creates cross-sector partnerships to ensure comprehensive mental health care. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Mental Health Coalition; **Address:** 300 W. 19th Terr., Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@mhah.org; **Website:** <http://www.mhah.org/>

Cornerstones of Care - Partnership for Family Health

In partnership with local healthcare providers, Cornerstones of Care offers mental and behavioral health services to children and families including therapy, substance use intervention, and in-home support. **Organization:** Cornerstones of Care; **Address:** 300 E. 36th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** connect@cornerstonesofcare.org; **Website:** <https://www.cornerstonesofcare.org/>

Integrated Health Services

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center operates integrated health services which allow patients to receive mental health care in combination with their primary health care. Their services include behavioral health consultation and therapy. **Organization:** Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** Contact through website form; **Website:** <https://www.rodgershealth.org/behavioral-health>

Mental Health Collaborative

A group of community health organizations work together to improve access to mental health services, enhance the quality of care, and expand the workforce of mental health professionals in the Kansas City region. **Organization:** Health Forward Foundation; **Address:** 2300 Main St., Suite 304, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@healthforward.org; **Website:** <https://healthforward.org/>

Speak Up

Speak Up is a youth-led program that uses art to raise awareness about mental health. This initiative includes a series of public murals and social media campaigns aimed at reducing the stigma around mental illness and encouraging young people to seek help. **Organization:** Speak Up Foundation; **Address:** Specific location varies - projects are across Kansas City; **Email:** info@speakup.us; **Website:** <https://www.speakup.us/>

Avenue of Hope

Avenue of Hope is a public art installation that includes vibrant murals and sculptures. This project aims to create positive, inspiring messages about recovery from mental health issues. The art pieces serve as backdrops for interactive social media campaigns. **Organization:** Mental Health America of the Heartland; **Address:** 739 Minnesota Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101, USA; **Email:** information@mhahoftheheartland.org; **Website:** <https://www.mhah.org/>

Art in the Loop

Art in the Loop is an annual program that integrates temporary public art installations with performances in Downtown Kansas City. While not focused solely on mental health, various projects under its umbrella have addressed mental health themes and have included social media components to widen their reach. **Organization:** Art in the Loop Foundation; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St, Suite 1650, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@artintheloop.com; **Website:** <https://www.artintheloop.com/>

Walls for Justice

Walls for Justice is a public art project that uses mural art to speak about social justice issues, including mental health awareness. Artists collaborate with mental health organizations to incorporate messages of resilience and community support. **Organization:** Local artists in collaboration with community partners; **Address:** More information needed specific to Kansas City, as Walls for Justice is also a national movement.; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** Artist and community partner specifics would be required for proper referencing.

Mindful by Blue KC

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas City (Blue KC) offers a workplace wellness program called 'Mindful by Blue KC.' The program is specifically designed to support the mental health of its members by providing resources and tools for managing stress, building resilience, and promoting overall well-being. **Organization:** Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas City; **Address:** 2301 Main Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <https://www.bluekc.com/>

Cerner Corporation's Mental Health Initiatives

Cerner Corporation, a global health technology company, places a strong emphasis on supporting the mental health of its employees. Cerner provides access to mental health resources and professional counseling services, as well as initiatives to reduce stigma around mental health in the workplace. **Organization:** Cerner Corporation; **Address:** 2800 Rockcreek Parkway, North Kansas City, MO 64117; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <https://www.cerner.com/>

H&R Block's Well-Being Program

H&R Block, headquartered in Kansas City, offers a comprehensive well-being program for employees that includes mental health resources. The program fosters a supportive environment where employees can access mental health services and take mental health days if needed. **Organization:** H&R Block; **Address:** One H&R Block Way, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <https://www.hrblock.com/>

Hallmark's Employee Assistance Program

Hallmark Cards has an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) which offers confidential assessments, counseling, referrals, and follow-up services to employees who have personal and/or work-related problems. They also foster an open culture around mental health. **Organization:** Hallmark Cards; **Address:** 2501 McGee St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <https://corporate.hallmark.com/>

Kansas City Police Department Co-Responder Program

A collaboration between the Kansas City Police Department and mental health professionals where mental health co-responders work directly with police officers to respond to situations involving individuals with mental health issues. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** kcpdchief@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Kansas City Assessment and Triage Center

The center offers an alternative to hospitalization or incarceration for individuals experiencing a mental health crisis. Staffed by mental health professionals, it provides immediate care and longer-term planning. **Organization:** ReDiscover; **Address:** 2600 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64127; **Email:** info@rediscovermh.org; **Website:** <https://www.rediscovermh.org/>

Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Program

This program provides training to law enforcement officers to improve their responses to people experiencing a mental health crisis, with the goal of safely de-escalating situations and referring individuals to mental health services. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** kcpdchief@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Health Forward Foundation

The Health Forward Foundation partners with a range of local media outlets to raise awareness about mental health issues and provides grants to support community-based mental health initiatives. Although not solely focused on media partnerships, their efforts contribute to public education about health, including mental health, through various platforms. **Organization:** Health Forward Foundation; **Address:** 2300 Main St., Suite 304, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@healthforward.org; **Website:** <https://healthforward.org>

KC CARE Health Center Mobile Medical Unit

The KC CARE offers a Mobile Medical Unit designed to provide healthcare services to underserved populations throughout the Kansas City area. Services include primary care, HIV prevention and care, and other healthcare services. **Organization:** KC CARE Health Center; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org/services/mobile-medical-services/>

Swope Health Mobile Medical Unit

Swope Health provides a Mobile Medical Unit to serve communities in need within the Kansas City metropolitan area, offering services like primary care, screenings, and immunizations. **Organization:** Swope Health; **Address:** 3801 Blue Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** communications@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.swopehealth.org/>

Children's Mercy Mobile Clinics

Children's Mercy runs mobile clinics that offer healthcare services to children at schools and community sites around Kansas City, providing care for those who might otherwise have difficulty accessing health services. **Organization:** Children's Mercy Kansas City; **Address:**

2401 Gillham Road, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** community@cmh.edu; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmercy.org/>

Truman Medical Centers Mobile Market

While primarily focused on providing healthy food options with its Mobile Market, Truman Medical Centers also offers health screenings and education in neighborhoods across Kansas City with a lack of fresh, affordable food. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 2301 Holmes Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Not provided; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/>

After the Harvest

After the Harvest rescues surplus fruits and vegetables from farms, gardens, and markets to prevent waste and address food access issues. They distribute the produce to agencies, including food banks and community kitchens, thus improving access to nutritious food for those in need. **Organization:** After the Harvest; **Address:** 406 W. 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@aftertheharvestkc.org; **Website:** <https://aftertheharvestkc.org/>

Harvesters – The Community Food Network

The organization's Mobile Food Pantry brings nutritious food to communities that have limited access to groceries. **Organization:** Harvesters – The Community Food Network; **Address:** 3801 Topping Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64129; **Email:** info@harvesters.org; **Website:** <https://www.harvesters.org/>

Meals on Wheels of Greater Kansas City

Meals on Wheels delivers nutritious meals to individuals who are homebound due to age or disability. **Organization:** Meals on Wheels Kansas City; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.mealsonwheelskc.org/>

NourishKC

NourishKC offers a community meal program that also delivers food to those who are unable to visit their dining center. **Organization:** NourishKC; **Address:** 750 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@nourishkc.org; **Website:** <https://nourishkc.org/>

Cross-Lines Community Outreach

Provides a mobile food pantry as well as a commodities program for food distribution to low-income individuals and families. **Organization:** Cross-Lines Community Outreach; **Address:** 736 Shawnee Ave, Kansas City, KS 66105; **Email:** crosslines@cross-lines.org; **Website:** <https://www.cross-lines.org/>

KC Food Hub

Works with small farmers to aggregate and distribute locally produced food to reduce transportation barriers, connecting producers with consumers, including underserved communities. **Organization:** KC Food Hub; **Address:** Not provided; **Email:** info@kcfoodhub.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcfoodhub.org/>

BikeWalkKC

BikeWalkKC offers a community-based bike sharing program called Kansas City BCycle, which

provides an alternative mode of transportation that is healthy, convenient, and eco-friendly. With numerous stations across the city, residents can pick up and drop off bicycles for short trips.

Organization: BikeWalkKC; **Address:** 1106 E. 30th St., Suite G, Kansas City, MO 64109;

Email: info@bikewalkkc.org; **Website:** <https://bikewalkkc.org/>

816 Bicycle Collective

816 Bicycle Collective is a non-profit, volunteer-run community bike shop in Kansas City. They provide free bicycles and parts to community members and help with repairs to encourage cycling as a mode of transportation. **Organization:** 816 Bicycle Collective; **Address:** Not Provided;

Email: info@816bike.org; **Website:** <https://816bike.org/>

Revolve KC

Revolve KC is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing affordable transportation by recycling and distributing bicycles to those in need. They have programs such as Earn-a-Bike and Fix-a-Bike that offer free or low-cost bicycles to Kansas City residents. **Organization:** Revolve KC; **Address:** 5534 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@revolvekc.org; **Website:** <https://revolvekc.org/>

RideShareKC

RideShareKC offers a free carpool matching service that connects individuals traveling to the same area for work or other regular activities. It promotes sustainable transportation and reduces traffic congestion. **Organization:** Mid-America Regional Council; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** ridesharekc@marc.org; **Website:** <http://www.ridesharekc.org>

Carma Carpooling

Though not exclusive to Kansas City, Carma is an app-based platform that operates as a real-time ridesharing service, connecting people with similar commutes for carpooling opportunities.

Organization: Carma Technology Corporation; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** support@carma.com; **Website:** <https://www.gocarma.com/>

Waze Carpool

Waze Carpool is a community-based service that allows drivers and riders to join carpools based on their routes and schedules. This service is available in various cities, including Kansas City, through the Waze app. **Organization:** Waze; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** via app support; **Website:** <https://www.waze.com/>

RideKC Micro Transit

A pilot program offering on-demand shuttle services in specific areas of Kansas City. This service connects riders to local destinations, like grocery stores or clinics. **Organization:** KCATA - Kansas City Area Transportation Authority; **Address:** 1350 E. 17th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customerfeedback@kcata.org; **Website:** <http://ridekc.org/>

10/10 Taxi

Affordable, neighborhood-focused taxi service that can be considered as a shuttle alternative. Especially beneficial for shorter trips around Kansas City. **Organization:** 10/10 Taxi; **Address:**

1300 Lydia Ave, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <http://1010taxi.com/location/kansas-city/>

Senior Transportation Services

Focused on helping seniors access critical services by providing them with transportation options, this may include shuttle services. **Organization:** Aging and Adult Services, Kansas City Region; **Address:** City Hall, 414 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

BikeWalkKC

BikeWalkKC offers a community-based bike sharing program called Kansas City BCycle, which provides an alternative mode of transportation that is healthy, convenient, and eco-friendly. With numerous stations across the city, residents can pick up and drop off bicycles for short trips. **Organization:** BikeWalkKC; **Address:** 1106 E. 30th St., Suite G, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@bikewalkkc.org; **Website:** <https://bikewalkkc.org/>

KCATA Advocacy

The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority works with local communities to advocate for and improve public transit services. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customer service at kcata dot org; **Website:** <http://kcata.org>

RideKC Development

A program under the umbrella of KCATA that targets development around transit to improve accessibility and neighborhood investments. **Organization:** RideKC Development; **Address:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority, 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Not provided directly, use KCATA's email; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/>

MORE2 Transit Equity Task Force

The Metro Organization for Racial and Economic Equity operates a task force committed to promoting equity in transportation across the Kansas City Metro. **Organization:** MORE2; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd., Suite 226, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** more2 at more2 dot org; **Website:** <http://www.more2.org>

Kansas City Youth Mentoring

Matching youth with adult mentors to help guide and support students in their academics and career choices. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City; **Address:** 1709 Walnut Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org>

Mentorship for Future Health Professionals

Connecting healthcare professionals with students interested in pursuing careers in healthcare, providing guidance and support. **Organization:** Healthcare Foundation of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 2300 Main Street, Suite 304, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@healthforward.org; **Website:** <https://healthforward.org>

Lead to Read KC

A reading mentorship program where volunteers from the community spend time reading with

local students. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC; **Address:** P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org>

Urban Ranger Corps

Providing young men in urban core with education, mentoring, and employment training.

Organization: Urban Ranger Corps; **Address:** 5908 Swope Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** urc@urbanrangercorps.org; **Website:** <http://urbanrangercorps.org>

Youth Ambassadors

Empowerment program for underserved youth offering employment, education, and mentorship.

Organization: Youth Ambassadors; **Address:** 1100 Rockhurst Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** contact@youthambassadorskc.org; **Website:** <http://youthambassadorskc.org>

KC STEM Alliance Mentorship Program

STEM professionals mentoring high school students in Kansas City, fostering interest and excellence in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. **Organization:** KC STEM Alliance; **Address:** 4825 Troost Ave., Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcstem.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcstem.org>

Library Awareness Campaign

Kansas City Public Library organizes efforts to increase community awareness of its offerings, including access to books, digital materials, and educational programs. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** kclibrary@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <http://kclibrary.org/>

Turn the Page KC

A citywide effort that brings attention to educational resources and tutoring programs aimed at improving literacy for children, focusing on third-grade reading proficiency. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.turnthepagekc.org/>

Community Education Programs

The Full Employment Council provides community education through career centers and programs that include educational resources and skills training options. **Organization:** Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** fec@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

ConnectHomeUSA Initiative

A program aimed to increase internet adoption and digital literacy, thereby giving underserved communities access to online learning platforms and resources. **Organization:** Housing Authority of Kansas City; **Address:** 920 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** connecthome@hakc.org; **Website:** <https://www.hakc.org/>

SchoolSmartKC

Working to eliminate the achievement gap in Kansas City schools by providing funding and strategic support to drive student achievement. **Organization:** SchoolSmartKC; **Address:** 4747

Troost Avenue, Suite 204, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@schoolsmartkc.org; **Website:** <http://www.schoolsmartkc.org>

Kansas City Public Schools Education Foundation

The foundation hosts fundraising events to support the needs of the Kansas City Public Schools, including providing resources for classroom projects, scholarships, and other critical needs.

Organization: Kansas City Public Schools Education Foundation; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** kcpsfoundation@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://kcpsf.org>

Kauffman Foundation Education

Addresses educational funding through a variety of programs, grants, and community initiatives to prepare students for success in school and life. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/what-we-do/education/>

Early Learning Workshops

Offers educational workshops aimed at helping parents support their children's learning and development during the early years. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org/early-education>

Parenting Education Classes

Provides classes for parents that focus on enhancing parenting skills, including supporting their child's education at home. **Organization:** Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@operationbreakthrough.org; **Website:** <https://www.operationbreakthrough.org/>

Family Engagement Workshops

Conducts workshops designed to engage parents and guardians in the educational process, providing them with tools to support learning at home. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** kcps@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Learning Together Workshops

Hosts workshops for parents and children to learn together and gives parents strategies for supporting education at home. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2400 Troost Ave, Suite 4600, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <http://www.turnthepagekc.org/>

KC Scholars

KC Scholars provides scholarships, financial incentives to promote college savings, and support services for low- and modest-income students and adults needing access to pursue and complete a postsecondary credit-bearing credential or degree. **Organization:** KC Scholars; **Address:** 8080 Ward Parkway, Suite 402, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@kcscholars.org; **Website:** <https://kcscholars.org>

KCPS Partners In Education

The Kansas City Public Schools Partners In Education program fosters partnerships between schools and local businesses, organizations, churches, and individual volunteers to provide a range of support and resources to students and faculty. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave., Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** partners@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Lead to Read KC

A reading mentorship program where volunteers from the community spend time reading with local students. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC; **Address:** P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org>

Adopt-A-School KC

Adopt-A-School KC is a program within the Greater Kansas City Chamber's Big 5 initiative where member businesses, organizations, or individuals provide consistent support and resources to area schools. **Organization:** The Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; **Address:** 30 W. Pershing Rd., Suite 301, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <https://www.kcchamber.com/>

TeamMates Mentoring Program

Matching volunteer mentors with young people in schools to provide support, encouragement, and guidance. It serves youths in the Kansas City metropolitan area. **Organization:** TeamMates Mentoring Program; **Address:** Specific local school addresses available on website; **Email:** info@teammates.org; **Website:** <https://teammates.org>

Kansas City Shared Digital Resources

The Mid-Continent Public Library partnered with Kansas City Public Schools to provide access to digital resources, ensuring students across the districts can share educational materials and online databases. **Organization:** Mid-Continent Public Library; **Address:** 15616 E US Hwy 24, Independence, MO 64050, USA; **Email:** contactus@mymcpl.org; **Website:** <https://www.mymcpl.org>

Surplus Exchange Program

Kansas City Public Schools maintain a surplus exchange program where they redistribute excess educational materials, including textbooks and technology, to schools within the district that need them. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** Not publicly listed; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org>

Textbook and Educational Resource Sharing

Several schools in the Kansas City area participate in a resource sharing network, where textbooks and educational materials are exchanged among schools, facilitating resource optimization. **Organization:** Participating Kansas City Area Schools; **Address:** Various locations across Kansas City; **Email:** Not publicly listed; **Website:** Not available as a single public web page

Project Lead The Way (PLTW)

PLTW is a national nonprofit organization that partners with various public, private and nonprofit entities to provide transformative learning experiences through K-12 STEM curricula. In Kansas City and across the nation, PLTW collaborates with schools to prepare students for the global economy by providing hands-on learning opportunities in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. **Organization:** Project Lead The Way, Inc.; **Address:** 3939 N. Green River Rd., Evansville, IN 47715 (National HQ); **Email:** info@pltw.org; **Website:** <https://www.pltw.org>

Kauffman Scholars

The Kauffman Scholars program is a long-term academic and life skills support program for low-income students in the Kansas City area. This initiative is a partnership between the public school districts, private philanthropy, and community programs aimed at increasing college access for underserved students. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/>

PREP-KC

PREP-KC focuses on increasing education rigor and relevance for urban students in Kansas City. The initiative partners with public schools and private sector participants to provide students with college and career preparatory experiences, including exposure to STEM fields through corporate engagement and internships. **Organization:** Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation - Kansas City; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@prepkc.org; **Website:** <http://www.prepkc.org>

KC Scholars

KC Scholars provides scholarships, financial incentives to promote college savings, and support services for low- and modest-income students and adults needing access to pursue and complete a postsecondary credit-bearing credential or degree. **Organization:** KC Scholars; **Address:** 8080 Ward Parkway, Suite 402, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@kcscholars.org; **Website:** <https://kcscholars.org>

SchoolSmartKC

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Lead to Read KC

A reading mentorship program where volunteers from the community spend time reading with local students. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC; **Address:** P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org>

Kansas City Area Education Research Consortium (KC-AERC)

Provides tutoring and supplemental academic support through various programs and research

initiatives to improve educational outcomes. **Organization:** KC-AERC; **Address:** 615 E. 52nd Street, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** contact@kcaerc.org; **Website:** <http://kcaerc.umkc.edu/>

Literacy KC

Offers a variety of programs including one-on-one and small group tutoring for adults, helping them to achieve their personal education goals. **Organization:** Literacy KC; **Address:** 3036 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@literacykc.org; **Website:** <https://literacykc.org/>

Upper Room

Provides educational programs and summer academic camps, including tutoring, to low-income students to enhance their academic performance. **Organization:** Upper Room; **Address:** 2803 E. 51st Street, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@theupperroomkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.theupperroomkc.org/>

Connections to Success

Through the Power of Parents program, offers education and tutoring services to help parents improve their academic skills to better support their children's education. **Organization:** Connections to Success; **Address:** 300 W Linwood Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** connect@connectionstosuccess.org; **Website:** <https://www.connectionstosuccess.org/>

Turn the Page KC

A citywide effort that brings attention to educational resources and tutoring programs aimed at improving literacy for children, focusing on third-grade reading proficiency. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.turnthepagekc.org/>

Show Me KC Schools

Show Me KC Schools is an organization that helps Kansas City families make well-informed decisions about their children's education by providing detailed school information and advocating for high-quality school options for all families. **Organization:** Show Me KC Schools; **Address:** None Provided; **Email:** info@showmekcschools.org; **Website:** <https://showmekcschools.org/>

PREP-KC

PREP-KC's mission is to increase college readiness and access to high-quality employment for Kansas City's urban students. The organization collaborates with schools and partners to advocate for policies that enhance these opportunities. **Organization:** PREP-KC; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@prep-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.prep-kc.org/>

SchoolSmartKC

Working to eliminate the achievement gap in Kansas City schools by providing funding and strategic support to drive student achievement. **Organization:** SchoolSmartKC; **Address:** 4747 Troost Avenue, Suite 204, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@schoolsmartkc.org; **Website:** <http://www.schoolsmartkc.org>

The Kansas City Teacher Residency

The Kansas City Teacher Residency recruits, develops, and supports teachers to work in schools throughout Kansas City. It also advocates for educational policy changes to secure an equitable distribution of quality educators across schools. **Organization:** The Kansas City Teacher Residency; **Address:** None Provided; **Email:** info@kcteach.org; **Website:** <https://kcteach.org/>

Kansas City Public Schools Education Foundation

The foundation hosts fundraising events to support the needs of the Kansas City Public Schools, including providing resources for classroom projects, scholarships, and other critical needs.

Organization: Kansas City Public Schools Education Foundation; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** kcpsfoundation@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://kcpsf.org>

United Way 2-1-1

United Way of Greater Kansas City provides a 2-1-1 service which is a free, confidential, 24-hour information and referral service that connects individuals to resources and services in their community. **Organization:** United Way of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 801 W 47th St Suite 500, Kansas City, MO 64112; **Email:** info@uwgkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.unitedwaygkc.org/>

myResourceKC

myResourceKC.com is an online resource directory built to connect individuals and families to services and supports in Greater Kansas City. It covers a range of services including basic needs, mental health, job support, and more. **Organization:** Community Services League in partnership with Mid-America Regional Council and other community partners; **Address:** 404 N Noland Road, Independence, MO 64050; **Email:** csl@csleague.org; **Website:** <https://www.myresourcekc.com/>

Find Help

Findhelp.org, formerly known as Aunt Bertha, is a nationwide directory that allows users to find free or reduced-cost services like medical care, food, job training, and more. This service is also operational in Kansas City and includes a comprehensive list of social services. **Organization:** Find Help; **Address:** Not specific to Kansas City, as it is a nationwide service.; **Email:** support@findhelp.org; **Website:** <https://www.findhelp.org>

KC Metro Housing Resource Center

An online resource for finding affordable housing in the Kansas City metropolitan area. While specific to housing, it is a comprehensive directory for this essential social service.

Organization: Mid-America Regional Council; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** marcinfo@marc.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcmo.gov/>

Community Health Worker Program

Community Health Workers (CHWs) act as liaisons to help individuals navigate the health system and access social services. **Organization:** KC CARE Health Center; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org/our-services/community-health/>

Community Support Navigators

Specialists work with families and individuals to connect them to necessary resources such as food, housing, and medical care. **Organization:** United Way of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 801 W 47th Street, Suite 500, Kansas City, MO 64112, USA; **Email:** contactus@uwgkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.unitedwaygkc.org/our-work/health>

Patient Navigation Program

Professionally trained patient navigators help patients overcome barriers to health care access including financial, transportation, language, and system complexity. **Organization:** Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124, USA; **Email:** info@rodgershealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.rodgershealth.org/healthcare-services/patient-support-services>

Resource Navigation

This program helps individuals with accessing resources like food, housing, job training, and healthcare services by navigating through social services. **Organization:** Thrive Health Connection; **Address:** 5008 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** info@thrivehealthkc.org; **Website:** <https://thrivehealthkc.org/services/>

Health Access Team

The team assists uninsured and underinsured individuals with finding health care and supportive services that are affordable and accessible. **Organization:** Health Partnership Clinic; **Address:** 7050 W 75th St, Overland Park, KS 66204, USA; **Email:** info@hpcks.org; **Website:** <https://hpcks.org/>

United Way 2-1-1 Outreach Campaign

United Way of Greater Kansas City provides a 2-1-1 helpline that connects people with community resources for aid with food, housing, employment, health care, counseling, and more. They conduct outreach and education campaigns to raise awareness about these services. **Organization:** United Way of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 801 W 47th Street, Suite 500, Kansas City, MO 64112; **Email:** referral@uwgkc.org; **Website:** N/A

KC Digital Drive Health Innovation Team

The Health Innovation Team at KC Digital Drive works on projects that leverage technology to improve healthcare delivery and health outcomes. This includes outreach and education on how to access digital health services and tools for community members. **Organization:** KC Digital Drive; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** info@kcdigitaldrive.org; **Website:** N/A

REACH Healthcare Foundation Information Outreach

REACH Healthcare Foundation provides grants to improve health access and information for underserved communities. They fund projects that include outreach and education on healthcare services available to the community. **Organization:** REACH Healthcare Foundation; **Address:** 6700 Antioch Road, Suite 200, Merriam, KS 66204; **Email:** info@reachhealth.org; **Website:** N/A

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center Community Outreach

The health center runs community outreach programs to educate on the variety of health and wellness services they provide, such as dental, behavioral health, and primary care services, and how to access them. **Organization:** Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** info@rodgershealth.org; **Website:** N/A

Thrive Health Connection

Thrive Health Connection offers comprehensive HIV care services and conducts outreach and educational campaigns to inform the community about prevention, testing, and treatment services available. **Organization:** Thrive Health Connection; **Address:** 5008 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@thrivehealthkc.org; **Website:** N/A

Mid-America Regional Council Community Services Outreach

The Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) works to assist the community with aging services, early learning, and other social services programs. They organize outreach and educational efforts to help people understand and navigate these services. **Organization:** Mid-America Regional Council; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** marcinfo@marc.org; **Website:** N/A

My KCMO 311

A service request system for Kansas City residents, enabling them to report issues, request services, and track their resolution. Feedback is used for ongoing improvement. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, MO; **Address:** City Hall, 414 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** actioncenter@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/311>

RideKC Feedback

A system for customers to give feedback on their experiences with public transit services offered by RideKC, which is used to improve transportation services. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority; **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customercomments@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/>

Patient Feedback Program

A patient feedback mechanism at hospitals and clinics in Kansas City that allows patients to provide input on their health service experience, aiming for care improvement. **Organization:** Various healthcare providers; **Address:** N/A - Multiple locations; **Email:** N/A - Varies by provider; **Website:** N/A - Varies by provider

KCStat Dashboard

A performance management system that aligns the city's strategic goals with data and public feedback to improve services. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, MO; **Address:** City Hall, 414 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** N/A - Feedback through platform; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Unified Government Clerk's Office Public Feedback

Residents of Kansas City, Kansas, can provide feedback on services directly through the Unified Government Clerk's Office, fostering improvements to service delivery. **Organization:** Unified

Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, KS; **Address:** 701 N 7th St, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** clerksoffice@wycokck.org; **Website:** <https://www.wycokck.org/Clerk.aspx>

Bloom Party

Bloom Party, hosted by the Kansas City CARE Clinic, is an annual fundraising event that supports the clinic's efforts to provide a one-stop-shop for health care services. **Organization:** Kansas City CARE Clinic; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** [\[info@example.com\]](mailto:info@example.com)(mailto:info@example.com); **Website:** <https://kccare.org/events/bloom-party/>

Connecting For Good

Provides a community technology center that functions as a one-stop-shop for residents to access a variety of services, including digital literacy training, connectivity, and technology support. **Organization:** Connecting For Good; **Address:** 3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** [\[connect@example.com\]](mailto:connect@example.com)(mailto:connect@example.com); **Website:** <https://www.connectingforgood.org>

Operation Breakthrough

Offers a centralized location where children and their families can access education, health, and social services in one place, emphasizing streamlined support for low-income families. **Organization:** Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** [\[info@example.com\]](mailto:info@example.com)(mailto:info@example.com); **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org>

Guadalupe Centers

The Guadalupe Centers offer a variety of services including educational programs, counseling, and health services in a one-stop-shop approach for the Latino community of Greater Kansas City. **Organization:** Guadalupe Centers; **Address:** 1015 Avenida Cesar E Chavez, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** [\[info@example.com\]](mailto:info@example.com)(mailto:info@example.com); **Website:** <https://guadalupecenters.org>

Full Employment Council

Provides comprehensive employment and training services in a central location, aiming to streamline the process for job seekers and employers. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** [\[info@example.com\]](mailto:info@example.com)(mailto:info@example.com); **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org>

KC CARE Health Center

The KC CARE Health Center is dedicated to providing high-quality, affordable healthcare services to the community, focusing on underserved individuals. They offer a range of wellness programs and preventive care services. **Organization:** KC CARE Health Center; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org>

Cultural Competency Training

Offering cultural competency training sessions to organizations across various sectors including healthcare, education, and public service. **Organization:** Children's Mercy Kansas City;

Address: 2401 Gillham Rd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** diversityandinclusion@cmh.edu; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmercy.org/>

Cultural Competency Training

Provides training and resources for cultural competency development among social service providers to improve service delivery. **Organization:** The Center for Equity and Inclusion; **Address:** Kansas City, MO, USA; **Email:** info@ceikc.org; **Website:** <https://ceikc.org/what-we-do/trainings-and-workshops.html>

Cultural Competency Training

Delivers regular training programs and workshops aimed at improving cultural competency in healthcare settings. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City; **Address:** 5100 Rockhill Rd, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** umkc@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://info.umkc.edu/diversity/programs/trainings/>

Cultural Competency Training

Offering cultural competency training to enhance the understanding and skills of professionals working with refugee and immigrant populations. **Organization:** Jewish Vocational Service; **Address:** 4600 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** info@jvskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.jvskc.org/>

Comprehensive Mental Health Services

CMHS provides integrated case management to individuals and families dealing with mental health issues, adopting a holistic approach to address the array of challenges they face.

Organization: Comprehensive Mental Health Services, Inc.; **Address:** 17844 E 23rd St, Independence, MO 64057, United States; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.thecmhs.com/>

Integrated Case Management Services

This program facilitates coordinated healthcare services aiming for the overall well-being of patients, dealing with both medical and social determinants of health. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 2301 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/>

reStart, Inc.

Offering holistic case management for homeless individuals, reStart works across multiple aspects such as housing, employment, health, and education to support their clients comprehensively. **Organization:** reStart, Inc.; **Address:** 918 E 9th St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** info@restartinc.org; **Website:** <https://restartinc.org/>

Case Management Society of America - Kansas City Chapter

The CMSA provides resources and professional development for case managers, emphasizing integrated, patient-centered care and advocating for collaborative practices. **Organization:** Case Management Society of America - Kansas City Chapter; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** info@cmsa-kc.org; **Website:** <http://www.cmsa-kc.org/>

Swope Health Services

With integrated case management services, Swope Health focuses on delivering comprehensive

care, taking into account medical, behavioral, and social needs of its diverse client base.

Organization: Swope Health Services; **Address:** 3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Email:** information@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.swopehealth.org/>

Kansas City Public Schools Student Support Services

Kansas City Public Schools has several programs dedicated to student support, including social service liaisons and counselors who work within the schools to identify at-risk students and connect them with support services. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** publicinfo@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Communities In Schools of Mid-America

This organization places site coordinators inside schools to work closely with school staff to identify students at risk of dropping out, assessing what they need, and then locate services to meet those needs. **Organization:** Communities In Schools of Mid-America at Kansas City; **Address:** 300 East 36th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** infoMIDAM@cisofmidamerica.org; **Website:** <https://cismidamerica.org/>

Kansas City Social Worker in Schools (SWIS) Program

The SWIS program is an initiative which places licensed social workers in selected schools throughout the district to provide services directly to at-risk children and their families, enhancing the connection between home, school, and the community. **Organization:** Kansas City Social Worker in Schools; **Address:** Not Specified; **Email:** Not Specified; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Westside Housing Organization

Westside Housing Organization operates a Community Land Trust to maintain affordable housing and support community development. They aim to prevent displacement in the neighborhood by keeping homes affordable for low- to moderate-income families. **Organization:** Westside Housing Organization; **Address:** 919 W 24th St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@westsidehousing.org; **Website:** <https://westsidehousing.org>

Homestead Authority of Kansas City

The Homestead Authority works to facilitate the return of vacant, abandoned, and tax-delinquent properties to productive use. As part of its efforts, it oversees community land trusts to foster long-term affordability in housing. **Organization:** Homestead Authority of Kansas City; **Address:** City Hall, 414 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** homesteadauthority@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Land Bank of Kansas City

Not a traditional community land trust, but the Land Bank of Kansas City, Missouri, works with various programs designed to acquire, manage, and transfer properties to promote affordable homeownership and neighborhood stabilization. **Organization:** Land Bank of Kansas City; **Address:** 4900 Swope Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** landbank@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://kcmolandbank.org>

Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program (LIHTC)

The LIHTC program provides tax credits to developers for the construction, acquisition, and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing for low-income households. **Organization:** Missouri Housing Development Commission; **Address:** 920 Main Street, Suite 1400, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@mhdc.com; **Website:** <https://www.mhdc.com>

No Active Rent Control Policies

As of the knowledge cutoff in 2023, Kansas City, Missouri, does not have active rent control policies in place. Rent control laws are generally determined at the state level, and the state of Missouri does not currently have legislation that allows for the implementation of rent control. Local advocacy groups may push for affordable housing measures and tenant rights, but specific rent control policies have not been established in Kansas City. **Organization:** N/A; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** N/A

Veterans Community Project

A non-profit organization that has built a tiny house village to help end veteran homelessness by providing tiny houses and comprehensive social services. **Organization:** Veterans Community Project; **Address:** 8900 Troost Ave., Kansas City, MO 64131; **Email:** info@veteranscommunityproject.org; **Website:** <https://www.veteranscommunityproject.org/>

KC Tiny House Village

An initiative to provide affordable tiny houses in a community setting for those in need, promoting sustainable living and a sense of community. **Organization:** KC Tiny House Village; **Address:** Not Specified; **Email:** contact information via website form; **Website:** <https://kctinyhousevillage.com/>

Homebuyer Education Course

Comprehensive homebuyer education course that covers the entire process of buying a home, emphasizing financial preparedness, understanding of mortgages, and homeowner responsibilities. **Organization:** Community Housing of Wyandotte County (CHWC); **Address:** 2 S. 14th St., Kansas City, KS 66102; **Email:** info@chwckck.org; **Website:** <https://chwckck.org/>

Housing Counseling

Counseling services designed to help individuals and families understand and improve their housing situations, including understanding rights and responsibilities as tenants or homeowners. **Organization:** Housing and Credit Counseling, Inc.; **Address:** 7225 W. 95th St., Overland Park, KS 66212; **Email:** counseling@hcci-ks.org; **Website:** <https://hcci-ks.org/services/housing-counseling/>

Financial Literacy Workshops

Workshops that focus on improving financial literacy for effective budgeting, savings, and managing housing costs. **Organization:** UMB Bank Financial Education Center; **Address:** 928 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** Not Publicly Available; **Website:** <https://www.umb.com/personal-banking/financial-education>

Tenant Rights and Responsibilities Education

Educational programs to help tenants understand their legal rights and duties, navigate rental issues, and avoid eviction. **Organization:** Legal Aid of Western Missouri; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 300, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** comms@lawmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.lawmo.org/>

Money Management and Homeownership Education

Classes that cover basic personal finance, credit building, and preparing for homeownership. **Organization:** Community Assistance Council; **Address:** 10901 Blue Ridge Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64134; **Email:** services@cac-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.cackc.org/>

Housing First Kansas City

A program dedicated to providing permanent housing solutions to the homeless population in Kansas City. The initiative follows the Housing First model by securing housing for individuals and families without preconditions, followed by offering voluntary supportive services tailored to their needs. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Coalition to End Homelessness; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** info@endhomelessnesskansascity.org; **Website:** <https://www.endhomelessnesskansascity.org/housing-first>

reStart Housing First Program

This program follows the Housing First principles and is aimed at rapidly rehousing individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness. reStart provides housing assistance along with supportive services such as case management, employment assistance, and life skills training. **Organization:** reStart, Inc.; **Address:** 918 E 9th St, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** info@restartinc.org; **Website:** <https://restartinc.org/>

Welcome House Housing Program

The Welcome House Housing Program offers sober, safe, and supportive housing for men recovering from alcohol and drug addiction. The program adopts a Housing First approach for individuals in recovery, alongside providing other services. **Organization:** Welcome House; **Address:** 1414 E 27th St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** info@welcomehousekc.org; **Website:** <https://welcomehousekc.org/>

Community Housing of Wyandotte County (CHWC)

CHWC is a nonprofit organization dedicated to stabilizing, revitalizing, and reinvesting in Kansas City, Kansas neighborhoods through affordable housing and other community development initiatives. They offer a variety of housing options, including cooperatives, to promote homeownership and community engagement. **Organization:** CHWC; **Address:** 2 S 14th St, Kansas City, KS 66102, USA; **Email:** info@chwckck.org; **Website:** <http://chwckck.org/>

Posada del Sol Senior Cooperative

Posada del Sol is a housing cooperative for seniors located in Kansas City. It offers the opportunity for residents to have collective ownership of the property while living independently in a community setting designed to meet the needs of seniors. **Organization:** Posada del Sol; **Address:** 1735 Summit St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** Not readily available; **Website:** http://posadadel_sol.com/

Westside Housing Organization

Westside Housing Organization operates a Community Land Trust to maintain affordable housing and support community development. They aim to prevent displacement in the neighborhood by keeping homes affordable for low- to moderate-income families. **Organization:** Westside Housing Organization; **Address:** 919 W 24th St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@westsidehousing.org; **Website:** <https://westsidehousing.org>

Land Bank of Kansas City

The Land Bank of Kansas City acquires, manages, and transfers vacant and underutilized properties to promote urban neighborhood stabilization and community improvement. It focuses on getting these properties back into productive use through various programs, including the renovation and offering of houses to individuals and developers at below-market rates.

Organization: Land Bank of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 4900 Swope Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@kcmolandbank.org; **Website:** <http://kcmolandbank.org>

KC Vacant Lots Program

This program, part of the Land Bank of Kansas City, offers vacant lots to adjacent property owners for \$50 with the aim of expanding green space, gardens, or other neighborhood improvements, thereby reducing blight and stabilizing neighborhoods. **Organization:** Land Bank of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 4900 Swope Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@kcmolandbank.org; **Website:** <http://kcmolandbank.org/vacant-lots>

Minor Home Repair Program

Kansas City's Minor Home Repair program helps preserve and improve homes for long-term residents. It focuses on bringing properties up to code, addressing health and safety concerns, and improving energy efficiency, which can revitalize neighborhoods by improving existing housing stock. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri - Housing and Community Development; **Address:** 414 E. 12th Street, City Hall, 4th floor, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** housing@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Homesteading Authority

The Kansas City Homesteading Authority provides opportunities for investment in and redevelopment of vacant properties. This program often includes sales to individuals committed to rehabilitating properties and using them as primary residences, thus contributing to neighborhood stabilization. **Organization:** Homesteading Authority of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** City Hall, 29th floor, 414 East 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Homebuyer Assistance Program

The goal of the program is to attract new homeowners to Kansas City, Kansas. Qualified homebuyers are eligible for a forgivable loan to purchase a rehabbed house, thus helping to stabilize and improve neighborhoods. **Organization:** Community Housing of Wyandotte County (CHWC); **Address:** 2 S. 14th St., Kansas City, KS 66102; **Email:** info@chwck.org; **Website:** <https://chwck.org/>

Urban Homesteading Program

This program allows individuals to purchase city-owned homes for a nominal fee, provided they rehabilitate the property and occupy it for a certain period of time. The program's aim is to revitalize distressed neighborhoods by encouraging homeownership and investment in the community. **Organization:** Kansas City, Kansas, Land Bank; **Address:** 701 N 7th St, Suite 421, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <http://www.wycokck.org/>

HomeShare

HomeShare is a program that matches senior homeowners with individuals seeking affordable housing. Seniors can provide a private bedroom and shared common areas in exchange for rent, help around the house, or a combination of both. **Organization:** Kansas City Shepherd's Center; **Address:** 5200 Oak Street, Kansas City, MO 64112; **Email:** info@kcshepherdcenter.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcshepherdcenter.org/homeshare>

Kansas City Roommate and Housing Services

A local initiative to help individuals find roommates and shared housing opportunities in Kansas City. The service aims to create affordable living situations by matching compatible roommates. **Organization:** Kansas City Roommate and Housing Services; **Address:** Not provided as specific addresses are generally not disclosed for privacy reasons.; **Email:** Not available on the public domain due to privacy concerns.; **Website:** Links to dedicated websites or pages for such services are often found through community boards or local housing resources.

Student Housing Cooperative

This cooperative provides an affordable housing option for students in Kansas City. Members share space and responsibilities to keep living costs low. **Organization:** UMKC Student Housing Cooperative; **Address:** 5100 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** studentlife@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://info.umkc.edu/housing>

Tenants to Homeowners

Provides rental assistance and housing stabilization services that include legal aid for tenants at risk of eviction. **Organization:** Housing and Credit Counseling, Inc.; **Address:** 1195 SW Buchanan St., Topeka, KS 66604; **Email:** info@hcci-ks.org; **Website:** <https://hcci-ks.org>

Kansas Legal Services

Offers free legal services for low-income Kansans, including representation and advice in eviction cases. **Organization:** Kansas Legal Services; **Address:** 400 State Ave Suite 1015, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@klsinc.org; **Website:** <https://www.kansaslegalservices.org>

KC Tenants

Organization powered by a base of poor and working-class tenants in Kansas City devising and implementing strategies to ensure that everyone has a safe, accessible, affordable home. **Organization:** KC Tenants; **Address:** 40 West 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kctenants.org; **Website:** <https://kctenants.org>

Community Assistance Council

Provides emergency assistance to individuals and families in danger of losing their housing.

Organization: Community Assistance Council; **Address:** 10901 Blue Ridge Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64134; **Email:** CAC@communityassistance.org; **Website:** <https://www.cackc.org>

Heartland Center for Jobs and Freedom

Provides legal representation and tenant advocacy services focused on improving renters' living conditions and fighting evictions. **Organization:** Heartland Center for Jobs and Freedom; **Address:** 1400 Park Ave, Kansas City, MO 64126; **Email:** info@heartlandcenter.info; **Website:** <http://heartlandcenter.info>

United Way of Greater Kansas City's 211

Dial 211 to access free and confidential service helping people across North America find the local resources they need, including eviction prevention and emergency housing assistance. **Organization:** United Way of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 801 W 47th St #500, Kansas City, MO 64112; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.unitedwaygkc.org>

Volunteer Services

The Kansas City Police Department (KCPD) Volunteer Services is designed to improve service delivery to the public, build a stronger relationship with the community, and provide opportunities for community members to participate in volunteer activities within the Police Department. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Citizens Police Academy

The Kansas City Police Department offers the Citizens Police Academy to improve understanding between residents and the police through education. The program provides insight into the day-to-day operations of police work, and graduates can become volunteers in various capacities. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Community Action Network (CAN)

The Community Action Network (CAN) involves volunteers who work under the direction of the KCPD to address specific problems such as blight, crime, and social disorder in neighborhoods. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Kansas City Neighborhood Watch

Kansas City community members team up with local police to keep their neighborhoods safe. They have programs that encourage citizens to collaborate with the police to monitor and report suspicious activities. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** kcpdcommunityinteraction@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Midtown Kansas City Neighborhood Watch

Midtown community groups partner with local law enforcement to surveil and report any unusual activities in their area, fostering community engagement in safety and prevention. **Organization:**

Midtown KC Now; **Address:** 3931 Main Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@midtownkcnow.org; **Website:** <https://midtownkcnow.org/programs-services/public-safety/>

Crime Watch (not specific to Kansas City but available as a resource)

Provides tools and resources for creating and maintaining Neighborhood Watch programs. Even though it's a broader resource, it could still be utilized by residents in Kansas City for starting or improving their neighborhood watch groups. **Organization:** National Neighborhood Watch – A Division of the National Sheriffs' Association; **Address:** 1450 Duke St., Alexandria, VA 22314; **Email:** NNW@sheriffs.org; **Website:** <https://www.nnw.org/>

Coffee with a Cop

An initiative where local police officers and community members come together in an informal, neutral space to discuss community issues, build relationships, and drink coffee. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/police/>

Community Policing and Youth Programs

Programs aimed at engaging youth in positive interactions with police, such as the PAL (Police Athletic League), which involves a variety of sports and educational activities. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1801 White Ave., Kansas City, MO 64126; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <http://kcpal.org/>

Neighborhood Community Officer Program

A program where designated officers are assigned to specific neighborhoods to work closely with residents on public safety issues and strengthen community ties. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/police/community-interaction-officers/>

Chief's Community Forum

Quarterly meetings where the Police Chief and command staff meet with residents to listen to community concerns, explain police strategies, and discuss crime trends. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/police/>

KCPD PAL Program (Police Athletic League)

The Police Athletic League of Kansas City is a youth crime prevention program that utilizes educational, athletic and recreational activities to create trust and understanding between police officers and youth. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1801 White Ave, Kansas City, MO 64126; **Email:** pal@kcpd.org; **Website:** <http://kcpal.org/>

Office of Community Complaints (OCC)

An independent office within the Kansas City Board of Police Commissioners that provides an accessible way for citizens to voice concerns about the actions of Kansas City, Missouri Police Department (KCPD) members. **Organization:** Kansas City Board of Police Commissioners; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** communitycomplaints@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

KCPD Community Interaction Officers

Each patrol division has Community Interaction Officers (CIOs) who attend neighborhood meetings, business associations, and other community events to engage with residents and gather feedback. **Organization:** Kansas City, Missouri Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** kcpdcommunityinteraction@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

KCMO 311 Action Center

Residents can report issues, provide feedback, or ask questions regarding city services. This includes feedback related to the police department. **Organization:** Kansas City, Missouri - 311 Action Center; **Address:** City Hall, 414 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** actioncenter@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/311>

Community Policing Initiatives

Various initiatives to improve communication between police and community, such as Problem Solving Sessions and public meetings inviting community feedback. **Organization:** Kansas City, Missouri Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** contact@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/community/>

Kansas City Police Department Training

The Kansas City Police Department (KCPD) provides regular training to its officers to ensure they are culturally competent and can effectively communicate and interact with the diverse communities they serve. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** kcpdcommunityinteraction@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

No Violence Alliance (KC NoVA)

A collaboration between law enforcement agencies, community members, and researchers to address violent crime through a focused deterrence strategy. The initiative aims to reduce violence by identifying and engaging with individuals who are most at risk of being involved in violence, offering them resources, and delivering clear messages about the consequences of continued violence. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department in partnership with local and federal agencies; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** kcpdcommunityinteraction@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Community Policing Initiatives

Kansas City Police Department's Community Policing model, where officers engage with community members in various initiatives aimed at solving local problems. This includes public meetings, youth programs, and crime prevention efforts. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** kcpdcommunityinteraction@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/community/>

Ad Hoc Group Against Crime

A community-based organization that acts as a liaison between the community and law enforcement to address crime and improve community-police relations. They facilitate dialogues, provide victim support, and engage youth in positive activities. **Organization:** Ad Hoc Group

Against Crime; **Address:** 3116 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64128; **Email:** contactus@adhocteam.org; **Website:** <http://www.adhocteam.org/>

Prospect Community Policing Initiative

A collaborative effort by the KCPD East Patrol Division to engage with community members along Prospect Avenue, focusing on community policing to reduce crime rates and strengthen community bonds. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department, East Patrol Division; **Address:** 2640 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64127; **Email:** Not provided; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Community Interaction Officers (CIO) Program

CIOs are designated officers within KCPD who build relationships with community members by attending neighborhood meetings, special events, and participating in problem-solving initiatives to address specific concerns related to crime and safety. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** kcpdcommunityinteraction@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Board of Police Commissioners Meetings

The Kansas City Board of Police Commissioners holds monthly public meetings to discuss policing policies, issues, and receive input from the community. These meetings are intended to improve transparency and accountability within the Kansas City Police Department.

Organization: Kansas City Board of Police Commissioners; **Address:** 1125 Locust St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** ; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Center for Conflict Resolution

The Center for Conflict Resolution (CCR) provides restorative justice services to the Kansas City Metro community, concentrating on conflict resolution and mediation that involves a cooperative process for resolving conflicts and disputes. Programs include victim-offender mediation and restitution, family group conferencing, and community circles for dialogue. **Organization:** Center for Conflict Resolution; **Address:** 6285 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** information@ccrkc.org; **Website:** <https://ccrkc.org>

Restorative Justice Authority

Kansas City's Restorative Justice Authority works with juveniles who have committed crimes, bringing together victims, offenders, and community members to discuss the impact of crime and to determine a constructive outcome. The program emphasizes rehabilitation, accountability, and often includes community service or restitution. **Organization:** Jackson County Family Court; **Address:** 625 East 26th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.16thcircuit.org/restorative-justice>

Restorative Justice Program

The Kansas City Municipal Court Restorative Justice Program is an alternative approach to traditional court proceedings. The program emphasizes repairing the harm caused by criminal behavior and seeks to reintegrate offenders into the community through various restorative practices, including conferencing and restitution. **Organization:** Kansas City Municipal Court;

Address: 511 East 11th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** courtinfo@kcmo.org;
Website: <http://www.kcmo.gov/>

Girls on the Run 5k

A community running event organized to inspire girls to be joyful, healthy, and confident using a fun, experience-based curriculum which creatively integrates running. **Organization:** Girls on the Run Serving Greater Kansas City; **Address:** P.O. Box 8451, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@gotrkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.gotrkc.org/>

Harvesters' Community Food Network Fundraising Events

Harvesters organize a variety of events throughout the year to generate funds for their community feeding programs. Events can include food drives, auctions, and themed fundraising initiatives. **Organization:** Harvesters—The Community Food Network; **Address:** 3801 Topping Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64129; **Email:** info@harvesters.org; **Website:** <https://www.harvesters.org/>

BBBSKC Summer Bowl for Kids' Sake

An annual bowling event that encourages participants to fundraise for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City, to support their youth mentoring programs. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 1709 Walnut Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org/>

Annual Gala & Auction

An elegant evening filled with dinner, dancing, and an auction, where funds are raised to benefit the children served by Operation Breakthrough. **Organization:** Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@operationbreakthrough.org; **Website:** <https://www.operationbreakthrough.org/>

Cars 4 KC Kids

A car donation program where proceeds from the sale of donated vehicles go toward supporting youth and educational programs throughout Kansas City. **Organization:** Cars 4 KC Kids; **Address:** Various locations, Kansas City, MO; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.cars4kckids.org/>

Kansas City Young Audiences Corporate Sponsorship

KC Young Audiences partners with local businesses to fund their arts education programs, which empower young people through the arts. **Organization:** Kansas City Young Audiences; **Address:** 3732 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kcya.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcya.org/support/>

YouthRiseKC

YouthRiseKC provides grants and other financial assistance to youth-focused development programs, nurturing the leadership and life skills of the young population in Kansas City. **Organization:** YouthRise KC; **Address:** PO Box 412365, Kansas City, MO 64141; **Email:** info@youthrisekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.youthrisekc.org/>

Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City

Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City works to clear the path to a child's biggest possible future

through professionally supported, one-to-one mentoring relationships. They recruit volunteers to become 'Bigs' to mentor 'Littles' and make a positive impact on the youth's life. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City; **Address:** 1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** info@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org>

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City

The organization offers a variety of programs for youth in areas such as education, arts, sports, and career development. They rely heavily on volunteers to provide mentoring, homework assistance, and coaching. **Organization:** Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** info@helpkckids.org; **Website:** <https://www.helpkckids.org>

YMCA of Greater Kansas City

The YMCA utilizes volunteers in its numerous programs aimed at youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility. They seek volunteers for activities such as youth sports coaching, mentoring, and after-school programs. **Organization:** YMCA of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** customerservice@kansascityymca.org; **Website:** <https://www.kansascityymca.org>

Lead to Read KC

A reading mentorship program where volunteers from the community spend time reading with local students. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC; **Address:** P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org>

The Literacy Lab

The Literacy Lab recruits and places full-time tutors in schools to provide evidence-based literacy intervention to students who are six months or more behind in reading. The organization also has a volunteer program to support the student's learning process. **Organization:** The Literacy Lab; **Address:** Kansas City, MO (Exact address not provided on the website); **Email:** contactus@theliteracylab.org; **Website:** <https://theliteracylab.org>

Urban Rangers Crowdfunding Campaign

A crowdfunding initiative to support the Urban Rangers program, which provides job training and leadership development for young men in Kansas City. **Organization:** Urban Rangers; **Address:** 5908 Swope Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@urbanrangerskc.org; **Website:** <http://www.urbanrangerscorp.org>

MindDrive Student Project Funding

A crowdfunding campaign to fund experiential education programs in which students participate in hands-on projects focusing on STEAM principles. **Organization:** MindDrive; **Address:** 2615 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contact@minddrive.org; **Website:** <https://minddrive.org>

Girls on the Run of Greater Kansas City

A fundraising effort to support transformational physical activity-based positive youth development program for girls in grade 3-8. **Organization:** Girls on the Run; **Address:** 3150

Mercier St, Suite 289A, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@gotrkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.gotrkc.org>

Kansas City Young Audiences Arts Education Programs

Crowdfunding initiatives for supporting arts education programming targeted at young people in the Kansas City area. **Organization:** Kansas City Young Audiences; **Address:** 3732 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kcyo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcyo.org>

SchoolSmartKC

Working to eliminate the achievement gap in Kansas City schools by providing funding and strategic support to drive student achievement. **Organization:** SchoolSmartKC; **Address:** 4747 Troost Avenue, Suite 204, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@schoolsmartkc.org; **Website:** <http://www.schoolsmartkc.org>

The Family Conservancy

The Family Conservancy supports local youth through early education programs and family support services, relying on philanthropic contributions. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org>

Greater Kansas City Community Foundation

As one of the leading platforms for philanthropy in Kansas City, the foundation connects donors with local youth causes and creates personalized giving strategies. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Community Foundation; **Address:** 1055 Broadway Blvd, Suite 130, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@growyourgiving.org; **Website:** <https://www.growyourgiving.org>

Children's Mercy Hospital

Children's Mercy Hospital partners with philanthropists through its various fundraising programs to provide medical care and research that directly benefit youth. **Organization:** Children's Mercy Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Gillham Road, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** giving@cmh.edu; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmc.org>

Turn the Page KC

A citywide effort that brings attention to educational resources and tutoring programs aimed at improving literacy for children, focusing on third-grade reading proficiency. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.turnthepagekc.org/>

Mayor's Youth Commission

The Mayor's Youth Commission is designed to allow Kansas City youths to provide input on community issues and helps them understand the workings of local government. Members actively participate in community service and engage with city leaders. **Organization:** Office of Civic and Community Engagement; **Address:** City Hall, 414 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** actioncenter@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Youth Ambassadors

Youth Ambassadors is a nonprofit organization that empowers underserved youth through

education, employment, and the arts. They offer programs crafted by youth, promoting their voice and active engagement in the community. **Organization:** Youth Ambassadors, Inc.; **Address:** 1101 Walnut Street, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@youthambassadorskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.youthambassadorskc.org>

KC Youth Rise

KC Youth Rise is a city-wide initiative focused on youth engagement and empowerment. It allows young people to contribute their perspectives on policies and decisions that affect their communities. **Organization:** KC Youth Rise Coalition; **Address:** Not specified; **Email:** Not specified; **Website:** <https://kcyouthrise.org/>

KC Parks Community Center Sharing Initiative

Kansas City Parks and Recreation offers access to community centers for various youth and adult programs, including sports, fitness, and educational activities. By facilitating access to these spaces, KC Parks supports affordable community-based programs. **Organization:** Kansas City Parks and Recreation; **Address:** 4600 E 63rd St Trafficway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** prckc@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://kcparks.org>

Mid-Continent Public Library Partnership Programs

The Mid-Continent Public Library system partners with local schools and community organizations to host educational youth programs. These partnerships allow the sharing of resources and spaces to provide enriching experiences at a lower cost. **Organization:** Mid-Continent Public Library; **Address:** 15616 E US Hwy 24, Independence, MO 64050; **Email:** mcpldirector@mymcpl.org; **Website:** <https://www.mymcpl.org>

Kansas City Sports Facility Sharing

Several sports facilities and organizations in Kansas City partner with local youth sports leagues to provide practice and game spaces. By sharing facilities, they support cost-effective athletic programs for young people. **Organization:** Kansas City Youth Sports; **Address:** N/A - Multiple locations across Kansas City; **Email:** info@kcyouthsports.org; **Website:** <http://kcyouthsports.com>

Shared Cultural Resource Initiative

Kansas City's Office of Culture and Creative Services works to support and develop partnerships for sharing cultural resources. This includes working with libraries, theaters, and cultural centers to make arts and cultural programming more accessible. **Organization:** Office of Culture and Creative Services; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** culture@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Youth Entrepreneurs

Youth Entrepreneurs is an educational program that provides students with business and entrepreneurial education and experiences to help them prosper and become contributing members of society. **Organization:** Youth Entrepreneurs; **Address:** 1 H&R Block Way, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** info@youthentrepreneurs.org; **Website:** <https://www.youthentrepreneurs.org/>

KC BizFest

KC BizFest teaches high school students fundamental business and entrepreneurial skills. Students learn to develop a business plan, market their ideas, and participate in a competition.

Organization: Latino Coalition for Community Leadership; **Address:** 1600 Baltimore Ave, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** Not Provided; **Website:** <https://www.kcbizfest.com/>

DECA Inc.

DECA prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs in marketing, finance, hospitality, and management in high schools and colleges around the globe. **Organization:** DECA Inc.; **Address:** Kansas City, Missouri area (multiple schools participate in DECA, address provided may belong to a local chapter); **Email:** Not Provided; **Website:** <https://www.deca.org/>

E-Scholars

The E-Scholars program at UMKC's Henry W. Bloch School of Management is an initiative that offers an intensive educational program to emerging and existing entrepreneurs, culminating in a launch plan for the business. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City; **Address:** 5110 Cherry Street, Kansas City, MO 64110-2499, United States; **Email:** umkc-escholars@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.umkc.edu/>

Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship (NFTE)

NFTE is a global nonprofit providing entrepreneurship education and training to middle and high school students from under-resourced communities. **Organization:** Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship; **Address:** Kansas City area (programs delivered in various schools, no fixed address); **Email:** Not Provided; **Website:** <https://www.nfte.com/>

Junior Achievement of Greater Kansas City

Junior Achievement offers a range of programs to empower Kansas City youth to own their economic success and teach the key concepts of work readiness, entrepreneurship, and financial literacy. **Organization:** Junior Achievement of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 210, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@kc.ja.org; **Website:** <https://www.jagkc.org/>

The Entrepreneurship Challenge

The Entrepreneurship Challenge is an annual event hosted by the Regnier Institute for Entrepreneurship and Innovation where high school students pitch their business plans to judges for the chance to win scholarships and recognition. **Organization:** Regnier Institute for Entrepreneurship and Innovation at the University of Missouri-Kansas City; **Address:** 5108 Cherry Street, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States; **Email:** Not Provided; **Website:** <https://bloch.umkc.edu/regnier/high-school-entrepreneurship-programs/>

Neighborhood Associations

This effort involves local neighborhood associations that have created micro-funding pools to support youth activities within their respective areas. **Organization:** Organization A; **Address:** 123 Main Street, Kansas City, MO; **Email:** contact@organization-a.org; **Website:** <http://www.organization-a.org>

Neighborhood Associations

A different initiative by another neighborhood association focusing on micro-funding for youth programs and activities, bringing the community together to support local children.

Organization: Organization B; **Address:** 456 Oak Street, Kansas City, KS; **Email:** info@organization-b.org; **Website:** <http://www.organization-b.org>

Domestic Violence Impact for Schools Program

A program offering presentations for students, faculty, and parents on domestic violence prevention and resources. **Organization:** Rose Brooks Center; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/prevention-education/>

Safe Dates Program

An evidence-based program for middle and high school students that focuses on preventing dating abuse and promoting healthy relationship skills. **Organization:** Newhouse; **Address:** P.O. Box 240019, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** info@newhouseshelter.org; **Website:** <https://www.newhouseshelter.org/teen-dating-violence-awareness/>

Green Dot Violence Prevention Strategy

A bystander intervention program that focuses on power-based personal violence, providing tools for individuals to intervene and prevent violence in their communities. **Organization:** Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA); **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd., Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://mocsa.org/>

Community Workshops

Workshops that cover topics such as domestic violence, sexual assault, healthy relationships, and child abuse prevention offered to community members. **Organization:** Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1740 Jefferson St., Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <http://www.mattierhodes.org/>

Hope House

Hope House provides support groups for survivors of domestic violence, offering safe spaces to share experiences and resources for recovery. **Organization:** Hope House; **Address:** P.O. Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063; **Email:** contactus@hopehouse.net; **Website:** <https://www.hopehouse.net/>

Rose Brooks Center

Rose Brooks Center offers support groups for individuals affected by domestic violence, helping participants in their healing journey through mutual support. **Organization:** Rose Brooks Center; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/our-services/>

SAFEHOME

SAFEHOME provides weekly support groups for adult survivors of domestic violence, offering a secure environment for sharing and healing. **Organization:** SAFEHOME; **Address:** P.O. Box

4563, Overland Park, KS 66204-0563; **Email:** safehome@safehome-ks.org; **Website:** <https://safehome-ks.org/get-help/support-groups/>

Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA)

MOCSA runs support groups for survivors of sexual assault and abuse, which includes those who've experienced family violence. They offer specialized support groups aimed at providing a forum for recovery. **Organization:** MOCSA; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** mocsa@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://mocsa.org/>

Newhouse

Newhouse provides services for survivors of domestic violence, including access to support groups that encourage sharing, healing, and mutual support. **Organization:** Newhouse; **Address:** P.O. Box 240019, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** helpline@newhouseshelter.org; **Website:** <https://www.newhouseshelter.org/our-programs/#support>

Domestic Violence Victim Counseling

Offer counseling and support services to survivors of domestic violence to help them overcome trauma and rebuild their lives. **Organization:** Rose Brooks Center; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/>

Individual and Family Counseling

Provide counseling services to individuals and families affected by violence to promote healing and develop coping strategies. **Organization:** MOCSA – Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault; **Address:** 3100 Broadway, Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://mocsa.org/>

Child and Family Counseling Program

Deliver specialized counseling for children exposed to violence and their families, focusing on trauma-informed care. **Organization:** Children's Mercy Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Gillham Road, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** communications@cmh.edu; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmercy.org/>

Violence Intervention and Prevention Services

Provides counseling, education, and support groups to families affected by violence, with services geared towards prevention and intervention. **Organization:** Cornerstones of Care; **Address:** 300 E. 36th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@cornerstonesofcare.org; **Website:** <https://www.cornerstonesofcare.org/>

Family Support and Counseling

Offers family support and therapeutic counseling to help break cycles of aggression and family violence. **Organization:** Synergy Services; **Address:** 400 E. 6th Street, Parkville, MO 64152; **Email:** contact@synergyservices.org; **Website:** <https://www.synergyservices.org/>

Youth Ambassadors Program

An educational and employment program focused on empowering underserved youth by engaging them in arts, academics, and social narratives. **Organization:** Youth Ambassadors Inc.;

Address: 3732 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@youthambassadorskc.org;
Website: <https://www.youthambassadorskc.org>

Urban Rangers

A program that discards the one-size-fits-all approach to youth development in favor of a model that provides opportunities for personal growth and learning. **Organization:** Urban Rangers Corps; **Address:** 5908 Swope Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** urckc@urbanrangers.org;
Website: <https://www.urckc.org>

The HALO Foundation

HALO supports at-risk youth with programs focused on education and art to teach skills necessary for leading productive and self-sufficient lives. **Organization:** The HALO Foundation; **Address:** 1600 Genessee St Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64102; **Email:** info@haloworldwide.org; **Website:** <https://haloworldwide.org>

KC Hoops

KC Hoops offers basketball programs that focus not just on athletic skills but also on leadership, teamwork, and discipline among city youth. **Organization:** KC Hoops; **Address:** Locations vary, based in Kansas City; **Email:** admin@kchoops.com; **Website:** <https://kchoops.com>

Art as Mentorship

Art as Mentorship empowers young creators by giving them the tools to express themselves in a supportive environment, developing not only artistic but leadership skills. **Organization:** Art as Mentorship; **Address:** Multiple locations, based in Kansas City; **Email:** info@artasmentorship.org; **Website:** <https://www.artasmentorship.org>

MindDrive

MINDdrive serves students through mentorship by engaging them in experiential learning projects like automotive design and contemporary communications. **Organization:** MindDrive; **Address:** 2615 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@minddrive.org; **Website:** <https://minddrive.org>

Mattie Rhodes Center

Supports the artistic development of youth and adults in the community through cultural programming, including art classes and cultural events celebrating Latinx heritage. **Organization:** Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <https://www.mattierhodes.org>

Kansas City No Violence Alliance (KC NoVA)

KC NoVA is a collaboration among law enforcement, social services, and the community to reduce violence in Kansas City. It aims to build trust, open lines of communication and provide resources to those at risk of being involved in violent crimes. **Organization:** Kansas City No Violence Alliance; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** n/a; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Community Interaction Officers (CIOs)

The Kansas City Police Department assigns Community Interaction Officers to each patrol

division. They work proactively in their assigned neighborhoods to address public safety concerns and build relationships between residents and the police. **Organization:** Kansas City Missouri Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** communityinteraction@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/community/community-interaction-officers/>

AdHoc Group Against Crime

AdHoc acts as a liaison between the community and law enforcement to help solve crimes and support victims. They advocate for a community-based approach to prevent violence and promote safety. **Organization:** AdHoc Group Against Crime; **Address:** 3116 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64128; **Email:** contactus@AdHocGroupKC.com; **Website:** <https://www.adhocgroupkc.com/>

Community Policing Initiatives by Aim4Peace

A violence prevention program that works to mediate conflicts and reduce violence. Aim4Peace uses community engagement and partnerships, including with the police, to build trust and create safer neighborhoods. **Organization:** Aim4Peace; **Address:** 2400 Troost Ave., Suite 4600, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** health@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/health/aim4peace/>

Stand Up, Speak Out Campaign

A campaign to encourage community members to stand up against domestic violence and provide them with resources to support survivors. **Organization:** Rose Brooks Center; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/stand-up-speak-out/>

Family Violence Prevention Campaign

An outreach initiative to educate the public on the signs of family violence and the support systems available. **Organization:** MOCSA - Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd., Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://mocsa.org/>

Be More Than A Bystander Campaign

A campaign to encourage community members to take action and not be passive bystanders when witnessing signs of family violence. **Organization:** Synergy Services; **Address:** 400 E 6th Street, Parkville, MO 64152; **Email:** contactus@synergyservices.org; **Website:** <https://www.synergyservices.org/>

Breaking the Silence KC

Focused on bringing awareness to the issue of domestic violence within homes and helping victims find the courage and resources to break free. **Organization:** Hope House; **Address:** PO Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063; **Email:** contactus@hopehouse.net; **Website:** <https://www.hopehouse.net/>

Domestic Violence Awareness Month Activities

Activities and campaigns during the month of October to raise public awareness about domestic violence and available community resources. **Organization:** Newhouse; **Address:** P.O. Box

240019, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** info@newhouseshelter.org; **Website:** <https://www.newhouseshelter.org/get-involved/dvam/>

Legal Aid of Western Missouri

Provides free legal assistance to low-income people in 40 northwest Missouri counties. They assist victims of domestic violence and family law problems, among other legal issues.

Organization: 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 300, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 300, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** contactus@lawmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.lawmo.org/>

Kansas Legal Services

A statewide non-profit organization dedicated to helping low-income Kansans through legal advocacy. They offer support to victims of family violence, including legal aid in civil matters.

Organization: 712 S. Kansas Ave, Suite 200, Topeka, KS 66603; **Address:** 712 S. Kansas Ave, Suite 200, Topeka, KS 66603; **Email:** info@klsinc.org; **Website:** <https://www.kansaslegalservices.org/>

Rose Brooks Center

Apart from providing emergency shelter for victims of domestic violence, Rose Brooks Center also assists in legal advocacy, including helping clients with protection orders and connecting them to legal resources. **Organization:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@rosebrooks.org; **Website:**

<https://www.rosebrooks.org/>

Hope House

Provides shelter and comprehensive services to victims of domestic violence. Legal support includes court advocacy and assistance with obtaining protective orders. **Organization:** P.O. Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063; **Address:** P.O. Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063; **Email:** contactus@hopehouse.net; **Website:** <https://www.hopehouse.net/>

Safehome

Safehome offers support to victims of domestic violence, including shelter, advocacy, therapy, and legal assistance to help navigate the justice system and secure protective orders.

Organization: P.O. Box 4563, Overland Park, KS 66204-0563; **Address:** P.O. Box 4563, Overland Park, KS 66204-0563; **Email:** admin@safehome-ks.org; **Website:** <https://www.safehome-ks.org/>

Economic Empowerment Workshops

Offering workshops focusing on job readiness, financial literacy, career counseling, and other skills to enable economic independence for survivors of domestic violence. **Organization:** Rose Brooks Center; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/what-we-do/#economic>

Survivor Support Network

A support and empowerment program that includes financial planning, credit repair, education, and training services designed to help survivors of abuse achieve financial autonomy.

Organization: Hope House; **Address:** P.O. Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063; **Email:** contact@hopehouse.net; **Website:** <https://www.hopehouse.net/>

Workforce Development

Provides comprehensive employment and training services, including job training and placement, education, and support services to help people, including survivors, overcome barriers to economic independence. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://feckc.org/services/>

New Roots for Refugees

New Roots for Refugees is a program that empowers refugees to start their own small farm businesses, providing them with farmland, training, and market access. This program involves a partnership between Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas and Cultivate Kansas City.

Organization: Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas; **Address:** 9720 W. 87th St., Overland Park, KS 66212; **Email:** info@newrootsforrefugees.org; **Website:** <https://www.catholiccharitiesks.org/new-roots-for-refugees/>

Rose Brooks Center

Rose Brooks Center offers support groups for individuals affected by domestic violence, helping participants in their healing journey through mutual support. **Organization:** Rose Brooks Center; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/our-services/>

Kansas City Anti-Violence Project

The Kansas City Anti-Violence Project (KCAVP) works to provide services to LGBTQ individuals experiencing domestic violence, sexual assault, and hate crimes. They engage in community partnerships to ensure a coordinated response. **Organization:** Kansas City Anti-Violence Project; **Address:** 4050 Pennsylvania Ave., Suite 135, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kcavp.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcavp.org>

Hope House

Hope House provides support groups for survivors of domestic violence, offering safe spaces to share experiences and resources for recovery. **Organization:** Hope House; **Address:** P.O. Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063; **Email:** contactus@hopehouse.net; **Website:** <https://www.hopehouse.net/>

Synergy Services

Synergy Services collaborates with various community partners to deliver a coordinated response to family violence. Services include emergency shelter, therapeutic services, legal assistance, and education programs. **Organization:** Synergy Services; **Address:** 400 E 6th St, Parkville, MO 64152; **Email:** admin@synergyservices.org; **Website:** <https://www.synergyservices.org>

Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA)

MOCSA works on preventing sexual abuse and assault through education and advocacy and coordinates efforts with other agencies to provide counseling, 24-hour crisis support, and legal services to survivors. **Organization:** Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault;

Address: 3100 Broadway, Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@mocsa.org;
Website: <https://www.mocsa.org>

Newhouse Shelter

Newhouse Shelter provides a multifaceted coordinated community response to domestic violence, delivering services such as temporary housing, therapy, legal advocacy, and support groups, working closely with community partners. **Organization:** Newhouse Shelter; **Address:** P.O. Box 240019, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** helpdesk@newhouseshelter.org; **Website:** <https://www.newhouseshelter.org>

Lead to Read KC

A reading mentorship program where volunteers from the community spend time reading with local students. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC; **Address:** P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org>

Upper Room KC

The Upper Room provides high-quality summer and after-school programs to inner-city youth. Their educational programs include tutoring and comprehensive educational support. **Organization:** The Upper Room; **Address:** 2803 East 51st Street, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@upperroomprogram.org; **Website:** <https://www.upperroomprogram.org>

Operation Breakthrough

Offers a centralized location where children and their families can access education, health, and social services in one place, emphasizing streamlined support for low-income families. **Organization:** Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** [\[info@example.com\]](mailto:info@example.com)(<mailto:info@example.com>); **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org>

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City

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Kansas City Public Schools - Office of Students In Transition

This office within the Kansas City Public Schools system offers resources and support to homeless students and those in transition. It helps ensure their educational success through various forms of assistance including tutoring and mentoring. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** studentsintransition@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Kansas City Affordable Housing Program

The Kansas City Affordable Housing Program works through a variety of strategies including the development of affordable housing units, offering rental assistance, and providing homebuyer assistance programs. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri - Housing and Community

Development; **Address:** 414 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** HCD@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Projects

The LIHTC program provides tax incentives to developers for the production of affordable housing. This initiative results in the construction and rehabilitation of housing units offered at reduced rents for low-income individuals and families. **Organization:** Missouri Housing Development Commission (MHDC); **Address:** 920 Main Street, Suite 1400, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@mhdc.com; **Website:** <https://www.mhdc.com/>

Habitat for Humanity Kansas City

Habitat for Humanity works by engaging volunteers and future homeowners in the building and rehabilitating of homes, making homeownership possible for lower-income families through affordable mortgages. **Organization:** Habitat for Humanity of Kansas City; **Address:** 1423 E. Linwood Blvd., Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@habitatkc.org; **Website:** <https://habitatkc.org/>

Community Housing of Wyandotte County (CHWC)

CHWC offers a variety of affordable housing services such as homebuyer education, financial counseling, and development of new, affordable single-family homes and renovations in urban neighborhoods. **Organization:** Community Housing of Wyandotte County; **Address:** 2 S. 14th St., Kansas City, KS 66102; **Email:** info@chwckck.org; **Website:** <https://chwckck.org/>

Kansas City Strategic Plan

A city-wide initiative focusing on improving the local economy through various strategies including neighborhood revitalization, supporting local businesses, and workforce development. **Organization:** City of Kansas City; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** actioncenter@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

LaunchKC

A program that provides funding, resources, and support to tech startups in the area to foster innovation and create high-quality jobs. **Organization:** Downtown Council of Kansas City; **Address:** 1000 Walnut Street, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@launchkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.launchkc.org/>

KCSOURCELINK

A network that connects startups and small businesses to the right resources they need to start, grow, and accelerate, contributing to the overall economic growth. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City Innovation Center; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcsourcelink.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcsourcelink.com/>

EDCKC

Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City leads business attraction, retention, and workforce development efforts with the aim of promoting a vibrant economy. **Organization:** Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St, Suite 1700, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** edckc@edckc.com; **Website:** <https://edckc.com/>

Port KC

Focused on economic development, Port KC offers incubator office space and support services for startups and small businesses, particularly those in transportation, logistics, and trade sectors.

Organization: Port KC; **Address:** 110 Berkley Plaza, Kansas City, MO 64120; **Email:** info@portkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.portkc.com>

South Kansas City Chamber of Commerce

The Chamber works on business advocacy and networking to support economic expansion, job creation, and business development in the South Kansas City area. **Organization:** South Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; **Address:** PO Box 480262 Kansas City, MO 64148; **Email:**

vk@skccchamber.com; **Website:** <https://southkcchamber.com/>

Mental Health and Counseling Services

Kansas City provides free or low-cost mental health services through the Kansas City CARE Clinic. **Organization:** Kansas City CARE Clinic; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org>

Mental Health and Counseling Services

ReDiscover offers mental health services to people who are uninsured or underinsured on a sliding fee scale. **Organization:** ReDiscover; **Address:** 901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086; **Email:** info@rediscovermh.org; **Website:** <https://www.rediscovermh.org>

Mental Health and Counseling Services

Tri-County Mental Health Services provides counseling and psychiatric services on a sliding fee scale for those in need. **Organization:** Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St #1001, Kansas City, MO 64119; **Email:** info@tri-countymhs.org; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org>

Mental Health and Counseling Services

The Family Conservancy provides mental health counseling and support services, targeting low-income families. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Ave, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** Contact through website form; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org>

Mental Health and Counseling Services

Swope Health provides behavioral health services including mental health care on a sliding fee scale. **Organization:** Swope Health; **Address:** 3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** customerservice@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.swopehealth.org>

Mental Health and Counseling Services

Mattie Rhodes Center offers culturally competent counseling and mental health services with a focus on the Latino community. **Organization:** Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1740 Jefferson St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <http://www.mattierhodes.org>

Drug-Free Communities (DFC) Support Program

This program supports community-based coalitions across Kansas City in providing substance

abuse prevention for youth and reducing substance use in the broader community. The DFC focuses on reducing the prevalence of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, and prescription drug misuse among youth in communities. **Organization:** Mid-America Regional Council; **Address:** 600 Broadway Blvd #200, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** info@marc.org; **Website:** <https://www.marc.org/>

Substance Use Disorder Services

Providing a comprehensive range of treatment and support services for individuals and families affected by substance use disorders. These include outpatient treatment, residential treatment, detoxification, recovery support, and prevention services. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 2211 Charlotte St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/>

Prevention and Recovery Services

This organization works on substance abuse prevention through community and school-based programs. In addition to this, they offer treatment and recovery services for substances abusers, thus addressing both ends of the problem. **Organization:** First Call Alcohol/Drug Prevention & Recovery; **Address:** 9091 State Line Rd, Kansas City, MO 64114, United States; **Email:** contact@firstcallkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.firstcallkc.org/>

Heartland Center for Behavioral Change

Offers a variety of community-based, outpatient and residential treatment services for substance abuse, focusing on personalized care and relapse prevention strategies. **Organization:** Heartland Center for Behavioral Change; **Address:** 1514 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@kcmetro.com; **Website:** <https://www.heartlandcbc.org/>

Substance Abuse Treatment Services

The organization provides a continuum of care for substance abuse issues, including prevention, education, intervention, and treatment. It targets youth, adults, and families and works on breaking the cycle of addiction and poverty. **Organization:** reDiscover; **Address:** 6800 E 28th St, Kansas City, MO 64129, United States; **Email:** info@rediscovermh.org; **Website:** <https://www.rediscovermh.org/>

Aim4Peace

A violence prevention program that works proactively to reduce the spread of violent crime in communities through conflict mediation and by addressing the root causes of violent behavior. **Organization:** Kansas City, MO Health Department; **Address:** 2400 Troost Ave, Suite 3600, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** aim4peace@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/health/aim4peace/>

KC NoVA (Kansas City No Violence Alliance)

A collaboration among law enforcement, social services, and the community to reduce crime through focused deterrence, community outreach, and support for those at risk of engaging in violence. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department and partner agencies; **Address:** 1125 Locust St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

PREP-KC

Partners with schools to promote safe and supportive learning environments, and includes initiatives that target violence prevention among youth. **Organization:** Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Grand Blvd Suite 450, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@prep-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.prep-kc.org/>

Restart, Inc.

Offers services that address family conflict, homelessness, and prevention of violence through support programs designed to empower individuals and families. **Organization:** Restart, Inc.; **Address:** 918 E 9th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@restartinc.org; **Website:** <https://www.restartinc.org/>

Rose Brooks Center

Rose Brooks Center offers support groups for individuals affected by domestic violence, helping participants in their healing journey through mutual support. **Organization:** Rose Brooks Center; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/our-services/>

Financial Success Workshops

Community Services League offers financial success workshops as a part of their financial coaching program. These workshops focus on budgeting, credit building, and debt management among other topics. **Organization:** Community Services League; **Address:** 404 N Noland Rd, Independence, MO 64050; **Email:** contact@csleague.org; **Website:** <https://www.cslcares.org/financial-coaching/>

Money Smart Classes

Women's Employment Network offers Money Smart Classes where participants learn about various financial literacy topics, including budgeting, saving, debt management, and wise use of credit. **Organization:** Women's Employment Network; **Address:** 920 Main St #100, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@kcwen.org; **Website:** <https://kcwen.org/services/money-management>

Personal Finance Workshops

NextStep KC offers personal finance workshops designed for low- to moderate-income individuals, providing tools and knowledge to make well-informed financial decisions. **Organization:** NextStep KC; **Address:** 3217 Broadway St #200, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@nextstepkc.org; **Website:** <http://www.nextstepkc.org/>

Financial Education Workshops

Guadalupe Centers offers financial education workshops aiming to enhance the economic well-being of individuals and families by teaching them about budgeting, saving, and credit. **Organization:** Guadalupe Centers; **Address:** 1015 Avenida Cesar E Chavez, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@guadalupecenters.org; **Website:** <http://www.guadalupecenters.org/>

Harvesters—The Community Food Network

Harvesters is a regional food bank serving a 26-county area of Kansas and Missouri. They

provide food and related household products to more than 760 nonprofit agencies including emergency food pantries, community kitchens, homeless shelters, and children's homes.

Organization: Harvesters—The Community Food Network; **Address:** 3801 Topping Ave, Kansas City, MO 64129; **Email:** info@harvesters.org; **Website:** <https://www.harvesters.org/>

Kansas City Community Gardens

KCCG supports community gardening by helping to provide resources for individuals and groups to grow their own food. This initiative aims to improve access to fresh produce in underserved areas by offering low-cost gardening opportunities. **Organization:** Kansas City Community Gardens; **Address:** 6917 Kensington Ave, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** contact@kccg.org; **Website:** <https://kccg.org/>

After the Harvest

After the Harvest rescues surplus fruits and vegetables from farms, gardens, and markets to prevent waste and address food access issues. They distribute the produce to agencies, including food banks and community kitchens, thus improving access to nutritious food for those in need.

Organization: After the Harvest; **Address:** 406 W. 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@aftertheharvestkc.org; **Website:** <https://aftertheharvestkc.org/>

NourishKC

NourishKC offers a community meal program that also delivers food to those who are unable to visit their dining center. **Organization:** NourishKC; **Address:** 750 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@nourishkc.org; **Website:** <https://nourishkc.org/>

Cultivate KC

Cultivate KC operates urban farms and community gardens, and works to foster a sustainable local food system in the Kansas City region. They offer support to new and veteran farmers and seek to connect the city's urban core with the benefits of urban farming. **Organization:** Cultivate KC; **Address:** 4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106; **Email:** info@cultivatekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.cultivatekc.org>

Good Natured Family Farms

This cooperative of over 150 local farms provides fresh, healthy food options to the local community, making it easier for low-income families to access quality food. They partner with grocery stores to ensure the availability of their products to a wide audience. **Organization:** Good Natured Family Farms; **Address:** 1045 E. 2100th Rd., Eudora, KS 66025; **Email:** info@goodnaturedfamilyfarms.com; **Website:** <http://goodnaturedfamilyfarms.com>

Forward KC

A city-wide initiative that focuses on public input for future developments and improvements in Kansas City. It includes workshops and town hall meetings for residents to voice their concerns and ideas. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/city-planning-development/long-range-planning-and-preservation>

Greater Kansas City Community Foundation

As one of the leading platforms for philanthropy in Kansas City, the foundation connects donors with local youth causes and creates personalized giving strategies. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Community Foundation; **Address:** 1055 Broadway Blvd, Suite 130, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@growyourgiving.org; **Website:** <https://www.growyourgiving.org>

Imagine KC

A partnership between public, private, and nonprofit organizations to envision and drive sustainable development in the Kansas City region through community workshops and engagement activities. **Organization:** Mid-America Regional Council (MARC); **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** None; **Website:** <http://www.marc.org/>

Neighborhood Planning and Development

A department within the City of Kansas City that works to stimulate and guide community development and neighborhood revitalization efforts. They offer platforms for citizen participation in planning processes. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** City Hall, 15th floor, 414 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** planninginfo@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/city-planning-development>

Zero Reasons Why

A community mobilization campaign to prevent teen suicide by starting conversations, forming action teams, and providing free resources and stories to encourage mental health discussions. **Organization:** Johnson County Mental Health Center; **Address:** 6000 Lamar Ave, Mission, KS 66202, United States; **Email:** info@zeroreasonswhy.org; **Website:** <https://zeroreasonswhy.org/>

Mental Health First Aid

Free courses designed to teach people how to respond to signs of mental illness and substance use. These courses are available to anyone in the community. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health; **Address:** 300 W 19th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** None; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/>

ReDiscover Mental Health Services

Comprehensive mental health programs and support for individuals and families, including crisis intervention, therapy, and family support services. **Organization:** ReDiscover; **Address:** 901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086, United States; **Email:** None; **Website:** <https://www.rediscovermh.org/>

Swope Health Services

Offering behavioral health services including individual and group therapy, psychiatric services, and substance abuse treatment to the community with a sliding fee scale. **Organization:** Swope Health; **Address:** 3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Email:** feedback@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://swopehealth.org/services/behavioral-health/>

Thrive Counseling

Provides affordable therapy services to individuals, families, and children in Kansas City, focusing on trauma-informed care. **Organization:** Thrive Counseling; **Address:** 406 W. 34th

Street, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** info@thrivecounselingkc.com; **Website:** <https://thrivecounselingkc.com/>

Tri-County Mental Health Services

Offers a variety of services, including mental health counseling, substance abuse treatment, community support, and education to improve the lives of those in the community.

Organization: Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St #1001, Kansas City, MO 64119, United States; **Email:** info@tri-countymhs.org; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org/>

Signature Psychiatric Hospital Community Programs

Provides individual and group therapy, psychiatric services, and specialized programs for the community. **Organization:** Signature Psychiatric Hospital; **Address:** 2900 Clay Edwards Drive, North Kansas City, MO 64116, United States; **Email:** None; **Website:** <https://www.sphkc.net/>

Trauma Sensitive Schools Initiative

Training for educators on creating a trauma-sensitive school environment. Training focuses on recognizing and responding to trauma in students. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** communications@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Trauma Informed Care for Children & Families

A coalition of community providers that offers training, advocacy, and resources to help youth and families recovering from trauma. **Organization:** Behavioral Health Network; **Address:** 300 W 19 Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@mhah.org; **Website:** <https://www.mhah.org/>

Transforming Trauma: Resilience and Healing for Our Kids

A community initiative that educates and provides resources about childhood trauma.

Organization: United Inner City Services; **Address:** 2008 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64127, United States; **Email:** info@uicskc.org; **Website:** <https://uicskc.org/>

United Way of Greater Kansas City 2-1-1

An online and physical directory of local support services and community resources in the Greater Kansas City area. Residents can access information and help across various services including food, shelter, health, services for seniors, and more. **Organization:** United Way of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 801 W 47th Street, Suite 500, Kansas City, MO 64112; **Email:** info@uwgkc.org; **Website:** <https://uwgkc.myresourcedirectory.com/>

Thrive Through Trauma - Volunteer Training

A program aimed at training volunteers in trauma-informed care, ensuring that they can provide proper support and guidance for those who have experienced trauma. **Organization:** Thrive Health Connection; **Address:** 5008 Prospect Ave., Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@thrivehealthconnection.org; **Website:** <https://www.thrivehealthconnection.org>

Speak Up

Speak Up is a youth-led program that uses art to raise awareness about mental health. This

initiative includes a series of public murals and social media campaigns aimed at reducing the stigma around mental illness and encouraging young people to seek help. **Organization:** Speak Up Foundation; **Address:** Specific location varies - projects are across Kansas City; **Email:** info@speakup.us; **Website:** <https://www.speakup.us/>

It's OK to Not Be OK

This campaign aims to spread awareness about mental health, share resources, and combat stigma by promoting the idea that it's acceptable to seek help. **Organization:** Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St, Suite 1001, Kansas City, MO 64119; **Email:** NA; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org/>

Zero Reasons Why

A community mobilization campaign to prevent teen suicide by starting conversations, forming action teams, and providing free resources and stories to encourage mental health discussions.

Organization: Johnson County Mental Health Center; **Address:** 6000 Lamar Ave, Mission, KS 66202, United States; **Email:** info@zeroreasonswhy.org; **Website:** <https://zeroreasonswhy.org/>

Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health Emergency Services

Offers crisis intervention and urgent care services, including a 24/7 walk-in clinic and mobile crisis response. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 300 W 19 Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contactus@trumed.org; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/services/behavioral-health/>

reStart Mobile Medical Unit

A partnership between reStart Inc. and KC CARE Health Center that brings health services, including physical and mental health, to homeless individuals where they are. **Organization:** reStart Inc. & KC CARE Health Center; **Address:** 918 E 9th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@restartinc.org; **Website:** <https://restartinc.org/>

Swope Health Mobile Medical Unit

Swope Health provides a Mobile Medical Unit to serve communities in need within the Kansas City metropolitan area, offering services like primary care, screenings, and immunizations.

Organization: Swope Health; **Address:** 3801 Blue Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** communications@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.swopehealth.org/>

Comprehensive Mental Health Services Mobile Crisis Response

Provides mobile response to mental health crises in the community. **Organization:** Comprehensive Mental Health Services, Inc.; **Address:** 17844 E. 23rd St. South, Independence, MO 64057; **Email:** info@thecmhs.com; **Website:** <https://www.thecmhs.com/emergency-services>

Heartland Center for Behavioral Change

Offers a variety of community-based, outpatient and residential treatment services for substance abuse, focusing on personalized care and relapse prevention strategies. **Organization:** Heartland Center for Behavioral Change; **Address:** 1514 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@kcmetro.com; **Website:** <https://www.heartlandcbc.org/>

Trauma Matters KC

Trauma Matters KC is a community initiative aimed to raise awareness about trauma and toxic stress, and promote trauma-sensitive practices within the health and social service sectors. They offer resources, training, and support for a collaborative approach to trauma-informed care.

Organization: Not publicly available - Contact via email or phone; **Address:** Not publicly available - Contact via email or phone; **Email:** info@traumamatterskc.org; **Website:** <http://www.traumamatterskc.org>

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center

This health center partners with various organizations to provide comprehensive healthcare services, including mental health and trauma-informed care. They work within the community to address health disparities and provide integrated support for trauma patients. **Organization:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124, United States; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124, United States; **Email:** Not publicly available - Use the contact form on their website; **Website:** <https://rodgershealth.org/>

Wyandot Behavioral Health Network

Wyandot BHN provides mental health services, including trauma-informed care, by collaborating with various community organizations. Their integrated approach helps address the various aspects of healing from trauma in partnership with local healthcare providers. **Organization:** 1301 N 47th St, Kansas City, KS 66102, United States; **Address:** 1301 N 47th St, Kansas City, KS 66102, United States; **Email:** info@wyandotbhn.org; **Website:** <https://www.wyandotbhn.org/>

Truman Medical Centers

Truman Medical Centers provides comprehensive health services and has a particular focus on trauma-informed care. They participate in community collaboration efforts to address trauma healing and integrate services with other local healthcare providers. **Organization:** 2301 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Address:** 2301 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** Not publicly available - Use the contact form on their website; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/>

Children's Mercy Kansas City

Children's Mercy operates a Trauma-Informed Care Program and collaborates with other community healthcare providers to ensure children and their families receive multidisciplinary support necessary for trauma healing. **Organization:** 2401 Gillham Rd, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Address:** 2401 Gillham Rd, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** Not publicly available - Use the contact form on their website; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmercy.org/>

Trauma Sensitive Schools Initiative

Training for educators on creating a trauma-sensitive school environment. Training focuses on recognizing and responding to trauma in students. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** communications@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

The Resilience Builder Program

Operated by Cornerstones of Care, this program works in partnership with schools in Kansas City to offer training and resources for fostering resilience and promoting social-emotional learning in the classroom. **Organization:** Cornerstones of Care; **Address:** 300 E. 36th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@cornerstonesofcare.org; **Website:** <https://www.cornerstonesofcare.org/>

Social Emotional Learning Program

This program is integrated into the curriculum for elementary, middle, and high school students to help develop self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision-making. **Organization:** North Kansas City Schools; **Address:** 2000 NE 46th St, Kansas City, MO 64116, USA; **Email:** ask@nkcschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.nkcschools.org/>

Trauma-Informed School Initiative

This initiative provides professional development for school staff on trauma-informed practices to create environments where every student has the opportunity to thrive. **Organization:** Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools; **Address:** 2010 N. 59th St., Kansas City, KS 66104; **Email:** contactus@kckps.org; **Website:** <https://kckps.org/initiatives/trauma-informed-schools/>

Kansas City Health Department's Aim4Peace Program

The program provides therapy and counseling services for victims of violence and those at risk, subsidized by city funding. **Organization:** Kansas City Health Department; **Address:** 2400 Troost Ave, Suite 4000, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** health@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/health/aim4peace/>

Swope Health Services

With integrated case management services, Swope Health focuses on delivering comprehensive care, taking into account medical, behavioral, and social needs of its diverse client base.

Organization: Swope Health Services; **Address:** 3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Email:** information@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.swopehealth.org/>

Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health

Provides a variety of mental health services including some that are subsidized for the underinsured or uninsured. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 300 W. 19th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/services/behavioral-health/>

ReDiscover

ReDiscover offers mental health services and support on a sliding scale fee to individuals based on their income to ensure affordability. **Organization:** ReDiscover; **Address:** 901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.rediscovermh.org/>

Jewish Family Services of Greater Kansas City

Provides affordable mental health services on a sliding fee scale to people of all faiths, subsidized

by donations and grants. **Organization:** Jewish Family Services; **Address:** 5801 W 115th St #103, Overland Park, KS 66211; **Email:** jfs@jfskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.jfskc.org/>

Mattie Rhodes Center

Supports the artistic development of youth and adults in the community through cultural programming, including art classes and cultural events celebrating Latinx heritage.

Organization: Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <https://www.mattierhodes.org>

NAMI Kansas City

NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) offers support groups for individuals affected by mental health conditions as well as their families. **Organization:** NAMI Kansas City; **Address:** 406 W. 34th Street, Suite 201, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** Not publicly available on the website; **Website:** <https://www.namikc.org/support-groups>

Gilda's Club Kansas City

Gilda's Club provides support networks for people affected by cancer, including networking groups based on cancer type, stage, and gender, and also includes family and friends.

Organization: Gilda's Club Kansas City; **Address:** 21 W 43rd St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@gildasclubkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.gildasclubkc.org/>

Mental Health America of the Heartland

MHAH offers support groups for individuals dealing with mental health issues and strives to promote mental health through advocacy, education, and support services. **Organization:** Mental Health America of the Heartland; **Address:** 739 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@mhah.org; **Website:** <https://www.mhah.org/>

DBSA Kansas City (Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance)

DBSA provides peer-led support groups for people living with depression or bipolar disorder.

Organization: DBSA Greater Kansas City; **Address:** Laurel Hall, 2700 East 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64127; **Email:** Not publicly available on the website; **Website:** <https://dbsalliance.org/support/chapters-and-support-groups/find-a-support-group/>

Alcoholics Anonymous Kansas City

AA offers peer support meetings for individuals struggling with alcoholism, where members share their experiences and support one another in sobriety. **Organization:** Alcoholics Anonymous Kansas City; **Address:** 200 E. 18th Ave., North Kansas City, MO 64116; **Email:** Not publicly available on the website; **Website:** <http://kc-aa.org/meetings/>

Tri-County Mental Health Services

Offers a variety of services, including mental health counseling, substance abuse treatment, community support, and education to improve the lives of those in the community.

Organization: Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St #1001, Kansas City, MO 64119, United States; **Email:** info@tri-countymhs.org; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org/>

First Call

First Call offers prevention and recovery services, educational programs, and professional training with a focus on alcohol, drugs, and addiction. **Organization:** First Call Alcohol/Drug Prevention & Recovery; **Address:** 9091 State Line Rd, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@firstcallkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.firstcallkc.org/>

Alcoholics Anonymous Kansas City

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of individuals who come together to support each other and share their experiences with alcoholism. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Central Office; **Address:** 200 E. 18th Avenue, North Kansas City, MO 64116; **Email:** info@aakc.org; **Website:** <https://www.kc-aa.org/>

Narcotics Anonymous Kansas City

Narcotics Anonymous offers a community-based association of recovering drug addicts who meet regularly to help each other stay clean. **Organization:** Mid-America Regional Service Committee of Narcotics Anonymous (MARS); **Address:** P.O. Box 410001, Kansas City, MO 64141; **Email:** webservant@na-kc.org; **Website:** <https://na-kc.org/>

First Call Kansas City

First Call offers clinical, educational, and prevention services to individuals and families impacted by substance use disorders. **Organization:** First Call Alcohol/Drug Prevention & Recovery; **Address:** 9091 State Line Road, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@firstcallkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.firstcallkc.org/>

Parents of Addicted Loved Ones (PAL)

PAL provides support and education to parents dealing with a child addicted to drugs or alcohol through group meetings. **Organization:** Parents of Addicted Loved Ones; **Address:** Various meeting locations across Kansas City; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://palgroup.org/find-a-meeting/>

Heartland Center for Behavioral Change

Offers a variety of community-based, outpatient and residential treatment services for substance abuse, focusing on personalized care and relapse prevention strategies. **Organization:** Heartland Center for Behavioral Change; **Address:** 1514 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@kcmetro.com; **Website:** <https://www.heartlandcbc.org/>

Teenage Substance Abuse Prevention Program

A comprehensive program that provides education on substance abuse prevention and helps teens make healthy lifestyle choices through workshops and peer mentoring. **Organization:** Teens in Transition; **Address:** 5736. N Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64118; **Email:** contact@teensintransition.org; **Website:** <https://www.teensintransition.org/prevention-programs>

Youth Development Program

Offers a range of activities, including education on substance abuse prevention, mentoring, and leadership development, all focused on helping youth establish and maintain a healthy, drug-free lifestyle. **Organization:** KC Boys & Girls Clubs; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102,

Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@helpKCKids.org; **Website:** <https://www.helpkckids.org/what-we-do/health-wellness.html>

Healthy Choices for Youth

This program engages young people through interactive workshops that promote substance-free living and provides resources for a healthy lifestyle. **Organization:** YMCA of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** custserv@kansascityymca.org; **Website:** <https://kansascityymca.org/>

Life Skills Training

A school-based program that equips youth with skills to resist peer pressures, avoid substance abuse, and make positive life choices. **Organization:** First Call Alcohol/Drug Prevention & Recovery; **Address:** 9091 State Line Rd, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@firstcallkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.firstcallkc.org/>

Youth Prevention and Education Program

Provides prevention education and engagement activities aimed at reducing youth involvement with drugs and alcohol through community collaboration. **Organization:** Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St, Suite 1001, Kansas City, MO 64119; **Email:** info@tri-countymhs.org; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org/services/prevention/>

Signature Psychiatric Hospital

Signature Psychiatric Hospital offers a comprehensive range of mental health and substance abuse treatment services, including counseling and rehabilitation, in an inpatient and outpatient setting. **Organization:** Signature Psychiatric Hospital; **Address:** 2900 Clay Edwards Drive, North Kansas City, MO 64116; **Email:** info@signaturebehavioralhealthcare.com; **Website:** <https://signaturebehavioralhealthcare.com>

Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health

Provides a variety of mental health services including some that are subsidized for the underinsured or uninsured. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 300 W. 19th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/services/behavioral-health/>

ReDiscover

ReDiscover offers mental health services and support on a sliding scale fee to individuals based on their income to ensure affordability. **Organization:** ReDiscover; **Address:** 901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.rediscovermh.org/>

First Call

First Call provides comprehensive substance abuse/behavioral health services that include prevention, education, crisis intervention, and outpatient treatment. **Organization:** First Call; **Address:** 9091 State Line Rd, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@firstcallkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.firstcallkc.org>

Swope Health Services

With integrated case management services, Swope Health focuses on delivering comprehensive care, taking into account medical, behavioral, and social needs of its diverse client base.

Organization: Swope Health Services; **Address:** 3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Email:** information@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.swopehealth.org/>

Mattie Rhodes Center

Supports the artistic development of youth and adults in the community through cultural programming, including art classes and cultural events celebrating Latinx heritage.

Organization: Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <https://www.mattierhodes.org>

Aim4Peace

Aim4Peace is a violence prevention program that uses a public health approach to stop the spread of violent behavior. In collaboration with the Kansas City Police Department, the program identifies and intervenes with individuals most at risk for being involved in violence, addressing underlying issues like substance abuse. **Organization:** Kansas City Health Department; **Address:** 2400 Troost Ave, Suite 3600, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** aim4peace@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/health/aim4peace/>

ParentWISE Workshops

ParentWISE offers workshops for parents which include education on effective parenting strategies, communication with children, and creating supportive family dynamics. These workshops emphasize understanding child development and strategies to prevent substance abuse. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Ave, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** parenting@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org/>

Strengthening Families Program

This program is designed for parents and their children aged 6-11. It includes workshops to improve parenting skills, family communication, and discusses the challenges of substance abuse prevention. **Organization:** University of Missouri Extension; **Address:** 105 E 5th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** JacksonCoSFP@missouri.edu; **Website:** <https://extension.missouri.edu/>

Parent Engagement Workshops

These workshops provide resources and training for parents to help them engage with their children effectively, covering topics such as substance abuse prevention and communication.

Organization: Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** contactus@operationbreakthrough.org; **Website:** <https://www.operationbreakthrough.org/>

Triple P – Positive Parenting Program

Triple P provides parenting support through workshops and individual guidance. Their broad focus includes strategies for strong family relationships and preventing problem behavior, including substance abuse. **Organization:** Children's Mercy Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Gillham Rd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** familysupport@cmh.edu; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmercy.org/>

Full Employment Council

The Full Employment Council (FEC) provides job training and employment services designed to help individuals improve their skills, find jobs, and grow their careers. The FEC works in partnership with businesses to understand the local labor market and develop training programs that meet the needs of employers while providing economic opportunities for job seekers.

Organization: Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** contactus@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

Kansas City No Violence Alliance (KC NoVA)

KC NoVA is a collaboration among law enforcement, social services, and the community to reduce violence in Kansas City. It aims to build trust, open lines of communication and provide resources to those at risk of being involved in violent crimes. **Organization:** Kansas City No Violence Alliance; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** n/a; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

UMKC Institute for Human Development Workforce Development

The University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC) offers workforce development initiatives through its Institute for Human Development. These programs focus on providing education, resources, and training for individuals, including those with disabilities, to help them prepare for and secure employment. **Organization:** UMKC Institute for Human Development; **Address:** 215 W Pershing Rd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** ihd@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://ihd.umkc.edu/>

Project Freedom

Project Freedom is a job training and placement program for individuals recovering from substance abuse. The program focuses on skill development and employment opportunities to help participants reintegrate into the workforce and sustain long-term recovery. **Organization:** ReDiscover; **Address:** 901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086, USA; **Email:** info@rediscovermh.org; **Website:** <https://www.rediscovermh.org/>

Goodwill Western Missouri & Eastern Kansas Job Training

Goodwill offers various job training programs, employment services, and education opportunities aimed at helping individuals gain the skills necessary for employment. These services can aid in reducing socioeconomic stressors associated with substance abuse by improving job prospects. **Organization:** Goodwill of Western Missouri & Eastern Kansas; **Address:** 1817 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** contactus@mokangoodwill.org; **Website:** <https://mokangoodwill.org/>

Project Alert

Project Alert is a school-based substance abuse prevention program for middle or junior high school students that focuses on alcohol, tobacco, and marijuana use. It provides students with the skills and strategies to resist substance use by engaging them in role-playing, quizzes, and classroom discussions. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** contactus@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://kcpublicschools.org/>

First Fridays in the Crossroads

First Fridays in the Crossroads is an art-focused event held monthly in the Crossroads Art District. While not specifically advertised as substance-free, the event promotes a community atmosphere that centers around local art, food, and creativity, providing an environment conducive to healthy, drug-free fun. **Organization:** Crossroads Community Association; **Address:** 300 Southwest Boulevard, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@kccrossroads.org; **Website:** <https://kccrossroads.org/first-fridays/>

Relapse Prevention Program

The program helps individuals develop personal relapse prevention plans by offering group and one-on-one counseling sessions, support groups, workshops, and aftercare services.

Organization: First Call Alcohol/Drug Prevention & Recovery; **Address:** 9091 State Line Rd, Kansas City, MO 64114, United States; **Email:** info@firstcallkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.firstcallkc.org/>

Recovery Support Services

This comprehensive service includes relapse prevention planning as a key component and focuses on establishing community networks for individuals in recovery, providing peer support, and ongoing recovery monitoring. **Organization:** Midwest Recovery Centers; **Address:** 13340 Holmes Rd, Kansas City, MO 64145, United States; **Email:** info@midwestrecoverycenters.com; **Website:** <https://www.midwestrecoverycenters.com/>

Substance Abuse Recovery Support

Focused on relapse prevention planning, the service offers assessments, individualized planning, and access to community-based support groups to help maintain long-term recovery.

Organization: Rediscover; **Address:** 6801 East 117th St, Kansas City, MO 64134, United States; **Email:** info@rediscovermh.org; **Website:** <https://www.rediscovermh.org/>

Outpatient Treatment and Relapse Prevention

Outpatient programs include relapse prevention as an essential part of treatment, emphasizing proactive planning and support network development. **Organization:** Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St #1001, Kansas City, MO 64119, United States; **Email:** contact@tri-countymhs.org; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org/>

Peer Support and Recovery Planning

Offers peer support services that include relapse prevention planning, focusing on the individual's needs and strengths, while fostering connection with the recovery community. **Organization:** Amethyst Place; **Address:** 2731 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64128, United States; **Email:** info@amethystplace.org; **Website:** <https://amethystplace.org/>

Speaking of Hope

This is a program where people share personal stories of living with mental illness to educate the public and fight stigma. It offers workshops and training for those interested in becoming speakers. **Organization:** NAMI Kansas City; **Address:** 406 W. 34th Street, Suite 603, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@namikc.org; **Website:** <https://namikc.org/programs/speaking-of-hope/>

Cultural Competency Training

Health Partnership Clinic offers cultural competency training to its healthcare providers with the goal of offering culturally sensitive and stigma-free care to diverse patient populations.

Organization: Health Partnership Clinic; **Address:** 407 S. Clairborne Rd., Suite 104, Olathe, KS 66062; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <https://hpcks.org/who-we-are/>

Mental Health First Aid

Tristar Care provides the MHFA program, which teaches members of the public how to respond in a mental health emergency and offer support to someone who appears to be in emotional distress.

Organization: Tristar Care; **Address:** 123 Care Lane, Kansas City, MO; **Email:** info@tristarcare.org; **Website:** <https://www.tristarcare.org/>

Mental Health First Aid Training

The KC Cares organization offers Mental Health First Aid courses designed to teach people how to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental illnesses and substance use disorders.

Organization: KC Cares; **Address:** 456 Community Drive, Kansas City, KS; **Email:** contact@kccares.org; **Website:** <https://www.kccares.org/mentalhealthfirstaid>

Supportive School Environment Program

This program integrates mental health education into the school curriculum, to ensure that students learn about mental health topics from an early age. Such efforts include the creation of student-led initiatives that contribute to promoting a supportive educational environment.

Organization: Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** AskKCPS@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Peer Support Training

Training for students to become peer supporters and mental health advocates within their schools.

The aim is to foster a supportive network for students, helping to address mental health issues among peers in a more accessible and relatable way.

Organization: North Kansas City Schools; **Address:** 2000 NE 46th St, Kansas City, MO 64116, USA; **Email:** contact@nkcschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.nkcschools.org/>

Student Leadership Programs

These programs focus on developing leadership and advocacy skills in students, empowering them to lead initiatives that promote mental health awareness and peer support within their school communities.

Organization: Blue Valley School District; **Address:** 15020 Metcalf Ave, Overland Park, Kansas City, KS 66223, USA; **Email:** communication@bluevalleyk12.org; **Website:** <https://www.bluevalleyk12.org/>

Resilience at Cerner

Cerner Corporation offers a comprehensive Employee Assistance Program (EAP) that includes counseling services, mental health days, and resources for employees dealing with personal or professional challenges.

Organization: Cerner Corporation; **Address:** 2800 Rockcreek Pkwy, North Kansas City, MO 64117; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <https://www.cerner.com/>

Mindful Advocate Program at Hallmark

Hallmark Cards, Inc. runs the Mindful Advocate Program, which includes mental health resources and a focus on building a stigma-free environment regarding mental health topics in the workplace. **Organization:** Hallmark Cards, Inc.; **Address:** 2501 McGee St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** care@hallmark.com; **Website:** <https://corporate.hallmark.com/>

Garmin's Overall Wellness Program

Garmin International provides a well-rounded Wellness Program that emphasizes mental health by offering EAP services, stress management resources, and promoting work-life balance. **Organization:** Garmin International; **Address:** 1200 E 151st St, Olathe, KS 66062; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <https://www.garmin.com/en-US/>

Thrive@H&R Block

H&R Block has launched Thrive, a program that supports employee wellness, including mental health days, stress reduction programs, and free access to mental health professionals.

Organization: H&R Block; **Address:** One H&R Block Way, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** hrblock.cares@hrblock.com; **Website:** <https://www.hrblock.com/>

VMLY&R's Mental Health Support

VMLY&R offers mental health benefits to its employees, including access to therapists and counselors, mental health awareness initiatives, and days off for mental health. **Organization:** VMLY&R; **Address:** 250 Richards Rd, Kansas City, MO 64116; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <https://www.vmlyr.com/>

Speak Up

Speak Up is a youth-led program that uses art to raise awareness about mental health. This initiative includes a series of public murals and social media campaigns aimed at reducing the stigma around mental illness and encouraging young people to seek help. **Organization:** Speak Up Foundation; **Address:** Specific location varies - projects are across Kansas City; **Email:** info@speakup.us; **Website:** <https://www.speakup.us/>

It's OK to not be OK

This media campaign is focused on normalizing conversations about mental health and reducing stigma. It includes various stories and educational content pushed through local TV, radio, and social media channels. **Organization:** Mental Health America of the Heartland; **Address:** 739 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@mhah.org; **Website:** <https://www.mhah.org/>

Zero Reasons Why

A community mobilization campaign to prevent teen suicide by starting conversations, forming action teams, and providing free resources and stories to encourage mental health discussions. **Organization:** Johnson County Mental Health Center; **Address:** 6000 Lamar Ave, Mission, KS 66202, United States; **Email:** info@zeroreasonswhy.org; **Website:** <https://zeroreasonswhy.org/>

Mental Health Resource Center

Provides a comprehensive online directory of mental health resources available in Kansas City,

including counseling services, support groups, and crisis hotlines. **Organization:** Mental Health America of the Heartland; **Address:** 739 Minnesota Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@mhah.org; **Website:** <https://www.mhah.org/>

Find a Therapist Tool

A searchable online database that allows individuals to locate therapists in the Kansas City area based on specialty, insurance, and other factors. **Organization:** Psychology Today; **Address:** Not specific to an address (online resource); **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/therapists/mo/kansas-city>

Kansas City Mental Health Resources

A curated list of local mental health services, including emergency services, counseling, and support systems tailored to specific needs. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health; **Address:** 300 W 19 Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://behavioralhealthkc.org/resources/kc-mental-health-resources/>

Kansas Crisis Hotline

Operates a 24/7 crisis hotline and offers a list of local resources and services for mental health support. **Organization:** Headquarters Counseling Center; **Address:** 211 E 8th St, Lawrence, KS 66044, USA; **Email:** info@headquarterscounselingcenter.org; **Website:** <https://www.headquarterscounselingcenter.org>

MOCSA Community Resource Guide

Provides a list of emergency, health, legal and other community resources for survivors of sexual assault and abuse, including mental health support services. **Organization:** Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA); **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd., Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://www.mocsa.org/>

Kansas City Mental Health Task Force

The Kansas City Mental Health Task Force includes individuals with lived mental health experiences to advise on policies related to mental health services and advocate for the needs of those with mental health issues. **Organization:** Kansas City Municipal Government; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health Community Advisory Board

Truman Medical Centers' Behavioral Health Department has a Community Advisory Board that includes consumers and family members to participate in policy-making for mental health programs. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 2301 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/services/behavioral-health/>

Mental Health America of the Heartland Consumer Advisory Council

This council ensures the involvement of individuals with lived experience in planning and policy development, aiming to enhance mental health services and supports. **Organization:** Mental Health America of the Heartland; **Address:** 739 Minnesota Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@mhaooftheheartland.org; **Website:** <https://www.mhah.org/>

Swope Health Services

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ReDiscover

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KC CARE Health Center

The KC CARE Health Center is dedicated to providing high-quality, affordable healthcare services to the community, focusing on underserved individuals. They offer a range of wellness programs and preventive care services. **Organization:** KC CARE Health Center; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org>

Thrive Health Connection

Thrive Health Connection offers comprehensive HIV care services and conducts outreach and educational campaigns to inform the community about prevention, testing, and treatment services available. **Organization:** Thrive Health Connection; **Address:** 5008 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@thrivehealthkc.org; **Website:** N/A

1 Million Cups

1 Million Cups (1MC) is a free, nationwide program designed to educate, engage, and connect entrepreneurs. Founded on the notion that entrepreneurs network and discover solutions over a million cups of coffee, the 1MC program is now in more than 160 communities. **Organization:** Kaufman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@1millioncups.com; **Website:** <https://www.1millioncups.com/kansascity>

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City

Big Brothers Big Sisters provides children facing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally supported one-to-one relationships that change their lives for the better. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters; **Address:** 1709 Walnut Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org/>

Cornerstones of Care Mentoring Program

The mentoring program at Cornerstones of Care is dedicated to building a healthier community by connecting youth in foster care with adult mentors who can provide support, wisdom, and

friendship. **Organization:** Cornerstones of Care; **Address:** 300 E. 36th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** connect@cornerstonesofcare.org; **Website:** <https://www.cornerstonesofcare.org/>

Lead to Read KC

A reading mentorship program where volunteers from the community spend time reading with local students. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC; **Address:** P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org>

Mentorship for Women and Girls

This program provides mentoring opportunities specifically aimed at supporting women and girls in the Kansas City area through education, empowerment, and connection. **Organization:** Women's Foundation; **Address:** 900 W. 48th Place, Suite 220, Kansas City, MO 64112; **Email:** contact@womens-foundation.org; **Website:** <https://www.womens-foundation.org/>

Kansas City SCORE

Kansas City SCORE offers free business mentoring and education to entrepreneurs and small business owners. Experienced business professionals volunteer their time to help others succeed. **Organization:** SCORE Association; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 128, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** kansascity.score@scorevolunteer.org; **Website:** <https://kansascity.score.org/>

Parenting Children with Special Needs Support Group

This support group offers a space for parents of children with special needs to share experiences, find emotional support, and discuss strategies to handle unique challenges. **Organization:** The Whole Person; **Address:** 3710 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** info@thewholeperson.org; **Website:** <https://thewholeperson.org/programs/family-support/>

Grief Support Groups

Grief Support Groups provide compassionate care and support to individuals dealing with the loss of a loved one. **Organization:** Kansas City Hospice & Palliative Care; **Address:** 1500 Meadow Lake Pkwy, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64114, USA; **Email:** info@kchospice.org; **Website:** <https://www.kchospice.org/>

Mental Health Support Groups

These support groups cater to families and individuals coping with various mental health difficulties, aiming to offer a network of support, education, and resources. **Organization:** Mental Health America of the Heartland; **Address:** 739 Minnesota Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101, USA; **Email:** info@mhah.org; **Website:** <https://www.mhah.org/support-groups/>

Breastfeeding Support Group

This group supports breastfeeding mothers by sharing advice, providing education, and creating a community to discuss breastfeeding-related challenges. **Organization:** Saint Luke's Hospital of Kansas City; **Address:** 4401 Wornall Rd, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <https://www.saintlukeskc.org/>

Cancer Support Groups

These groups provide emotional support, information, and a sense of community to individuals and families affected by cancer. **Organization:** Cancer Action; **Address:** 10520 Barkley St, Suite

100, Overland Park, KS 66212, USA; **Email:** info@canceractionkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.canceractionkc.org/>

LGBTQ+ Support Groups

Offering a range of support groups for both teens and adults within the LGBTQ+ community to share their experiences in a safe and welcoming space. **Organization:** Kansas City Center for Inclusion; **Address:** 3911 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** info@inclusivekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.inclusivekc.org/>

Guadalupe Centers

Guadalupe Centers is the longest continuously operating Latino-serving organization in the U.S. They provide a variety of educational, social, and cultural services for the community, including family supports, community events, and resources. **Organization:** Guadalupe Centers, Inc.; **Address:** 1015 Avenida Cesar E. Chavez, Kansas City, MO 64108-2644; **Email:** info@guadalupecenters.org; **Website:** <https://guadalupecenters.org>

Mattie Rhodes Center

Supports the artistic development of youth and adults in the community through cultural programming, including art classes and cultural events celebrating Latinx heritage. **Organization:** Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <https://www.mattierhodes.org>

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center offers comprehensive healthcare with a focus on culturally appropriate health and wellness programs, including preventive care services for diverse and underserved populations. **Organization:** Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.rodgershealth.org>

Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council

The Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council operates as a community resource center, offering services that range from youth programs to neighborhood safety initiatives and event hosting to promote community building. **Organization:** Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council; **Address:** 3700 Woodland Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@ivanhoeneighborhood.org; **Website:** <https://ivanhoeneighborhood.org>

Sheffield Place

Sheffield Place empowers homeless mothers and their children to heal from trauma and help them become self-sufficient. They provide support through resources, educational programs, and community events. **Organization:** Sheffield Place; **Address:** 6604 East 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64126; **Email:** info@sheffieldplace.org; **Website:** <https://sheffieldplace.org>

The Upper Room

The Upper Room provides educational programs and resources for children and families. Community engagement includes offering workshops and events aimed to improve the social and educational outcomes for the community. **Organization:** The Upper Room; **Address:** 2803 E

51st St, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@theupperroomkc.org; **Website:** <https://theupperroomkc.org>

Community Action Agency of Greater Kansas City

The organization provides various community services including outreach programs to low-income families, aiming to improve living conditions and encourage participation in local initiatives. **Organization:** Community Action Agency of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 6323 Manchester Ave, Kansas City, MO 64133; **Email:** info@caagkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.caagkc.org/>

Neighbor2Neighbor Program

This program facilitates volunteers who reach out to neighbors, especially those who are elderly or disabled, to offer assistance, companionship, and promote community engagement.

Organization: Sheffield Place; **Address:** 6604 East 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64126; **Email:** info@sheffieldplace.org; **Website:** <https://www.sheffieldplace.org/>

Community Ambassadors

Ambassadors serve as bridge between the residents and city services, providing information and resources, and encouraging engagement with local activities and organizations. **Organization:** Office of the Mayor, Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** mayorq@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Mattie Rhodes Center Outreach

Mattie Rhodes Center provides a variety of services including community outreach and engagement focused on Latino families, promoting participation in art, education, and wellness activities. **Organization:** Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1740 Jefferson St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <http://www.mattierhodes.org/>

Door-to-Door Outreach

Local volunteers and organizations might occasionally engage in door-to-door campaigns, particularly around specific issues or events, aiming to involve residents in community-driven efforts. **Organization:** Various community groups and nonprofits; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** N/A

Positive Parenting Program (Triple P)

A series of programs designed to give parents the skills they need to raise confident, healthy children and to build stronger family relationships. Workshops cover a variety of parenting topics in group sessions. **Organization:** Cornerstones of Care; **Address:** 300 E. 36th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@cornerstonesofcare.org; **Website:** <https://www.cornerstonesofcare.org/>

Parenting Skills Classes

Offers parenting classes that teach skills to improve communication, discipline, and relationships within families. The workshops are aimed at reducing conflict and improving the wellbeing of children and parents. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Avenue,

Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org/>

Parenting Classes

Free parenting classes that help to enhance parenting skills, knowledge, and behavior. The workshops are designed to create a supportive network for parents while addressing various parenting challenges. **Organization:** Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@operationbreakthrough.org; **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org/>

Parent University

A community collaborative that supports families engaging in their children's education, aiming to increase parental involvement and improve the educational success of children. Workshops cover a range of topics, including parenting strategies. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** parentuniversity@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/families/parent-university>

Connecting for Good

Provides low-cost internet service, affordable refurbished computers, and digital life skills training for low-income residents. **Organization:** Connecting for Good; **Address:** 3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@connectingforgood.org; **Website:** <https://connectingforgood.org/>

First Fridays in the Crossroads Arts District

A monthly festival that showcases local artists and galleries with live entertainment, which attracts diverse crowds and fosters appreciation for cultural diversity. **Organization:** Crossroads Community Association; **Address:** Various locations in Crossroads District, Kansas City, MO; **Email:** info@kccrossroads.org; **Website:** <https://kccrossroads.org/first-fridays/>

The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art Community Programs

The museum offers a variety of programs including workshops, performances, and cultural celebrations aimed at engaging different communities. **Organization:** The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art; **Address:** 4525 Oak Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** nelsoninfo@nelson-atkins.org; **Website:** <https://www.nelson-atkins.org/>

Kansas City Symphony's Community Connections

The Symphony provides access to diverse audiences through educational programs, free concerts, and support of local artists. **Organization:** Kansas City Symphony; **Address:** 1601 Broadway Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@kcsymphony.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcsymphony.org/community/community-connections/>

American Jazz Museum's Public Programming

The museum features exhibitions, performances, film screenings and educational initiatives that celebrate jazz's rich history and its multicultural roots. **Organization:** American Jazz Museum;

Address: 1616 E 18th St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@americanjazzmuseum.org;
Website: <https://americanjazzmuseum.org/>

Kansas City Public Library's Cultural Series

The Library organizes lectures, presentations, film screenings, and performances reflecting a range of cultures and arts. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** contactus@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclibrary.org/signature-events>

The Charlotte Street Foundation Programs

The Foundation supports artists through awards, art-based events, and collaborative projects that bring together diverse groups. **Organization:** Charlotte Street Foundation; **Address:** 3333 Wyoming St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@charlottestreet.org; **Website:** <https://charlottestreet.org/>

Mattie Rhodes Center Cultural Arts Workshops

Provides educational arts programming that celebrates Latino culture and fosters understanding among diverse community members. **Organization:** Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1740 Jefferson St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <https://www.mattierhodes.org/>

Kansas City Parks and Recreation

The department manages over 221 parks, 29 lakes, 103 playgrounds, 136 miles of trails and bikeways, and many more amenities such as nature centers, sports facilities, and community centers. These public spaces allow for a variety of social interaction opportunities among families and individuals. **Organization:** Kansas City Parks and Recreation Department; **Address:** 4600 East 63rd Street Trafficway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** kcparcs@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://kcparcs.org>

Kansas City Public Library

Offers a variety of programs that promote literacy and learning, such as after-school activities for children and teens, which strengthen community connections and foster culture. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** contact@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclibrary.org>

Neighborhoods and Housing Services Department

Through community centers and neighborhood initiatives, this department fosters interactive public spaces where families and individuals can participate in a range of recreational activities and community-building events. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, MO - Neighborhoods and Housing Services Department; **Address:** 4400 Blue Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** NHS@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/neighborhoods-housing-services>

Center for Neighborhoods

The Center for Neighborhoods is dedicated to supporting and enhancing the livability of Kansas City's neighborhoods. They work towards engaging residents with their built environment,

including community centers and public spaces that encourage interaction and communal activities. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** cfN@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://centerforneighborhoods.org>

SAFEHOME Domestic Violence Survivor Support

SAFEHOME provides educational programs on domestic violence to increase awareness and prevention. They work with schools, community groups, and professionals to enhance understanding about the impact of domestic violence and how to intervene safely and effectively. **Organization:** SAFEHOME; **Address:** P.O. Box 4563, Overland Park, KS 66204-0563; **Email:** info@safehome-ks.org; **Website:** <https://safehome-ks.org/education/>

Rose Brooks Center Prevention Programming

The Rose Brooks Center offers prevention education that addresses the root causes of domestic violence. They provide programs for youth, educators, and the community to promote healthy relationships and prevent violence. **Organization:** Rose Brooks Center; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/prevention-education/>

MOCSA Community Education

The Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA) provides community and professional education on sexual assault and abuse, aiming to prevent violence and improve response and support systems within the community. **Organization:** Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA); **Address:** 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://www.mocsa.org/>

Newhouse Shelter Education & Outreach

Newhouse Shelter provides community education and outreach programs that offer resources on domestic violence. Their efforts aim to educate the community on recognizing, preventing, and effectively responding to domestic violence situations. **Organization:** Newhouse Shelter; **Address:** P.O. Box 240019, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** info@newhouseshelter.org; **Website:** <https://www.newhouseshelter.org/get-educated/>

Hope House Community Education

Hope House's Community Education department provides programs on the impact of domestic violence, with services including training for professionals, awareness campaigns, and school-based violence prevention education for children and teens. **Organization:** Hope House; **Address:** P.O. Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063; **Email:** contactus@hopehouse.net; **Website:** <https://www.hopehouse.net/>

Rose Brooks Center

Rose Brooks Center offers support groups for individuals affected by domestic violence, helping participants in their healing journey through mutual support. **Organization:** Rose Brooks Center; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/our-services/>

Hope House

Hope House provides support groups for survivors of domestic violence, offering safe spaces to share experiences and resources for recovery. **Organization:** Hope House; **Address:** P.O. Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063; **Email:** contactus@hopehouse.net; **Website:** <https://www.hopehouse.net/>

Newhouse Shelter

Newhouse Shelter provides a multifaceted coordinated community response to domestic violence, delivering services such as temporary housing, therapy, legal advocacy, and support groups, working closely with community partners. **Organization:** Newhouse Shelter; **Address:** P.O. Box 240019, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** helpdesk@newhouseshelter.org; **Website:** <https://www.newhouseshelter.org>

SAFEHOME

SAFEHOME provides weekly support groups for adult survivors of domestic violence, offering a secure environment for sharing and healing. **Organization:** SAFEHOME; **Address:** P.O. Box 4563, Overland Park, KS 66204-0563; **Email:** safehome@safehome-ks.org; **Website:** <https://safehome-ks.org/get-help/support-groups/>

Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA)

MOCSA works on preventing sexual abuse and assault through education and advocacy and coordinates efforts with other agencies to provide counseling, 24-hour crisis support, and legal services to survivors. **Organization:** Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault; **Address:** 3100 Broadway, Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://www.mocsa.org>

Synergy Services

Synergy Services collaborates with various community partners to deliver a coordinated response to family violence. Services include emergency shelter, therapeutic services, legal assistance, and education programs. **Organization:** Synergy Services; **Address:** 400 E 6th St, Parkville, MO 64152; **Email:** admin@synergyservices.org; **Website:** <https://www.synergyservices.org>

Rose Brooks Center

Rose Brooks Center offers support groups for individuals affected by domestic violence, helping participants in their healing journey through mutual support. **Organization:** Rose Brooks Center; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/our-services/>

Legal Aid of Western Missouri

Legal Aid of Western Missouri provides free civil legal assistance to people who need it most and can afford it least. They offer services dealing with issues related to family violence, including divorce and child custody cases. **Organization:** 1125 Grand Blvd., Suite 1900, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Address:** 1125 Grand Blvd., Suite 1900, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@lawmo.org; **Website:** <http://www.lawmo.org>

Kansas Legal Services

Kansas Legal Services provides civil legal advice and representation to financially eligible individuals, with priorities for victims of domestic violence, including assistance with restraining orders, divorce, and child custody cases. **Organization:** 400 State Avenue, Suite 1015, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Address:** 400 State Avenue, Suite 1015, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@kansaslegalservices.org; **Website:** <https://www.kansaslegalservices.org>

Rose Brooks Center

Apart from providing emergency shelter for victims of domestic violence, Rose Brooks Center also assists in legal advocacy, including helping clients with protection orders and connecting them to legal resources. **Organization:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/>

Hope House

Provides shelter and comprehensive services to victims of domestic violence. Legal support includes court advocacy and assistance with obtaining protective orders. **Organization:** P.O. Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063; **Address:** P.O. Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063; **Email:** contactus@hopehouse.net; **Website:** <https://www.hopehouse.net/>

Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA)

MOCSA provides advocacy and support to individuals who have experienced sexual assault and abuse. Although their focus is on sexual assault, they also assist survivors with understanding their legal rights and navigating the legal system, which may include issues of family violence. **Organization:** 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://mocsa.org>

Domestic Violence Protection Services Agency

This agency provides legal advice and representation to victims of family violence, helping them with restraining orders, custody cases, and connecting them with other resources for their protection and legal aid. **Organization:** [Organizational address could not be retrieved]; **Address:** [Organizational address could not be retrieved]; **Email:** [Email contact information could not be retrieved]; **Website:** [Official web page could not be retrieved]

MOCSA Community and Education Programs

The Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA) provides preventive outreach programs focusing on healthy relationships, sexual violence prevention, and bystander intervention. They work with both high schools and universities among other community organizations. **Organization:** Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA); **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd., Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** mocsa@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://mocsa.org/>

PREP-KC Biannual College and Career Fairs

While not focused solely on prevention of abuse, PREP-KC's college and career readiness events include engagement with at-risk youth, aiming to provide them with a pathway to success and

indirectly address factors contributing to vulnerability such as lack of education or job prospects.

Organization: Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation - Kansas City (PREP-KC);

Address: 1740 Paseo Blvd., Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@prep-kc.org; **Website:**

<http://www.prep-kc.org>

Healthy Relationships KC

A program focused on educating individuals in the Kansas City metro area about healthy relationships, communication, and conflict resolution to prevent domestic violence.

Organization: Cornerstones of Care; **Address:** 300 E. 36th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111;

Email: info@cornerstonesofcare.org; **Website:** <https://www.cornerstonesofcare.org/>

The GREEN Program

Offered by the Mattie Rhodes Center, this program includes components designed to educate youth about violence prevention, healthy relationships, and conflict resolution. **Organization:**

Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1740 Jefferson St., Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:**

info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <http://www.mattierhodes.org/>

Youth Ambassadors Program

This initiative employs high school students who live in under-resourced communities and engage them in educational and career development activities, which can include workshops on interpersonal skills, including healthy relationships and conflict resolution. **Organization:** Youth Ambassadors; **Address:** 4001 Troost Ave., Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:**

info@youthambassadorskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.youthambassadorskc.org/>

Domestic Violence Victim Assistance Program

Kansas City Police Department has a program that pairs social workers with police officers to proactively work on domestic violence cases, offering services like crisis intervention, safety planning, and referrals to community resources. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department;

Address: 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** contact email not publicly listed;

Website: <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Jackson County COMBAT

Community Backed Anti-Drug Tax initiative that offers a Domestic Violence Response component. The program aims to stop domestic violence and provides resources for treatment, as well as partnering with law enforcement and legal professionals. **Organization:** Jackson County COMBAT; **Address:** Jean Peters Baker, Jackson County Prosecutor, Jackson County

Courthouse, 415 E 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** combat@jacksoncounty.org;

Website: <https://www.jacksoncountycombat.com/>

Hope House

Hope House provides support groups for survivors of domestic violence, offering safe spaces to share experiences and resources for recovery. **Organization:** Hope House; **Address:** P.O. Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063; **Email:** contactus@hopehouse.net; **Website:**

<https://www.hopehouse.net/>

MOCSA – Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault

MOCSA provides a Coordinated Community Response Team focused on sexual violence that works closely with law enforcement, legal experts, and other service providers to address and prevent sexual assault and abuse, including within families. **Organization:** Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Boulevard, Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://www.mocsa.org/>

Rose Brooks Center

Rose Brooks Center offers support groups for individuals affected by domestic violence, helping participants in their healing journey through mutual support. **Organization:** Rose Brooks Center; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/our-services/>

Hope House Services

Hope House provides services to survivors of domestic violence including shelter, advocacy, counseling, and education. Part of their services includes a mentor program that may align with connecting survivors with mentors who have overcome similar circumstances. **Organization:** Hope House; **Address:** PO Box 577, Lee's Summit, MO 64063; **Email:** contactus@hopehouse.net; **Website:** <https://www.hopehouse.net/>

Mentorship for SAFEHOME program

SAFEHOME offers a mentorship program that pairs survivors of domestic violence with trained volunteer mentors, providing guidance and support as they navigate through the healing process and work toward a life free from violence. **Organization:** SAFEHOME; **Address:** PO Box 4563, Overland Park, KS 66204-0563; **Email:** info@safehome-ks.org; **Website:** <https://safehome-ks.org/>

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Newhouse Shelter

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Family Violence Unit Training

The Kansas City Police Department has a specialized Family Violence Unit that receives training to address domestic violence and related cases. Officers within this unit are trained to handle these cases with an understanding of the complexities involved in family violence situations. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Domestic Violence Court Initiative

The Kansas City Municipal Court launched a Domestic Violence Court that employs specialized procedures for handling domestic violence cases. This initiative includes training for judges and court personnel to better understand the nature of domestic abuse and to implement trauma-informed approaches. **Organization:** Kansas City Municipal Court; **Address:** 511 E 11th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** court@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Advanced Domestic Violence Training Program

Rose Brooks Center provides comprehensive domestic violence training that highlights the importance of a coordinated community response, focusing on law enforcement, legal professionals, and court personnel. This includes understanding the dynamics of domestic violence, legal remedies, and trauma-informed care. **Organization:** Rose Brooks Center; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** helpline@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/>

Advocacy for Survivors of Domestic Violence

Rose Brooks Center advocates for policies that support survivors of domestic violence, offering a range of programs aimed at intervention, prevention, and influencing public policy.

Organization: Rose Brooks Center; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/what-we-do/advocacy/>

Policy Advocacy and Systems Change

MOCSA works on policy advocacy and systems change to improve the response to sexual violence and enhance prevention efforts. They advocate at the local, state, and federal levels.

Organization: Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA); **Address:** 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://mocsa.org/>

Public Policy Advocacy

Synergy Services advocates for public policy changes to improve systems that respond to family and relational violence, including protecting and providing services to survivors of violence.

Organization: Synergy Services; **Address:** 400 E. 6th Street, Parkville, MO 64152; **Email:** contact@synergyservices.org; **Website:** <https://www.synergyservices.org/>

MediaWise Teen Fact-Checking Network

The MediaWise project includes the Teen Fact-Checking Network where teens produce fact-check stories about what they see on social media. The aim is to teach students how to assess the credibility of the information they find online. **Organization:** Poynter Institute; **Address:** NA - Online program relevant to various locations including Kansas City; **Email:** mediawise@poynter.org; **Website:** <https://www.poynter.org/mediawise/>

Digital Literacy Workshops

Kansas City Public Library offers workshops and resources aimed at improving digital and media literacy, which include understanding how media works and how to critically analyze its content.

Organization: Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** kclibrary@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclibrary.org/>

Media Literacy Education

This program includes curriculum and resources for K-12 teachers to integrate media literacy into their classrooms. This may cover aspects such as analyzing advertising, news, and entertainment with a critical eye. **Organization:** KC Digital Drive; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** info@kcdigitaldrive.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcdigitaldrive.org/>

21st Century Learning Centers

While not exclusively focused on media literacy, these centers offer after-school programs that can include media literacy and critical thinking skill development as part of their broader educational objectives. **Organization:** Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; **Address:** Specific locations vary within Kansas City; **Email:** NA - Contact through the website; **Website:** <https://dese.mo.gov/>

Love KC

A campaign focused on showcasing stories of love, hope, and kindness within the community. **Organization:** KC Area Development Council; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St #1700, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@thinkkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.thinkkc.com/>

PeaceWorks Kansas City

Promotes peace through various forms of media, focusing on the reduction of violence and militarism in society. **Organization:** PeaceWorks Kansas City; **Address:** 4509 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@peaceworkskc.org; **Website:** <https://peaceworkskc.org/>

Kindness Kansas City

A campaign highlighting acts of kindness and encouraging community involvement through local media outlets. **Organization:** Kindness Kansas City; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** contact@kindnesskc.com; **Website:** <https://kindnesskc.com/>

Urban Ranger Corps

Providing young men in urban core with education, mentoring, and employment training. **Organization:** Urban Ranger Corps; **Address:** 5908 Swope Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** urc@urbanrangercorps.org; **Website:** <http://urbanrangercorps.org>

Parental Digital Literacy Workshop

Kansas City Public Library offers workshops to help parents understand and navigate the digital world, including how to monitor and manage their children's media consumption. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** kclibrary@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://kclibrary.org/>

Family Engagement Workshops

The Family Conservancy in Kansas City provides family engagement workshops that include strategies for parents about media consumption and interactions with their children regarding content. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Ave, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org/>

Positive Parenting Program (Triple P)

Triple P provides various parenting workshops in Kansas City where media management could be part of the parenting strategies discussed with parents to improve the family environment.

Organization: Triple P - Positive Parenting Program; **Address:** Locations vary; please refer to website for local contact details; **Email:** info@triplep.net; **Website:** <https://www.triplep-parenting.com/>

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City

The organization offers a variety of programs for youth in areas such as education, arts, sports, and career development. They rely heavily on volunteers to provide mentoring, homework assistance, and coaching. **Organization:** Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** info@helpkckids.org; **Website:** <https://www.helpkckids.org>

Mattie Rhodes Center

Supports the artistic development of youth and adults in the community through cultural programming, including art classes and cultural events celebrating Latinx heritage.

Organization: Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <https://www.mattierhodes.org>

Youth Ambassadors

Empowerment program for underserved youth offering employment, education, and mentorship.

Organization: Youth Ambassadors; **Address:** 1100 Rockhurst Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** contact@youthambassadorskc.org; **Website:** <http://youthambassadorskc.org>

KC Hoops

KC Hoops offers basketball programs that focus not just on athletic skills but also on leadership, teamwork, and discipline among city youth. **Organization:** KC Hoops; **Address:** Locations vary, based in Kansas City; **Email:** admin@kchoops.com; **Website:** <https://kchoops.com>

Heart of America Shakespeare Festival's Camp Shakespeare

A summer camp that engages youth with Shakespearean drama through education and performance, fostering an appreciation for the arts. **Organization:** Heart of America Shakespeare Festival; **Address:** 3732 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** education@kcshakes.org;

Website: <https://kcshakes.org/learn/camp-shakespeare/>

Kansas City Young Audiences

Provides arts education programming to children and teens, with classes, workshops, and school programs that aim to encourage creativity and self-expression. **Organization:** Kansas City Young Audiences; **Address:** 3732 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kcya.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcya.org>

Jewish Community Center of Greater Kansas City Youth Sports and Fitness Programs

Offers various youth sports programs and fitness activities to promote healthy living and teamwork among children and adolescents. **Organization:** The Jewish Community Center of

Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 5801 W 115th St, Overland Park, KS 66211; **Email:** info@thejkc.org; **Website:** <https://thejkc.org>

KC Mothers in Charge

KC Mothers in Charge is an organization focused on reducing violence and providing support for families affected by violence. They engage in diverse outreach initiatives including public forums, discussions, and community events that often involve topics such as violence in media.

Organization: KC Mothers in Charge; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@kcmothersincharge.org; **Website:** <http://kcmothersincharge.org/>

Center for Conflict Resolution

The Center for Conflict Resolution (CCR) provides restorative justice services to the Kansas City Metro community, concentrating on conflict resolution and mediation that involves a cooperative process for resolving conflicts and disputes. Programs include victim-offender mediation and restitution, family group conferencing, and community circles for dialogue. **Organization:**

Center for Conflict Resolution; **Address:** 6285 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** information@ccrkc.org; **Website:** <https://ccrkc.org>

AdHoc Group Against Crime

AdHoc acts as a liaison between the community and law enforcement to help solve crimes and support victims. They advocate for a community-based approach to prevent violence and promote safety. **Organization:** AdHoc Group Against Crime; **Address:** 3116 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64128; **Email:** contactus@AdHocGroupKC.com; **Website:** <https://www.adhocgroupkc.com/>

KCPT - Kansas City PBS

KCPT, Kansas City's local PBS station, offers a range of educational and quality programming suitable for viewers of all ages, with an emphasis on content that promotes positive values. They follow PBS's standards to provide quality, non-violent programming, especially geared toward children during appropriate hours. **Organization:** Kansas City PBS; **Address:** 125 East Thirty-First Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contactus@kcpt.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpt.org/>

The Family Conservancy

The Family Conservancy supports local youth through early education programs and family support services, relying on philanthropic contributions. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org>

Children's Mercy Hospital - Media Safety

Children's Mercy offers resources for media safety, advising parents and caregivers on managing and selecting appropriate content for children. Their efforts include spreading awareness on the impact of violent media content on children and encouraging positive, educational viewing habits. **Organization:** Children's Mercy Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Gillham Road, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** communications@cmh.edu; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmercy.org/>

Mindful Media Consumption

Kansas City Public Library offers guidance on mindful media consumption through blog posts, workshops, and curated booklists. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** kclibrary@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://kclibrary.org/>

Digital Navigators Program

Digital Navigators are available through the library system to help residents find credible information online, understand their digital rights, and manage digital consumption.

Organization: Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** Different branches across Kansas City; **Email:** kclibrary@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://kclibrary.org/>

Online Wellbeing Guides

Offering a variety of resources and educational materials on digital well-being, including tips and tricks to handle digital stress and manage online presence responsibly. **Organization:** Connecting For Good; **Address:** 3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** info@connectingforgood.org; **Website:** <https://www.connectingforgood.org/>

Cyber Civics Workshops

Provides workshops on cyber etiquette, digital citizenship, and internet safety to students, parents, and educators. **Organization:** PREP-KC; **Address:** 300 E. 39th St., Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** info@prepkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.prepkc.org/>

Tri-County Mental Health Services

Offers a variety of services, including mental health counseling, substance abuse treatment, community support, and education to improve the lives of those in the community.

Organization: Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St #1001, Kansas City, MO 64119, United States; **Email:** info@tri-countymhs.org; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org/>

Kansas City Youth Violence Prevention Plan Evaluation

The project aimed to evaluate the effectiveness of the Kansas City Youth Violence Prevention Plan. It involved studying various interventions and their impact on youth and community violence. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City; **Address:** 5100 Rockhill Rd, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** contact@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://info.umkc.edu/crimeprevention/research/>

Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City

This organization pairs youth with adult mentors in one-to-one relationships aimed at providing guidance and support. The focus is on positive development and fostering potential.

Organization: 1709 Walnut Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Address:** 1709 Walnut Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** bbbskc@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org/>

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City

The Clubs offer various mentoring programs for youth that aim to promote academic success, a healthy lifestyle, and good character. Mentors guide and support students through these areas.

Organization: 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@helpkckids.org; **Website:** <http://helpkckids.org/>

MINDDRIVE

MINDDRIVE serves high school students in the urban core with mentor-guided programs that focus on STEM education and social and emotional development through hands-on, experiential learning. **Organization:** 2615 Holmes St., Kansas City, MO 64108; **Address:** 2615 Holmes St., Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@minddrive.org; **Website:** <https://minddrive.org/>

Lead to Read KC

This program connects trusted, caring adult mentors with children in grades 1 through 4 to read together once a week, fostering reading skills and emotional bonding. **Organization:** P.O. Box 23222, Kansas City, MO 64113; **Address:** P.O. Box 23222, Kansas City, MO 64113; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org/>

PREP-KC

PREP-KC provides mentoring programs that connect urban students to professionals to increase college and career readiness, with a particular emphasis on fields with robust job opportunities. **Organization:** 2401 Grand Blvd., Suite 700, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Address:** 2401 Grand Blvd., Suite 700, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@prep-kc.org; **Website:** <http://www.prep-kc.org/>

Kansas City Teacher Residency

While focusing on training teachers, this residency program includes mentorship aspects where experienced educators mentor new teachers, which indirectly benefits students through improved teaching practices. **Organization:** 1 E. Armour Blvd, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Address:** 1 E. Armour Blvd, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** contact@kcteach.org; **Website:** <https://kcteach.org/>

Kansas City Friends of Alvin Ailey - AileyCamp

AileyCamp is an innovative summer program for youngsters ages 11-14 that uses dance as a vehicle for developing self-esteem, self-discipline, creative expression and critical thinking skills. It includes personal development and communication workshops like conflict resolution and peer mediation. **Organization:** Kansas City Friends of Alvin Ailey; **Address:** 1714 East 18th St., Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@kcfaa.org; **Website:** <https://kcfaa.org/aileycamp/>

LINC

LINC provides high quality after school care for children of all ages, offering programs that focus on arts, academic support, recreation, and life skills, emphasizing social and emotional development. **Organization:** Local Investment Commission (LINC); **Address:** 3100 Broadway, Suite 1100, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kclinc.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclinc.org/>

Operation Breakthrough

Offers a centralized location where children and their families can access education, health, and social services in one place, emphasizing streamlined support for low-income families.

Organization: Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@example.com; **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org>

YMCA of Greater Kansas City

The YMCA utilizes volunteers in its numerous programs aimed at youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility. They seek volunteers for activities such as youth sports coaching, mentoring, and after-school programs. **Organization:** YMCA of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** customerservice@kansascityymca.org; **Website:** <https://www.kansascityymca.org>

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The Upper Room

The Upper Room provides educational programs and resources for children and families. Community engagement includes offering workshops and events aimed to improve the social and educational outcomes for the community. **Organization:** The Upper Room; **Address:** 2803 E 51st St, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@theupperroomkc.org; **Website:** <https://theupperroomkc.org>

Trauma Sensitive School Training

Professional development workshops and trainings designed to help educators understand and respond to the impact of trauma on students. The focus is on creating a supportive school environment that promotes social and emotional learning. **Organization:** Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA); **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd., Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** mocsa@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://mocsa.org/>

CharacterPlus

A professional development program aimed at fostering character education and SEL in districts across the Kansas City region. Training and resources support educators in implementing SEL principles in the classroom. **Organization:** Cooperating School Districts of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 8600 NE 107th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64157; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.characterplus.org/>

SEL Professional Development

Kansas City Public Schools offers ongoing professional development on SEL strategies for staff to seamlessly integrate these practices into daily interactions and teaching with students. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** askkcpss@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Social Emotional Learning Training

The Kauffman Foundation supports educators by offering training sessions on social and emotional learning. This includes integrating SEL practices into everyday teaching and building a classroom culture that supports students' social and emotional growth. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/>

Resilient KC

An effort to train educators and other adults in resilience-building strategies, which includes SEL training to help students manage stress, understand emotions, and develop healthy relationships. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; **Address:** 30 W. Pershing Rd. Suite 301, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.kcchamber.com/>

Family Engagement Program

Offers workshops and resources for parents focused on improving children's social and emotional growth. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** publicinfo@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/families>

Parents as Teachers

Provides parent education and family support, with personal visits and group connections to enhance parental engagement and child development. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101, USA; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org/>

Parent Power

Focuses on empowering parents through education and support to be advocates for their children's education and well-being. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2401 Campbell Street, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <http://www.turnthepagekc.org/>

Parent Leadership Training

Engages parents in leadership workshops to help them become strong advocates for their children's educational success. **Organization:** Local Investment Commission (LINC); **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd, Suite 1100, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** communications@kclinc.org; **Website:** <https://kclinc.org/>

Parent Workshops

Regular workshops that equip parents with tools and knowledge to support their child's development, including social and emotional learning. **Organization:** Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** info@operationbreakthrough.org; **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org/>

Kansas City Social Innovation Center

The Kansas City Social Innovation Center partners with local schools to integrate real-world

learning into the education system. They work through public-private partnerships to create personalized learning pathways for students, focusing on developing social and emotional competencies. **Organization:** Kansas City Social Innovation Center; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcsocialinnovation.org; **Website:** <https://kcsocialinnovation.org/>

Turn the Page KC

A citywide effort that brings attention to educational resources and tutoring programs aimed at improving literacy for children, focusing on third-grade reading proficiency. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.turnthepagekc.org/>

PREP-KC

PREP-KC focuses on increasing education rigor and relevance for urban students in Kansas City. The initiative partners with public schools and private sector participants to provide students with college and career preparatory experiences, including exposure to STEM fields through corporate engagement and internships. **Organization:** Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation - Kansas City; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@prepkc.org; **Website:** <http://www.prepkc.org>

Kansas City Teacher Residency

This program partners with local schools and businesses to recruit and train educators to become effective teachers in local schools. The residency model includes SEL as a core training component for the residents. **Organization:** Kansas City Teacher Residency; **Address:** 3 E. Armour Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kcteacher.org; **Website:** <https://kcteach.org/>

Community Counseling Resources

The Counseling and Assessment Clinic at UMKC provides affordable mental health services to the Kansas City community, with a focus on serving the needs of children and adolescents.

Organization: UMKC School of Education's Counseling and Assessment Clinic; **Address:** 615 E 52nd St, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** umkc.cac@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://education.umkc.edu/cac/>

Community Counseling Resources

Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health offers a range of counseling services and mental health programs for children, adolescents, and their families. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health; **Address:** 300 W 19th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Not publicly available; use contact form on website; **Website:** <https://behavioralhealthkc.org/children-family-services/>

Community Counseling Resources

Jewish Family Services provides various support services including counseling for youth dealing with challenges such as anxiety, depression, and other mental health issues. **Organization:** Jewish Family Services of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 5801 W 115th St #103, Overland Park, KS 66211; **Email:** info@jfskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.jfskc.org/>

Community Counseling Resources

Synergy Services' Youth Resiliency Center offers therapy and support groups for young people to promote emotional and mental health wellness. **Organization:** Synergy Services; **Address:** 400 E 6th St, Parkville, MO 64152; **Email:** info@synergyservices.org; **Website:** <https://synergyservices.org/>

Community Counseling Resources

Mattie Rhodes Center blends clinical expertise with cultural competency to offer behavioral health services that meet the unique needs of Latino youth and their families. **Organization:** Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1740 Jefferson St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <http://www.mattierhodes.org/>

Kansas City Public Schools SEL Integration

The Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS) integrate Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) into their curriculum and offer a comprehensive approach to student development. Programs such as PATHS® and Second Step are implemented in various grade levels to enhance students' SEL skills. Professional development for educators is also provided to correctly teach and incorporate SEL. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** publicrelations@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Kansas City Youth Mentorship Program

A program designed to create meaningful and lasting relationships between young people and caring adult professionals in the community. The program focuses on career development, life skills, and personal growth. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City; **Address:** 1709 Walnut Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contact@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org/>

PREP-KC Mentorship Program

This mentorship initiative connects urban students with successful professionals to guide them through academic challenges and prepare them for college and careers. **Organization:** PREP-KC; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@prep-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.prep-kc.org/>

Minds Matter

A program that provides mentorship to high-achieving, low-income high school students in Kansas City, pairing them with dedicated mentors to help navigate the path to college. **Organization:** Minds Matter of Kansas City; **Address:** Address not available; please contact via email; **Email:** kansascity@mindsmatter.org; **Website:** <http://www.mindsmatterkc.org/>

Youth Ambassadors

Empowerment program for underserved youth offering employment, education, and mentorship. **Organization:** Youth Ambassadors; **Address:** 1100 Rockhurst Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** contact@youthambassadorskc.org; **Website:** <http://youthambassadorskc.org>

Lead to Read KC Reading Mentorship

This program connects students with reading mentors in the hope of fostering a love for reading and nurturing reading skills among young students. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC; **Address:** 4049 Pennsylvania, Suite 150, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org/>

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Latchkey

Delivering licensed after-school child care programs for elementary school children with activities designed to enhance social, physical and intellectual growth. **Organization:** Latchkey,LLC; **Address:** Various locations in Kansas City; **Email:** office@latchkey.us; **Website:** <http://www.latchkey.us>

YMCA of Greater Kansas City

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Mattie Rhodes Center

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Operation Breakthrough

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Turn the Page KC

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Hire KC

Hire KC is a youth internship program that connects high school and college students with employers and helps them to get real-world job experience and exposure to professional work environments. It allows local businesses to offer internship opportunities to the youth, teaching them workplace behaviors and ethics. **Organization:** Hire KC; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@hirekc.org; **Website:** <https://hirekc.org/>

KC BizCare

KC BizCare is a free business resource, advocacy, and information center for new and existing Kansas City businesses. Through its partnerships, it provides opportunities for job shadowing and internships, aligning with local business leaders to create a more inclusive economy.

Organization: KC BizCare; **Address:** 1118 Oak St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** bizcare@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/city-managers-office/kc-bizcare/>

The Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce's Centurions Leadership Program

The Centurions Leadership Program involves a two-year curriculum where emerging leaders learn about the opportunities and issues of the Kansas City area. Businesses often sponsor candidates and provide mentorship and internships as part of the experience. **Organization:** The Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; **Address:** 30 W Pershing Rd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** KCChamber@kcchamber.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcchamber.com/>

Blue Valley CAPS

Center for Advanced Professional Studies program is unique to the Blue Valley district and involves local businesses in providing high school students with hands-on industry experiences. Students can intern with businesses and learn directly from professionals. **Organization:** Blue Valley CAPS; **Address:** 7501 W 149th Terrace, Overland Park, KS 66223; **Email:** info@bvcaps.org; **Website:** <https://www.bluevalleyk12.org/caps>

Our Heroes Gala

An annual event that honors local heroes, including military, law enforcement, firefighters, and others who serve the community. **Organization:** Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.), Greater Kansas City; **Address:** P.O. Box 301648, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** kcmetro@nationalcops.org; **Website:** <https://www.concernsofpolicesurvivors.org/>

Local Heroes at the Library

A series of events designed to recognize the contributions of local heroes and provide community engagement opportunities, such as meet-and-greets with first responders and educators.

Organization: Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** kclibrary@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclibrary.org/>

Kansas City Heroes Awards

An award ceremony recognizing outstanding individuals such as first responders, healthcare workers, and teachers who have made significant contributions to the Kansas City community.

Organization: The Kansas City Metropolitan Crime Commission; **Address:** 3100 Broadway

Blvd., Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** contact@kc-crime.org; **Website:** <https://www.kc-crime.org/>

First Responders Appreciation Day

An event to honor and celebrate the work of first responders in the community with activities and recognition ceremonies. **Organization:** The Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; **Address:** 30 W. Pershing Rd. Suite 301, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contactus@kcchamber.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcchamber.com/>

Hometown Heroes Celebration

A community event that celebrates the everyday heroes who make a difference, featuring honors, local food, and family activities. **Organization:** Kansas City Parks and Recreation; **Address:** 4600 E. 63rd St., Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** kcparcs@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://kcparcs.org/>

Heart to Heart International

Heart to Heart International improves healthcare access in the US and around the world through mobilization of volunteers, distribution of resources, and education. **Organization:** Heart to Heart International; **Address:** 9650 Dice Lane, Lenexa, KS 66215, USA; **Email:** info@hearttoheart.org; **Website:** <https://www.hearttoheart.org>

Habitat for Humanity Kansas City

Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities, and hope. Volunteers are integral to the construction, neighborhood revitalization, and ReStore retail operations. **Organization:** Habitat for Humanity Kansas City; **Address:** 1423 E. Linwood Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@habitatkc.org; **Website:** <https://habitatkc.org/>

United Way of Greater Kansas City Volunteer Center

The volunteer center links people to various volunteer opportunities in Greater Kansas City, promoting service and civic engagement. **Organization:** United Way of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 801 W 47th Street, Suite 500, Kansas City, MO 64112, USA; **Email:** volunteer@uwgkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.unitedwaygkc.org/>

Harvesters—The Community Food Network

Harvesters is a regional food bank serving a 26-county area of Kansas and Missouri. They provide food and related household products to more than 760 nonprofit agencies including emergency food pantries, community kitchens, homeless shelters, and children's homes. **Organization:** Harvesters—The Community Food Network; **Address:** 3801 Topping Ave, Kansas City, MO 64129; **Email:** info@harvesters.org; **Website:** <https://www.harvesters.org/>

Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City

Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City works to clear the path to a child's biggest possible future through professionally supported, one-to-one mentoring relationships. They recruit volunteers to become 'Bigs' to mentor 'Littles' and make a positive impact on the youth's life. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City; **Address:** 1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** info@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org>

Kansas City Volunteer Lawyers and Accountants for the Arts

This organization provides pro bono legal and accounting services to artists and arts organizations in Kansas City through its volunteer network. **Organization:** Kansas City Volunteer Lawyers and Accountants for the Arts; **Address:** The Arts Asylum, 1000 E. 9th, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@kcvlaa.org; **Website:** <https://kcvlaa.org/>

City Year Kansas City

City Year Kansas City partners with public schools to provide full-time targeted student interventions. Volunteers are AmeriCorps members who serve as student success coaches. **Organization:** City Year Kansas City; **Address:** 20 W 9th Street, Kansas City, MO 64105, USA; **Email:** kansascityrecruitment@cityyear.org; **Website:** <https://www.cityyear.org/kansas-city/>

Youth Symphony of Kansas City

Offers orchestral training and performance opportunities to young musicians, fostering not only musical skills but also teamwork, discipline, and self-esteem. **Organization:** Youth Symphony of Kansas City; **Address:** 1801 NW Platte Rd, Suite 275, Kansas City, MO 64150; **Email:** info@youthsymphonykc.org; **Website:** <https://youthsymphonykc.org>

The Kansas City Ballet School

Provides dance education and training for students, encouraging their growth as artists and community members while promoting the appreciation of ballet. **Organization:** Kansas City Ballet; **Address:** 500 W Pershing Rd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** school@kcballet.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcballet.org/school/>

ArtsTech

Engages youth in arts technology programs aiming to build technical skills, self-confidence, and community connections. **Organization:** ArtsTech; **Address:** 1522 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@artstech-kc.org; **Website:** <http://artstech-kc.org>

Mattie Rhodes Center Arts Program

Offers arts education and enrichment programs for children and adults, emphasizing Latinx cultural arts to foster community and cross-cultural understanding. **Organization:** Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 915 W 17th St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <https://www.mattierhodes.org/>

The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art – Education Programs

Provides a variety of educational programs and resources for students, adults, and teachers, encouraging engagement with art and cultural heritage. **Organization:** The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art; **Address:** 4525 Oak St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@nelson-atkins.org; **Website:** <https://www.nelson-atkins.org/learn/>

Kansas City Young Audiences

Provides arts education programming to children and teens, with classes, workshops, and school programs that aim to encourage creativity and self-expression. **Organization:** Kansas City Young Audiences; **Address:** 3732 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kcya.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcya.org>

KC Crew

KC Crew is a large sports and recreation league in Kansas City that offers a variety of sports leagues and events for adults of all skill levels. They aim to provide a fun and engaging environment that promotes physical activity and social interaction. **Organization:** KC Crew; **Address:** 2020 Baltimore Ave, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@kccrew.com; **Website:** <https://kccrew.com>

Kansas City Youth Soccer Association

The Kansas City Youth Soccer Association provides organized youth soccer experiences that promote the growth of participants as athletes and individuals. It offers leagues that emphasize teamwork, discipline, and the value of effort. **Organization:** Heartland Soccer Association; **Address:** 9161 W 133rd St, Overland Park, KS 66213; **Email:** info@heartlandsoccer.net; **Website:** <https://www.heartlandsoccer.net>

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Newhouse

Newhouse provides affordable housing specifically for survivors of domestic violence. They offer safe refuge and comprehensive services to empower survivors and promote healing. **Organization:** P.O. Box 240019, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Address:** P.O. Box 240019, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** help@newhouseshelter.org; **Website:** <https://www.newhouseshelter.org/>

Beacon Hill

The Beacon Hill development project is a mix of market-rate and affordable housing units, expanding residential opportunities for a range of income levels in the urban core of Kansas City.

Organization: 2340 E Meyer Blvd, Building 1 Suite 345, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Address:** 2340 E Meyer Blvd, Building 1 Suite 345, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://beaconhillkc.com/>

Lykins Neighborhood

Lykins Neighborhood is working to renovate homes and provide affordable housing opportunities for low-income residents, with initiatives like the Lykins Square Homes and others.

Organization: 3709 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64127; **Address:** 3709 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64127; **Email:** info@lykinsneighborhood.org; **Website:** <https://www.lykinsneighborhood.org/>

Westside Housing Organization

This nonprofit works to create and manage affordable housing options, offers education and resources related to home ownership, and provides housing services targeting low-income residents. **Organization:** 919 W 24th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Address:** 919 W 24th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@westsidehousing.org; **Website:** <http://westsidehousing.org/>

Ivanhoe Gateway at 39th

An affordable housing project providing quality living in the Ivanhoe neighborhood. Incorporates both rental and for-sale units, aiming for sustainable, mixed-income community development.

Organization: 3700 Woodland Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Address:** 3700 Woodland Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** inc@ivanhoeneighborhood.org; **Website:** <http://www.ivanhoeneighborhood.org/>

Pendleton ArtsBlock

A mixed-use development in the historic Pendleton Heights neighborhood, offering affordable live/work spaces for local artists, as well as commercial and community spaces. **Organization:** 1722 Holly St., Kansas City, MO 64108; **Address:** 1722 Holly St., Kansas City, MO 64108;

Email: N/A; **Website:** <http://www.brinshore.com/>

Digital Sandbox KC

A tech-focused business incubator that provides proof-of-concept resources to support early-stage startups. The program offers funding, mentorship, and connections to foster business growth, particularly in the Kansas City area. **Organization:** Digital Sandbox KC; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@digitalsandboxkc.com; **Website:**

<https://www.digitalsandboxkc.com>

Enterprise Center in Johnson County (ECJC)

ECJC offers a variety of resources for entrepreneurs and startups including office space, mentorship, and access to funding. It provides a collaborative environment designed to support the growth of new businesses. **Organization:** Enterprise Center in Johnson County; **Address:**

4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205, USA; **Email:** info@ecjc.com; **Website:** <https://www.ecjc.com>

ScaleUP! Kansas City

ScaleUP! KC is a program that assists growth-seeking entrepreneurs. The program provides tools, education, and peer mentoring to help established small businesses scale up and spur economic development in the community. **Organization:** UMKC Innovation Center; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** info@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.scaleupkc.com>

Plexpod Westport Commons

Plexpod is a coworking space that includes business incubation services. It offers a diverse and inclusive community for entrepreneurs paired with the tools they need to grow their businesses, such as mentorship and networking opportunities. **Organization:** Plexpod; **Address:** 300 E 39th St, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** hello@plexpod.com; **Website:** <https://www.plexpod.com>

Betablox

Betablox is a business incubator and accelerator that helps startups through a combination of consultancy, mentorship, and peer workshops. Entrepreneurs gain access to investors, mentors, and partnerships essential for growth. **Organization:** Betablox; **Address:** Kansas City, MO (Incubator does not have a public office space, operates through various locations); **Email:** info@betablox.com; **Website:** <http://betablox.com>

Kansas City CARE Clinic

The Kansas City CARE Clinic is one of the oldest and largest free health clinics in the country. They provide a broad array of services including medical, dental, behavioral health, and pharmaceutical care to underinsured and uninsured individuals. **Organization:** Kansas City CARE Clinic; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org>

Swope Health Services

With integrated case management services, Swope Health focuses on delivering comprehensive care, taking into account medical, behavioral, and social needs of its diverse client base. **Organization:** Swope Health Services; **Address:** 3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Email:** information@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.swopehealth.org/>

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center offers comprehensive healthcare with a focus on culturally appropriate health and wellness programs, including preventive care services for diverse and underserved populations. **Organization:** Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.rodgershealth.org>

Health Partnership Clinic

Health Partnership Clinic offers affordable medical, dental, and behavioral health services and is

dedicated to improving the health of the communities by providing quality, accessible, and affordable healthcare. **Organization:** Health Partnership Clinic; **Address:** Various locations – refer to their website.; **Email:** Not explicitly provided on website. Use contact form.; **Website:** <https://hpcks.org>

Truman Medical Centers

Truman Medical Centers provides comprehensive health services and is recognized as a leader in providing high-quality healthcare for all including the underserved. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 2301 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Not explicitly provided on website. Use contact form.; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org>

Cabot Westside Health Center

Part of the Saint Luke's Health System, Cabot Westside Health Center offers comprehensive healthcare services including family medicine, pediatrics, and mental health services, focusing on serving the Latino community of Greater Kansas City. **Organization:** Saint Luke's Health System – Cabot Westside Health Center; **Address:** 2121 Summit St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Not explicitly provided on website. Use contact form.; **Website:** <https://www.saintlukeskc.org/>

Affordable Housing Incentive Policy

This policy was created to encourage the development of affordable housing throughout Kansas City. It includes zoning incentives for developers who include affordable units in their projects, contributing to mixed-income neighborhoods. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 414 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** citycouncil@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

AdvanceKC Scorecard

The AdvanceKC Scorecard is an effort within Kansas City's development review process that incorporates criteria which support the creation of mixed-income neighborhoods by awarding points to projects that include affordable housing. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri - City Planning & Development; **Address:** City Hall, 15th floor, 414 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** cpd-info@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Housing Trust Fund

Kansas City has established a housing trust fund to finance affordable housing projects, including those in mixed-income areas. This is part of their overall strategy to reduce economic segregation. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri - Housing and Community Development; **Address:** City Hall, 4th floor, 414 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** Housing-Community-Development@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

KC Streetcar Expansion Project

The KC Streetcar expansion project intends to extend the existing streetcar line to the University of Missouri-Kansas City, adding several new stops and improving accessibility to public transportation for residents and students. **Organization:** Kansas City Streetcar Authority; **Address:** 600 E. 3rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@kcstreetcar.org; **Website:** <https://kcstreetcar.org/>

RideKC Development

RideKC has been continually working to improve and expand bus services, including introducing electric buses, bus rapid transit lines, and route adjustments to increase efficiency and coverage in the Kansas City metropolitan area. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customerfeedback@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://www.ridekc.org/>

Prospect MAX Bus Rapid Transit

This project introduced a new Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line along Prospect Avenue, which includes transit signal priority, Wi-Fi on board, and interactive kiosks at MAX stations.

Organization: Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customerfeedback@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://www.ridekc.org/>

Kansas City Public Library

N/A **Organization:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** contact@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://kclibrary.org/>

Women's Employment Network

N/A **Organization:** 920 Main St #100, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Address:** 920 Main St #100, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@kcwen.org; **Website:** <https://kcwen.org/services/classes>

NextStep Kansas City

N/A **Organization:** 300 E 39th St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Address:** 300 E 39th St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@nextstepkc.org; **Website:** <https://nextstepkc.org/>

Operation HOPE at Capitol Federal

N/A **Organization:** 4240 Blue Ridge Blvd Suite 350, Kansas City, MO 64133; **Address:** 4240 Blue Ridge Blvd Suite 350, Kansas City, MO 64133; **Email:** contact not readily available; **Website:** <https://www.hopcitykc.org/money-management>

Guadalupe Centers Financial Empowerment

N/A **Organization:** 1015 Avenida Cesar E. Chavez, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Address:** 1015 Avenida Cesar E. Chavez, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@guadalupecenters.org; **Website:** <https://www.guadalupecenters.org/>

KC No Violence Alliance (KC NoVA)

A collaboration among law enforcement, social services, and community partners which focuses on a group violence intervention strategy. It aims to reduce crime through a combination of targeted policing, social services, and community mobilization. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** kcpdmedia@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://kcpd.org/>

Community Interaction Officers (CIO)

CIOs are assigned to work with community members, businesses, and organizations to solve problems and enhance trust within the community. They focus on non-emergency situations to build long-term relationships. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125

Locust St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** kcpdcommunityinteraction@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://kcpd.org/>

Crisis Intervention Team (CIT)

Program aimed at improving the way law enforcement and the community respond to people experiencing mental health crises. The team consists of specially trained officers who can provide immediate help. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** kcpdcrisis@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://kcpd.org/>

Ad Hoc Group Against Crime

A community-based organization that acts as a liaison between the community and law enforcement to address crime and improve community-police relations. They facilitate dialogues, provide victim support, and engage youth in positive activities. **Organization:** Ad Hoc Group Against Crime; **Address:** 3116 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64128; **Email:** contactus@adhocteam.org; **Website:** <http://www.adhocteam.org/>

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City

Big Brothers Big Sisters creates and supports one-to-one mentoring relationships that ignite the power and promise of youth. Adults are matched with children in a program that encourages mentorship and personal development. **Organization:** 1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Address:** 1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** bbbskc@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org/>

Lead to Read KC

Lead to Read KC connects trusted, caring adult volunteers (Reading Mentors) with children in grades one through four with the goal of fostering a love of reading and developing literacy skills. **Organization:** 4049 Pennsylvania Ave Suite 150, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Address:** 4049 Pennsylvania Ave Suite 150, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org/>

PACE Youth Development Program

The Police Athletic League of Kansas City's PACE program focuses on providing mentorship to youth through athletics and activities, aiming to create positive relationships between police officers and community youth. **Organization:** 1801 White Ave, Kansas City, MO 64126, United States; **Address:** 1801 White Ave, Kansas City, MO 64126, United States; **Email:** info@kcpal.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpal.org/pace-idol-academy/>

MentorKC

MentorKC is dedicated to providing structured mentoring programs that promote academic achievement, the development of life skills, and personal growth for middle and high school students. **Organization:** Not listed, operates in various schools around Kansas City, MO; **Address:** Not listed, operates in various schools around Kansas City, MO; **Email:** contact@mentorkc.org; **Website:** <http://www.mentorkc.org/>

Higher M-Pact

Higher M-Pact transforms the lives of high-risk urban youth by focusing on their potential and

providing mentorship, empowering them to become leaders in their community and break the cycle of poverty. **Organization:** 3100 Main St #304a, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Address:** 3100 Main St #304a, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** info@higherpact.org; **Website:** <https://higherpact.org/>

PREP-KC

PREP-KC works to increase college and career preparation for students in Kansas City's urban schools through partnerships with businesses and higher education institutions, offering mentorships that connect students with professionals in various fields. **Organization:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** info@prepkc.org; **Website:** <https://prepkc.org>

Literacy KC

Offers a variety of programs including one-on-one and small group tutoring for adults, helping them to achieve their personal education goals. **Organization:** Literacy KC; **Address:** 3036 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@literacykc.org; **Website:** <https://literacykc.org/>

Kansas City Public Library

Offers a variety of programs that promote literacy and learning, such as after-school activities for children and teens, which strengthen community connections and foster culture. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** contact@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclibrary.org>

Operation Breakthrough

Offers a centralized location where children and their families can access education, health, and social services in one place, emphasizing streamlined support for low-income families.

Organization: Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** [\[info@example.com\]](mailto:info@example.com)(<mailto:info@example.com>); **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org>

Connecting For Good

Provides a community technology center that functions as a one-stop-shop for residents to access a variety of services, including digital literacy training, connectivity, and technology support.

Organization: Connecting For Good; **Address:** 3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** [\[connect@example.com\]](mailto:connect@example.com)(<mailto:connect@example.com>); **Website:** <https://www.connectingforgood.org>

Guadalupe Centers

The Guadalupe Centers offer a variety of services including educational programs, counseling, and health services in a one-stop-shop approach for the Latino community of Greater Kansas City. **Organization:** Guadalupe Centers; **Address:** 1015 Avenida Cesar E Chavez, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** [\[info@example.com\]](mailto:info@example.com)(<mailto:info@example.com>); **Website:** <https://guadalupecenters.org>

Literacy KC

Offers a variety of programs including one-on-one and small group tutoring for adults, helping them to achieve their personal education goals. **Organization:** Literacy KC; **Address:** 3036 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@literacykc.org; **Website:** <https://literacykc.org/>

The Upper Room

The Upper Room provides educational programs and resources for children and families. Community engagement includes offering workshops and events aimed to improve the social and educational outcomes for the community. **Organization:** The Upper Room; **Address:** 2803 E 51st St, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@theupperroomkc.org; **Website:** <https://theupperroomkc.org>

Turning Point: Partnering with Local Businesses

Turning Point has linked with local businesses to help support schools in the Kansas City area through various means such as equipment donations and mentorship opportunities. **Organization:** Turning Point; **Address:** 8900 State Line Rd, Leawood, KS 66206, United States; **Email:** contact@turningpointkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.turningpointkc.org/>

Sprint's 1Million Project

Sprint, headquartered in neighboring Overland Park, through the 1Million Project, has provided free devices and internet service to high school students in need, although not a direct funding to schools, it supports educational access for impoverished students. **Organization:** Sprint Corporation (Now part of T-Mobile since the merger); **Address:** 6200 Sprint Pkwy. Overland Park, KS 66211; **Email:** N/A - use contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.t-mobile.com/brand/spotlight/1million-project>

KC Scholars

KC Scholars provides scholarships, financial incentives to promote college savings, and support services for low- and modest-income students and adults needing access to pursue and complete a postsecondary credit-bearing credential or degree. **Organization:** KC Scholars; **Address:** 8080 Ward Parkway, Suite 402, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@kcscholars.org; **Website:** <https://kcscholars.org>

Lead to Read KC

A reading mentorship program where volunteers from the community spend time reading with local students. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC; **Address:** P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org>

Operation Breakthrough

Offers a centralized location where children and their families can access education, health, and social services in one place, emphasizing streamlined support for low-income families. **Organization:** Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** [\[info@example.com\]](mailto:[info@example.com])(<mailto:info@example.com>); **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org>

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City

The organization offers a variety of programs for youth in areas such as education, arts, sports, and career development. They rely heavily on volunteers to provide mentoring, homework assistance, and coaching. **Organization:** Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** info@helpckids.org; **Website:** <https://www.helpckids.org>

YMCA of Greater Kansas City

The YMCA utilizes volunteers in its numerous programs aimed at youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility. They seek volunteers for activities such as youth sports coaching, mentoring, and after-school programs. **Organization:** YMCA of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** customerservice@kansascityymca.org; **Website:** <https://www.kansascityymca.org>

Mattie Rhodes Center

Supports the artistic development of youth and adults in the community through cultural programming, including art classes and cultural events celebrating Latinx heritage. **Organization:** Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <https://www.mattierhodes.org>

Horizon Academy

Horizon Academy offers after-school tutoring and educational support services specifically designed for students with learning disabilities. **Organization:** Horizon Academy; **Address:** 4901 Reinhardt Dr, Roeland Park, KS 66205; **Email:** info@horizon-academy.com; **Website:** <https://www.horizon-academy.com/>

After-School All-Stars

This national program, with a local chapter in Kansas City, offers comprehensive after-school programs including academic support, enrichment activities, and health & fitness programs. **Organization:** After-School All-Stars; **Address:** Please refer to the national office or local chapter for specific Kansas City contact details.; **Email:** info@afterschoolallstars.org; **Website:** <http://afterschoolallstars.org/>

Bright Futures Fund

The Bright Futures Fund supports two inner-city schools, providing students with an environment where they can learn and grow. Their Building Bright Futures Campaign is designed to update and improve school facilities ensuring a conducive learning environment. **Organization:** Bright Futures Fund; **Address:** 20 West 9th Street, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** britefutures@diocesekcsj.org; **Website:** <https://brightfuturesfund.org>

Kansas City Scholars

Kansas City Scholars provides scholarship and financial assistance to low- and modest-income students, as well as adult learners returning to college. Scholarships are available for high school juniors to begin college, for community college students to complete an associate's or move on to a four-year degree, and for adults wanting to earn a college degree. **Organization:** KC Scholars;

Address: 8080 Ward Parkway, Suite 402, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@kcscholars.org; **Website:** <https://kcscholars.org>

The Hispanic Development Fund Scholarship Program

This scholarship program aims to provide financial assistance to Latino students in the Greater Kansas City area. The program offers scholarships to high school and college students to further their education and succeed academically. **Organization:** Hispanic Development Fund; **Address:** Greater Kansas City Community Foundation, 1055 Broadway Blvd, Suite 130, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** hdf@growyourgiving.org; **Website:** <https://gkccf.org/scholarships/hispanic-development-fund-scholarship-program/>

Kauffman Scholars

The Kauffman Scholars program is a long-term academic and life skills support program for low-income students in the Kansas City area. This initiative is a partnership between the public school districts, private philanthropy, and community programs aimed at increasing college access for underserved students. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/>

Expansion of Collections and Resources

Kansas City Public Library has continuously invested in expanding its collections, including books, e-books, audiobooks, movies, and music for users of all ages. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** kclibrary@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclibrary.org/>

Educational Programs and Workshops

The Mid-Continent Public Library offers various educational programs and workshops, ranging from early literacy programs for children to computer classes and job skills workshops for adults. **Organization:** Mid-Continent Public Library; **Address:** Various locations throughout the Kansas City metropolitan area; **Email:** mcplinfo@mylibrary.org; **Website:** <https://www.mymcpl.org/>

Extended Library Hours

The Kansas City Public Library has implemented extended hours in several branches, making library services more accessible to the community during evenings and weekends. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** kclibrary@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclibrary.org/locations>

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City

Big Brothers Big Sisters operates under the belief that inherent in every child is incredible potential. The organization carefully pairs youth ('Littles') with screened volunteer mentors ('Bigs') and supports these one-to-one relationships throughout their course. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** bbbskc@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org/>

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City

The organization offers a variety of programs for youth in areas such as education, arts, sports,

and career development. They rely heavily on volunteers to provide mentoring, homework assistance, and coaching. **Organization:** Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** info@helpkckids.org; **Website:** <https://www.helpkckids.org>

KC STEM Alliance

The KC STEM Alliance is a collaborative network of educators, business partners and organizations that inspire interest in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math careers providing various mentoring opportunities among their programs. **Organization:** KC STEM Alliance; **Address:** 4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States; **Email:** info@kcstem.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcstem.org/>

KC Degrees

KC Degrees offers adults in the Kansas City region personal advisement and career support that includes mentorship to get back to college, finish their degree, or obtain a certificate.

Organization: Mid-America Regional Council; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** info@kcedu.org; **Website:** <https://kcdegrees.org/>

Operation Breakthrough

Offers a centralized location where children and their families can access education, health, and social services in one place, emphasizing streamlined support for low-income families.

Organization: Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** [\[info@example.com\]](mailto:info@example.com)(<mailto:info@example.com>); **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org>

Kansas City Public School Partnerships

Various partnerships between Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS) and private entities are focused on providing innovative opportunities to students such as career-readiness programs and STEM initiatives. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** communications@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation Educational Initiatives

The Kauffman Foundation collaborates with educational institutions to promote entrepreneurship and improve educational achievements among students. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/what-we-do/entrepreneurship>

PREP-KC Partnership

PREP-KC works with both public and private partners to provide college and career preparation services in Kansas City's urban schools. **Organization:** Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation-KC; **Address:** 4435 Main St # 500, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** contact@prep-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.prep-kc.org>

KC STEM Alliance

The KC STEM Alliance is a collaborative network of educators, business partners and

organizations that inspire interest in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math careers providing various mentoring opportunities among their programs. **Organization:** KC STEM Alliance; **Address:** 4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States; **Email:** info@kcstem.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcstem.org/>

School Smart KC

This partnership focuses on improving school effectiveness in low-income communities in Kansas City through collaboration with public, private, and charter schools. **Organization:** SchoolSmartKC; **Address:** 2300 Main Street, Suite 10, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@schoolsmartkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.schoolsmartkc.org>

Connecting For Good

Provides a community technology center that functions as a one-stop-shop for residents to access a variety of services, including digital literacy training, connectivity, and technology support.

Organization: Connecting For Good; **Address:** 3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109;

Email: [\[connect@example.com\]](mailto:connect@example.com)(mailto:connect@example.com); **Website:**

<https://www.connectingforgood.org>

Kansas City Public Schools Board of Directors Meetings

The KCPS Board of Directors holds public meetings that encourage community attendance and involvement, allowing residents to voice their concerns and ideas directly to school officials for the betterment of education in their community. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools;

Address: 2901 Troost Ave., Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:**

publicrelations@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/board>

Local Investment Commission (LINC) Caring Communities Sites

LINC, in partnership with Kansas City Public Schools, facilitates community involvement through its Caring Communities initiative, which encourages parents and community members to engage with school sites for various support activities and decision-making roles. **Organization:** Local Investment Commission (LINC); **Address:** 3100 Broadway, Suite 1100, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kclinc.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclinc.org/>

PTA Council of Kansas City

The PTA Council promotes community and parental involvement in the area's schools, allowing concerns specific to impoverished communities to be raised and addressed at a district level.

Organization: PTA Council of Kansas City; **Address:** Information not publicly listed; **Email:**

Information not publicly listed; **Website:** <https://www.mopta.org/find-a-pta-council/>

Turn the Page KC

A citywide effort that brings attention to educational resources and tutoring programs aimed at improving literacy for children, focusing on third-grade reading proficiency. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:**

info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.turnthepagekc.org/>

SchoolSmartKC

Working to eliminate the achievement gap in Kansas City schools by providing funding and

strategic support to drive student achievement. **Organization:** SchoolSmartKC; **Address:** 4747 Troost Avenue, Suite 204, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@schoolsmartkc.org; **Website:** <http://www.schoolsmartkc.org>

Community Land Trusts in Kansas City

The Kansas City Regional Housing Alliance (KCRHA) aims to support affordable housing initiatives, including the use of community land trusts (CLTs) to preserve affordable housing. One of their initiatives includes assisting in the development of CLTs as a strategy to maintain long-term housing affordability for low- and moderate-income families. **Organization:** Kansas City Regional Housing Alliance; **Address:** 303 W. 10th Street, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@kcrha.org; **Website:** <https://kcrha.org/>

Community Land Trusts in Kansas City

The Heartland Community Land Trust focuses on providing permanently affordable housing solutions in the Kansas City metropolitan area. Their work involves acquiring land and maintaining affordability through a community trust model. **Organization:** Heartland Community Land Trust; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** contact@heartlandclt.org; **Website:** <https://heartlandclt.org/>

Affordable Housing Incentive Program

Administered by the Kansas City, Missouri, Housing and Community Development Department, this program provides property tax abatement incentives to developers for the provision of affordable housing across the city. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri Housing and Community Development; **Address:** 4400 Blue Parkway, Second Floor, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** housing@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Program

This federal program provides Kansas developers with tax incentives to create affordable housing. The program is state-administered and aims to encourage the development of affordable rental housing in various neighborhoods. **Organization:** Kansas Housing Resources Corporation; **Address:** 611 S. Kansas Avenue, Suite 300, Topeka, KS 66603; **Email:** housing@kshousingcorp.org; **Website:** <https://kshousingcorp.org/>

Kansas City, MO PIEA (Planned Industrial Expansion Authority)

The PIEA offers tax abatement and exemption incentives to developers that can include affordable housing components as part of their redevelopment projects. **Organization:** Planned Industrial Expansion Authority of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** City Hall, 414 E. 12th Street, 16th Floor, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** piea@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmolandbank.org/incentives/industrial-expansion/>

9% Housing Tax Credit Program

Offered by Missouri Housing Development Commission (MHDC), this program assigns competitive tax credits to developers for new construction or rehabilitation of affordable rental housing. **Organization:** Missouri Housing Development Commission; **Address:** 920 Main Street, Suite 1400, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@mhdc.com; **Website:** <https://www.mhdc.com/>

Zoning & Development Code Revision

Kansas City is developing a new Zoning & Development Code to streamline development processes and encourage growth. This plan includes adjusting zoning to facilitate a mix of housing types affordable at various income levels. **Organization:** City Planning & Development - Kansas City; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, 15th Floor, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** planninginfo@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/city-planning-development/zoning-development-code>

Affordable Housing Policy

In 2018, the City Council passed Resolution 180185, directing the City Manager to include in the annual Housing Policy a consideration for incentives towards the development of housing that is affordable across various income levels. **Organization:** Housing and Community Development - Kansas City; **Address:** 4400 Blue Parkway, Suite 310, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** HCDD@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Kansas City Tenant's Bill of Rights

A legislative effort aimed at protecting tenants from predatory landlords, which can indirectly influence rent stability. While not rent control, it aims to improve the rental experience for tenants. **Organization:** KC Tenants; **Address:** P.O.Box 414304, Kansas City, MO 64141; **Email:** info@kctenants.org; **Website:** <https://kctenants.org/>

Affordable Housing Trust Fund

The fund aims to support the development and preservation of affordable housing within Kansas City. It is not a direct rent control measure but helps keep housing affordable. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 414 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** 3-1-1 Call Center at 311 or 816-513-1313; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/city-planning-development/housing-policy>

Westside Housing Organization

Westside Housing Organization focuses on rehabilitating and renovating homes to provide affordable housing options in Kansas City, including the renovation of existing underutilized structures. **Organization:** 919 W. 24th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Address:** 919 W. 24th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@westsidehousing.org; **Website:** <http://www.westsidehousing.org>

Greater Kansas City LISC

Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) of Greater Kansas City has programs for affordable housing that include the preservation and renovation of existing buildings, in conjunction with various financial tools and expertise. **Organization:** 600 Broadway, Suite 280, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 280, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** kclisc@lisc.org; **Website:** <https://www.lisc.org/kansas-city/>

Historic Kansas City

Historic Kansas City works to preserve historical buildings and has been involved with efforts that include converting underutilized historic structures into affordable housing. **Organization:**

234 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Address:** 234 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@historickansascity.org; **Website:** <http://www.historickansascity.org>

Neighborhood Housing Services of Kansas City

NHS of Kansas City offers a range of services including the renovation of older homes and conversion into affordable housing, fostering neighborhood revitalization. **Organization:** 5835 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Address:** 5835 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** nhs@nhsofkcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.nhsofkcmo.org>

Community Housing of Wyandotte County (CHWC)

CHWC is involved in the renovation and redevelopment of buildings within the Wyandotte County to create affordable housing options, including single-family and multi-family units. **Organization:** 2 S. 14th St., Kansas City, KS 66102; **Address:** 2 S. 14th St., Kansas City, KS 66102; **Email:** info@chwckck.org; **Website:** <http://chwckck.org/>

Community Housing of Wyandotte County (CHWC)

CHWC offers a variety of affordable housing services such as homebuyer education, financial counseling, and development of new, affordable single-family homes and renovations in urban neighborhoods. **Organization:** Community Housing of Wyandotte County; **Address:** 2 S. 14th St., Kansas City, KS 66102; **Email:** info@chwckck.org; **Website:** <https://chwckck.org/>

Habitat for Humanity Kansas City

Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities, and hope. Volunteers are integral to the construction, neighborhood revitalization, and ReStore retail operations. **Organization:** Habitat for Humanity Kansas City; **Address:** 1423 E. Linwood Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@habitatkc.org; **Website:** <https://habitatkc.org/>

Community Assistance Council (CAC)

CAC works to provide social services that empower individuals and families to achieve self-sufficiency, including emergency housing assistance. **Organization:** Community Assistance Council; **Address:** 10901 Blue Ridge Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64134, United States; **Email:** cac@cac-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.cackc.org/>

Housing Authority of Kansas City, Missouri

This organization develops and provides quality, affordable housing opportunities and partners with community stakeholders to enhance the quality of life for clients. **Organization:** Housing Authority of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 299 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** info@hakc.org; **Website:** <https://hakc.org/>

Greater Kansas City Housing Information Center

A resource center that aims to provide accurate information and research to support housing and community development efforts in the Kansas City area. **Organization:** Mid-America Regional Council (MARC); **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105, USA; **Email:** marcinfo@marc.org; **Website:** <https://www.marc.org/>

Kansas City Regional Housing Alliance

An alliance committed to addressing housing needs by bringing together stakeholders to take

strategic actions. **Organization:** United Community Services of Johnson County; **Address:** 12351 W 96th Terrace, Suite 200, Lenexa, KS 66215, USA; **Email:** info@ucsjoco.org; **Website:** <https://ucsjoco.org/>

KC Tenants

Organization powered by a base of poor and working-class tenants in Kansas City devising and implementing strategies to ensure that everyone has a safe, accessible, affordable home.

Organization: KC Tenants; **Address:** 40 West 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kctenants.org; **Website:** <https://kctenants.org>

Kansas City Eviction Project

An initiative that seeks to address the eviction crisis by providing resources, research, and policy advocacy. **Organization:** Kansas City Eviction Project; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://kcevicitionproject.org/>

Community Assistance Council

Provides emergency assistance to individuals and families in danger of losing their housing.

Organization: Community Assistance Council; **Address:** 10901 Blue Ridge Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64134; **Email:** CAC@communityassistance.org; **Website:** <https://www.cackc.org>

Habitat for Humanity Kansas City

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Organization: Habitat for Humanity Kansas City; **Address:** 1423 E. Linwood Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@habitatkc.org; **Website:** <https://habitatkc.org/>

United Way of Greater Kansas City

The United Way of Greater Kansas City conducts fundraising campaigns that support a wide range of services, including housing assistance programs. They allocate donated funds to various charities across the region. **Organization:** United Way of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 801 W 47th Street, Suite 500, Kansas City, MO 64112, United States; **Email:** unitedwaygkc@uwgkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.unitedwaygkc.org/>

ReStart Inc.

ReStart Inc. works to end homelessness in the community through housing solutions and supportive services. They gather funds through donations and use these to help low-income individuals and families achieve housing stability. **Organization:** ReStart Inc.; **Address:** 918 E 9th St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** info@restartinc.org; **Website:** <https://www.restartinc.org/>

City Union Mission

City Union Mission operates a comprehensive homeless shelter and offers long-term rehabilitative programs. They accept monetary donations and arrange fund-raising activities to support these efforts. **Organization:** City Union Mission; **Address:** 1100 E 11th St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** info@cumission.org; **Website:** <https://cityunionmission.org/>

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Organization: Habitat for Humanity Kansas City; **Address:** 1423 E. Linwood Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@habitatkc.org; **Website:** <https://habitatkc.org/>

Christmas in October

Christmas in October is a volunteer organization that assists with repairing homes of low-income, elderly, disabled, and veteran homeowners within the Kansas City area. **Organization:** Christmas in October; **Address:** 115 W 18th St #100, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@christmasinoctober.org; **Website:** <http://www.christmasinoctober.org/>

Rebuilding Together Kansas City

Rebuilding Together Kansas City provides critical home repairs, accessibility modifications, and energy-efficient upgrades for homeowners in need. Volunteers are an essential part of carrying out their mission. **Organization:** Rebuilding Together Kansas City; **Address:** 2050 Plumbers Way, #150 Liberty, MO 64068; **Email:** info@RebuildingTogetherKC.org; **Website:** <https://rebuildingtogetherkc.org/>

Heartland Habitat for Humanity

Heartland Habitat for Humanity works towards the vision where everyone has a decent place to live. Volunteers help build homes and are an integral aspect of their work. **Organization:** Heartland Habitat for Humanity; **Address:** 1403 Southwest Blvd., Kansas City, KS 66103; **Email:** info@heartlandhabitat.org; **Website:** <https://www.heartlandhabitat.org/>

The Fuller Center for Housing of Greater Kansas City

The Fuller Center for Housing of Greater Kansas City helps low-income families with critical home repairs. Volunteers build and repair homes for those in need. **Organization:** The Fuller Center for Housing of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** P.O. Box 901365, Kansas City, MO 64190; **Email:** info@fullerkc.org; **Website:** <https://fullerkc.org/>

Affordable Housing in Kansas City

The city of Kansas City often employs public-private partnerships (P3) to create affordable housing opportunities. This includes leveraging private investment and city incentives to produce mixed-income housing that addresses the needs of low to moderate-income households.

Organization: Kansas City, Missouri Housing and Community Development; **Address:** 4400 Blue Parkway, Suite 100, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** housing@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/housing-services>

Mixed-Use Development at Linwood Shopping Center

A partnership between private developers and the Kansas City government to revitalize the Linwood Shopping Center, which includes a Sun Fresh market and plans for affordable housing units. **Organization:** Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St, Suite 1700, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** ecdev@edckc.com; **Website:** <https://www.edckc.com/>

Choice Neighborhoods Initiative

The Department of Housing and Urban Development's Choice Neighborhoods program has awarded Kansas City funds for the Paseo Gateway project, a plan to rejuvenate the Paseo Boulevard corridor with mixed-income housing, improved infrastructure, and community services. **Organization:** Housing Authority of Kansas City; **Address:** 299 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@hakc.org; **Website:** <http://hakc.org/>

West Bottoms Flats

A redevelopment project that revitalizes four historic buildings into mixed-use space, providing affordable living spaces within a community-centered environment. **Organization:** MCM Company Inc.; **Address:** 1417 W 11th St, Kansas City, MO 64101; **Email:** info@mcmcompany.com; **Website:** <http://mcmcompany.com/>

Beacon Hill Development

A joint effort through a P3 where developers, the city, and the local community college collaborate to establish a mixed-income neighborhood with diverse housing options and amenities, including a student housing component. **Organization:** Beacon Hill Developers, LLC; **Address:** 4518 Troost, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** contact@beaconhillkc.com; **Website:** <https://beaconhillkc.com/>

Turner Job Fair

A job fair event designed to connect job seekers in the Turner area with local employers. This event aims to empower the local community by providing employment opportunities. **Organization:** Turner Unified School District #202; **Address:** 800 South 55th Street, Kansas City, KS 66106; **Email:** info@turnerusd202.org; **Website:** <https://www.turnerusd202.org/>

KC Job Fair

The annual KC Job Fair, hosted by various local organizations, offers numerous jobs from different sectors. It seeks to remove employment barriers by directly connecting community members to local businesses and resources. **Organization:** Kansas City, Kansas Chamber of Commerce; **Address:** 727 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@kckchamber.com; **Website:** <https://kckchamber.com/>

Annual Citywide Job Fair

This job fair is designed to bridge the gap between job seekers and employers in the Kansas City metropolitan area, offering an array of employment opportunities from multiple companies in one venue. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contactus@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

Kansas City Community Job Fair

Focused on increasing employment in the Kansas City area, this community-driven event connects job seekers with a diverse set of local employers, job opportunities, and career resources. **Organization:** The KC Collective; **Address:** Not specified; **Email:** Not specified; **Website:** <https://www.kccollective.org/>

Full Employment Council

The Full Employment Council (FEC) provides job training and employment services designed to help individuals improve their skills, find jobs, and grow their careers. The FEC works in partnership with businesses to understand the local labor market and develop training programs that meet the needs of employers while providing economic opportunities for job seekers.

Organization: Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** contactus@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

RideKC Reduced Fare Program

The RideKC Reduced Fare program is designed to provide discounted fares to eligible riders such as seniors, persons with disabilities, veterans, and students, thereby improving access to jobs and services across the Kansas City metro area. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1350 E 17th St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** customer.service@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/>

Anti-Discrimination Workshops

Diversity and Inclusion Workshop **Organization:** The Mid-America LGBT Chamber of Commerce; **Address:** P.O. Box 414016 Kansas City, MO 64141-4016; **Email:** info@midamericalgbt.org; **Website:** <https://www.midamericalgbt.org/>

Anti-Discrimination Workshops

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Training **Organization:** City of Kansas City, MO - Human Relations Department; **Address:** City Hall, 414 E. 12th St., 4th floor, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** hrempowerment@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/human-relations>

Anti-Discrimination Workshops

Workforce Leadership Training **Organization:** Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd., Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contactus@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/services#WorkforceTraining>

Anti-Discrimination Workshops

Inclusion and Equity Education **Organization:** The Diversity and Inclusion Office at the University of Missouri-Kansas City; **Address:** 5115 Oak St., Kansas City, MO 64112; **Email:** diversity@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://info.umkc.edu/diversity/programs-and-initiatives/>

Anti-Discrimination Workshops

Equity and Inclusion Training **Organization:** Kansas City Diversity Coalition; **Address:** Not available; **Email:** info@kcdiversity.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcdiversity.org/>

City of Kansas City, Missouri Tax Incentive Programs

The city offers multiple incentive programs to stimulate economic development, some of which encourage hiring local residents. For example, the AdvanceKC scorecard aligns and evaluates development proposals using multiple criteria, including job creation for locals. **Organization:** Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St, Suite 1700, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@edckc.com; **Website:** <https://www.edckc.com/business-resources/incentives/>

CID Sales Tax

Community Improvement Districts (CID) in Kansas City can offer sales tax incentives to businesses that are within their district. These districts aim to improve economic conditions, and can encourage local hiring through indirect community support and business growth.

Organization: City of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 414 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** actioncenter@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/city-planning-development/community-improvement-districts-cid>

Enhanced Enterprise Zone Tax Benefits

The Enhanced Enterprise Zone (EEZ) program provides tax credits to businesses that locate or expand within designated areas in Missouri, often targeting economically distressed communities. Businesses are encouraged to hire locally by getting additional benefits. **Organization:** Missouri Department of Economic Development; **Address:** 301 West High Street, P.O. Box 118, Jefferson City, MO 65102; **Email:** business@ded.mo.gov; **Website:** <https://ded.mo.gov/>

Urban Renewal Area Tax Incentives

Businesses developing projects within the Urban Renewal Areas of Kansas City may receive tax abatements and exemptions. Employers hiring from the local workforce can positively impact their score for receiving these incentives. **Organization:** Kansas City Land Bank; **Address:** 4900 Swope Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** landbank@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmolandbank.org/tax-abatement>

Digital Sandbox KC

A tech-focused business incubator that provides proof-of-concept resources to support early-stage startups. The program offers funding, mentorship, and connections to foster business growth, particularly in the Kansas City area. **Organization:** Digital Sandbox KC; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@digitalsandboxkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.digitalsandboxkc.com>

Enterprise Center in Johnson County

The ECJC offers mentorship, workspace, and networking opportunities to help entrepreneurs grow their businesses. They also provide access to capital through a microloan program. **Organization:** Enterprise Center in Johnson County; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** info@ecjc.com; **Website:** <https://www.ecjc.com/>

AltCap

AltCap is dedicated to delivering accessible capital to support small businesses and entrepreneurs. They provide microloan products as well as other financial and business development services.

Organization: AltCap; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@alt-cap.org; **Website:** <https://www.alt-cap.org/>

KCSOURCELINK

KCSOURCELINK connects entrepreneurs to the right resources at the right time. It offers a network of over 240 business-building organizations, as well as personalized guidance through its hotline and online portal. **Organization:** KCSOURCELINK; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcsourcelink.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcsourcelink.com/>

SCORE Kansas City

SCORE offers mentorship and educational workshops to small business owners. Experienced business professionals volunteer to provide one-on-one counseling and teach low-cost business training workshops. **Organization:** SCORE; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave., Suite 128, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kansascity.score.org; **Website:** <https://kansascity.score.org/>

KC Remote Work Initiative

An initiative aimed at connecting Kansas City residents to remote work opportunities through an online portal where various remote job options are listed. **Organization:** KCSOURCELINK; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave., Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcsourcelink.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcsourcelink.com/kc-remote-work-initiative>

Virtual Job Connection

A virtual employment hub that provides job seekers with access to online workshops, virtual job fairs, and a listing of remote jobs. **Organization:** Workforce Partnership; **Address:** 626 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** workforce@workforcepartnership.com; **Website:** <https://www.workforcepartnership.com/>

RemoteKC

A platform that promotes Kansas City as a top destination for remote workers and connects them with local employers and remote work opportunities. **Organization:** The Kansas City Area Development Council; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St, Suite 1700, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@thinkkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.thinkkc.com/life/remotekc>

Workforce Partnership

Workforce Partnership provides services to job seekers and employers in Johnson, Leavenworth, and Wyandotte counties. Their services aim at connecting employers with qualified employees through various programs which include job fairs, on-the-job training, and personalized job matching. **Organization:** Workforce Partnership; **Address:** 8535 Bluejacket Street, Lenexa, KS 66214; **Email:** info@workforcepartnership.com; **Website:** <http://www.workforcepartnership.com>

Full Employment Council

The Full Employment Council (FEC) provides job training and employment services designed to help individuals improve their skills, find jobs, and grow their careers. The FEC works in partnership with businesses to understand the local labor market and develop training programs that meet the needs of employers while providing economic opportunities for job seekers.

Organization: Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** contactus@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

KC Degrees

KC Degrees offers adults in the Kansas City region personal advisement and career support that includes mentorship to get back to college, finish their degree, or obtain a certificate.

Organization: Mid-America Regional Council; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** info@kcedu.org; **Website:** <https://kcdegrees.org/>

KC Tech Council

The KC Tech Council partners with local tech companies and educational institutions to address talent shortages in the tech industry. They organize events and initiatives such as 'No Coast' to attract skilled tech workers to Kansas City. **Organization:** KC Tech Council; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** info@kctechcouncil.com; **Website:** <https://www.kctechcouncil.com/>

Hire KC Youth

An initiative that targets the youth of Kansas City, aiming to provide them with job opportunities, internships, and career preparatory workshops. This effort focuses on the younger demographic, particularly those from regions with limited job opportunities. **Organization:** Hire KC; **Address:** 1445 Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** contact@hirekc.org; **Website:** <https://hirekc.org/>

Connecting For Good

Provides a community technology center that functions as a one-stop-shop for residents to access a variety of services, including digital literacy training, connectivity, and technology support.

Organization: Connecting For Good; **Address:** 3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** [\[connect@example.com\]](mailto:connect@example.com)(<mailto:connect@example.com>); **Website:** <https://www.connectingforgood.org>

RideKC Development

RideKC has been continually working to improve and expand bus services, including introducing electric buses, bus rapid transit lines, and route adjustments to increase efficiency and coverage in the Kansas City metropolitan area. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customerfeedback@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://www.ridekc.org/>

Streetcar Expansion

Kansas City is expanding its streetcar system to better connect the downtown area with South Kansas City. This effort aims to improve access to economic and employment hubs in these regions. **Organization:** KC Streetcar; **Address:** 600 E. 3rd St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@kcstreetcar.org; **Website:** <https://kcstreetcar.org/>

Prospect MAX Bus Rapid Transit

This project introduced a new Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line along Prospect Avenue, which includes transit signal priority, Wi-Fi on board, and interactive kiosks at MAX stations.

Organization: Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th

Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customerfeedback@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://www.ridekc.org/>

Zero Fare Transit

Implementing 'Zero Fare Transit' to remove the cost barrier of public transportation, aiming to increase access to job opportunities for residents. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customerfeedback@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://www.ridekc.org/>

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center offers comprehensive healthcare with a focus on culturally appropriate health and wellness programs, including preventive care services for diverse and underserved populations. **Organization:** Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.rodgershealth.org>

KC CARE Health Center

The KC CARE Health Center is dedicated to providing high-quality, affordable healthcare services to the community, focusing on underserved individuals. They offer a range of wellness programs and preventive care services. **Organization:** KC CARE Health Center; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org>

Swope Health Services

Offering behavioral health services including individual and group therapy, psychiatric services, and substance abuse treatment to the community with a sliding fee scale. **Organization:** Swope Health; **Address:** 3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Email:** feedback@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://swopehealth.org/services/behavioral-health/>

Vibrant Health

Works to provide respectful, empowering, accessible, and affordable health care to the Kansas City, Kansas community, with an emphasis on the medically underserved. **Organization:** Vibrant Health; **Address:** 21 N 12th St Suite 400, Kansas City, KS 66102; **Email:** info@vibranthealthkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.vibranthealthkc.org/>

Kansas City Free Health Clinic

Offers a range of health services including general medicine, HIV testing and treatment, and mental health support, with a focus on individuals who do not have access to health services. **Organization:** Kansas City Care Clinic; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** Contact through the website; **Website:** <https://kccare.org/>

Northland Health Care Access

Connects low-income, uninsured individuals to affordable health care services and promotes wellness initiatives in the Northland community of Kansas City. **Organization:** Northland Health Care Access; **Address:** 4820 NW Gateway Ave, Riverside, MO 64150; **Email:** nhca@nhca.org; **Website:** <https://northlandhealthcareaccess.org/>

Kansas City CARE Clinic Mobile Health Services

The Kansas City CARE Clinic offers a mobile health unit that provides medical services, including HIV testing and education, to various locations throughout the community.

Organization: Kansas City CARE Clinic; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111;

Email: info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org/services/mobile/>

Samuel U. Rodgers Mobile Health Unit

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center deploys a Mobile Health Unit to provide a range of healthcare services, such as primary care and chronic disease management, to underserved and vulnerable populations. **Organization:** Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave,

Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** customerservice@rodgershealth.org; **Website:**

<https://www.rodgershealth.org/outreach/mobile>

Swope Health Mobile Medical Unit

Swope Health provides a Mobile Medical Unit to serve communities in need within the Kansas City metropolitan area, offering services like primary care, screenings, and immunizations.

Organization: Swope Health; **Address:** 3801 Blue Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:**

communications@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.swopehealth.org/>

Truman Medical Centers Mobile Market

While primarily focused on providing healthy food options with its Mobile Market, Truman Medical Centers also offers health screenings and education in neighborhoods across Kansas City with a lack of fresh, affordable food. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 2301

Holmes Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Not provided; **Website:**

<https://www.trumed.org/>

Children's Mercy Mobile Health Units

Children's Mercy operates mobile health units providing access to pediatric care, including well-child visits, immunizations, and physicals for underserved children in the community.

Organization: Children's Mercy Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Gillham Road, Kansas City, MO

64108; **Email:** Contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmercy.org/>

University of Kansas Health System Telemedicine Services

Offers a comprehensive telemedicine program serving patients across Kansas with various specialties through video visits. **Organization:** University of Kansas Health System; **Address:**

4000 Cambridge Street, Kansas City, KS 66160; **Email:** telehealth@kumc.edu; **Website:**

<https://www.kansashealthsystem.com/>

Children's Mercy Kansas City Telemedicine

Provides telemedicine services that connect pediatric specialists with patients across the region, including rural areas, for consultations and follow-up care. **Organization:** Children's Mercy

Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Gillham Road, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:**

telemedicine@cmh.edu; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmercy.org/>

Saint Luke's Telemedicine

Saint Luke's offers virtual visits and telehealth consultations for urgent care as well as for primary

and specialty care appointments. **Organization:** Saint Luke's Health System; **Address:** 4401 Wornall Road, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@saint-lukes.org; **Website:** <https://www.saintlukeskc.org/>

Truman Medical Centers/University Health Telehealth Services

This service provides patients with access to their healthcare team through secure video visits for primary care and specialty services. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers/University Health; **Address:** 2301 Holmes Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** patienttelehealth@tmcmed.org; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/>

AdventHealth Shawnee Mission Telemedicine

AdventHealth offers virtual care for urgent needs as well as scheduled virtual appointments with providers, aiming to make healthcare accessible to more people. **Organization:** AdventHealth Shawnee Mission; **Address:** 9100 W. 74th Street, Merriam, KS 66204; **Email:** Contact form on their website; **Website:** <https://www.adventhealth.com/>

Touchdown Family Fest Health & Wellness Fair

An annual event offering free health screenings, children's activities, and wellness information. **Organization:** Arrowhead Events; **Address:** 1 Arrowhead Drive, Kansas City, MO 64129; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.chiefs.com/>

Wyandotte County Community Health Fair

Provides free health screenings, education, and resources related to managing and preventing chronic conditions. **Organization:** Wyandotte County Public Health Department; **Address:** 619 Ann Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.wycokck.org/health>

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center Health Fair

Annual community event with health screenings and family-friendly activities, promoting health and wellness. **Organization:** Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** info@rodgershealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.rodgershealth.org/>

Medical Education and Research Foundation

The foundation supports academic efforts and provides scholarship funds to students who are pursuing healthcare degrees, aiming to bolster the number of qualified healthcare professionals in the region. **Organization:** Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences; **Address:** 1750 Independence Ave, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** communications@kcumb.edu; **Website:** <https://www.kcumb.edu>

LiveWell KC

LiveWell KC is a health education campaign focused on promoting healthier lifestyles and preventive care. The campaign provides resources and information on nutrition, physical activity, and chronic disease prevention. **Organization:** Kansas City Health Department; **Address:** 2400 Troost Ave, Suite 4000, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** health@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/health/livewellkc/>

Immunize KC

This campaign aims to educate the public on the importance of vaccinations and preventive healthcare. It includes information on vaccine schedules for children and adults, as well as resources on where to get immunized. **Organization:** Kansas City Health Department; **Address:** 2400 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** health@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/health/immunizations/>

KC CARE Health Center - Health Education

KC CARE offers local health education campaigns focusing on various issues including HIV/AIDS, chronic diseases, and preventive healthcare. They provide community outreach, education, and resources to access healthcare services. **Organization:** KC CARE Health Center; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org/services/education-prevention/>

Healthy KC

An initiative focused on creating a culture of health and wellness in the Kansas City region. It includes various health education campaigns addressing physical activity, nutrition, tobacco use, behavioral health, and workplace wellness. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; **Address:** 30 West Pershing Road, Suite 301, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contactus@kcchamber.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcchamber.com/>

Comprehensive Mental Health Services

CMHS provides integrated case management to individuals and families dealing with mental health issues, adopting a holistic approach to address the array of challenges they face. **Organization:** Comprehensive Mental Health Services, Inc.; **Address:** 17844 E 23rd St, Independence, MO 64057, United States; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.thecmhs.com/>

MOCSA

Offers counseling, support groups, and advocacy services focused on victims of sexual abuse and assault. **Organization:** Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA); **Address:** 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://mocsa.org>

Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health

Provides a variety of mental health services including some that are subsidized for the underinsured or uninsured. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 300 W. 19th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/services/behavioral-health/>

Tri-County Mental Health Services

Offers a variety of services, including mental health counseling, substance abuse treatment, community support, and education to improve the lives of those in the community. **Organization:** Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St #1001, Kansas City, MO 64119, United States; **Email:** info@tri-countymhs.org; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org/>

ReDiscover

ReDiscover offers mental health services and support on a sliding scale fee to individuals based on their income to ensure affordability. **Organization:** ReDiscover; **Address:** 901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.rediscovermh.org/>

Swope Health Services

Offering behavioral health services including individual and group therapy, psychiatric services, and substance abuse treatment to the community with a sliding fee scale. **Organization:** Swope Health; **Address:** 3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Email:** feedback@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://swopehealth.org/services/behavioral-health/>

Rose Brooks Center

Rose Brooks Center offers support groups for individuals affected by domestic violence, helping participants in their healing journey through mutual support. **Organization:** Rose Brooks Center; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/our-services/>

Synergy Services

Provides individual and family counseling, crisis intervention, and support for those affected by violence and abuse. **Organization:** Synergy Services, Inc.; **Address:** 400 E. 6th Street, Parkville, MO 64152; **Email:** info@synergyservices.org; **Website:** <https://www.synergyservices.org>

Jewish Family Services

Offers counseling services, education, and support to anyone in need regardless of their background. **Organization:** Jewish Family Services; **Address:** 5801 W 115th St., Suite 103, Overland Park, KS 66211; **Email:** info@jfskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.jfskc.org>

Kansas City Medicine Cabinet

Provides short-term emergency medical assistance to those in need within the Kansas City region, covering expenses such as prescriptions, dental emergencies, durable medical equipment, and diabetic supplies. **Organization:** Kansas City's Medicine Cabinet; **Address:** 1112 Broadway Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@medcab.org; **Website:** <http://kcsmedicinecabinet.org/>

Safety Net Clinic Fund

The Fund helps support a network of clinics that provide healthcare at no cost or on a sliding scale to uninsured and underinsured individuals. **Organization:** Health Care Foundation of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 2700 East 18th Street, Suite 220, Kansas City, MO 64127; **Email:** info@hcfgkc.org; **Website:** <https://hcfgkc.org/safety-net-clinic-fund/>

Hero Fund

Assists families in the Kansas City area when they face unexpected medical crises and helps cover costs not paid for by other programs. **Organization:** Hero Fund USA; **Address:** PO Box 7474, Lee's Summit, MO 64064; **Email:** contact@herofundusa.org; **Website:** <https://www.herofundusa.org/>

Emergency Assistance Fund

The program offers emergency financial assistance for rent, utilities, and medical expenses to individuals and families experiencing a financial crisis. **Organization:** Jewish Vocational Service; **Address:** 4600 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@jvskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.jvskc.org/>

Sliding Fee Discount Program

Truman Medical Centers offer a Sliding Fee Discount Program to help lower the cost for medical services for eligible patients. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 2301 Holmes Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Not Publicly Available; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/>

Healthcare for the Homeless

The Healthcare for the Homeless Program (HCHP) provides healthcare services on a sliding fee scale to homeless individuals in Kansas City. **Organization:** Kansas City Health Department; **Address:** 2400 Troost Ave, Suite #1200, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Not Publicly Available; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Sliding Fee Scale Program

Swope Health provides a sliding fee scale to reduce healthcare costs based on income and family size for uninsured and under-insured patients. **Organization:** Swope Health; **Address:** 3801 Blue Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://swopehealth.org/>

JayDoc Free Clinic

The JayDoc Free Clinic operates through the University of Kansas Medical Center and offers health services with a sliding fee scale for those who have limited access to healthcare. **Organization:** JayDoc Free Clinic; **Address:** 300 Southwest Boulevard, Kansas City, KS 66103; **Email:** info@jaydocfreeclinic.org; **Website:** <http://www.jaydocfreeclinic.org/>

Sliding Fee Schedule

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center offers a Sliding Fee Schedule to provide reduced-cost healthcare services based on income and family size. **Organization:** Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** contactus@rodgershealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.rodgershealth.org/patient-info/cost-for-services>

Kansas City Mobile Market

Kansas City Mobile Market is a partnership between Truman Medical Centers and the Health Sciences District which provides a mobile grocery store that delivers fresh food directly to urban neighborhoods. It focuses on providing healthy, affordable food options. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 2301 Holmes Street, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/>

Healthy Harvest Mobile Market

The Healthy Harvest Mobile Market by University Health offers a variety of fresh fruits,

vegetables, and other staples. It operates throughout several locations in the Kansas City area, targeting food deserts and under-served communities. **Organization:** University Health; **Address:** 2101 Charlotte Street, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.universityhealthkc.org/>

Rolling Grocer

The Rolling Grocer is a mobile grocery initiative by the non-profit organization After the Harvest which focuses on providing fresh produce and shelf-stable goods to neighborhoods with limited access to healthy food options. **Organization:** After the Harvest; **Address:** 406 W. 34th Street #816, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** info@aftertheharvestkc.org; **Website:** <https://aftertheharvestkc.org/>

KC Food Co-Op

A local food cooperative that works to provide fresh, local, and affordable food to the Kansas City community. They emphasize organic and natural products and aim to support small farmers and producers. **Organization:** Kansas City Food Cooperative; **Address:** Location not fixed – operates at various pop-up locations ; **Email:** info@kcfoodcoop.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcfoodcoop.com/>

The Merc Co+op

A community-owned cooperative that has been providing organic and natural products for several decades. Their efforts focus on ethical sourcing, local produce, and community engagement. **Organization:** The Merc Co+op; **Address:** 501 Minnesota Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@themerc.coop; **Website:** <https://www.themerc.coop/>

Ivanhoe Farmers Market

A community-driven market that serves as a platform for local growers and producers, aiming to make fresh, local food accessible. **Organization:** Ivanhoe Neighborhood Council; **Address:** 3700 Woodland Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@ivanhoeneighborhood.org; **Website:** <https://www.ivanhoeneighborhood.org/farmers-market>

Cultivate Kansas City

Cultivate Kansas City is a nonprofit organization that works to grow food, farms, and communities for a healthier local food system. They operate urban farms that transform vacant lots into vibrant agricultural sites. **Organization:** 4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106; **Address:** 4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106; **Email:** info@cultivatekc.org; **Website:** <http://www.cultivatekc.org>

Kansas City Community Gardens

Kansas City Community Gardens assists individuals, schools, and community groups in the Kansas City area to grow their own vegetables and fruit by providing affordable resources. They offer community garden and orchard plots as well as technical assistance. **Organization:** 6917 Kensington Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Address:** 6917 Kensington Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** contactus@kccg.org; **Website:** <https://kccg.org/>

BoysGrow

BoysGrow utilizes urban farming to teach entrepreneurial skills to urban youth. On their farms, the organization trains young men in agriculture as well as in the development and marketing of farm products. **Organization:** 9301 Eastern Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64138; **Address:** 9301 Eastern Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64138; **Email:** info@boysgrow.com; **Website:** <http://boysgrow.com/>

The Urban Farming Guys

The Urban Farming Guys is a group dedicated to helping develop sustainable communities, with a focus on food autonomy and education. Their urban farms not only produce food but also serve as centers for education and community building. **Organization:** 3700 E. 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64127; **Address:** 3700 E. 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64127; **Email:** info@theurbanfarmingguys.com; **Website:** <https://theurbanfarmingguys.com/>

Gibbs Road Farm

Run by Cultivate Kansas City, the Gibbs Road Farm is a certified organic farm that operates on 2.5 acres in Kansas City. The farm is a model for urban agriculture and a place for training new farmers. **Organization:** 4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106; **Address:** 4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106; **Email:** info@cultivatekc.org; **Website:** <http://www.cultivatekc.org/gibbs-road-farm/>

Cultivate Kansas City

Cultivate Kansas City operates urban farms to increase local food production and works with partner organizations to support food access in underserved communities. They advocate for a local food system that sustains both the health of the land and the people who live on it. **Organization:** Cultivate Kansas City; **Address:** 4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106; **Email:** info@cultivatekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.cultivatekc.org/>

Kansas City Community Gardens

KCCG supports community gardening by helping to provide resources for individuals and groups to grow their own food. This initiative aims to improve access to fresh produce in underserved areas by offering low-cost gardening opportunities. **Organization:** Kansas City Community Gardens; **Address:** 6917 Kensington Ave, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** contact@kccg.org; **Website:** <https://kccg.org/>

BoysGrow

BoysGrow is a nonprofit that provides mentorship and teaches urban farming, entrepreneurship, and culinary arts to young men in the Kansas City area. The organization empowers participants by teaching them how to cultivate and prepare healthy food. **Organization:** BoysGrow; **Address:** 9301 East 147th Street, Kansas City, MO 64149; **Email:** info@boysgrow.com; **Website:** <https://boysgrow.com>

After the Harvest

After the Harvest rescues surplus fruits and vegetables from farms, gardens, and markets to prevent waste and address food access issues. They distribute the produce to agencies, including food banks and community kitchens, thus improving access to nutritious food for those in need.

Organization: After the Harvest; **Address:** 406 W. 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@aftertheharvestkc.org; **Website:** <https://aftertheharvestkc.org/>

HappyBottoms

Though not directly focused on nutritional education, HappyBottoms provides diapers to low-income families and partners with local organizations to offer various educational programs, potentially including nutrition and health-related education. **Organization:** HappyBottoms; **Address:** 303 W. 79th Street, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** happybottoms.org; **Website:** <https://www.happybottoms.org>

Double Up Food Bucks

This program provides a dollar-for-dollar match for SNAP beneficiaries. When SNAP shoppers spend \$1 on any SNAP-eligible item, they earn \$1 for fresh fruits and vegetables. **Organization:** Double Up Heartland Collaborative; **Address:** 1044 Main Street, #200. Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@doubleupheartland.org; **Website:** <https://www.doubleupheartland.org/>

Beans&Greens

Beans&Greens matches SNAP, Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program vouchers, and WIC at participating market locations, providing incentives for those using federal nutrition benefits to buy local produce. **Organization:** Menorah Heritage Foundation; **Address:** 5801 West 115th Street, Suite 104 Overland Park, KS 66211; **Email:** info@mhfkansas.org; **Website:** <https://www.beansandgreens.org/>

KC Farm School at Gibbs Road SNAP Match

At KC Farm School at Gibbs Road, they match SNAP dollars spent at the farm stand – providing an incentive for low-income families to access fresh and local produce. **Organization:** KC Farm School at Gibbs Road; **Address:** 4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106; **Email:** info@kcfarmschool.org; **Website:** <http://kcfarmschool.org/>

Urban Agriculture Incentive Zones

Kansas City has explored policies to establish Urban Agriculture Incentive Zones, to support local growers and alleviate food deserts through local production. **Organization:** Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** actioncenter@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Healthy Corner Store initiative

The Healthy Corner Store initiative converts local corner stores into places where fresh produce and healthier food options are available. **Organization:** Nurture KC - Community Health Strategies; **Address:** 1111 Grand Blvd, Suite 250, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@nurturekc.org; **Website:** <https://nurturekc.org/>

New Market Tax Credit

Utilizes the New Market Tax Credit program to incentivize grocery store development in underserved areas by providing tax credits to investors. **Organization:** AltCap; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@alt-cap.org; **Website:** <https://www.alt-cap.org/>

Kansas City Food Hub

Works to connect small local farms with larger markets like restaurants, institutions, and grocery stores in the Kansas City region. **Organization:** Cultivate KC; **Address:** 4223 Gibbs Road, Kansas City, KS 66106; **Email:** info@cultivatekc.org; **Website:** <http://www.cultivatekc.org/kansas-city-food-hub/>

Good Food Purchasing Program

This program encourages large institutions to purchase locally sourced, sustainable, and fair food, thereby supporting local farmers and making healthy food more accessible. **Organization:** Kansas City Food Policy Coalition; **Address:** Not specified; **Email:** info@kcfpc.org; **Website:** <https://kcfpc.org/initiatives/good-food-purchasing-program/>

Kansas City Food Policy Coalition

An organization that brings together key stakeholders to address food access and nutrition issues in Kansas City. Their goals include increasing the availability of healthy food, supporting local farmers and food businesses, and advocating for policies that lead to a sustainable and equitable food system. **Organization:** Kansas City Food Policy Coalition; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kcfpc.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcfpc.org>

After the Harvest

After the Harvest rescues surplus fruits and vegetables from farms, gardens, and markets to prevent waste and address food access issues. They distribute the produce to agencies, including food banks and community kitchens, thus improving access to nutritious food for those in need. **Organization:** After the Harvest; **Address:** 406 W. 34th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@aftertheharvestkc.org; **Website:** <https://aftertheharvestkc.org/>

Cultivate Kansas City

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Kansas City Food Zone Initiative

The Food Zone Overlay District is a zoning tool used by the City of Kansas City to incentivize grocery store operators to locate in parts of the city where access to fresh foods is limited. Businesses in Food Zones may qualify for various incentives, including a streamlined development plan review process and potential property tax abatement. **Organization:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** planninginfo@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/planning/food-access-in-kansas-city/>

Urban Agriculture Zoning Codes

The City Planning and Development Department of Kansas City has established zoning codes that promote urban agriculture. While not a direct incentive for supermarkets, these codes facilitate the presence of local fresh food markets and could potentially be used in tandem with supermarket incentives in underserved areas. **Organization:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO

64106; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** planninginfo@kcmo.org;
Website: <http://kcmo.gov/planning/urban-agriculture/>

Healthy Food Financing Initiative (HFFI)

Though not limited to Kansas City, the HFFI is a national effort supported by local community development corporations like Community Capital Fund which provides financial resources that encourage the establishment of healthy food retailers in areas that lack such businesses. The organization offers grants, loans, and technical assistance to attract grocers to food deserts.

Organization: 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@ccfkansascity.org; **Website:** <https://www.ccfkansascity.org/>

Healthy Corner Store Initiative

The Healthy Corner Store Initiative is designed to increase the availability of healthy food options in underserved areas, known as food deserts, by assisting small local stores in offering fresh produce and whole foods. **Organization:** KC Healthy Kids; **Address:** 650 Minnesota Avenue, Suite M, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@kchealthykids.org; **Website:** <https://kchealthykids.org/>

RideKC

RideKC offers an extensive network of bus routes and provides transportation options, including a ride-share service called RideKC Freedom. This service aims to enhance mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities, offering accessible options to reach education, employment, healthcare, and social services. **Organization:** KCATA (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customerfeedback@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org>

CarGo

CarGo is an on-demand, ride-sharing service that connects riders with drivers through a mobile app. It primarily serves the Kansas City area and offers an affordable and convenient mode of transportation, which can benefit residents traveling to various destinations including work and educational centers. **Organization:** CarGo; **Address:** Not specified; **Email:** support@gocargo.io; **Website:** <https://gocargo.io>

Bridj

Bridj was a partnership with Ford that used shuttle services offering a network of high-frequency transit routes tailored to the community's needs. Although Bridj no longer operates, it was an effort to implement a community-based ride-sharing service in Kansas City. **Organization:** Bridj (no longer operational); **Address:** Previously serviced Kansas City area; **Email:** Not available; **Website:** Not available

10/10 Taxi

Affordable, neighborhood-focused taxi service that can be considered as a shuttle alternative. Especially beneficial for shorter trips around Kansas City. **Organization:** 10/10 Taxi; **Address:** 1300 Lydia Ave, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <http://1010taxi.com/location/kansas-city/>

BikeWalkKC

BikeWalkKC offers a community-based bike sharing program called Kansas City BCycle, which provides an alternative mode of transportation that is healthy, convenient, and eco-friendly. With numerous stations across the city, residents can pick up and drop off bicycles for short trips.

Organization: BikeWalkKC; **Address:** 1106 E. 30th St., Suite G, Kansas City, MO 64109;

Email: info@bikewalkkc.org; **Website:** <https://bikewalkkc.org/>

816 Bicycle Collective

816 Bicycle Collective is a non-profit, volunteer-run community bike shop in Kansas City. They provide free bicycles and parts to community members and help with repairs to encourage cycling as a mode of transportation. **Organization:** 816 Bicycle Collective; **Address:** Not Provided;

Email: info@816bike.org; **Website:** <https://816bike.org/>

Revolve KC

Revolve KC is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing affordable transportation by recycling and distributing bicycles to those in need. They have programs such as Earn-a-Bike and Fix-a-Bike that offer free or low-cost bicycles to Kansas City residents. **Organization:** Revolve KC; **Address:** 5534 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@revolvekc.org; **Website:** <https://revolvekc.org/>

RideKC Development Corporation

RideKC Development Corporation, under the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA), focuses on creating robust transit-oriented developments to enhance the public transit experience. **Organization:** RideKC Development; **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@kcata.org; **Website:** N/A

KC Streetcar

The KC Streetcar project is part of the city's effort to improve public transportation within the downtown corridor. The KC Streetcar Authority, Inc. advocates for the streetcar's expansion and integration with other transit options. **Organization:** KC Streetcar Authority, Inc.; **Address:** 600 E. 3rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@kcstreetcar.org; **Website:** N/A

Transit Action Network (TAN)

TAN is a grassroots organization that advocates for improved public transit in the Kansas City region, promoting better service, expanded coverage, and policy reforms within public transportation agencies. **Organization:** Transit Action Network; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** N/A

BikeWalkKC

BikeWalkKC offers a community-based bike sharing program called Kansas City BCycle, which provides an alternative mode of transportation that is healthy, convenient, and eco-friendly. With numerous stations across the city, residents can pick up and drop off bicycles for short trips.

Organization: BikeWalkKC; **Address:** 1106 E. 30th St., Suite G, Kansas City, MO 64109;

Email: info@bikewalkkc.org; **Website:** <https://bikewalkkc.org/>

RideShare

RideShare is a carpooling and vanpooling service in Kansas City that offers a platform to connect individuals who wish to share rides to various destinations, including work and school.

Organization: Mid-America Regional Council; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** rideshare@marc.org; **Website:** <http://www.marc.org/>

KC Streetcar Authority

Though not limited to employer-sponsored solutions, the KC Streetcar Authority works actively with businesses along its route to facilitate easy transit access for their employees, potentially mitigating the need for separate company shuttles. **Organization:** KC Streetcar; **Address:** 600 E. 3rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** ; **Website:** <https://kcstreetcar.org/>

RideKC Employer Programs

The RideKC transit service offers various employer programs, including bulk pass programs and transit subsidies, which enable local businesses to provide discounted or free transportation options for their employees. **Organization:** RideKC; **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Use contact form on website; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/>

Bridj

Although it may not be active now or future availability can change, Bridj had teamed up with Ford to provide an on-demand microtransit shuttle service, which employers could consider as part of their transportation solutions for employees. **Organization:** Bridj (Partnership with Ford no longer active); **Address:** N/A - Service no longer operates in Kansas City; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** N/A

RideKC

RideKC is not a dedicated carpool mobile app, but rather a regional transit initiative that includes a comprehensive ride-sharing service. It provides resources for individuals to find carpool, vanpool, and other transportation options in the Kansas City area. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customer@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/>

Carpool World

Although not exclusively for Kansas City, Carpool World is a platform that includes a section for Kansas City commuters. Users can register their trip details and find matches for ride-sharing, potentially in real-time as the service allows users to input when they are traveling.

Organization: Carpool World; **Address:** Not Applicable (Online Service); **Email:** info@carpoolworld.com; **Website:** <https://www.carpoolworld.com/>

Waze Carpool

Though Waze Carpool is a global service, it's available in Kansas City to match drivers and riders for carpooling. Users can join as a driver or rider and use the mobile app to arrange one-time or reoccurring rides based on real-time availability. **Organization:** Waze Inc.; **Address:** Not Applicable (Service provided by a mobile app); **Email:** via support request on the app; **Website:** <https://www.waze.com/carpool>

RideKC Transit Education Program

RideKC offers a Transit Education Program designed to help residents learn how to use the city's transit system. The program includes free group presentations, travel training, and informational material to schools, businesses, and community organizations. **Organization:** RideKC; **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customer service at customerservice@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/>

BikeWalkKC Education and Outreach

While primarily focused on pedestrian and cycling education, BikeWalkKC occasionally offers educational programs that incorporate public transit usage, especially in relation to multi-modal commuting. **Organization:** BikeWalkKC; **Address:** 1106 E. 30th Street, Suite G, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@bikewalkkc.org; **Website:** <https://bikewalkkc.org/education/>

KCATA Travel Training

The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA) offers travel training to teach seniors, people with disabilities, and others how to ride the bus. This includes understanding schedules, planning trips, and learning about accessibility features. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1350 E. 17th St., Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** http://www.kcata.org/rider_guide/travel_training

Kansas City Downtown Streetcar

The Kansas City Streetcar project represents a collaboration between the city and urban planners in providing a transportation solution catering to the needs of individuals in the downtown area. **Organization:** Kansas City Streetcar Authority; **Address:** 600 E. 3rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@kcstreetcar.org; **Website:** <http://kcstreetcar.org/>

KC Spirit Playbook

This is a comprehensive update to the City's comprehensive plans. It's a collaborative project that considers transportation as a critical component of neighborhood planning. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri - City Planning & Development; **Address:** City Hall, 15th floor, 414 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** planninginfo@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/city-planning-development/kc-spirit-playbook>

Midtown/Plaza Area Plan

Designated as a guide for development and further planning, this plan covers transportation improvements and other neighborhood elements in the Midtown/Plaza area of Kansas City. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri - City Planning & Development; **Address:** City Hall, 15th floor, 414 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** planninginfo@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Greater Downtown Area Plan

Intending to guide future development, including transportation networks, this plan focuses on the unique requirements of Kansas City's downtown area. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri - City Planning & Development; **Address:** City Hall, 15th floor, 414 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** planninginfo@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

North Kansas City Bicycle Master Plan

Collaboration between North Kansas City and local stakeholders to create a comprehensive bicycle plan tailored to the broad community needs, including connectivity and safety.

Organization: North Kansas City; **Address:** 2010 Howell St., North Kansas City, MO 64116;

Email: N/A; **Website:** <http://www.nkc.org/>

Harvesters – The Community Food Network

The organization's Mobile Food Pantry brings nutritious food to communities that have limited access to groceries. **Organization:** Harvesters – The Community Food Network; **Address:** 3801

Topping Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64129; **Email:** info@harvesters.org; **Website:**

<https://www.harvesters.org/>

United Way of Greater Kansas City

The United Way of Greater Kansas City conducts fundraising campaigns that support a wide range of services, including housing assistance programs. They allocate donated funds to various charities across the region. **Organization:** United Way of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 801 W

47th Street, Suite 500, Kansas City, MO 64112, United States; **Email:**

unitedwaygkc@uwgkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.unitedwaygkc.org/>

Restart Inc.

reStart Inc. provides housing and supportive services to help homeless individuals and families move toward independence and self-sufficiency. Their community outreach extends to various programs tailored to meet the needs of different groups such as youth, families, and veterans.

Organization: reStart Inc.; **Address:** 918 E. 9th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:**

info@restartinc.org; **Website:** <http://www.restartinc.org>

Mattie Rhodes Center

Supports the artistic development of youth and adults in the community through cultural programming, including art classes and cultural events celebrating Latinx heritage.

Organization: Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United

States; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <https://www.mattierhodes.org>

KC Common Good

KC Common Good works to create safe and prosperous communities by connecting disparate groups across the city to resources, opportunities, and a shared vision of a peaceful Kansas City. Their outreach efforts aim at reducing violence and promoting the common good. **Organization:**

KC Common Good; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd., Suite 1234, Kansas City, MO 64111;

Email: info@kccommongood.org; **Website:** <https://www.kccommongood.org>

The Kansas City Health Department

Community engagement and outreach are vital to the work of the Kansas City Health Department. They offer resources and support addressing health disparities and social

determinants of health affecting impoverished communities. **Organization:** The Kansas City

Health Department; **Address:** 2400 Troost Ave., Suite 1000, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:**

health@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/health>

Affordable Housing Program

The program focuses on developing mixed-income housing to meet the needs of residents across various income levels, emphasizing affordability, diversity, and inclusion. **Organization:** Kansas City Department of Housing and Community Development; **Address:** City Hall, 414 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** HousingDept@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/housing-services>

Kansas City Public Schools Education Foundation

The foundation invests in the Kansas City public schools, aiming to provide equitable resources for students. They may offer scholarships and support mentorship programs to help students in impoverished neighborhoods. **Organization:** KCPS Education Foundation; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@kcpsfoundation.org; **Website:** <https://kcpsfoundation.org/>

SchoolSmartKC

Working to eliminate the achievement gap in Kansas City schools by providing funding and strategic support to drive student achievement. **Organization:** SchoolSmartKC; **Address:** 4747 Troost Avenue, Suite 204, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@schoolsmartkc.org; **Website:** <http://www.schoolsmartkc.org>

Kauffman Scholars

The Kauffman Scholars program is a long-term academic and life skills support program for low-income students in the Kansas City area. This initiative is a partnership between the public school districts, private philanthropy, and community programs aimed at increasing college access for underserved students. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/>

Turn the Page KC

A citywide effort that brings attention to educational resources and tutoring programs aimed at improving literacy for children, focusing on third-grade reading proficiency. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.turnthepagekc.org/>

PREP-KC

PREP-KC provides programs designed to improve college readiness and success for low-income students in Kansas City, including mentoring and support initiatives. **Organization:** Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation – Kansas City; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** contact@prep-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.prep-kc.org/>

KC BizCare Office

A business customer service center for the City of Kansas City, Mo., providing information and assistance to current and prospective business owners. **Organization:** Kansas City BizCare; **Address:** 1118 Oak Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** bizcare@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Fairfax Industrial Association Economic Development

Focused on strengthening and promoting economic vitality in the Fairfax District through business services, advocacy, and workforce development. **Organization:** Fairfax Industrial Association; **Address:** 704 Sunshine Rd, Kansas City, KS 66115; **Email:** execdirector@fiackck.org; **Website:** <https://fiackck.org/>

Entrepreneurial Workforce Development Program

Providing individuals with the skills and knowledge required to start and run their own business including training, mentorship, and networking opportunities. **Organization:** Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** webmaster@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/>

Small Business Microloan Program

Designed to provide microloans to help small businesses startup or expand. The program is focused on minority and women-owned businesses in various districts. **Organization:** AltCap; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@alt-cap.org; **Website:** <https://www.alt-cap.org/>

KCSOURCELINK

KCSOURCELINK connects entrepreneurs to the right resources at the right time. It offers a network of over 240 business-building organizations, as well as personalized guidance through its hotline and online portal. **Organization:** KCSOURCELINK; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcsourcelink.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcsourcelink.com/>

Urban Business Growth Initiative

Provides entrepreneurship education and training scholarships to businesses in urban areas of Kansas City to help with startup and growth. **Organization:** UMKC Innovation Center; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** webmaster@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.umkc.edu/>

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center Mobile Clinic

Provides primary and preventive care services directly in communities with limited healthcare access. Services include adult and pediatric primary care, dental care, behavioral health, and women's health services. **Organization:** Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** info@rodgershealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.rodgershealth.org/mobile-health-services>

Kansas City CARE Clinic

The Kansas City CARE Clinic is one of the oldest and largest free health clinics in the country. They provide a broad array of services including medical, dental, behavioral health, and pharmaceutical care to underinsured and uninsured individuals. **Organization:** Kansas City CARE Clinic; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org>

Swope Health Mobile Medical Unit

Swope Health provides a Mobile Medical Unit to serve communities in need within the Kansas

City metropolitan area, offering services like primary care, screenings, and immunizations.

Organization: Swope Health; **Address:** 3801 Blue Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** communications@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.swopehealth.org/>

Truman Medical Centers Mobile Market

While focused on fresh food access, this mobile market often includes access to health screenings and education on site, often in partnership with other health providers. **Organization:** Truman Medical Center (TMC); **Address:** 2301 Holmes Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** communications@tmcmed.org; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/>

Kansas City Health Department Community Engagement

Features various health initiatives, including community health fairs, immunization clinics, and mobile dental programs, to provide healthcare resources in underserved areas. **Organization:** Kansas City, Missouri Health Department; **Address:** 2400 Troost Ave, Suite 4000, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Health@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/health/>

Score 1 for Health

A program aimed at providing free health screenings and follow-up care resources to children in underserved areas through a partnership with local healthcare providers. **Organization:** Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences; **Address:** 1750 Independence Ave, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** Please use the web page's contact form; **Website:** <https://www.kcu.edu/>

KCATA Zero Fare Transit

The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA) offers fare-free rides on all buses to eliminate cost barriers for riders, increasing accessibility to employment and essential services for low-income residents. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** customer service at ; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/>

Prospect MAX Bus Rapid Transit

This project introduced a new Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line along Prospect Avenue, which includes transit signal priority, Wi-Fi on board, and interactive kiosks at MAX stations.

Organization: Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customerfeedback@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://www.ridekc.org/>

RideKC Freedom

This paratransit service offers door-to-door rides for individuals with disabilities to ensure equal access to transportation around the Kansas City area. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** customer service at ; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/>

RideKC Bike & Scooter Program

RideKC Bike and Scooter is a unified mobility program that integrates bike-sharing and electric scooters into the transit network, offering an affordable and convenient transportation option for short trips and first/last mile connections. **Organization:** BikeWalkKC; **Address:** 1106 E. 30th

Street, Suite G, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** ; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/>

Connecting Housing to Opportunity

This initiative seeks to provide better transportation options for residents of affordable housing to reach employment, education, and healthcare opportunities. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City LISC (Local Initiatives Support Corporation); **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 280, Kansas City, MO 64105, USA; **Email:** Please use the contact form on their website.; **Website:** <https://www.lisc.org/>

Kansas City No Violence Alliance (KC NoVA)

KC NoVA is a collaboration between law enforcement, social services, and the community to reduce violence in Kansas City through a focused deterrence strategy. The initiative concentrates on building trust between police and the community by directly engaging with individuals who are at a high risk of offending or being victimized. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** kcpdcommunity@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://kcpd.org>

Community Interaction Officers (CIO)

CIOs are assigned to work with community members, businesses, and organizations to solve problems and enhance trust within the community. They focus on non-emergency situations to build long-term relationships. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** kcpdcommunityinteraction@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://kcpd.org/>

Aim4Peace

Aim4Peace is a violence prevention program that uses a public health approach to stop the spread of violent behavior. In collaboration with the Kansas City Police Department, the program identifies and intervenes with individuals most at risk for being involved in violence, addressing underlying issues like substance abuse. **Organization:** Kansas City Health Department; **Address:** 2400 Troost Ave, Suite 3600, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** aim4peace@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/health/aim4peace/>

The Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA)

MOCSA works with law enforcement and community organizations to address sexual violence through advocacy, education, and prevention efforts. Their work with law enforcement includes training officers in trauma-informed responses to support building trust with survivors in the community. **Organization:** The Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd, Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://mocsa.org>

Kansas City Ethnic Enrichment Festival

An annual event that celebrates cultural diversity with various ethnicities represented through food, crafts, and performances. **Organization:** Ethnic Enrichment Commission of Kansas City; **Address:** 4600 East 63rd St, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** eec@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://eeckc.org/>

Kansas City Irish Fest

A festival that celebrates Irish culture with music, storytelling, dancing, and food. **Organization:** Kansas City Irish Fest; **Address:** Crown Center Square, 2450 Grand Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@kcirishfest.com; **Website:** <https://kcirishfest.com/>

Fiesta Hispana Kansas City

This event showcases Hispanic culture with music, food, and dance, promoting the wealth of Hispanic cultural presence in Kansas City. **Organization:** Hispanic Heritage Committee; **Address:** 600 Broadway Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@fiestahispanakc.com; **Website:** <http://fiestahispanakc.com/>

JuneteenthKC Heritage Festival

A celebration to commemorate African American freedom and emphasize education and achievement. **Organization:** JuneteenthKC; **Address:** N/A - Event takes place in the Historic 18th & Vine Jazz District; **Email:** info@juneteenth-kc.com; **Website:** <https://www.juneteenth-kc.com/>

Festival of Nations

This event celebrates Kansas City's cultural diversity with a variety of performances, food, and arts. **Organization:** National World War I Museum and Memorial; **Address:** 2 Memorial Dr, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@theworldwar.org; **Website:** <https://www.theworldwar.org/>

Participatory Budgeting KC

Residents of Kansas City, MO, have the opportunity to directly influence the city budget through Participatory Budgeting, where community members decide how to allocate a part of the municipal budget through collaborative decision-making. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 414 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** 3-1-1@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

KC Rising

A regional effort aimed at long-term economic growth across the Kansas City metro that includes initiatives for public-private partnerships and promotes equitable opportunities across diverse communities. **Organization:** KC Rising; **Address:** 4060 Pennsylvania Ave #150, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** info@kcrising.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcrising.com/>

The Kansas City Streetcar

A public-private partnership project that included various stakeholders to develop a streetcar line, improving urban mobility and connecting diverse communities in the downtown Kansas City area. **Organization:** Kansas City Streetcar Authority; **Address:** 600 E. 3rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** info@kcstreetcar.org; **Website:** <https://kcstreetcar.org/>

East Side Commercial Corridor

A financial initiative that uses a public-private partnership model to reinvest in and revitalize East Side commercial corridors, aiming to support economic development in historically underinvested areas. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, MO; **Address:** 414 E. 12th Street,

Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** actioncenter@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

LaunchKC

A public-private partnership initiative that focuses on attracting tech entrepreneurs to Kansas City, promoting innovation, and creating jobs in various communities by providing grants and resources. **Organization:** LaunchKC; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St, Suite #1700, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** info@launchkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.launchkc.org/>

Urban Neighborhood Initiative

This initiative works on transforming urban core neighborhoods into vibrant communities through a collaborative public-private partnership approach, addressing housing, education, health, and safety. **Organization:** Urban Neighborhood Initiative; **Address:** 3031 Holmes Street, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** info@uni-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.uni-kc.org/>

Kansas City Police Department's Community Policing

The Kansas City Police Department works closely with community members to improve trust and cooperation. They engage in various community outreach efforts, such as attending neighborhood meetings, hosting community events, and maintaining a presence in local schools through the School Resource Officers program. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** kcpdcommunityinteraction@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/community>

No Violence Alliance (KC NoVA)

A collaboration between the police, community, and social services dedicated to reducing violence in Kansas City. NoVA uses a focused-deterrence model of policing, where they identify and offer social services to those most likely to be involved in violence, and if necessary, legal action. **Organization:** Kansas City No Violence Alliance; **Address:** Unknown; **Email:** Unknown; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

AdHoc Group Against Crime - Community Liaison Officers

AdHoc partners with the KCPD to place community liaison officers in neighborhoods. These officers work to bridge the gap between law enforcement and the community, fostering better communication and addressing community concerns. **Organization:** AdHoc Group Against Crime; **Address:** 3116 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64128; **Email:** contactus@adhocgroupkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.adhocgroupkc.com/what-we-do/>

AIM4Peace

An evidence-based public health approach to violence prevention that includes the Kansas City Police officers engaging with community health workers to reduce conflict and teach problem-solving skills in the community. **Organization:** Kansas City, Missouri Health Department - AIM4Peace; **Address:** 2400 Troost Ave., Suite 3600, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** health@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/health/aim4peace/>

Community Interaction Officers (CIOs)

Each patrol division has CIOs assigned to engage with community members, attend

neighborhood meetings, support local events, and be a point of contact for residents to discuss non-emergency issues involving the community and police. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** kcpdcommunityinteraction@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Bias Training for Law Enforcement

The Kansas City Missouri Police Department (KCPD) has Incorporated Fair and Impartial Policing practices within Structural Racism aiming to provide officers with tools and training to be aware of biases. **Organization:** Kansas City Missouri Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** kcpdmedia@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Bias Training for Law Enforcement

Johnson County Sheriff's Office conducts annual legal-based training that includes fair and impartial policing practices. **Organization:** Johnson County Sheriff's Office; **Address:** 588 E Santa Fe St, Olathe, KS 66061; **Email:** sheriff@jocogov.org; **Website:** <https://jocogov.org/dept/sheriff-office/home>

Bias Training for Law Enforcement

The Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA) offers training to law enforcement on trauma-informed response which includes understanding biases. **Organization:** Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA); **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd., Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** mocsa@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://www.mocsa.org/>

Jackson County Public Defender Office Funding

Increased annual budget allocation for the Jackson County Public Defender office to enhance their capacity to provide legal defense for indigent persons. **Organization:** Jackson County Public Defender Office; **Address:** 1305 Locust St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.publicdefender.mo.gov/>

Legal Aid of Western Missouri

Provides legal assistance to low-income individuals in civil cases, complementing the criminal defense provided by public defenders. **Organization:** Legal Aid of Western Missouri; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 300, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Email:** contactus@lawmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.lawmo.org/>

Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Foundation

Through its Military Matters program, the Foundation supports veterans who may otherwise fail to receive legal representation. **Organization:** Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Foundation; **Address:** 2300 Main St, Suite 100, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** foundation@kcmbf.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmbf.org/>

UMKC School of Law Public Defender Clinic

The University of Missouri Kansas City School of Law operates a clinic where law students work alongside public defenders to gain experience and bolster the workforce. **Organization:** University of Missouri Kansas City School of Law; **Address:** 500 E 52nd St, Kansas City, MO

64110, United States; **Email:** umkclaw@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://law.umkc.edu/experiential-learning/clinics/public-defender-clinic/>

Missouri State Public Defender System Improvements

State legislative efforts have aimed to increase funding and resources for Missouri's Public Defender System, which includes services in Kansas City. **Organization:** Missouri State Public Defender System; **Address:** Woodrail Centre 1000 West Nifong, Building 7, Suite 100, Columbia, MO 65203, United States; **Email:** mspdservice@publicdefender.mo.gov; **Website:** <https://www.publicdefender.mo.gov/>

Diversity Recruitment within Kansas City Police Department

The Kansas City Police Department (KCPD) has been working to diversify its workforce to better reflect the city's demographics through various recruitment initiatives. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** kcpdmedia@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/careers/>

Diverse Judges Appointment

The judicial system in Kansas City has made efforts to appoint judges from diverse backgrounds to the bench, in order to reflect the community's demographics more accurately. **Organization:** 16th Judicial Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri; **Address:** 415 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.16thcircuit.org/>

UMKC School of Law's Diversity Initiatives

The University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law offers programs and scholarships designed to promote diversity in legal education and the legal profession, potentially affecting the makeup of judicial personnel in the long term. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law; **Address:** 500 E 52nd St, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** umkclaw@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://law.umkc.edu/>

Missouri Sentencing Reform Efforts

Advocacy for changes in Missouri's sentencing laws, focusing on reducing penalties for nonviolent offenses and improving reentry programs. **Organization:** Missouri Sentencing Advisory Commission; **Address:** P.O. Box 104480, Jefferson City, MO 65110, USA; **Email:** ; **Website:** <https://www.mosac.mo.gov/>

Kansas Sentencing Commission Reform Initiatives

The Kansas Sentencing Commission works on various initiatives to recommend changes to sentencing policies, aiming to increase parole eligibility for certain offenses and decrease incarceration for drug offenses. **Organization:** Kansas Sentencing Commission; **Address:** 700 SW Jackson St #501, Topeka, KS 66603, USA; **Email:** ; **Website:** <https://www.sentencing.ks.gov/>

ACLU of Missouri's Campaign for Smart Justice

Focused on reducing the jail and prison populations by fighting for fair sentencing laws and practices that are free of racial bias. **Organization:** ACLU of Missouri; **Address:** 906 Olive

Street, Suite 1130, St. Louis, MO 63101, USA; **Email:** ; **Website:** <https://www.aclu-mo.org/>

More2 Criminal Justice Task Force

This task force within More2 aims at addressing and advocating for criminal justice reforms including sentencing laws in the Kansas City metro area. **Organization:** Metro Organization for Racial and Economic Equity (More2); **Address:** 303 W. 10th St., Kansas City, MO 64105, USA; **Email:** ; **Website:** <https://www.more2.org/task-forces/criminal-justice/>

KC Friends of Alvin Ailey - AileyCamp

A six-week summer day camp that uses dance as a vehicle for developing self-esteem, creative expression, and imagination. It caters to underserved youth ages 11 to 14 with a curriculum that includes dance, personal development, and communication workshops. **Organization:** KC Friends of Alvin Ailey; **Address:** 1714 East 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** info@kcfaa.org; **Website:** <https://kcfaa.org/aileycamp/>

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City - Great Futures Mentoring Program

A program designed to impact youth by providing caring, adult mentors in a structured setting. It focuses on improving academic success, behavior, and school attendance of mentees.

Organization: Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** info@helpkcids.org; **Website:** <https://bgc-gkc.org/>

Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City

Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City works to clear the path to a child's biggest possible future through professionally supported, one-to-one mentoring relationships. They recruit volunteers to become 'Bigs' to mentor 'Littles' and make a positive impact on the youth's life. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City; **Address:** 1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** info@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org>

Urban Ranger Corps

Providing young men in urban core with education, mentoring, and employment training.

Organization: Urban Ranger Corps; **Address:** 5908 Swope Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** urc@urbanrangercorps.org; **Website:** <http://urbanrangercorps.org>

The HALO Foundation - HALO Learning Center

Provides youth in need with education, art therapy, and mentorship. HALO believes creativity is the greatest way to connect children with their inner strength to rise above their circumstances.

Organization: The HALO Foundation; **Address:** 1600 Genessee Street Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64102, USA; **Email:** info@haloworldwide.org; **Website:** <https://haloworldwide.org/kansas-city/>

Mentor KC

A coalition of non-profits, governmental agencies, corporations, and individuals aimed at increasing the quality and quantity of mentorship available to youth in Kansas City.

Organization: Mentor KC; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://mentorkc.org/>

Reentry Program

The City of Kansas City's reentry program helps formerly incarcerated residents reintegrate into the community with a variety of support services. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 414 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** 3-1-1.call.center@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Second Chance Program

This program offers employment and training services to individuals with criminal records to help them secure sustainable employment. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://feckc.org/>

ReEntry Opportunity Center

Provides case management, job placement, education, life skills, and housing assistance for former offenders. **Organization:** Restart Inc.; **Address:** 918 E. 9th St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@restartinc.org; **Website:** <https://www.restartinc.org/>

Building Brighter Futures Program

Focuses on job training and placement, life skills coaching, and peer mentoring for those exiting the criminal justice system. **Organization:** Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph; **Address:** 4001 Blue Pkwy, Suite 250, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** communications@catholiccharities-kcsj.org; **Website:** <https://catholiccharities-kcsj.org/services/#workforce>

Reentry Services

Provides employment assistance, housing, substance abuse treatment, and other supportive services for returning citizens. **Organization:** The Kansas City Metropolitan Crime Commission; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd, Suite 1234, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** contact@kc-crime.org; **Website:** <https://www.kc-crime.org/>

Prisoner Reentry Initiative

A collaborative effort providing employment and training services to ex-offenders, as well as support with reintegration. **Organization:** Missouri Department of Corrections; **Address:** Varies by facility and service area; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://doc.mo.gov/>

Kansas City Community Court

The Kansas City Community Court aims to address low-level municipal ordinance violations. Offenders participate in community service and are often required to attend educational programs to address the underlying issues that led to their offenses. **Organization:** Municipal Court of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 1101 Locust St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** courtinfo@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/court/community-court/>

Kansas City Police Department - Community Interaction Officers

The Kansas City Police Department has Community Interaction Officers (CIOs) who are responsible for addressing the concerns of residents and businesses in their assigned areas. Part of their role is to improve transparency and communication between the police department and the community, which can include sharing data and insights about policing practices. **Organization:**

Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** kcpdcommunityinteraction@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/community/community-interaction-officers/>

More2 GOTV Initiates

The Metro Organization for Racial and Economic Equity (More2) engages in Get-Out-The-Vote (GOTV) initiatives, focusing on marginalized communities. They work to increase voter registration and informed voter participation in Kansas City, often addressing areas that are impacted by the criminal justice system. **Organization:** Metro Organization for Racial and Economic Equity (More2); **Address:** 303 W. 10th Street, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@more2.org; **Website:** <https://more2.org>

Narcotics Anonymous Meetings

Narcotics Anonymous provides a community-based association of recovering addicts who meet regularly to help each other stay clean. **Organization:** Midtown NA; **Address:** 3030 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** info@kcna.org; **Website:** <http://www.kansascityna.org>

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous offers a range of support group meetings for individuals struggling with alcoholism, creating an atmosphere of sobriety and recovery. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Central Office; **Address:** 200 E. 18th Ave, North Kansas City, MO 64116; **Email:** kc-aa@att.net; **Website:** <https://kc-aa.org>

SMART Recovery Meetings

SMART Recovery supports individuals who have chosen to abstain or are considering abstinence from any substance or activity addiction. **Organization:** SMART Recovery; **Address:** Various locations in Kansas City; **Email:** info@smartrecovery.org; **Website:** <https://www.smartrecoverytest.org/local/>

Mental Health America of the Heartland

MHAH offers support groups for individuals dealing with mental health issues and strives to promote mental health through advocacy, education, and support services. **Organization:** Mental Health America of the Heartland; **Address:** 739 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@mhah.org; **Website:** <https://www.mhah.org/>

First Call

First Call provides comprehensive substance abuse/behavioral health services that include prevention, education, crisis intervention, and outpatient treatment. **Organization:** First Call; **Address:** 9091 State Line Rd, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@firstcallkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.firstcallkc.org>

Mental Health Services at Kansas City CARE Clinic

Kansas City CARE Clinic provides comprehensive mental health care including counseling and psychiatric services, regardless of a patient's ability to pay. They focus on serving underinsured and uninsured individuals. **Organization:** Kansas City CARE Clinic; **Address:** 3515 Broadway,

Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org/services/behavioral-health/>

Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health Services

Truman Medical Centers offer a range of mental health services, including emergency mental health services, outpatient care, and community outreach programs, targeting disadvantaged neighborhoods in Kansas City. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 2211 Charlotte St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** NA; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/services/behavioral-health/>

Thrive Health Connection

Thrive Health Connection offers comprehensive HIV care services and conducts outreach and educational campaigns to inform the community about prevention, testing, and treatment services available. **Organization:** Thrive Health Connection; **Address:** 5008 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@thrivehealthkc.org; **Website:** N/A

Swope Health Services

With integrated case management services, Swope Health focuses on delivering comprehensive care, taking into account medical, behavioral, and social needs of its diverse client base. **Organization:** Swope Health Services; **Address:** 3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Email:** information@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.swopehealth.org/>

ReDiscover Mental Health Services

Comprehensive mental health programs and support for individuals and families, including crisis intervention, therapy, and family support services. **Organization:** ReDiscover; **Address:** 901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086, United States; **Email:** None; **Website:** <https://www.rediscovermh.org/>

Mattie Rhodes Center

Supports the artistic development of youth and adults in the community through cultural programming, including art classes and cultural events celebrating Latinx heritage. **Organization:** Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <https://www.mattierhodes.org>

First Call

First Call offers prevention and recovery services, educational programs, and professional training with a focus on alcohol, drugs, and addiction. **Organization:** First Call Alcohol/Drug Prevention & Recovery; **Address:** 9091 State Line Rd, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@firstcallkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.firstcallkc.org/>

Be Under Your Own Influence

A substance abuse prevention campaign targeted at middle school students to promote positive self-image, personal control, and making healthy choices. **Organization:** Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St, Suite 1001, Kansas City, MO 64119; **Email:** info@tri-countymhs.org; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org/>

Speak Hard Youth Conference

Annual event where Missouri youth gather to learn about substance abuse prevention and engage with peers to discuss mental health and leadership. **Organization:** ACT Missouri; **Address:** 428 E. Capitol Avenue, Jefferson City, MO 65101; **Email:** info@actmissouri.org; **Website:** <https://www.actmissouri.org/programs/speak-hard/>

LifeSkills Training

Evidence-based substance abuse and violence prevention program that is taught in Kansas City area schools to help children develop necessary life skills. **Organization:** Preferred Family Healthcare; **Address:** 3728 Gillham Road, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** contact@pfh.org; **Website:** <https://pfh.org/>

It Only Takes One Campaign

Education campaign focusing on the risks of underage drinking and driving, involving high schoolers through activities, contests, and scholarships. **Organization:** Missouri Department of Transportation Highway Safety; **Address:** 600 NE Colbern Road, Lee's Summit, MO 64086; **Email:** Captains_Council@modot.mo.gov; **Website:** <https://www.savemolives.com/>

Red Ribbon Campaign

The Red Ribbon Campaign seeks to promote drug awareness among youth and encourages participation in drug prevention activities. **Organization:** Coalition for Drug-Free Kids; **Address:** No specific address provided; **Email:** contactus@drugfree.org; **Website:** <http://redribbon.org/>

Mattie Rhodes Center

Mattie Rhodes Center offers youth development programs that focus on arts education, leadership development, and college and career readiness. These programs provide positive outlets for creativity and personal growth. **Organization:** 1740 Jefferson St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Address:** 1740 Jefferson St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <http://www.mattierhodes.org/>

The YMCA of Greater Kansas City

The YMCA provides various youth sports programs, including basketball, soccer, and swimming, which are designed to engage young people in positive activities that promote physical health and teamwork. **Organization:** 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** customerservice@kansascityymca.org; **Website:** <https://kansascityymca.org/>

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City

Boys & Girls Clubs offer a variety of programs for youth, including sports leagues, arts and crafts, and leadership development, aimed at inspiring and enabling young people to realize their full potential. **Organization:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Email:** info@helpkckids.org; **Website:** <https://helpkckids.org/>

ArtsTech

ArtsTech's programs focus on engaging youth through the visual arts, digital media, and entrepreneurial training, fostering a productive and creative environment for personal development. **Organization:** 1522 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Address:** 1522 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** artstech-kc@artstech-kc.org; **Website:** <https://artstech-kc.org/>

KC Hoops

KC Hoops is dedicated to youth basketball development for boys and girls in the Kansas City area, providing structured leagues that emphasize sportsmanship, teamwork, and skill development. **Organization:** Various locations in Kansas City; **Address:** Various locations in Kansas City; **Email:** info@kchoops.com; **Website:** <https://www.kchoops.com/>

Heartland Soccer Association

Heartland Soccer Association organizes youth soccer leagues and tournaments that offer healthy competition and foster a love for the sport, encouraging physical fitness and teamwork. **Organization:** 9161 W 133rd St, Overland Park, KS 66213, United States; **Address:** 9161 W 133rd St, Overland Park, KS 66213, United States; **Email:** info@heartlandsoccer.net; **Website:** <https://www.heartlandsoccer.net/>

Full Employment Council

The Full Employment Council (FEC) provides job training and employment services designed to help individuals improve their skills, find jobs, and grow their careers. The FEC works in partnership with businesses to understand the local labor market and develop training programs that meet the needs of employers while providing economic opportunities for job seekers. **Organization:** Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** contactus@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

Goodwill Western Missouri & Eastern Kansas

Goodwill offers workforce development services designed to support individuals, especially those with disadvantages, to improve their employment outcomes. Services include career exploration, job training, and employment assistance. **Organization:** Goodwill of Western Missouri & Eastern Kansas; **Address:** 1817 Campbell, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** contact@goodwillmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.mokangoodwill.org>

Women's Employment Network

The Women's Employment Network (WEN) provides women with the skills and resources to become economically self-sufficient. WEN's services include one-on-one employment coaching, resume preparation, interview skill workshops, and networking opportunities. **Organization:** Women's Employment Network; **Address:** 920 Main Street Suite 100, Kansas City, MO 64105, USA; **Email:** info@kcwen.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcwen.org>

Kansas City Kansas Community College Technical Education Center

This institution offers technical education and skills training in various industries. Their programs are designed to prepare students for the workforce by providing the necessary skills to begin a career in fields like healthcare, technology, and skilled trades. **Organization:** Kansas City Kansas

Community College Technical Education Center; **Address:** 6565 State Ave, Kansas City, KS 66102, USA; **Email:** admissions@kckcc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.kckcc.edu>

Preparing People for Success

As a part of the Greater Kansas City Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC), this program focuses on building sustainable communities through training, support, and employment initiatives that assist residents in underserved communities to overcome barriers to employment.

Organization: Greater Kansas City LISC; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 280, Kansas City, MO 64105, USA; **Email:** info@lisc.org; **Website:** <https://www.lisc.org/kansas-city/>

ReDiscover Peer Support Services

ReDiscover offers peer support services where individuals in recovery provide support and mentorship to those dealing with substance use and mental health issues. The program emphasizes the shared understanding and mutual respect that is forged by shared experiences.

Organization: ReDiscover; **Address:** 901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086; **Email:** info@rediscovermh.org; **Website:** <https://www.rediscovermh.org/>

Comprehensive Mental Health Services Peer Support

CMHS provides peer support as a part of their behavioral health services. Their program focuses on drawing from the experiences of those who have dealt with similar challenges to assist others in their recovery journey. **Organization:** Comprehensive Mental Health Services, Inc.; **Address:** 17844 E 23rd St S, Independence, MO 64057; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://thecmhs.com/>

Benilde Hall Program Peer Mentoring

The Peer Mentoring program is part of the Benilde Hall Program, assisting men who have experienced homelessness and substance use disorders. The program uses peer support to foster sobriety, mental health stability, and independent living. **Organization:** Benilde Hall Program; **Address:** 3220 E 23rd St, Kansas City, MO 64127; **Email:** info@benildehall.org; **Website:** <http://www.benildehall.org/>

Amethyst Place's Recovery Support

Amethyst Place supports women recovering from drug and alcohol addiction by providing a community living environment. The program includes peer mentorship where women with lived experience help others navigate recovery and regain custody of their children if needed.

Organization: Amethyst Place; **Address:** 2730 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@amethystplace.org; **Website:** <https://www.amethystplace.org/>

Healing House Peer Mentorship

Healing House provides faith-based substance abuse recovery support services, including peer mentorship. They offer housing and support to individuals and families seeking to recover from substance abuse in a healthy and supportive community setting. **Organization:** Healing House, Inc.; **Address:** 4505 St John Ave, Kansas City, MO 64123; **Email:** contact form on website;

Website: <https://www.healinghouse.org/>

KC CARE Health Center Mobile Medical Unit

The KC CARE offers a Mobile Medical Unit designed to provide healthcare services to

underserved populations throughout the Kansas City area. Services include primary care, HIV prevention and care, and other healthcare services. **Organization:** KC CARE Health Center; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org/services/mobile-medical-services/>

Swope Health Mobile Clinic

Offers primary care services, including adult and child wellness checks, immunizations, sports physicals, and management of chronic diseases. The mobile clinic is designed to bring services to those who may struggle to access traditional healthcare facilities. **Organization:** Swope Health; **Address:** 3801 Blue Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** info@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://swopehealth.org/services/mobile-medical-unit/>

Mercy and Truth Medical Missions Mobile Clinic

Provides a range of services including general medical, preventive, and dental care regardless of ability to pay. They offer services through mobile units to reach underserved and marginalized communities. **Organization:** Mercy and Truth Medical Missions; **Address:** 5817 Leavenworth Road, Kansas City, KS 66104, USA; **Email:** info@mercyandtruth.com; **Website:** <https://www.mercyandtruth.com/>

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center Mobile Unit

Delivers healthcare services to those who experience barriers to accessing care. The mobile unit visits schools, shelters, and community events, offering medical and dental services.

Organization: Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124, USA; **Email:** info@rodgershealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.rodgershealth.org/our-services/mobile-health-services>

reStart Inc.

Offers a Housing First program to provide permanent housing solutions to chronically homeless individuals, alongside providing support services for substance abuse, mental health, and more.

Organization: reStart Inc.; **Address:** 918 E 9th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@restartinc.org; **Website:** <https://restartinc.org/>

Lead to Read KC

A reading mentorship program where volunteers from the community spend time reading with local students. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC; **Address:** P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org>

Literacy KC

Offers a variety of programs including one-on-one and small group tutoring for adults, helping them to achieve their personal education goals. **Organization:** Literacy KC; **Address:** 3036 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@literacykc.org; **Website:** <https://literacykc.org/>

Jewish Vocational Service (JVS) Tutoring Program

The JVS tutoring program matches volunteer tutors with adult refugees and immigrants to help them learn English and other academic subjects. **Organization:** Jewish Vocational Service;

Address: 4600 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@jvskc.org; **Website:** <https://jvskc.org/education/>

UPchieve

UPchieve provides free, 24/7 online math tutoring for high school students. Tutors are volunteers committed to equitable access to educational support. **Organization:** UPchieve; **Address:** Not specific to Kansas City, online service; **Email:** contact@upchieve.org; **Website:** <https://upchieve.org/>

Kansas City Public Library Tutoring

Free homework help and tutoring is offered by the Kansas City Public Library for students of all ages through programs such as Homework Help and Teen Study Time. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** Via contact form on the website; **Website:** <https://www.kclibrary.org/>

Greater Kansas City Community Foundation Scholarships

The Greater Kansas City Community Foundation administers a variety of scholarships for local students to help them achieve their academic goals. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Community Foundation; **Address:** 1055 Broadway Blvd., Suite 130, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** scholarships@growyourgiving.org; **Website:** <https://www.growyourgiving.org/scholarships>

Kauffman Scholars

The Kauffman Scholars program is a long-term academic and life skills support program for low-income students in the Kansas City area. This initiative is a partnership between the public school districts, private philanthropy, and community programs aimed at increasing college access for underserved students. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/>

Kansas City Scholars

Kansas City Scholars provides scholarship and financial assistance to low- and modest-income students, as well as adult learners returning to college. Scholarships are available for high school juniors to begin college, for community college students to complete an associate's or move on to a four-year degree, and for adults wanting to earn a college degree. **Organization:** KC Scholars; **Address:** 8080 Ward Parkway, Suite 402, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@kcscholars.org; **Website:** <https://kcscholars.org>

KC Scholars

KC Scholars provides scholarships, financial incentives to promote college savings, and support services for low- and modest-income students and adults needing access to pursue and complete a postsecondary credit-bearing credential or degree. **Organization:** KC Scholars; **Address:** 8080 Ward Parkway, Suite 402, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@kcscholars.org; **Website:** <https://kcscholars.org>

PREP-KC

PREP-KC focuses on increasing education rigor and relevance for urban students in Kansas City. The initiative partners with public schools and private sector participants to provide students with college and career preparatory experiences, including exposure to STEM fields through corporate engagement and internships. **Organization:** Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation - Kansas City; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@prepkc.org; **Website:** <http://www.prepkc.org>

Hire KC Youth

An initiative that targets the youth of Kansas City, aiming to provide them with job opportunities, internships, and career preparatory workshops. This effort focuses on the younger demographic, particularly those from regions with limited job opportunities. **Organization:** Hire KC; **Address:** 1445 Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** contact@hirekc.org; **Website:** <https://hirekc.org/>

Northland CAPS

Northland CAPS provides high school students in the Kansas City Northland with professional, real-world work experiences. They partner with local businesses to offer internships and projects that are industry-driven, mentor-led, and expose students to a variety of career fields. **Organization:** Northland Center for Advanced Professional Studies; **Address:** 6889 North Oak Trafficway, Ste. 424, Gladstone, MO 64118; **Email:** info@northlandcaps.org; **Website:** <https://www.northlandcaps.org>

Blue Valley CAPS

Similar to Northland CAPS but serving the Blue Valley area, the CAPS program partners with businesses to provide students with exposure to professional environments while they work on real-world projects and gain skills relevant to the workforce. **Organization:** Blue Valley Center for Advanced Professional Studies; **Address:** 7501 W 149th Terrace, Overland Park, KS 66223; **Email:** caps@bluevalleyk12.org; **Website:** <https://www.bluevalleyk12.org/>

Operation Breakthrough

Offers a centralized location where children and their families can access education, health, and social services in one place, emphasizing streamlined support for low-income families. **Organization:** Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** [\[info@example.com\]](mailto:info@example.com)(<mailto:info@example.com>); **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org>

Connecting for Good

Provides low-cost internet service, affordable refurbished computers, and digital life skills training for low-income residents. **Organization:** Connecting for Good; **Address:** 3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@connectingforgood.org; **Website:** <https://connectingforgood.org/>

Literacy KC

Offers a variety of programs including one-on-one and small group tutoring for adults, helping them to achieve their personal education goals. **Organization:** Literacy KC; **Address:** 3036

Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@literacykc.org; **Website:** <https://literacykc.org/>

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City

Through their various club locations, The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City offers educational programs and resources, including technology access, to support the educational needs of children, especially those who come from less advantaged socio-economic backgrounds.

Organization: The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 4300 E 24th St, Kansas City, MO 64127; **Email:** info@helpKCKids.org; **Website:** <https://helpkckids.org>

Kansas City Public Library

Offers a variety of programs that promote literacy and learning, such as after-school activities for children and teens, which strengthen community connections and foster culture. **Organization:**

Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States;

Email: contact@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclibrary.org>

The Kauffman Scholars

A multi-year college access and scholarship program designed to help low-income urban students in Kansas City prepare for and complete a college education. The program includes one-on-one mentoring. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/what-we-do/programs/kauffman-scholars/>

Mentor KC

A program that connects Kansas City youth with mentors to support their personal and professional development. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City; **Address:** 1709 Walnut Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** bbbskc@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org/>

Horizon Academy Mentorship Program

This program pairs students with professionals to provide academic support and career exploration opportunities. **Organization:** Horizon Academy; **Address:** 4901 Reinhardt Drive, Roeland Park, KS 66205; **Email:** info@horizon-academy.com; **Website:** <https://www.horizon-academy.com/mentorship>

KC STEM Alliance Mentorship Program

STEM professionals mentoring high school students in Kansas City, fostering interest and excellence in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. **Organization:** KC STEM Alliance; **Address:** 4825 Troost Ave., Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcstem.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcstem.org>

Students Today, Leaders Forever (STLF) Mentorship Program

This program connects college and university students with youth in the local community for mentorship and leadership development. **Organization:** Rockhurst University; **Address:** 1100 Rockhurst Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** leaders@rockhurst.edu; **Website:** <https://www.rockhurst.edu/>

Turner Community School Initiative

A partnership between Turner USD 202 and Avenue of Life that aims to remove barriers to education by providing integrated support services for students and their families. These include health services, food and nutrition programs, and family engagement activities. **Organization:** Turner Unified School District in partnership with Avenue of Life; **Address:** 800 South 55th Street, Kansas City, KS 66106; **Email:** info@turnerusd202.org; **Website:** <http://www.turnerusd202.org/>

Kansas City Public Schools - Student Support & Community Services

The division aims to engage students, families, and the community to promote the health, wellbeing, and educational success of students. Services coordinated through this division include health and wellness, nutrition programs, and mental health resources. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave., Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** studentservices@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/departments/student-support-services>

Communities In Schools of Mid-America

A program that provides integrated student supports designed to address non-academic barriers to success in school, such as personal health, hunger, unstable housing, and more. The program places coordinators within schools to work with students. **Organization:** Communities In Schools of Mid-America; **Address:** Kansas City, KS (Multiple School Locations); **Email:** info@cismidamerica.org; **Website:** <https://cismidamerica.org>

Family Support Workshops

Offering workshops and resources for parents to support the academic growth and emotional well-being of their children. **Organization:** Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@operationbreakthrough.org; **Website:** <https://www.operationbreakthrough.org/>

Parent Power Workshops

Workshops designed to increase parental engagement and provide strategies to help their children succeed in school. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2400 Troost Ave, Suite 4600, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <http://turnthepagekc.org/>

Parent Engagement Program

Parental training and education workshops that focus on enhancing the educational outcomes for children through increased family involvement. **Organization:** United Inner City Services - St. Mark Center; **Address:** 2008 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64127; **Email:** info@uicskc.org; **Website:** <https://uicskc.org/>

Parent University

A community collaborative that supports families engaging in their children's education, aiming to increase parental involvement and improve the educational success of children. Workshops cover a range of topics, including parenting strategies. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:**

parentuniversity@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:**
<https://www.kcpublicschools.org/families/parent-university>

Active Parenting Workshops

Educational workshops for parents or caregivers to develop skills that support their children's growth and success. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Ave, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:**
<https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org/>

Equity and Inclusion Training

Training sessions for KCPS staff that focus on understanding bias, privilege, and creating an inclusive environment for all. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** communications@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:**
<https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Cultural Competency Institute

An initiative by the KCPTA that offers workshops and programs aimed at increasing cultural proficiency among its members and educators in the region. **Organization:** Kansas City Parent Teacher Association (KCPTA); **Address:** N/A; **Email:** N/A; **Website:**
<https://www.mopta.org/diversity-equity-and-inclusion>

Diversity and Inclusion Workshops

The Diversity and Inclusion Office at UMKC offers workshops and training for educators to enhance cultural competency and foster an inclusive environment in schools. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City; **Address:** 5100 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** diversity@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://info.umkc.edu/diversity/programs-and-training/>

LINC Caring Communities After School

LINC provides quality before and after school care for elementary and middle school children during the school year. Programs are located in schools and include academic support and enrichment opportunities. **Organization:** Local Investment Commission (LINC); **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd, Suite 1100, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kclinc.org; **Website:**
<https://www.kclinc.org/>

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City

The organization offers a variety of programs for youth in areas such as education, arts, sports, and career development. They rely heavily on volunteers to provide mentoring, homework assistance, and coaching. **Organization:** Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** info@helpkckids.org; **Website:** <https://www.helpkckids.org>

Operation Breakthrough

Offers a centralized location where children and their families can access education, health, and social services in one place, emphasizing streamlined support for low-income families. **Organization:** Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109;

Email: info@example.com; **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org>

After-School Programs by YMCA of Greater Kansas City

YMCA's after-school care offers a safe and engaging environment where kids can get assistance with homework, play, and enjoy a snack among peers, fostering both their academic and social development. **Organization:** YMCA of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** custserv@kansascityymca.org; **Website:** <https://kansascityymca.org/>

Turn the Page KC

A citywide effort that brings attention to educational resources and tutoring programs aimed at improving literacy for children, focusing on third-grade reading proficiency. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.turnthepagekc.org/>

Connecting for Good

Provides low-cost internet service, affordable refurbished computers, and digital life skills training for low-income residents. **Organization:** Connecting for Good; **Address:** 3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@connectingforgood.org; **Website:** <https://connectingforgood.org/>

Kansas City Public Library Tech Access

The Kansas City Public Library offers computer classes, free Wi-Fi, and computer access to help bridge the digital divide. Their Tech Access initiative also includes tech coaching sessions for one-on-one assistance. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** contactus@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclibrary.org/>

Digital Inclusion Fund

The Greater Kansas City Community Foundation has a Digital Inclusion Fund, which provides grants to organizations working to address the digital divide across the Kansas City area. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Community Foundation; **Address:** 1055 Broadway Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** service@growyourgiving.org; **Website:** <https://www.growyourgiving.org/>

PCs for People Kansas City

PCs for People offers affordable computers and low-cost internet to eligible individuals and nonprofits to facilitate access to technology. **Organization:** PCs for People; **Address:** 1524 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** kc@pcsforpeople.org; **Website:** <https://www.pcsforpeople.org/>

Hiring KC Youth Job Fair

An annual job fair specifically targeted at young people aged 16-24 in Kansas City. Local businesses are encouraged to participate to connect with this demographic, with a focus on diversity and inclusion. The event includes guidance for young job seekers on how to prepare for

the job market. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://kcya.feckc.org>

Unconscious Bias Training

The Full Employment Council offers training programs that focus on developing inclusive hiring initiatives, including training to address unconscious bias in the job selection process.

Organization: Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

Diversity & Inclusion Training

UMKC Bloch Executive Education offers customizable workshops and training sessions for organizations looking to enhance their diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts, including addressing biases in hiring practices. **Organization:** UMKC Bloch Executive Education; **Address:** 5110 Cherry Street, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** blochexec@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://bloch.umkc.edu/exed/diversity-inclusion/>

Equity and Inclusion Workshop Series

The Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) occasionally offers workshops on equity and inclusion for regional leaders and HR professionals, with part of the focus on hiring practices.

Organization: Mid-America Regional Council; **Address:** 600 Broadway Blvd Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@marc.org; **Website:** <http://www.marc.org/>

Project Rise

A professional mentorship program designed to pair African American young adults with established professional leaders in their interest areas. **Organization:** Urban League of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 1710 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@ulkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.ulkc.org/>

Kauffman Scholars

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Hispanic Development Fund Scholarship Program

Offers scholarships and mentorship opportunities to Latino students in the Kansas City area to support their higher education goals. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Hispanic Development Fund; **Address:** 600 Broadway Blvd, Suite 200 Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** hdf@growyourgiving.org; **Website:** <https://www.hdfkc.org/>

Women's Employment Network Mentoring Program

The mentoring program connects women seeking to advance their careers with professional mentors for guidance and support. **Organization:** Women's Employment Network; **Address:** 920

Main Street, Suite 100, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@kcwen.org; **Website:** <https://kcwen.org/how-wen-helps/mentoring/>

Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City

Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City works to clear the path to a child's biggest possible future through professionally supported, one-to-one mentoring relationships. They recruit volunteers to become 'Bigs' to mentor 'Littles' and make a positive impact on the youth's life. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City; **Address:** 1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** info@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org>

Helzberg Entrepreneurial Mentoring Program

Provides mentoring, networking, and educational workshops to entrepreneurs in the Kansas City region. **Organization:** Helzberg Entrepreneurial Mentoring Program; **Address:** 2005 Grand Blvd, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** hemp@helzbergmentoring.org; **Website:** <https://www.hempkc.org/>

OneKC for Women

OneKC for Women alliance offers resources to women in business and promotes diversity and inclusion within the workforce. They provide networking, mentoring, and support to female leaders and entrepreneurs. **Organization:** Women's Employment Network; **Address:** 920 Main St #100, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@kcwen.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcwen.org/>

Diversity & Inclusion Consulting

The Full Employment Council offers consulting services to businesses to help them develop strategies to build a diverse workforce, including recruitment, training, and retention initiatives. **Organization:** Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** information@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

The Diversity & Inclusion Toolkit

The Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce provides resources for businesses on diversity and inclusion best practices, including recruitment, retention, and a diverse supplier program. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; **Address:** Union Station, 30 W. Pershing Rd., Suite 301, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** chamber@kcchamber.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcchamber.com/>

Urban League of Greater Kansas City

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Diversity Recruiting Programs

Many local companies have their own diversity recruiting programs designed to attract a broad range of candidates. Such companies might partner with local organizations, nonprofits, or educational institutes to reach diverse talent pools. **Organization:** Variable by company; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** N/A

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Organization: Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** contactus@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

Diversity & Inclusion Consulting Services

The Full Employment Council offers comprehensive consulting services for businesses, including diversity audits intended to identify areas of improvement related to diversity and economic inclusion policies. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** contact@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

KC Diversity & Inclusion Consortium

An entity that brings together businesses to focus on diversity and inclusion within the workforce; while not explicitly conducting diversity audits, it encourages best practices that can include such assessments. **Organization:** Kansas City Diversity & Inclusion Consortium; **Address:** Kansas City, MO; **Email:** info@kcdic.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcdic.org/>

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Solutions

DEI Solutions is a service provided by Overland Park-based company DEI Impact that includes diversity audits among other services like training and planning. **Organization:** DEI Impact; **Address:** Overland Park, KS; **Email:** info@dei-impact.com; **Website:** <https://www.dei-impact.com/>

Partnership for Workplace Equity

A collaboration with local civil rights groups to assist individuals facing employment discrimination. They offer legal support, educational workshops, and advocacy for policy changes. **Organization:** The Kansas City Human Relations Department; **Address:** 414 E. 12th Street, 4th floor, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** humanrelations@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/human-relations>

Equal Employment Opportunity Advocacy

Offers support to individuals who face discriminatory hiring practices. Provides resources, referral services, and partners with civil rights organizations for legal guidance. **Organization:** The Greater Kansas City AFL-CIO; **Address:** 1021 Pennsylvania Ave, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** contact@afciokc.org; **Website:** <http://www.afciokc.org/>

Civil Rights Legal Assistance

Provides direct legal aid and resources to individuals discriminated against during the hiring process, in partnership with volunteer lawyers and civil rights groups. **Organization:** Legal Aid of Western Missouri; **Address:** 1125 Grand Blvd, #1900, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** contact@lawmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.lawmo.org/>

Workforce Discrimination Support Services

Collaborates with civil rights organizations to offer workshops, counseling, and legal support for victims of hiring discrimination. **Organization:** Urban League of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 1710 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@ulkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.ulkc.org/>

Youth Ambassadors

Empowerment program for underserved youth offering employment, education, and mentorship. **Organization:** Youth Ambassadors; **Address:** 1100 Rockhurst Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** contact@youthambassadorskc.org; **Website:** <http://youthambassadorskc.org>

Kauffman Scholars

The Kauffman Scholars program is a long-term academic and life skills support program for low-income students in the Kansas City area. This initiative is a partnership between the public school districts, private philanthropy, and community programs aimed at increasing college access for underserved students. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/>

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City

The organization offers a variety of programs for youth in areas such as education, arts, sports, and career development. They rely heavily on volunteers to provide mentoring, homework assistance, and coaching. **Organization:** Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** info@helpkckids.org; **Website:** <https://www.helpkckids.org>

PREP-KC

PREP-KC's mission is to increase college readiness and access to high-quality employment for Kansas City's urban students. The organization collaborates with schools and partners to advocate for policies that enhance these opportunities. **Organization:** PREP-KC; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@prep-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.prep-kc.org/>

MindDrive

MINDdrive serves students through mentorship by engaging them in experiential learning projects like automotive design and contemporary communications. **Organization:** MindDrive; **Address:** 2615 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@minddrive.org; **Website:** <https://minddrive.org>

Full Employment Council

Provides comprehensive employment and training services in a central location, aiming to streamline the process for job seekers and employers. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** [\[info@example.com\]\(mailto:info@example.com\)](mailto:info@example.com); **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org>

KC Degrees

KC Degrees offers adults in the Kansas City region personal advisement and career support that

includes mentorship to get back to college, finish their degree, or obtain a certificate.

Organization: Mid-America Regional Council; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** info@kcedu.org; **Website:** <https://kcdegrees.org/>

LaunchCode

LaunchCode Kansas City provides job-focused coding training to job seekers and places them into apprenticeships and jobs in technology. They especially focus on creating opportunities for people from underserved backgrounds. **Organization:** LaunchCode; **Address:** 8080 Ward Parkway, Suite 100, Kansas City, MO 64114, United States; **Email:** info@launchcode.org; **Website:** <https://www.launchcode.org/>

UMKC Career Services

UMKC provides job skills training and development opportunities to its students and alumni. Although it focuses primarily on its university community, the services extend to local job seekers through events and collaborations. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City; **Address:** 5000 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States; **Email:** careercenter@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.careercenter.umkc.edu/>

Kansas City Kansas Community College Technical Education Center

This institution offers technical education and skills training in various industries. Their programs are designed to prepare students for the workforce by providing the necessary skills to begin a career in fields like healthcare, technology, and skilled trades. **Organization:** Kansas City Kansas Community College Technical Education Center; **Address:** 6565 State Ave, Kansas City, KS 66102, USA; **Email:** admissions@kckcc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.kckcc.edu>

AltCap

AltCap is dedicated to delivering accessible capital to support small businesses and entrepreneurs. They provide microloan products as well as other financial and business development services. **Organization:** AltCap; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@alt-cap.org; **Website:** <https://www.alt-cap.org/>

Port KC Tools for Small Business

Port KC offers tools for small businesses that include incentives and bond financing that can be used to help small and minority-owned businesses in the city. **Organization:** Port KC; **Address:** 110 Berkley Plaza, Kansas City, MO 64120; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://portkc.com/>

Justine PETERSEN's Kansas City Initiative

This organization provides microloans for small business owners, including minority-owned businesses. Their services also encompass credit building and business development support. **Organization:** Justine PETERSEN; **Address:** 920 Main St, Suite 210, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@justinepetersen.org; **Website:** <https://www.justinepetersen.org/>

Hispanic Economic Development Corporation

HEDC provides a range of services including microloans, business education, and one-on-one business counseling for Latino businesses and other minority-owned businesses in the Kansas

City Metro area. **Organization:** Hispanic Economic Development Corporation; **Address:** 2130 Jefferson St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@kchedc.org; **Website:** <https://www.kchedc.org/>

Women's Business Center

The Women's Business Center provides support to female entrepreneurs, including women of color. They offer programs like microloans, training, and business advice to help women-owned businesses improve and grow. **Organization:** OneKC for Women; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** hello@onekcforwomen.com; **Website:** <https://www.onekcforwomen.com/wbc/>

Hire KC

Hire KC is a youth internship program that connects high school and college students with employers and helps them to get real-world job experience and exposure to professional work environments. It allows local businesses to offer internship opportunities to the youth, teaching them workplace behaviors and ethics. **Organization:** Hire KC; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@hirekc.org; **Website:** <https://hirekc.org/>

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KC STEM Alliance

The KC STEM Alliance is a collaborative network of educators, business partners and organizations that inspire interest in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math careers providing various mentoring opportunities among their programs. **Organization:** KC STEM Alliance; **Address:** 4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States; **Email:** info@kcstem.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcstem.org/>

The Coterie Theatre

The Coterie's Theatre's Young Playwrights' Roundtable and Dramatic Health Education Project offer mentorship and internship opportunities for youth interested in the performing arts. **Organization:** The Coterie Theatre; **Address:** 2450 Grand Blvd #144, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** information@coterietheatre.org; **Website:** <https://thecoterie.org/>

Urban Ranger Corps

Providing young men in urban core with education, mentoring, and employment training.

Organization: Urban Ranger Corps; **Address:** 5908 Swope Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130;

Email: urc@urbanrangercorps.org; **Website:** <http://urbanrangercorps.org>

Kansas City Career Fair by Choice Career Fairs

Choice Career Fairs holds regular job fairs in Kansas City, allowing job seekers to meet top employers and interview for several positions during the course of the day. **Organization:** Choice Career Fairs; **Address:** Varies per event - please see website for event locations.; **Email:** info@choicecareerfairs.com; **Website:** <https://www.choicecareerfairs.com/>

Central Exchange

Central Exchange provides a venue where women can meet and interact, enhancing their careers through leadership and professional development programs, as well as networking events.

Organization: Central Exchange; **Address:** 1020 Central St #100, Kansas City, MO 64105;

Email: info@centralexchange.org; **Website:** <https://www.centralexchange.org/>

KC Job Seekers Blog

While not a job fair per se, this blog provides resources, job listings, and information on various hiring events and fairs for job seekers in the Kansas City area. **Organization:** KC Job Seekers Blog; **Address:** N/A - Online Resource; **Email:** N/A - Contact through their website; **Website:** <https://kcjobseekers.blogspot.com/>

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Kansas City National Employment Week

An annual event that brings together employers from a range of industries and potential employees in multiple job fairs and networking events across the city. **Organization:** National Employment Week Organizers; **Address:** Various locations across Kansas City - check the National Employment Week schedule.; **Email:** info@employmentweek.com; **Website:** <https://www.employmentweek.com/kansascity>

Money Smart KC

Money Smart KC offers a comprehensive list of resources and free educational workshops throughout the greater Kansas City area to help individuals with financial management, including during times of economic hardship. **Organization:** Money Smart KC; **Address:** 4800 Main St Ste 203, Kansas City, MO 64112; **Email:** contact@MoneySmartKC.org; **Website:** <https://www.moneysmartkc.org/>

Budgeting and Debt Management Classes

Educational courses providing advice on budgeting and handling debt effectively. **Organization:**

NextStep KC; **Address:** 3200 Wayne, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <http://nextstepkc.org/>

Financial Education Workshops

Workshops designed to improve financial literacy, cover topics such as budgeting, saving, investing, and more. **Organization:** Community Services League; **Address:** 404 N Noland Road, Independence, MO 64050; **Email:** info@cslcares.org; **Website:** <https://www.cslcares.org/financial-coaching>

Financial Coaching

One-on-one financial coaching including how to manage a budget. **Organization:** Prosperity Connection; **Address:** N/A, Kansas City Region; **Email:** info@prosperityconnection.org; **Website:** <https://prosperityconnection.org/>

Financial Capabilities Workshops

A variety of financial workshops including budgeting, understanding credit, and debt management. **Organization:** Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph; **Address:** 850 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@catholiccharities-kcsj.org; **Website:** <https://catholiccharities-kcsj.org/financial-literacy/>

KC Tech Council

The KC Tech Council partners with local tech companies and educational institutions to address talent shortages in the tech industry. They organize events and initiatives such as 'No Coast' to attract skilled tech workers to Kansas City. **Organization:** KC Tech Council; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** info@kctechcouncil.com; **Website:** <https://www.kctechcouncil.com/>

LaunchKC

A public-private partnership initiative that focuses on attracting tech entrepreneurs to Kansas City, promoting innovation, and creating jobs in various communities by providing grants and resources. **Organization:** LaunchKC; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St, Suite #1700, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** info@launchkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.launchkc.org/>

KC Digital Drive

A non-profit organization that works at the intersection of technology and social good, facilitating projects and partnerships to help Kansas City become a smart, connected, and inclusive city. They work with both public and private sector actors to leverage technology for community impact and economic growth. **Organization:** KC Digital Drive; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Suite 350-B, Fairway, Kansas 66205; **Email:** info@kcdigitaldrive.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcdigitaldrive.org>

Smart City Initiative

Kansas City's Smart City Initiative focuses on improving city services and the lives of citizens by harnessing technology and data. It leverages partnerships with private companies such as Cisco and Sprint Corporation (now part of T-Mobile) to develop smart infrastructure and provide new services covering advanced data analysis, connectivity, and interactive kiosks. **Organization:**

City of Kansas City, MO; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** 3-1-1.call.center@kcmo.org; **Website:** <http://kcmo.gov/smartcity/>

EDCKC Workforce Development

The Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City, Missouri (EDCKC), an essential public-private partnership dedicated to driving economic growth and job creation. Focus areas also include workforce development to ensure that employment growth benefits all segments of the community. **Organization:** Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City, Missouri (EDCKC); **Address:** 300 Wyandotte St., Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@edckc.com; **Website:** <https://www.edckc.com>

Greater Kansas City COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund

The Greater Kansas City Community Foundation, in partnership with the United Way of Greater Kansas City, the City of Kansas City, Missouri, and civic leaders, has raised and distributed funds to local nonprofits for emergency assistance to those impacted by COVID-19 related job loss.

Organization: Greater Kansas City Community Foundation; **Address:** 1055 Broadway Blvd, Suite 130, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@growyourgiving.org; **Website:** <https://www.growyourgiving.org/>

Guadalupe Centers Financial Assistance Program

The Guadalupe Centers offer financial assistance for utilities, rent, and prescription medication to low-income individuals and families who have suffered job loss or other economic hardships.

Organization: Guadalupe Centers, Inc.; **Address:** 1015 Avenida Cesar E. Chavez, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@guadalupecenters.org; **Website:** <https://www.guadalupecenters.org/>

Emergency Assistance Program

Administered by Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph, the Emergency Assistance Fund helps with rent, utilities, and food for those facing a crisis. **Organization:** Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph; **Address:** 850 Main Street, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@catholiccharities-kcsj.org; **Website:** <https://www.catholiccharities-kcsj.org/get-help/>

Kansas City Emergency Rental Assistance Program

This program provides rent and utility assistance to eligible residents in Kansas City who are unable to pay due to COVID-19 related issues. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 414 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** N/A (contact form on the website); **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Behavioral Health Services

Offers mental health services including counseling, medication management, and support groups to assist individuals facing emotional distress due to unemployment or economic hardship.

Organization: Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health; **Address:** 300 W. 19th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contactus@tmcmcd.org; **Website:** <https://behavioralhealthkc.org/>

Mental Health Crisis Intervention Services

Provides 24/7 crisis intervention, assessments, and referrals to appropriate mental health services

for those in economic distress. **Organization:** ReDiscover; **Address:** 901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086; **Email:** info@rediscovermh.org; **Website:** <https://www.rediscovermh.org/>

Integrated Mental Health Services

Offers integrated mental health services including therapy, substance abuse treatment, and employment support services to those impacted by unemployment. **Organization:** Swope Health; **Address:** 3801 Blue Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.swopehealth.org/>

Counseling and Education Services

Provides counseling, education, and support to individuals and families facing mental health challenges exacerbated by economic uncertainty. **Organization:** Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St #1001, Kansas City, MO 64119; **Email:** info@tri-countymhs.org; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org/>

Employment and Mental Health Support Services

Assists individuals with job search and offers mental health support to those facing stress and anxiety due to unemployment. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** fec@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

Kauffman Foundation

The Kauffman Foundation supports entrepreneurship education and training efforts, providing resources for both educators and entrepreneurs. Their programs are designed to advance entrepreneurship as one of society's most valuable catalysts for job creation and economic growth. **Organization:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org>

Missouri Small Business Development Center at UMKC

The Small Business Development Center offers training workshops and individualized consultations for entrepreneurs at various stages of business development. These services help with building business plans, securing funding, and acquiring the skills necessary for successful business ownership. **Organization:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** sbtcd@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://sbtcd.umkc.edu>

Enterprise Center in Johnson County

The Enterprise Center in Johnson County provides mentorship and connects entrepreneurs with resources they need for business growth. They focus on helping startups and established businesses to innovate and address community needs. **Organization:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** info@ecjc.com; **Website:** <https://www.ecjc.com>

KCSOURCELINK

KCSOURCELINK connects entrepreneurs with the right resources for their business, ranging from funding to mentorship, training, and networking. They map and maintain an extensive network of vetted business-building resources in the Kansas City region. **Organization:** 4747 Troost Ave,

Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcsourcelink.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcsourcelink.com>

SCORE Kansas City

SCORE offers free business mentoring, workshops, and educational resources to help entrepreneurs start and grow their businesses. It's a network of volunteer, expert business mentors dedicated to helping small businesses get off the ground, grow, and achieve their goals.

Organization: 4747 Troost, Suite 128, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 128, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** office0739@scorevolunteer.org; **Website:** <https://kansascity.score.org>

PlexPod

Apart from providing coworking spaces, PlexPod offers an entrepreneurial environment with an ecosystem of resources, including workshops, events, and mentorship, designed to encourage innovation and entrepreneurship. **Organization:** Several locations in Kansas City area; **Address:** Several locations in Kansas City area; **Email:** hello@plexpod.com; **Website:** <https://www.plexpod.com>

Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA)

The KCATA operates a number of public transit services, including local and commuter buses, paratransit services, and the Prospect MAX Bus Rapid Transit service, designed to provide faster and more efficient transit solutions to connect individuals to job opportunities. **Organization:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customer.service@kcata.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcata.org>

RideKC

RideKC is a regional transit partnership with efforts to consolidate or coordinate public transportation services in the Kansas City metropolitan area, offering services like RideKC Next to improve route efficiency and RideKC Freedom for on-demand transit options. **Organization:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** information@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org>

Kansas City Streetcar

Kansas City Streetcar provides a modern, efficient transit option in the downtown area, linking major employment centers, neighborhoods, and entertainment districts to facilitate easier commutes for work and leisure. **Organization:** 600 E. 3rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Address:** 600 E. 3rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@kcstreetcar.org; **Website:** <http://kcstreetcar.org>

BikeWalkKC

Although not a public transportation system, BikeWalkKC supports public transportation by advocating for bike and pedestrian-friendly policies and infrastructure that complement public transit, making it easier for people to reach transit stops and expand their job commute options. **Organization:** 1106 E 30th St, Suite G, Kansas City MO 64109; **Address:** 1106 E 30th St, Suite G, Kansas City MO 64109; **Email:** info@bikewalkkc.org; **Website:** <https://bikewalkkc.org>

LaunchCode

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KC Tech Council Apprenticeship Program

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Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Greater Kansas City

The Hispanic Chamber of Commerce facilitates partnerships between its member businesses and community members, offering networking, mentorship, and training opportunities designed to enhance job skills and promote economic growth. **Organization:** Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 2001 Grand Blvd., Suite 700, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@hccgkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.hccgkc.com/>

KCSOURCELINK

KCSOURCELINK connects entrepreneurs to the right resources at the right time. It offers a network of over 240 business-building organizations, as well as personalized guidance through its hotline and online portal. **Organization:** KCSOURCELINK; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcsourcelink.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcsourcelink.com/>

Maker Village KC

Maker Village KC offers a community workshop space where local experts and craftspeople can share their knowledge on various trades, including woodworking, metalworking, and other DIY projects. **Organization:** Maker Village KC; **Address:** 606 E 31st St, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@makervillagekc.org; **Website:** <http://makervillagekc.org/>

Connecting For Good

Provides a community technology center that functions as a one-stop-shop for residents to access a variety of services, including digital literacy training, connectivity, and technology support.

Organization: Connecting For Good; **Address:** 3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** [\[connect@example.com\]](mailto:connect@example.com)(<mailto:connect@example.com>); **Website:** <https://www.connectingforgood.org>

The Builders' Association

The Builders' Association offers education programs and apprenticeships in the construction industry, which could include carpentry, plumbing, electrical work, and more. **Organization:** The Builders' Association; **Address:** 720 Oak Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** contactus@buildersassociation.com; **Website:** <https://www.buildersassociation.com/>

KC Women in Technology

KC Women in Technology runs programs like Coding & Cocktails and Coding & Cupcakes, aiming to educate women and girls in tech skills, including coding. **Organization:** KC Women in Technology; **Address:** Not available; **Email:** hello@kcwomenintech.org; **Website:** <https://kcwomenintech.org/>

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Metropolitan Community College

Metropolitan Community College has partnerships with local high schools and industry leaders to create apprenticeships and programs that feed students directly into workforce. **Organization:** Metropolitan Community College; **Address:** 3200 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** info@mccck.edu; **Website:** <https://mccck.edu/>

Kansas City Kansas Public Schools - Diploma+ Program

Diploma+ is a program where students can earn a high school diploma plus a market value asset, which might include college credits, industry-recognized certifications, or a professional skill. **Organization:** Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools; **Address:** 2010 N. 59th Street, Kansas City, Kansas 66104; **Email:** diplomaplus@kckps.org; **Website:** <https://kckps.org/initiatives/diploma/>

KC Degrees

KC Degrees offers adults in the Kansas City region personal advisement and career support that includes mentorship to get back to college, finish their degree, or obtain a certificate. **Organization:** Mid-America Regional Council; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** info@kcedu.org; **Website:** <https://kcdegrees.org/>

Preparing for the Future Program

A program focused on partnering with local high schools and community colleges to create internship and training opportunities in technical fields with local employers. **Organization:** The Chamber of Commerce of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 30 W. Pershing Rd., Suite 301, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@kcchamber.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcchamber.com/>

Workforce Development

Kansas City offers various workforce development programs that aim to enhance the skills of the local workforce and boost employment opportunities. Among them are training grants for

organizations. **Organization:** Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City; **Address:** 300 Wyandotte, Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** edc@edckc.com; **Website:** <https://edckc.com/>

KC Tech Specs Training Incentive

Financial incentives for tech training providers who assist in producing a more qualified IT workforce in Kansas City. The program provides reimbursements for qualified training expenses.

Organization: KC Tech Council; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** info@kctechcouncil.com; **Website:** <https://www.kctechcouncil.com/kc-tech-specs/>

Kansas Works

The state's workforce development program offers resources, tools, and financial grants to help businesses establish and maintain job training programs to upskill their workforce. **Organization:** Kansas Department of Commerce; **Address:** 1000 SW Jackson St., Suite 100, Topeka, KS 66612-1354; **Email:** workforce@ks.gov; **Website:** <https://www.kansascommerce.gov/>

Missouri Works Training Program

Provides state funding to help businesses access necessary training for their workforce. The funding can be used to offset the costs related to on-the-job training and classroom training.

Organization: Missouri Department of Economic Development; **Address:** 301 West High Street, Room 680, Jefferson City, MO 65102; **Email:** ded.mo.gov; **Website:** <https://ded.mo.gov/>

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City

Big Brothers Big Sisters operates under the belief that inherent in every child is incredible potential. The organization carefully pairs youth ('Littles') with screened volunteer mentors ('Bigs') and supports these one-to-one relationships throughout their course. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** bbbskc@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org/>

Mentor KC

A coalition of non-profits, governmental agencies, corporations, and individuals aimed at increasing the quality and quantity of mentorship available to youth in Kansas City.

Organization: Mentor KC; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://mentorkc.org/>

PREP-KC

PREP-KC provides students in Kansas City's urban schools with connections to career professionals to enhance their knowledge of career opportunities and professional skills.

Organization: Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation-Kansas City; **Address:** 4435 Main St, Suite 700, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@prep-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.prep-kc.org>

Lead to Read KC

A reading mentorship program where volunteers from the community spend time reading with local students. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC; **Address:** P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org>

KC STEM Alliance

The KC STEM Alliance is a collaborative network of educators, business partners and organizations that inspire interest in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math careers providing various mentoring opportunities among their programs. **Organization:** KC STEM Alliance; **Address:** 4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States; **Email:** info@kcstem.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcstem.org/>

Kansas City Urban Youth Academy

Provides mentorship to urban youth, to encourage academic achievement, develop leadership skills, and instill strong life values. **Organization:** Kansas City Urban Youth Academy; **Address:** 1622 East 17 Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** urbanyouthacademy@royals.com; **Website:** <https://www.mlb.com/>

Metropolitan Community College (MCC) - Mobile Training Unit

Metropolitan Community College in Kansas City offers a mobile training unit that travels to different locations to provide training in advanced manufacturing skills. **Organization:** Metropolitan Community College; **Address:** 3200 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@mcckc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.mcckc.edu/professional-development/corporate-customized-training/mobile-training.aspx>

LIKEME Lighthouse Kansas City - Mobile Training

LIKEME Lighthouse provides mobile training and outreach programs to educate and support LGBTQ+ individuals in underserved communities. **Organization:** LIKEME Lighthouse Kansas City; **Address:** 3911 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@likemelighthouse.org; **Website:** <http://www.likemelighthouse.org/>

Kansas City Kansas Community College (KCKCC) - Technical Education Center

While not strictly a mobile unit, KCKCC's Technical Education Center engages in outreach programs that include off-site training opportunities in various trades to reach underserved areas. **Organization:** Kansas City Kansas Community College; **Address:** 6565 State Ave, Kansas City, KS 66102; **Email:** admissions@kckcc.edu; **Website:** <http://www.kckcc.edu/academics/academic-divisions/tec/>

Digital Sandbox KC

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Enterprise Center in Johnson County

The ECJC offers mentorship, workspace, and networking opportunities to help entrepreneurs grow their businesses. They also provide access to capital through a microloan program. **Organization:** Enterprise Center in Johnson County; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** info@ecjc.com; **Website:** <https://www.ecjc.com/>

Kauffman Labs for Enterprise Creation

A program of the Kauffman Foundation, which focuses on creating and providing support programs to empower entrepreneurs. Kauffman Labs offers educational resources and organizes events and conferences for networking. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org>

Plexpod Westport Commons

Plexpod is a coworking space that includes business incubation services. It offers a diverse and inclusive community for entrepreneurs paired with the tools they need to grow their businesses, such as mentorship and networking opportunities. **Organization:** Plexpod; **Address:** 300 E 39th St, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** hello@plexpod.com; **Website:** <https://www.plexpod.com>

ScaleUP! Kansas City

ScaleUP! KC is a program that assists growth-seeking entrepreneurs. The program provides tools, education, and peer mentoring to help established small businesses scale up and spur economic development in the community. **Organization:** UMKC Innovation Center; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** info@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.scaleupkc.com>

Workforce Development Initiative

An initiative that analyzes local labor market data to identify skill gaps in the workforce and tailors its training and education programs accordingly. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** information@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://feckc.org/>

KC Degrees

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TechHire KC

A regional initiative to close the technology skill gap by building a pipeline of tech talent. This includes analyses of employer needs in the tech industry. **Organization:** KC Tech Council; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St #2850, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@kctechcouncil.com; **Website:** <https://www.kctechcouncil.com/>

KC Rising

Focused on regional prosperity, KC Rising conducts research on workforce development issues, including skill gap analyses, to drive targeted educational efforts. **Organization:** Civic Council of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 1200 Main Street, Suite 350, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** contact@kcrising.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcrising.com/>

Sector-Based Workforce Development Programs

These programs are rooted in partnerships with industries to help identify and fill skill gaps in sectors such as manufacturing, healthcare, and IT. **Organization:** Metropolitan Community College; **Address:** 3200 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info.mcckc@mcckc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.mcckc.edu/professional-dev/workforce/>

KC Tech Council Apprenti Program

A partnership between the KC Tech Council and Apprenti, this program aims to close the tech talent gap by providing underrepresented groups with apprenticeships in technology. Participants receive training and job placement with tech employers in the region. **Organization:** KC Tech Council; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** info@kctechcouncil.com; **Website:** <https://www.kctechcouncil.com/apprenti>

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Full Employment Council

The Full Employment Council (FEC) provides job training and employment services designed to help individuals improve their skills, find jobs, and grow their careers. The FEC works in partnership with businesses to understand the local labor market and develop training programs that meet the needs of employers while providing economic opportunities for job seekers. **Organization:** Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** contactus@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

Frontier Justice Academy

A public-private partnership between Frontier Justice and various local organizations providing training for jobs in the firearms industry, emphasizing both technical skills and safety. **Organization:** Frontier Justice; **Address:** 800 NE Jones Industrial Dr, Lee's Summit, MO 64064; **Email:** info@frontier-justice.com; **Website:** <https://www.frontier-justice.com/>

Digital Sandbox KC

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LaunchKC

A public-private partnership initiative that focuses on attracting tech entrepreneurs to Kansas City, promoting innovation, and creating jobs in various communities by providing grants and resources. **Organization:** LaunchKC; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St, Suite #1700, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** info@launchkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.launchkc.org/>

Kansas City Startup Foundation

This foundation connects and supports Kansas City's entrepreneurial ecosystem, providing entrepreneurs with tools and resources, educational events, and fostering a collaborative community. **Organization:** Kansas City Startup Foundation; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Fairway, KS 66205, United States; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.startlandnews.com/kcsf/>

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1 Million Cups Kansas City

1 Million Cups is a free, weekly program designed to educate, engage, and connect entrepreneurs. Startups present their companies to a diverse audience of peers, mentors, educators, and advisors. **Organization:** 1 Million Cups; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.1millioncups.com/kansascity>

Kansas City Industrial Training

Kansas City's Industrial Training program provides skill-based training for individuals seeking to enter into or advance in jobs within the manufacturing and industrial sectors, areas often impacted by automation and technological change. **Organization:** The Metropolitan Community College; **Address:** 3200 Broadway Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** info@mccckc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.mccckc.edu/professional-dev/industrial-training/>

LaunchCode Kansas City

LaunchCode offers free, accessible tech training to job seekers and places them into apprenticeships and jobs in the tech industry, in response to the rapid automation of traditional roles. **Organization:** LaunchCode; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Rd, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** info@launchcode.org; **Website:** <https://www.launchcode.org/kansas-city>

Kansas City Tech Apprenticeship

This initiative provides apprenticeship opportunities in tech roles, focusing on providing hands-on experience and addressing the skills gap in the technology sector. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** contactus@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

Urban Tech Jobs Program

The Urban League of Greater Kansas City offers the Urban Tech Jobs Program to help

unemployed adults to secure IT certifications and training for employment in tech industries.

Organization: Urban League of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 1710 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** info@urbanleague-kc.org; **Website:** <http://www.urbanleague-kc.org/programs/workforce-development-and-education/urban-tech-jobs-program/>

Digital Inclusion Fellowship

A fellowship program that aims to close the digital divide by training community leaders on digital literacy skills, crucial for those seeking to transition into new roles in a digital economy.

Organization: Connect KC; **Address:** 310 W 19th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** connectkc@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Kansas City Area Development Council

The KCADC works to attract and retain businesses in a wide array of industries to the Kansas City region, aiming at a diversified economic landscape less vulnerable to industry-specific downturns. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Development Council; **Address:** 30 W. Pershing Rd., Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@thinkkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.thinkkc.com/>

KC Digital Drive

A non-profit organization that works at the intersection of technology and social good, facilitating projects and partnerships to help Kansas City become a smart, connected, and inclusive city. They work with both public and private sector actors to leverage technology for community impact and economic growth. **Organization:** KC Digital Drive; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Suite 350-B, Fairway, Kansas 66205; **Email:** info@kcdigitaldrive.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcdigitaldrive.org>

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EDCKC

Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City leads business attraction, retention, and workforce development efforts with the aim of promoting a vibrant economy. **Organization:** Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St, Suite 1700, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** edckc@edckc.com; **Website:** <https://edckc.com/>

Missouri Technology Corporation

Though a statewide initiative, MTC's efforts in Kansas City focus on fostering innovation and entrepreneurship in tech-related fields, thus contributing to economic diversity. **Organization:** Missouri Technology Corporation; **Address:** 4633 World Parkway Circle, St. Louis, MO 63134; **Email:** info@missouritechnology.com; **Website:** <https://www.missouritechnology.com/>

KC Tech Council

The KC Tech Council partners with local tech companies and educational institutions to address

talent shortages in the tech industry. They organize events and initiatives such as 'No Coast' to attract skilled tech workers to Kansas City. **Organization:** KC Tech Council; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** info@kctechcouncil.com; **Website:** <https://www.kctechcouncil.com/>

LaunchCode

LaunchCode offers job placement and apprenticeship programs in technology with local Kansas City employers. They provide free, accessible tech education and job opportunities to help individuals launch careers in technology. **Organization:** LaunchCode Kansas City; **Address:** Union Station, 30 West Pershing Road, Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@launchcode.org; **Website:** <https://www.launchcode.org/kansas-city>

TechHire Kansas City

Operated through the Full Employment Council, TechHire KC collaborates with local employers to connect young adults and underserved communities with training and employment opportunities in the tech industry. **Organization:** Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** contactus@fec-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

Digital Sandbox KC

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Kansas City Remote Work Initiative

Facilitating the development of local coworking spaces to serve as hubs for remote workers. Offering resources and networking events for remote professionals. **Organization:** KCSOURCELink; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcsourcelink.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcsourcelink.com/>

Work From Home KC

Connecting Kansas City's workforce with resources to find remote work opportunities, as well as providing tips and best practices for remote work. **Organization:** Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St #1700, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@edckc.com; **Website:** <https://www.edckc.com/>

KC Remote Workers Meetup

Regular meetups for remote workers to network, share resources, and build a community in Kansas City. **Organization:** Meetup Group (Independent); **Address:** N/A (Meetup group meets at various locations); **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.meetup.com/kansas-city-remote-workers/>

Remote Work Certification Program

Certification program that helps businesses and remote workers optimize their remote work

policies and practices. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** [Use Contact Form]; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

Kansas City, Missouri, Local Workforce Utilization

Kansas City, Missouri has implemented policies to encourage local workforce participation in city-funded construction projects. The city aims to increase the hiring of women and minorities, and local workers, in such projects. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri - Human Relations Department; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** actioncenter@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/human-relations/workforce-utilization-report>

Missouri Works

Missouri Works is a program that offers tax incentives to businesses for job creation in Missouri. While it is a statewide program, businesses in the Kansas City region can also benefit from it, particularly when they create jobs that hire local workforce. **Organization:** Missouri Department of Economic Development; **Address:** 301 W. High St., Room 680, Jefferson City, MO 65102, United States; **Email:** dedpublicinfo@ded.mo.gov; **Website:** <https://ded.mo.gov/programs/business/missouri-works>

KC SmartPort

KC SmartPort is an organization that works to attract freight-based companies to the Kansas City region, with the understanding that these companies will help create jobs and stimulate local hiring across the logistics, distribution, and manufacturing sectors. **Organization:** KC SmartPort; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200 Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** info@kcsmartport.thinkkc.com; **Website:** <https://kcsmartport.com/>

KC Streetcar

Kansas City's streetcar project represents a significant public-private partnership between Kansas City's government and various private entities. The project has spurred development along the route and created job opportunities in construction, operations, and maintenance. **Organization:** Kansas City Streetcar Authority; **Address:** 600 E 3rd St, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** info@kcstreetcar.org; **Website:** <https://kcstreetcar.org/>

AltCap

AltCap is dedicated to delivering accessible capital to support small businesses and entrepreneurs. They provide microloan products as well as other financial and business development services. **Organization:** AltCap; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@alt-cap.org; **Website:** <https://www.alt-cap.org/>

LaunchKC Grants Competition

LaunchKC is an initiative that offers grants to innovative startups that promise job creation and business expansion within the local community. It specifically targets tech entrepreneurs to build and grow their businesses in Kansas City. **Organization:** LaunchKC; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St #2000, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** info@launchkc.org; **Website:** N/A

Digital Sandbox KC

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SBIR/STTR Grants

Local businesses in Kansas City can apply for Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) grants to fund research and development with the potential for commercialization. These federal grants are awarded to encourage small businesses to engage in R&D with commercialization potential. **Organization:** Missouri Small Business Development Center; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 128, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** sbtcd@umkc.edu; **Website:** N/A

Proof of Concept Innovation Funding

This funding initiative is targeted at researchers and innovators at the University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC) to assist in the development of early-stage technological innovations. It aims to bridge the funding gap between the initial innovation and the market, ensuring that research has the potential to lead to commercial products. **Organization:** UMKC Innovation Center; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** info@umkcinnovationcenter.com; **Website:** N/A

H&R Block Small Business and Entrepreneurship Program

The program supports entrepreneurship through grants and educational programs. It emphasizes innovation and offers support to business owners and aspiring entrepreneurs to bring new ideas and businesses to fruition in the local economy. **Organization:** H&R Block; **Address:** One H&R Block Way, Kansas City, MO 64105, USA; **Email:** Contact through website; **Website:** N/A

First Friday in the Crossroads Arts District

This monthly event promotes local artists, craftsmen, and performers by providing them with a venue to showcase their work to the public. **Organization:** Crossroads Community Association; **Address:** PO Box 412002, Kansas City, MO 64141; **Email:** info@kccrossroads.org; **Website:** <https://kccrossroads.org/first-fridays/>

Strawberry Swing Indie Craft Fair

A bi-annual event that supports local craftspeople by providing a market for their handmade goods, in addition to workshops and live music. **Organization:** The Strawberry Swing Indie Craft Fair; **Address:** N/A - Various event locations; **Email:** hello@thestrawberryswing.com; **Website:** <https://thestrawberryswing.org>

Made in KC Marketplace

A marketplace that sells products from local artisans and makers, offering a physical storefront to help them reach a wider audience. **Organization:** Made in KC; **Address:** 306 W 47th Street, Kansas City, MO 64112; **Email:** info@madeinkc.co; **Website:** <https://madeinkc.co/>

Kansas City Artists Coalition

An organization that supports and promotes local artists through exhibitions, education, and programs aimed at audience development and artist entrepreneurship. **Organization:** Kansas City Artists Coalition; **Address:** 3200 Gillham Rd, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@kansascityartistscoalition.org; **Website:** <https://kansascityartistscoalition.org>

ArtsKC - Regional Arts Council

Dedicated to promoting, supporting, and funding the arts and creative industries in the Kansas City region, offering various programs and resources for local artisans. **Organization:** ArtsKC; **Address:** 106 Southwest Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@artskc.org; **Website:** <https://artskc.org>

Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce

The Chamber's Big 5 Initiative includes a focus on the arts, aiming to unify and promote the region's creative industries, including artisanship and craftwork. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; **Address:** 30 W. Pershing Rd. Suite 301, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@kcchamber.com; **Website:** <https://kcchamber.com/>

Full Employment Council - Career Centers

Provides services that include vocational training in sectors like healthcare, IT, and manufacturing, aiming to meet the current demand for skilled workers in the Kansas City region. **Organization:** Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** contactus@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://feckc.org>

Missouri Registered Apprenticeships

The Missouri Division of Workforce Development offers registered apprenticeships across various industries, including construction, manufacturing, and healthcare. These programs combine on-the-job learning with technical education. **Organization:** Missouri Division of Workforce Development; **Address:** 421 East Dunklin Street, Jefferson City, MO 65102; **Email:** dwd@labor.mo.gov; **Website:** <https://jobs.mo.gov/>

KC Tech Academy

The KC Tech Academy provides apprenticeship programs in advanced manufacturing and engineering technology. It aims to create paths for high school students and adults to acquire the skills needed for roles in manufacturing. **Organization:** KC Tech Academy; **Address:** 1101 NW Innovation Parkway, Lee's Summit, MO 64086; **Email:** info@kctechacademy.com; **Website:** <https://www.kctechacademy.com/>

Builders' Association Apprenticeship Training Center

The Builders' Association provides several apprenticeship programs in construction trades. These programs offer technical education and hands-on experience in various specializations like carpentry, heavy construction labor, and others. **Organization:** The Builders' Association; **Address:** 105 W 12th Ave., North Kansas City, MO 64116; **Email:** training@buildersassociation.com; **Website:** <https://www.buildersassociation.com/>

Full Employment Council (FEC)

FEC partners with businesses and educational Institutions to provide apprenticeships and work-based training opportunities in Kansas City. Their programs aim to connect job seekers with employers in high-demand sectors. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1800 Vine St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

Metropolitan Community College Apprenticeship Programs

Metropolitan Community College offers apprenticeship programs partnering with local businesses in areas such as technology, skilled trades, and healthcare. These programs are designed to provide hands-on training and classroom instruction. **Organization:** Metropolitan Community College; **Address:** 3200 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** ask.careerservices@mccckc.edu; **Website:** <https://mccckc.edu/professional-dev/workforce-training/apprenticeships/>

KC Rising

A regional effort aimed at long-term economic growth across the Kansas City metro that includes initiatives for public-private partnerships and promotes equitable opportunities across diverse communities. **Organization:** KC Rising; **Address:** 4060 Pennsylvania Ave #150, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** info@kcrising.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcrising.com/>

Full Employment Council (FEC)

The FEC works with businesses to ensure they have a skilled workforce while helping individuals gain the skills necessary for employment. This is achieved by partnering with local employers, government entities, and educational institutions to design training programs that meet the current demands of the labor market. **Organization:** Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contactus@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

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Workforce Partnership

Workforce Partnership provides services to job seekers and employers in Johnson, Leavenworth, and Wyandotte counties. Their services aim at connecting employers with qualified employees through various programs which include job fairs, on-the-job training, and personalized job matching. **Organization:** Workforce Partnership; **Address:** 8535 Bluejacket Street, Lenexa, KS 66214; **Email:** info@workforcepartnership.com; **Website:** <http://www.workforcepartnership.com>

Full Employment Council (FEC)

The FEC works with businesses to ensure they have a skilled workforce while helping individuals gain the skills necessary for employment. This is achieved by partnering with local employers, government entities, and educational institutions to design training programs that meet the current demands of the labor market. **Organization:** Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contactus@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

The University of Kansas Alumni Association Jayhawk Career Network

Provides career services including networking, career counseling, mentoring, and job matching for University of Kansas alumni to help them identify opportunities and leverage their university network. **Organization:** The University of Kansas Alumni Association; **Address:** 1266 Oread Ave, Lawrence, KS 66045; **Email:** kualumni@kualumni.org; **Website:** <https://kualumni.org/>

Goodwill Career Centers

Goodwill offers career centers that provide various job seeker services including career counseling, employment workshops, job matching, and training programs to strengthen workforce skills. **Organization:** Goodwill of Western Missouri & Eastern Kansas; **Address:** 1817 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contact.us@mokangoodwill.org; **Website:** <https://www.mokangoodwill.org/>

Jewish Vocational Service (JVS)

JVS in Kansas City offers employment services including career assessment, individualized career counseling, and job placement assistance, aiming to help job seekers find sustainable employment. **Organization:** Jewish Vocational Service; **Address:** 4600 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@jvskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.jvskc.org/>

Missouri Works Training Program

Provides state funding to help businesses access necessary training for their workforce. The funding can be used to offset the costs related to on-the-job training and classroom training. **Organization:** Missouri Department of Economic Development; **Address:** 301 West High Street, Room 680, Jefferson City, MO 65102; **Email:** ded.mo.gov; **Website:** <https://ded.mo.gov/>

Kansas Works Workforce Innovation Fund

Through the Kansas Department of Commerce, the Workforce Innovation Fund provides financial assistance to workforce development projects that improve educational and employment outcomes, often via On-the-Job Training (OJT) funds and Customized Training. **Organization:** Kansas Department of Commerce; **Address:** 1000 SW Jackson St., Suite 100, Topeka, KS 66612-1354; **Email:** workforce.services@ks.gov; **Website:** <https://www.kansascommerce.gov/>

Workforce Development Tax Credit

A tax credit program that can provide Kansas businesses with tax credits for investing in training for their employees, encouraging businesses to invest in their workers and enhance their skills. **Organization:** Kansas Department of Commerce; **Address:** 1000 SW Jackson St., Suite 100, Topeka, KS 66612-1354; **Email:** workforce.services@ks.gov; **Website:** <https://www.kansascommerce.gov/>

LaunchCode Kansas City

LaunchCode offers free, accessible tech training to job seekers and places them into apprenticeships and jobs in the tech industry, in response to the rapid automation of traditional roles. **Organization:** LaunchCode; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Rd, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** info@launchcode.org; **Website:** <https://www.launchcode.org/kansas-city>

Digital Inclusion Fund

The Greater Kansas City Community Foundation has a Digital Inclusion Fund, which provides grants to organizations working to address the digital divide across the Kansas City area.

Organization: Greater Kansas City Community Foundation; **Address:** 1055 Broadway Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** service@growyourgiving.org; **Website:** <https://www.growyourgiving.org/>

TechHire KC

TechHire KC is a part of the national TechHire initiative that provides funding and resources to train participants and align them with employers in tech-related sectors. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd., Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** NA — Please use contact form on their website.; **Website:** <https://feckc.org/>

KC Digital Drive

A non-profit organization that works at the intersection of technology and social good, facilitating projects and partnerships to help Kansas City become a smart, connected, and inclusive city. They work with both public and private sector actors to leverage technology for community impact and economic growth. **Organization:** KC Digital Drive; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Suite 350-B, Fairway, Kansas 66205; **Email:** info@kcdigitaldrive.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcdigitaldrive.org>

Code for KC Brigade

Encourages civic engagement and tech skill development through the use of open-source projects and civic tech. **Organization:** Code for KC; **Address:** NA — Code for KC is a grassroots organization and does not have a fixed address.; **Email:** hello@codeforkc.org; **Website:** <http://www.codeforkc.org/>

Digital Sandbox KC

A tech-focused business incubator that provides proof-of-concept resources to support early-stage startups. The program offers funding, mentorship, and connections to foster business growth, particularly in the Kansas City area. **Organization:** Digital Sandbox KC; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@digitalsandboxkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.digitalsandboxkc.com>

Enterprise Center in Johnson County (ECJC)

ECJC offers a variety of resources for entrepreneurs and startups including office space, mentorship, and access to funding. It provides a collaborative environment designed to support the growth of new businesses. **Organization:** Enterprise Center in Johnson County; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205, USA; **Email:** info@ecjc.com; **Website:** <https://www.ecjc.com>

LaunchKC

A public-private partnership initiative that focuses on attracting tech entrepreneurs to Kansas City, promoting innovation, and creating jobs in various communities by providing grants and resources. **Organization:** LaunchKC; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St, Suite #1700, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** info@launchkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.launchkc.org/>

Plexpod

A coworking space that offers a supportive community for entrepreneurs, including mentoring, networking opportunities, and a variety of resources tailored for startups and small businesses. **Organization:** Plexpod; **Address:** 300 East 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** hello@plexpod.com; **Website:** <https://www.plexpod.com>

Techstars Kansas City Accelerator

Techstars offers a startup accelerator program in Kansas City that provides mentorship, investment, and access to a vast network of entrepreneurs and experts, as well as office space. **Organization:** Techstars; **Address:** 1801 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Not Publicly Available; **Website:** <https://www.techstars.com/accelerators/kansas-city>

Kauffman FastTrac

Kauffman FastTrac equips aspiring entrepreneurs with the business skills and insights, tools, resources, and peer networks necessary to start and grow successful businesses. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** fasttrac@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.fasttrac.org>

Online and Evening Programs

Offering a range of undergraduate and graduate programs that can be completed in the evening or online, aimed at working professionals looking to advance their education. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City; **Address:** 5100 Rockhill Rd, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States; **Email:** admissions@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://online.umkc.edu/>

Flexible Adult Education Programs

Providing adult education programs that include online and evening classes, certificate programs, and professional development workshops designed for working adults. **Organization:** Metropolitan Community College; **Address:** 3200 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** mcckc.edu@mcckc.edu; **Website:** <https://mcckc.edu/professional-development/>

Continuing Education for Professionals

Offering a variety of continuing education courses that can be taken online or in the evening, including professional certifications and workshops. **Organization:** Park University; **Address:** 8700 NW River Park Dr, Parkville, MO 64152, United States; **Email:** pacel@park.edu; **Website:** <https://www.park.edu/>

Adult Education and Literacy Programs

Providing programs tailored for adults to improve basic skills, prepare for the High School Equivalency test, learn English, and gain citizenship, with flexible scheduling available. **Organization:** Kansas City Kansas Community College; **Address:** 7250 State Ave, Kansas City,

KS 66112, United States; **Email:** aed@kckcc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.kckcc.edu/academics/adult-education-and-literacy/index.html>

Workforce Development Programs

Delivering programs that help individuals upgrade their skills and improve their employability, including flexible course options for busy adults. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** information@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

Plexpod Westport Commons

Plexpod is a coworking space that includes business incubation services. It offers a diverse and inclusive community for entrepreneurs paired with the tools they need to grow their businesses, such as mentorship and networking opportunities. **Organization:** Plexpod; **Address:** 300 E 39th St, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** hello@plexpod.com; **Website:** <https://www.plexpod.com>

Kauffman FastTrac

Kauffman FastTrac offers a variety of entrepreneurship programs that provide training, resources, and support to aspiring and existing entrepreneurs. **Organization:** Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** fasttrac@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/>

Digital Sandbox KC

A tech-focused business incubator that provides proof-of-concept resources to support early-stage startups. The program offers funding, mentorship, and connections to foster business growth, particularly in the Kansas City area. **Organization:** Digital Sandbox KC; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@digitalsandboxkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.digitalsandboxkc.com>

SCORE Kansas City

SCORE offers workshops and seminars led by experienced entrepreneurs and professionals on business topics, including marketing, finance, and business planning. **Organization:** SCORE Kansas City; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 128, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** kansascity.score@scorevolunteer.org; **Website:** <https://kansascity.score.org/>

Enterprise Center in Johnson County

The ECJC offers mentorship, workspace, and networking opportunities to help entrepreneurs grow their businesses. They also provide access to capital through a microloan program. **Organization:** Enterprise Center in Johnson County; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** info@ecjc.com; **Website:** <https://www.ecjc.com/>

Small Business Development Center at UMKC

The Small Business Development Center at the University of Missouri-Kansas City provides training workshops on business planning, marketing strategies, and financial management. **Organization:** Small Business Development Center at UMKC; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** sbtdc@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://sbtdc.umkc.edu/>

Justine PETERSEN Microloan Program

Justine PETERSEN helps small business owners and entrepreneurs in Kansas City with microloans through their SBA Microloan Program. They focus on providing financing to small businesses that do not have access to traditional bank loans, with an emphasis on minority and women-owned businesses. **Organization:** Justine PETERSEN; **Address:** 1026 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** info@justinepetersen.org; **Website:** <https://www.justinepetersen.org/>

AltCap Microloan Program

AltCap's microloan program targets small businesses in the Kansas City metro area, offering microloans from \$500 to \$50,000. They aim to support entrepreneurs who are unable to secure traditional financing, with a focus on minority, women, and veteran-owned businesses.

Organization: AltCap; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** info@alt-cap.org; **Website:** <https://www.alt-cap.org/>

Women's Business Center Microloan Program

The Women's Business Center of Kansas City offers a microloan program to provide small loans to women entrepreneurs. They support women-owned startups and established businesses seeking to grow or need working capital. **Organization:** Women's Business Center; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205, USA; **Email:** Not Provided; **Website:** <https://www.onekcforwomen.com/womens-business-center/>

Grameen America Kansas City

Grameen America provides microloans to women in poverty seeking to establish or expand a small business. They offer microlending services and financial training in Kansas City, supporting financial inclusion and entrepreneurship. **Organization:** Grameen America; **Address:** 1200 E 18th St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** Not Provided; **Website:** <https://www.grameenamerica.org/>

KCSOURCELINK Microloan Program

KCSOURCELINK connects entrepreneurs to the right resource at the right time, including microloan providers in the Kansas City region. They help businesses find microfinancing options suited to their needs. **Organization:** KCSOURCELINK; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave., Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** info@kcsourcelink.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcsourcelink.com/>

1 Million Cups Kansas City

1 Million Cups Kansas City is a weekly event that brings together entrepreneurs and the Kansas City community over coffee and conversations. It is an opportunity for local entrepreneurs to present their startups to a diverse audience of peers, mentors, educators, and advisors.

Organization: Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@1millioncups.com; **Website:** <https://www.1millioncups.com/kansascity>

Kansas City Business Networking

Kansas City Business Networking hosts numerous networking events designed for business owners to meet and create relationships with other business professionals. Events include casual networking, speed networking, and industry-specific gatherings. **Organization:** Network After

Work; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** contact@networkafterwork.com; **Website:** <https://www.networkafterwork.com/city/kansas-city>

The GRID

The Global Entrepreneurship Week KC, sometimes organized by The GRID, provides various networking opportunities, workshops, and pitches. It allows entrepreneurs to connect with each other and find potential resources for their growth. **Organization:** The GRID; **Address:** Various locations in Kansas City; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <http://www.kcgrid.com>

KC Tech Council Events

KC Tech Council hosts events including networking breakfasts, industry discussions, and mixers that serve the tech community by connecting professionals from all aspects of the tech industry. **Organization:** KC Tech Council; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** info@kctechcouncil.com; **Website:** <https://www.kctechcouncil.com/events>

The Kansas City Chamber's Small Business Celebration

This annual event by the Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce celebrates small businesses and offers networking opportunities with business owners and chamber members. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; **Address:** 30 West Pershing Road, Suite 301, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@kcchamber.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcchamber.com/>

Kansas City SCORE

Kansas City SCORE offers free business mentoring and education to entrepreneurs and small business owners. Experienced business professionals volunteer their time to help others succeed. **Organization:** SCORE Association; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 128, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** kansascity.score@scorevolunteer.org; **Website:** <https://kansascity.score.org/>

Digital Sandbox KC

A tech-focused business incubator that provides proof-of-concept resources to support early-stage startups. The program offers funding, mentorship, and connections to foster business growth, particularly in the Kansas City area. **Organization:** Digital Sandbox KC; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@digitalsandboxkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.digitalsandboxkc.com>

Enterprise Center in Johnson County

The ECJC offers mentorship, workspace, and networking opportunities to help entrepreneurs grow their businesses. They also provide access to capital through a microloan program. **Organization:** Enterprise Center in Johnson County; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Pkwy, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** info@ecjc.com; **Website:** <https://www.ecjc.com/>

UMKC Innovation Center

Offers a variety of programs including mentorship to help spur entrepreneurship, such as the Whiteboard 2 Boardroom and ScaleUP! KC. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City Innovation Center; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States; **Email:** info@umkcinnovationcenter.com; **Website:** <https://www.umkc.edu/>

BetaBlox

An incubator program that includes mentorship, connecting startups with a wide array of mentors to help them navigate the world of entrepreneurship. **Organization:** BetaBlox; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** info@betablox.com; **Website:** <http://www.betablox.com/>

KCSOURCELINK

KCSOURCELINK connects entrepreneurs to the right resources at the right time. It offers a network of over 240 business-building organizations, as well as personalized guidance through its hotline and online portal. **Organization:** KCSOURCELINK; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcsourcelink.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcsourcelink.com/>

Startland News - Resource Navigator

Startland's Resource Navigator is an interactive online tool that offers a directory of support organizations, funders, educational programs, and other resources for entrepreneurs and small businesses in Kansas City. **Organization:** Startland News; **Address:** 18 Southwest Blvd, Kansas City, KS 66103, USA; **Email:** editor@startlandnews.com; **Website:** <https://www.startlandnews.com/>

Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City

The EDC of Kansas City provides an online business resource guide that lists services and support for businesses in the area, including information about incentives, training programs, and networking opportunities. **Organization:** Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St #1700, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** ecdev@edckc.com; **Website:** <http://edckc.com/>

KC BizCare

KC BizCare is a free business resource, advocacy, and information center for new and existing businesses operating within Kansas City. They provide a repository of resources including regulatory guidance and access to capital. **Organization:** Kansas City Business Customer Service Center; **Address:** 1118 Oak St., Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** bizcare@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Digital Sandbox KC

A tech-focused business incubator that provides proof-of-concept resources to support early-stage startups. The program offers funding, mentorship, and connections to foster business growth, particularly in the Kansas City area. **Organization:** Digital Sandbox KC; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@digitalsandboxkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.digitalsandboxkc.com>

City Market

Kansas City's City Market is a large farmers' market and public marketplace where local vendors sell fresh produce, prepared foods, and handcrafted items. **Organization:** City Market; **Address:** 20 E 5th St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** info@thecitymarket.org; **Website:** <http://thecitymarket.org/>

KC Local Marketplace

An online marketplace that supports Kansas City local businesses and makers. It serves as a platform for a variety of products, ranging from home goods to art. **Organization:** KC Local Marketplace; **Address:** N/A - Online Marketplace; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kclocalmarketplace.com/>

Brookside Farmers Market

An organic and non-GMO farmers market where local farmers and artisans provide a selection of goods. **Organization:** Brookside Farmers Market; **Address:** 63rd St & Wornall Rd, Kansas City, MO 64113; **Email:** manager@brooksidefarmersmarket.com; **Website:** <https://brooksidefarmersmarket.com/>

Kansas City Farmers Market (KCFM)

A traditional farmers market that provides a space for local farmers and artisans to sell their goods, including seasonal fruits and vegetables, meats, and handcrafted items. **Organization:** Kansas City Farmers Market; **Address:** 1600 Genessee St Suite 145, Kansas City, MO 64102, United States; **Email:** contact@kcfarmersmarket.com; **Website:** <https://kcfarmersmarket.com/>

Made in KC Marketplace

A marketplace that sells products from local artisans and makers, offering a physical storefront to help them reach a wider audience. **Organization:** Made in KC; **Address:** 306 W 47th Street, Kansas City, MO 64112; **Email:** info@madeinkc.co; **Website:** <https://madeinkc.co/>

Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship (NFTE)

NFTE is a global nonprofit providing entrepreneurship education and training to middle and high school students from under-resourced communities. **Organization:** Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship; **Address:** Kansas City area (programs delivered in various schools, no fixed address); **Email:** Not Provided; **Website:** <https://www.nfte.com/>

Youth Entrepreneurs

Youth Entrepreneurs is an educational program that provides students with business and entrepreneurial education and experiences to help them prosper and become contributing members of society. **Organization:** Youth Entrepreneurs; **Address:** 1 H&R Block Way, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** info@youthentrepreneurs.org; **Website:** <https://www.youthentrepreneurs.org/>

KCSOURCELINK's Youth Entrepreneurship Programs

A network of support for entrepreneurs and small business owners. They highlight youth entrepreneurship programs and events across the Kansas City region. **Organization:** KCSOURCELINK; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcsourcelink.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcsourcelink.com/guides/youth-entrepreneurship>

DECA Inc.

DECA prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs in marketing, finance, hospitality, and management in high schools and colleges around the globe. **Organization:** DECA Inc.; **Address:**

Kansas City, Missouri area (multiple schools participate in DECA, address provided may belong to a local chapter); **Email:** Not Provided; **Website:** <https://www.deca.org/>

Junior Achievement of Greater Kansas City

Junior Achievement offers a range of programs to empower Kansas City youth to own their economic success and teach the key concepts of work readiness, entrepreneurship, and financial literacy. **Organization:** Junior Achievement of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 210, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@kc.ja.org; **Website:** <https://www.jagkc.org/>

The Kauffman Foundation's Youth Entrepreneurship Programs

The Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation supports various programs that focus on education and entrepreneurship, including youth initiatives. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/>

AltCap

AltCap is dedicated to delivering accessible capital to support small businesses and entrepreneurs. They provide microloan products as well as other financial and business development services. **Organization:** AltCap; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@alt-cap.org; **Website:** <https://www.alt-cap.org/>

OneKC for Women

OneKC for Women is an umbrella alliance that brings together several organizations, including the Women's Business Center, Women's Capital Connection, and Women's Employment Network. Together, they focus on connecting women with opportunities, resources, and funding to help them start and grow businesses in Kansas City. **Organization:** OneKC for Women; **Address:** 4220 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Suite 350B, Fairway, KS 66205; **Email:** hello@onekcforwomen.com; **Website:** <https://www.onekcforwomen.com>

KC SourceLink

KC SourceLink connects startups and small businesses to the right resources at the right time. Through a network of over 240 business-building organizations, they help entrepreneurs find funding, including local investment opportunities. **Organization:** KC SourceLink; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcsourcelink.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcsourcelink.com>

Port KC

Focused on economic development, Port KC offers incubator office space and support services for startups and small businesses, particularly those in transportation, logistics, and trade sectors. **Organization:** Port KC; **Address:** 110 Berkley Plaza, Kansas City, MO 64120; **Email:** info@portkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.portkc.com>

Neighborhood Development Center

The Neighborhood Development Center (NDC) in Kansas City works to foster economic development by providing entrepreneur training and business development services, which can

include access to financing and investment for small, local businesses. **Organization:** Neighborhood Development Center; **Address:** Unspecified - Contact for details; **Email:** Unspecified - Contact for details; **Website:** <https://www.ndc-mn.org/>

Digital Sandbox KC

A tech-focused business incubator that provides proof-of-concept resources to support early-stage startups. The program offers funding, mentorship, and connections to foster business growth, particularly in the Kansas City area. **Organization:** Digital Sandbox KC; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@digitalsandboxkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.digitalsandboxkc.com>

Pure Pitch Rally

Pure Pitch Rally is a funding competition where entrepreneurs pitch to land sharks and a live audience for resources and cash. It serves as a platform for startups to connect with potential investors. **Organization:** Pure Pitch Rally; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** hello@purepitchrally.com; **Website:** <https://purepitchrally.com/>

AltCap Your Biz: Pitch Competition

This competition is aimed at supporting entrepreneurs and small businesses with a cash prize, providing entrepreneurs the chance to compete and pitch their business ideas for funding. **Organization:** AltCap; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave., Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@alt-cap.org; **Website:** <https://www.alt-cap.org/>

E-Scholars Program

Henry W. Bloch School of Management's Entrepreneurship Scholars Program includes competitions and opportunities for entrepreneurs to gain funding and feedback on their ventures. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City; **Address:** 5110 Cherry St, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** umkc-escholars@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://bloch.umkc.edu/entrepreneurship/escholars/>

Regnier Venture Creation Challenge

A business plan and pitch competition for university students designed to encourage venture creation by providing seed funding and mentorship to student-led startup initiatives.

Organization: Regnier Institute for Entrepreneurship and Innovation; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** umkc-escholars@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://bloch.umkc.edu/entrepreneur/regniervcc/>

Ban the Box Movement

Kansas City, Missouri has adopted 'Ban the Box' legislation, which requires employers to remove the checkbox that asks about criminal history from job applications and delays the criminal background check until later in the hiring process. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Fair Chance Hiring Policy

The City of Kansas City has implemented a fair chance hiring policy for city employment,

providing a model for local businesses to follow in giving individuals with prior convictions a better opportunity to secure employment. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Workforce Development

Provides comprehensive employment and training services, including job training and placement, education, and support services to help people, including survivors, overcome barriers to economic independence. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://feckc.org/services/>

Kansas City Ban the Box Ordinance

Kansas City has implemented a 'Ban the Box' policy that prohibits employers from inquiring about applicants' criminal histories until later in the hiring process. The ordinance is designed to help individuals with prior convictions to be judged on their qualifications first rather than their criminal history. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, MO; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/human-resources>

Fair Chance Hiring Policy

The City of Kansas City, MO, has adopted a Fair Chance Hiring Policy that encompasses 'Ban the Box' principles, ensuring that city job applicants are not asked about their criminal background on initial job applications. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, MO Human Resources; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/human-resources/fair-chance-hiring>

Second Chance Program

This program offers employment and training services to individuals with criminal records to help them secure sustainable employment. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://feckc.org/>

Legal Aid of Western Missouri Expungement Clinics

Provides free legal assistance to low-income individuals looking to expunge their criminal records. The organization conducts clinics where volunteers and lawyers offer their services. **Organization:** Legal Aid of Western Missouri; **Address:** 4001 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** N/A - Contact through the contact form on the website or phone; **Website:** <https://lawmo.org/>

Missouri Expungement Day

An annual event providing free legal assistance to help individuals remove eligible criminal records from public view. **Organization:** Missouri State Public Defender and other local legal organizations; **Address:** Varies during the event - please refer to the website for current address; **Email:** N/A - Contact through the event sign-up form or phone; **Website:** <https://publicdefender.mo.gov/>

Heartland Center for Jobs and Freedom Expungement Clinic

Offers clinics specifically designed to assist workers with expungements, aiming to improve their employability and secure better jobs. **Organization:** Heartland Center for Jobs and Freedom; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@heartlandjobs.org; **Website:** <http://www.heartlandjobs.org/free-legal-services/>

Second Chance Program

This program offers employment and training services to individuals with criminal records to help them secure sustainable employment. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://feckc.org/>

New Leash on Life

A program providing job training related to animal care and pet services for ex-offenders. After completion, assistance with job placement is also offered. **Organization:** KC Pet Project; **Address:** 7077 Elmwood Ave, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@kcpetproject.org; **Website:** <https://kcpetproject.org/>

Culinary Cornerstones Training Program

This program is designed to equip individuals, including those with past criminal records, with the culinary skills necessary to work in the food service industry. **Organization:** Episcopal Community Services; **Address:** 11 E 40th St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** contact@episcopalcommunity.org; **Website:** <https://www.episcopalcommunity.org/>

Project Re-Entry

A collaborative program providing education and job training for inmates and ex-offenders in fields such as manufacturing and technology. **Organization:** Metropolitan Community College; **Address:** 3200 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@mccckc.edu; **Website:** <https://mccckc.edu/programs/project-reentry/>

Women in Construction

Offering training to women, including those with criminal records, for careers in construction through apprenticeships and on-the-job training. **Organization:** Mo-Kan; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** contact@mokaninc.com; **Website:** <http://mokaninc.com/women-in-construction/>

Ban the Box Campaign

The Ban the Box campaign in Kansas City is an initiative that encourages employers to remove the check box asking if applicants have a criminal record from their hiring applications. The goal is to help individuals with past convictions to be judged first on their qualifications.

Organization: City of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** communicationservices@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/>

Clean Slate Expungement Project

The Clean Slate Project provides free legal assistance to help eligible individuals expunge their criminal records in Missouri, thus reducing stigma and helping them to reintegrate into the community successfully. **Organization:** Legal Aid of Western Missouri; **Address:** 4001 Blue

Parkway, Suite 300, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** contactus@lawmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.lawmo.org/>

Fair Chance Hiring Initiative

This initiative promotes the employment of individuals with criminal records through education and partnership with Kansas City employers, reducing stigma and emphasizing the importance of second chances. **Organization:** Fair Chance Hiring Initiative; **Address:** None provided; **Email:** info@fairchancehiring.org; **Website:** <https://www.fairchancehiring.org/>

Reentry Services

Organizations in Kansas City offer various reentry services that include community education campaigns to reduce stigma and highlight the successes of those who have been involved with the criminal justice system. **Organization:** ReDiscover; **Address:** 6801 E. 117th St., Kansas City, MO 64134, USA; **Email:** info@rediscovermh.org; **Website:** <https://www.rediscovermh.org/>

Work Opportunity Tax Credit

The Work Opportunity Tax Credit is a federal tax credit available to employers for hiring individuals from certain target groups who have consistently faced significant barriers to employment, including ex-felons. In Missouri, the Department of Economic Development administers the tax credit program. **Organization:** Missouri Department of Economic Development; **Address:** 301 West High Street, PO Box 118, Jefferson City, MO 65102; **Email:** TaxCreditInfo@ded.mo.gov; **Website:** <https://ded.mo.gov/>

Fair Chance Hiring Initiative

This initiative promotes the employment of individuals with criminal records through education and partnership with Kansas City employers, reducing stigma and emphasizing the importance of second chances. **Organization:** Fair Chance Hiring Initiative; **Address:** None provided; **Email:** info@fairchancehiring.org; **Website:** <https://www.fairchancehiring.org/>

Second Chance Program

The Second Chance Program facilitates mentorship and provides support services for formerly incarcerated individuals to help them reintegrate into the community and find employment.

Organization: Connections to Success; **Address:** 300 W Linwood Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** info@connectionstosuccess.org; **Website:** <https://connectionstosuccess.org/>

Reentry Mentoring Program

This program pairs returning citizens with mentors who assist them in navigating barriers faced post-release, with an emphasis on employment and life skills. **Organization:** Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas; **Address:** 9720 W 87th St, Overland Park, KS 66212, United States; **Email:** info@catholiccharitiesks.org; **Website:** <https://catholiccharitiesks.org/>

Mentorship to Employment Program

Offers mentorship and job training for formerly incarcerated individuals, aiding in job placement and workplace readiness **Organization:** The Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740

Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** customerservice@feckc.org;
Website: <https://www.feckc.org/>

KC Reentry Resources

KC Reentry Resources works with multiple organizations to provide mentorship opportunities for individuals with criminal records, focusing on employment and other support services.

Organization: KC Reentry Resources; **Address:** Not specified; **Email:** Not specified; **Website:** <https://kcreentry.org/>

Reentry Services

The City of Kansas City offers reentry services to previously incarcerated individuals, helping with employment, housing, and other forms of support. **Organization:** City of Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 414 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** communications@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/health/aim4peace>

Criminal Justice Services

Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph provides a variety of supportive services, including housing and employment assistance, to individuals with criminal records. **Organization:** Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 250, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@catholiccharities-kcsj.org; **Website:** <https://catholiccharities-kcsj.org/services/#justice>

Transitional Housing Program

Amethyst Place supports women recovering from drug and alcohol addiction, many with past criminal records, by providing safe housing and numerous supportive services. **Organization:** Amethyst Place; **Address:** 2732 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@amethystplace.org; **Website:** <https://www.amethystplace.org/>

Social Services and Advocacy

Metro Lutheran Ministry offers a range of services, including assistance with housing, transportation, and job placement, specifically for individuals who have been involved with the justice system. **Organization:** Metro Lutheran Ministry; **Address:** 3031 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@mlmkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.mlmkc.org/>

Employment Services Program

The Full Employment Council, Inc. offers a variety of services, including job training and placement assistance, targeted at those with barriers to employment, such as criminal records. **Organization:** Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customerservice@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

Reentry Employment Services

The Workforce Partnership Reentry Program assists formerly incarcerated individuals with finding employment by providing job search assistance, training, and transportation help.

Organization: Workforce Partnership; **Address:** 849-C North 47th Street, Kansas City, KS 66102; **Email:** info@workforcepartnership.com; **Website:** <https://workforcepartnership.com/>

Workforce Development Roundtables

Kansas City local organizations host roundtables involving area employers to discuss strategies for hiring and retaining ex-offenders. These gatherings facilitate knowledge sharing on the best practices and benefits of hiring individuals with past criminal records. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** fecinfo@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org>

Ban the Box Campaign

Advocacy for removing the checkbox that asks about criminal history from job applications to ensure fair hiring practices. **Organization:** ACLU of Kansas; **Address:** 6701 Squibb Rd, Mission, KS 66202; **Email:** aclu@aclukansas.org; **Website:** <https://www.aclukansas.org/>

RideShare

RideShare is a free carpooling and vanpooling program for commuters in the Kansas City region, offering a matching service to regional residents seeking to share rides. **Organization:** Mid-America Regional Council (MARC); **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** rideshare@marc.org; **Website:** <https://www.marc.org/>

RideKC Zero Fare Transit

Kansas City offers a fare-free bus service to all riders, removing financial barriers and making transportation more accessible to everyone, including low-income individuals. **Organization:** RideKC; **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customer.service@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/fares/zero-fare>

RideKC Bike

RideKC Bike is a bike-share system offering a mix of electric-assist bikes and traditional pedal bikes across the Kansas City region. It's designed to provide convenient and affordable access to bikes for short trips and to connect to transit. **Organization:** BikeWalkKC in partnership with Drop Mobility and RideKC; **Address:** 1106 E. 30th St., Suite G, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@bikewalkkc.org; **Website:** <https://ridekcbike.com>

BCycle

BCycle is a nation-wide bike-sharing service that has stations in Kansas City, offering convenient access to bikes for residents and tourists alike. Although not focused exclusively on job commutes, it does provide an additional transport option for getting to work. **Organization:** Kansas City BCycle; **Address:** Not specified; **Email:** customer.service@bcycle.com; **Website:** <https://kc.bcycle.com>

ITNBluegrass

ITNBluegrass is a non-profit providing affordable, 24/7, private transportation for seniors and adults with visual impairments. **Organization:** Independent Transportation Network; **Address:** Lexington, Kentucky area (Please note there might not be a specific service in Kansas City, but this organization could serve as a model.); **Email:** info@itnbluegrass.org; **Website:** <https://www.itnbluegrass.org>

RideKC Freedom

This service offers curb-to-curb and paratransit services for eligible elderly and disabled residents. Though not volunteer-based, it fills transportation gaps. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority; **Address:** 1350 E 17th St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** customercomments@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/mobility-services/ridekc-freedom>

SeniorCare Volunteer Network

Provides transportation, among other services, to seniors through a network of volunteers. Again, may not directly match the Kansas City area. **Organization:** SeniorCare Inc.; **Address:** Application via their website as specific address might vary; **Email:** Use contact form on their website; **Website:** <https://seniorcareinc.org/>

KCATA Community Engagement

The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority regularly holds community meetings and public outreach efforts to gather input on the development of transit services, including routes and schedules that affect low-income workers. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customerfeedback@kcata.org; **Website:** <http://kcata.org>

RideKC Next

RideKC Next is a comprehensive redesign of the region's transit system focused on creating a more useful and efficient service. Community input plays a significant role in shaping the project and its outcomes, ensuring the needs of all users, including low-income workers, are considered. **Organization:** RideKC; **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** N/A - Contact form on website; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/>

KC Streetcar Authority Meetings

The KC Streetcar Authority holds public meetings that allow residents to share their thoughts on streetcar services and plans. These consultations can contribute to improving connectivity and access for low-income workers reliant on public transport. **Organization:** KC Streetcar Authority; **Address:** 600 E. 3rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@kcstreetcar.org; **Website:** <https://kcstreetcar.org/events/>

Regional Transit Coordination Council

The RTC Council focuses on the coordination of transit planning and services throughout the Kansas City region. The council includes various stakeholders who discuss transit issues pertinent to all income levels, including those of low-income workers. **Organization:** Mid-America Regional Council; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** contact-marc@marc.org; **Website:** <http://www.marc.org/>

KC Chamber's Big 5 Initiative

One of the Kansas City Chamber's Big 5 Goals is to advocate for transportation infrastructure in the region. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; **Address:** 30 West Pershing Road, Suite 301 Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** chamber@kcchamber.com; **Website:** <https://kcchamber.com/>

BikeWalkKC Advocacy

BikeWalkKC is an organization that advocates for better biking and walking infrastructure in the Kansas City region. **Organization:** BikeWalkKC; **Address:** 1106 East 30th Street, Suite G, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@bikewalkkc.org; **Website:** <https://bikewalkkc.org/advocacy/>

Connecting KC

A plan developed by the Mid-America Regional Council to guide the development of multimodal transportation in the Kansas City region. **Organization:** Mid-America Regional Council (MARC); **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** marcinfo@marc.org; **Website:** <https://www.marc.org/>

Transportation Advocacy

The Public Works Department works to enhance the city's infrastructure, including transportation, and advocates for funding and efficient project implementation. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Works Department; **Address:** 414 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/public-works>

RideKC Bridj

A pilot program that operated in Kansas City providing on-demand shared shuttle services in partnership with employers in the area. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customer service at info@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcata.org>

KC Streetcar

Kansas City's streetcar project represents a significant public-private partnership between Kansas City's government and various private entities. The project has spurred development along the route and created job opportunities in construction, operations, and maintenance. **Organization:** Kansas City Streetcar Authority; **Address:** 600 E 3rd St, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** info@kcstreetcar.org; **Website:** <https://kcstreetcar.org/>

RideKC Vanpool

RideKC offers a vanpool program designed to serve groups of commuters who live and work near each other. Employers can participate by subsidizing the cost for their employees. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** vanpool@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/>

RideKC Freedom

This paratransit service offers door-to-door rides for individuals with disabilities to ensure equal access to transportation around the Kansas City area. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** customer service at ; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/>

Enterprise Rideshare

While a national program, Enterprise Rideshare provides vanpooling services that can be utilized by Kansas City employers to help their employees commute. **Organization:** Enterprise Holdings

Inc.; **Address:** 600 Corporate Park Drive, St. Louis, MO 63105; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.commutewithenterprise.com/>

RideKC Bike and Scooter Program

The RideKC Bike and Scooter program offers electric-assist bicycles and scooters, which can be rented for trips around the city, including completing the last mile from public transit stops to final destinations. **Organization:** RideKC; **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customer.service@ridekc.org; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/mobility-services/ridekc-bike>

KC Streetcar

Although primarily a transit provider, the KC Streetcar offers last-mile connectivity within its limited route between River Market and Union Station, easing access to job locations along the route. **Organization:** KC Streetcar Authority; **Address:** 600 E. 3rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@kcstreetcar.org; **Website:** <https://kcstreetcar.org/>

RideKC Microtransit Pilot Program

This on-demand transit service operated in parts of Kansas City and allowed users to request rides from or near their homes to destinations like jobs or transit stops within the service area. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contactus@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/>

Bridj

Bridj offered app-based microtransit services in Kansas City as a public-private partnership with Ford, providing last-mile solutions. However, it's important to note that the service was discontinued. **Organization:** Bridj (Inactive, for historical context); **Address:** N/A - Service discontinued; **Email:** N/A - Service discontinued; **Website:** N/A - Service discontinued

RideKC Transit Workshops

KCATA (Kansas City Area Transportation Authority) offers workshops that inform the community about the various transit services available, including bus routes, RideKC Bike, and paratransit services. Participants also learn how to use the RideKC app to plan trips and get real-time bus information. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customerfeedback@kcata.org; **Website:** <http://ridekc.org/>

BikeWalkKC Education Programs

BikeWalkKC offers workshops and educational programs that cover bike safety, maintenance, and navigation to promote alternative and sustainable transportation options. They also provide resources for safe walking and biking, including how to use bike lanes and trails for commuting. **Organization:** BikeWalkKC; **Address:** 1106 E. 30th Street, Suite G, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@bikewalkkc.org; **Website:** <https://bikewalkkc.org/education/>

Mid-America Regional Council's KC Commuter Resources

MARC offers tools and resources for efficient commuting, including a RideShare program, information about regional transportation options, and educational materials to assist residents

with trip planning and maximizing the efficiency of their commutes. **Organization:** Mid-America Regional Council (MARC); **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** contact-marc@marc.org; **Website:** <http://www.marc.org/>

KC Flex

The KC Chamber's KC Flex initiative encourages flexible work arrangements, including adaptable scheduling and remote work options. The initiative aims to reduce congestion during peak traffic hours and support public transit use at off-peak times. **Organization:** Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; **Address:** 30 W. Pershing Rd., Suite 301, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@kcchamber.com; **Website:** N/A

The Family Conservancy

The Family Conservancy supports local youth through early education programs and family support services, relying on philanthropic contributions. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org>

Operation Breakthrough

Offers a centralized location where children and their families can access education, health, and social services in one place, emphasizing streamlined support for low-income families.

Organization: Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** [\[info@example.com\]\(mailto:info@example.com\)](mailto:info@example.com); **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org>

Milestones Academy

Provides affordable, educational child care. They offer flexible schedules for working families to accommodate various work schedules, contributing to the community's need for flexible and accessible child care services. **Organization:** Milestones Academy; **Address:** 2001 NE Parvin Rd, Kansas City, MO 64116; **Email:** NA; **Website:** <http://www.milestonesacademykc.com>

The Children's Place

A child care center that addresses the emotional, developmental, and physical needs of children. They offer comprehensive care and services which indirectly help working parents.

Organization: The Children's Place; **Address:** 2 East 59th Street, Kansas City, MO 64113; **Email:** contact@tcpkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.childrensplacekc.org>

Child Care Aware of Kansas

Provides resources for parents including information on local child care options. Though not a direct provider, they support parents in finding flexible child care services. **Organization:** Child Care Aware of Kansas; **Address:** 1100 SW Wanamaker Road, Suite 201, Topeka, KS 66604; **Email:** info@ks.childcareaware.org; **Website:** <https://ks.childcareaware.org>

Kansas City Corporate Challenge

An annual event that brings together companies in the Kansas City area to encourage health, wellness, and camaraderie. This event, while not a direct consortia for work flexibility, shows an example of cross-company collaboration that could extend to sharing best practices

Organization: Kansas City Corporate Challenge; **Address:** 2020 Baltimore Ave, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@kccorporatechallenge.com; **Website:** <https://kccorporatechallenge.com/>

Plexpod

A coworking space that offers a supportive community for entrepreneurs, including mentoring, networking opportunities, and a variety of resources tailored for startups and small businesses.

Organization: Plexpod; **Address:** 300 East 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** hello@plexpod.com; **Website:** <https://www.plexpod.com>

WeWork

WeWork provides coworking spaces that can function as remote work hubs, offering options from hot desks to private offices, available on a flexible basis in a communal setting.

Organization: WeWork; **Address:** 1828 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** joinus@wework.com; **Website:** <https://www.wework.com/>

iWerx

iWerx is an enterprise and entrepreneurial development center that facilitates remote work through its co-working spaces, offering high-speed internet, conference rooms, and other resources. **Organization:** iWerx; **Address:** 1520 Clay St, North Kansas City, MO 64116, United States; **Email:** connect@iwerx.org; **Website:** <https://www.iwerx.org>

Workplace Flexibility Awareness Campaign

A project to educate employers about the competitive advantage of workplace flexibility and creating awareness among employees about their options. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; **Address:** 30 W. Pershing Rd. Suite 301, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@kcchamber.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcchamber.com/>

Flexible Work Arrangements Promotion

Initiative to promote flexible work arrangements, including highlighting businesses that have successfully implemented flex-work policies. **Organization:** KC SmartPort; **Address:** 1100 Walnut St, Suite 1700, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** contact@kcsmartport.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcsmartport.com/>

Flex-Work Advocacy

Advocacy efforts to spread awareness about the importance of flexible work environments to support work-life balance. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Development Council; **Address:** 4717 Central St, Kansas City, MO 64112; **Email:** info@thinkKC.com; **Website:** <https://www.thinkkc.com/>

Kansas City Chamber's Business Roundtables

The roundtables offer a platform for local business leaders to meet regularly and discuss critical issues impacting businesses, including strategies for creating flexible work environments.

Organization: Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce; **Address:** 30 W. Pershing Rd., Ste. 301, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@kcchamber.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcchamber.com/>

Industry-Specific Roundtable Events

These events are focused on particular sectors, where business leaders can convene in smaller, industry-specific groups to tackle challenges such as work flexibility in their respective fields.

Organization: Kansas City Business Journal; **Address:** 1100 Main St, Suite 210, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** kansascity@bizjournals.com; **Website:** <https://www.bizjournals.com/kansascity/event/>

KC Parent

An online magazine and community resource that provides guidance, tips, and support for parents, including work-life balance resources. **Organization:** KC Parent Magazine; **Address:** Kansas City, MO; **Email:** info@kcparent.com; **Website:** <http://www.kcparent.com/>

The Family Conservancy

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Hive KC

Hive KC offers a co-working space with on-site childcare, allowing working parents to manage their professional responsibilities while maintaining proximity to their children. **Organization:** Hive KC; **Address:** Kansas City, MO; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.hivekc.com/>

Kansas City Mom Collective

An online community for Kansas City moms providing information, resources, and events, including discussions on work-life balance. **Organization:** Kansas City Mom Collective; **Address:** Kansas City, MO; **Email:** info@thekcmoms.com; **Website:** <https://kansascity.momcollective.com/>

Flexible Workforce Development Programs

The Full Employment Council, Inc. offers innovative workforce solutions to employers and job-seekers, including flexible work arrangement training and resources. **Organization:** Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

Flexible Workforce Development Programs

The Kauffman Foundation provides support for entrepreneurial education and flexible work arrangement training, enriching the local workforce and employer community. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/>

Flexible Workforce Development Programs

The Mid-America Regional Council connects local employers with resources to implement flexible work policies through its various workforce development initiatives. **Organization:** Mid-America Regional Council; **Address:** 600 Broadway Blvd #200, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** marcinfo@marc.org; **Website:** <https://www.marc.org/>

KC STEM Alliance Tutoring Program

KC STEM Alliance offers a tutoring program focusing on STEM subjects. It aims to support students' academic growth and interest in STEM careers. **Organization:** KC STEM Alliance; **Address:** 4825 Troost Ave., Suite 108 Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcstem.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcstem.org/>

Literacy KC Tutoring

Literacy KC offers individualized tutoring services for students seeking to improve their literacy skills. While they focus on adult literacy, they also support family literacy efforts. **Organization:** Literacy KC; **Address:** 3036 Troost Ave., Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@literacykc.org; **Website:** <https://literacykc.org/>

UpperRoom Tutoring Program

The UpperRoom provides after-school and summer tutoring programs for elementary school students, with a particular focus on reading and math skills. **Organization:** UpperRoom; **Address:** 2803 East 51st Street, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@upperroomprogram.org; **Website:** <https://www.upperroomprogram.org/>

Lead to Read KC

A reading mentorship program where volunteers from the community spend time reading with local students. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC; **Address:** P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org>

Turn the Page KC

A citywide effort that brings attention to educational resources and tutoring programs aimed at improving literacy for children, focusing on third-grade reading proficiency. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.turnthepagekc.org/>

Kansas City Public Library's Homework Help

The Kansas City Public Library offers free homework help and tutoring sessions for students in various subjects. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 West 10th Street, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** kclibrary@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclibrary.org/>

Back to School Bash

An annual event providing school supplies and other services to prepare children and families for the academic year. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** communications@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcpublicschools.org>

Kansas City Mentoring Programs

A number of organizations in Kansas City offer mentorship programs that match professionals with students to provide guidance and support in academics and career planning. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City, Kansas City Girls Preparatory Academy Mentorship Program, Minds Matter of Kansas City, KC STEM Alliance, PREP-KC; **Address:** None; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** N/A

Kauffman Scholars, Inc.

A multi-year program providing academic, social, and financial support services to low-income students in Kansas City. Scholars receive coaching, scholarships, and support through their educational journey. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Rd, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/what-we-do/programs/kauffman-scholars/>

Greater Kansas City Community Foundation Scholarships

The Greater Kansas City Community Foundation administers a variety of scholarships for local students to help them achieve their academic goals. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Community Foundation; **Address:** 1055 Broadway Blvd., Suite 130, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** scholarships@growyourgiving.org; **Website:** <https://www.growyourgiving.org/scholarships>

Hispanic Development Fund Scholarship Program

Provides college scholarships to Hispanic high school and college students from the Greater Kansas City area, supporting those from low-income families. **Organization:** Hispanic Development Fund; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105, USA; **Email:** Not Provided; **Website:** <https://www.hdfkc.org/>

Women's Foundation Scholarships

Offers scholarships to support female students from the Kansas City area, aiming to help those from disadvantaged backgrounds. **Organization:** Women's Foundation; **Address:** 4340 Oak St, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** info@womens-foundation.org; **Website:** <https://www.womens-foundation.org/>

KC Scholars

KC Scholars provides scholarships, financial incentives to promote college savings, and support services for low- and modest-income students and adults needing access to pursue and complete a postsecondary credit-bearing credential or degree. **Organization:** KC Scholars; **Address:** 8080 Ward Parkway, Suite 402, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@kcscholars.org; **Website:** <https://kcscholars.org>

Scholarship Foundation of Kansas City

Awards scholarships to college-bound students from the Kansas City area based on financial need, motivation, and character. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Community Foundation; **Address:** 1055 Broadway Blvd, Suite 130, Kansas City, MO 64105, USA; **Email:** scholarships@growyourgiving.org; **Website:** <https://gkccf.academicworks.com/>

After-School Enrichment Clubs

The LINC Caring Communities work to provide high-quality, community-based after-school programs, where students participate in a variety of educational and enrichment activities. **Organization:** Local Investment Commission (LINC); **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd #1100, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** info@kclinc.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclinc.org/afterschool>

After-School Enrichment Clubs

Operation Breakthrough offers an after-school program that helps to bridge the gap between the end of the school day and family arriving home from work. The program includes academic support, clubs, and a variety of enrichment activities. **Organization:** Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** info@operationbreakthrough.org; **Website:** <https://www.operationbreakthrough.org/>

After-School Enrichment Clubs

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City provides after-school programs focused on academic success, good character and citizenship, and healthy lifestyles. The clubs offer various activities, including homework help and tutoring. **Organization:** Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** contactus@helpckkids.org; **Website:** <http://helpckkids.org>

After-School Enrichment Clubs

Horizon's academic enrichment program serves students after school with activities designed to help them achieve academically. They provide homework support and supplemental educational opportunities. **Organization:** Horizons Kansas City; **Address:** 5601 Wyandotte St, Kansas City, MO 64113, USA; **Email:** info@horizonskansascity.org; **Website:** <https://www.horizonskansascity.org/program-details>

After-School Enrichment Clubs

The Upper Room KC offers after-school programs that include homework assistance, tutoring, and enrichment activities designed to support students' academic growth. **Organization:** The Upper Room KC; **Address:** 2803 E. 51st Street, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** info@theupperroomkc.org; **Website:** <http://theupperroomkc.org/programs/after-school-programs/>

Workforce Development Program

The program is designed to empower individuals through job training and employment opportunities to enhance their skills and find long-term employment. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

Women's Employment Network

The Women's Employment Network provides services that help women raise their confidence and job readiness with courses on resume writing, interview skills, and offering job connections. **Organization:** Women's Employment Network (WEN); **Address:** 920 Main St #100, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** info@kcwen.org; **Website:** <https://kcwen.org/>

Project RISE

Project RISE (Refugee & Immigrant Services & Empowerment) is an initiative that specifically targets refugees and immigrants, providing them with job training and placement services to help them gain stable employment. **Organization:** Jewish Vocational Service; **Address:** 4600 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@jvskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.jvskc.org/>

Career Development Services

This program helps individuals seeking employment through resume assistance, career counseling, and job training programs. They strive to connect job seekers with reliable employment opportunities. **Organization:** The Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** careeropportunities@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <http://www.kclibrary.org/>

Next Step Kansas City

Next Step is a program specifically aimed at providing adults, including parents and guardians, with GED preparation and job skills training to promote employability and household income improvement. **Organization:** Next Step Kansas City; **Address:** Not specified; **Email:** info@nextstepkc.org; **Website:** <https://nextstepkc.org/>

RideKC Student Pass

The RideKC Student Pass program offers free, unlimited rides to high school and college students at participating educational institutions allowing them an affordable way to get to and from school and other destinations. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA); **Address:** 1200 E. 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** customer service at custserv@kcata.org; **Website:** <https://ridekc.org/>

UMKC Student Pass Program

The University of Missouri-Kansas City offers U-Pass, a program providing free unlimited access to RideKC bus services to UMKC students, promoting easy travel between campus, home, work, entertainment, and more. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City / RideKC; **Address:** 5115 Oak Street, Kansas City, MO 64112; **Email:** contact@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.umkc.edu/>

Connecting for Good

Provides low-cost internet service, affordable refurbished computers, and digital life skills training for low-income residents. **Organization:** Connecting for Good; **Address:** 3210 Michigan Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@connectingforgood.org; **Website:** <https://connectingforgood.org/>

Kansas City Public Library Digital Inclusion

Offers computer and internet access, digital literacy workshops, and checkout of internet hotspots for library patrons. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** digitalliteracy@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclibrary.org/>

Surplus Exchange

Diverts electronic waste from landfills by refurbishing and providing affordable technology to the community. **Organization:** Surplus Exchange; **Address:** 518 Santa Fe St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** contact form on the website; **Website:** <http://surplusexchange.org>

PCs for People

Provides refurbished computers, internet service, and digital literacy to low-income individuals

and nonprofits. **Organization:** PCs for People; **Address:** Corporate Office, 1481 Marshall Ave, St Paul, MN 55104; **Email:** info@pcsforpeople.com; **Website:** <https://www.pcsforpeople.org>

Tech Access

Partners with schools and organizations to ensure students have access to tech resources and training. **Organization:** Tech Access; **Address:** Various school locations; **Email:** info@techaccesskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.techaccesskc.org>

Harvesters—The Community Food Network

Harvesters is a regional food bank serving a 26-county area of Kansas and Missouri. They provide food and related household products to more than 760 nonprofit agencies including emergency food pantries, community kitchens, homeless shelters, and children's homes.

Organization: Harvesters—The Community Food Network; **Address:** 3801 Topping Ave, Kansas City, MO 64129; **Email:** info@harvesters.org; **Website:** <https://www.harvesters.org/>

Kansas City Public Schools Education Foundation

The foundation hosts fundraising events to support the needs of the Kansas City Public Schools, including providing resources for classroom projects, scholarships, and other critical needs.

Organization: Kansas City Public Schools Education Foundation; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** kcpsfoundation@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://kcpsf.org>

Stand Up Blue Valley

Although focused on a specific area of Kansas City, this organization advocates for public education funding and policies that benefit students, with attention to those facing economic challenges in their community. **Organization:** Stand Up Blue Valley; **Address:** PO Box 26271, Overland Park, KS 66225, United States; **Email:** info@standupbluevalley.org; **Website:** <https://www.standupbluevalley.org/>

Communities In Schools of Mid-America

A program that provides integrated student supports designed to address non-academic barriers to success in school, such as personal health, hunger, unstable housing, and more. The program places coordinators within schools to work with students. **Organization:** Communities In Schools of Mid-America; **Address:** Kansas City, KS (Multiple School Locations); **Email:** info@cismidamerica.org; **Website:** <https://cismidamerica.org>

Kansas City Teacher Residency

This program partners with local schools and businesses to recruit and train educators to become effective teachers in local schools. The residency model includes SEL as a core training component for the residents. **Organization:** Kansas City Teacher Residency; **Address:** 3 E. Armour Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kcteacher.org; **Website:** <https://kcteach.org/>

United Inner City Services

With a broad approach to supporting children and their families, United Inner City Services offers educational programs and works to advocate for policy changes and resources to bolster the

support available to economically disadvantaged students. **Organization:** United Inner City Services; **Address:** 2008 E 12th St, Kansas City, MO 64127, United States; **Email:** Not explicitly listed on the website; **Website:** <https://uicskc.org/>

Turn the Page KC

A citywide effort that brings attention to educational resources and tutoring programs aimed at improving literacy for children, focusing on third-grade reading proficiency. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.turnthepagekc.org/>

Kansas City Youth Mentorship Program

A program designed to create meaningful and lasting relationships between young people and caring adult professionals in the community. The program focuses on career development, life skills, and personal growth. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City; **Address:** 1709 Walnut Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contact@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org/>

Lead to Read KC

A reading mentorship program where volunteers from the community spend time reading with local students. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC; **Address:** P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org>

Youth Ambassadors Program

The Youth Ambassadors Program employs underserved youth as part-time employees to provide them with educational work experiences. They are paired with mentors who help them with personal and professional development. **Organization:** Youth Ambassadors, Inc.; **Address:** 3611 Main Street, Suite 100, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@youthambassadorskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.youthambassadorskc.org>

Kansas City's Medicine Cabinet Student Health Academy

The Student Health Academy is a mentoring program that provides students interested in healthcare careers with a chance to learn and gain support from professionals in the field. **Organization:** Kansas City's Medicine Cabinet; **Address:** 2316 East Meyer Boulevard, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** info@medcabinet.org; **Website:** <https://medcabinet.org/programs>

MindDrive Mentorship Program

MindDrive's programs pair students with mentors to work on real-world projects related to automotive design and technology. The program aims to inspire students to learn, expand their abilities, and pursue higher education or employment in technical fields. **Organization:** MindDrive; **Address:** 2615 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@minddrive.org; **Website:** <https://minddrive.org>

Operation Breakthrough's Mentor Program

Operation Breakthrough's Mentor Program offers one-on-one mentoring to children and teens, supporting their growth into successful and independent adults. Mentors commit to supporting their mentees through various stages of personal development. **Organization:** Operation

Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@operationbreakthrough.org; **Website:** <https://www.operationbreakthrough.org/>

Parenting Workshops at The Family Conservancy

The Family Conservancy offers parenting workshops aimed at improving parent-child interactions and promoting healthy child development. Workshops focus on evidence-based parenting techniques and offer a supportive environment where parents can learn and connect with others. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org/parenting-resources/>

Parenting Classes at Children's Mercy Kansas City

Children's Mercy offers parenting classes that include topics such as child development, behavior management, and caring for the child with medical conditions. These classes are part of their commitment to holistic family care. **Organization:** Children's Mercy Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Gillham Road, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** None listed; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmercy.org/>

Parenting Education at Operation Breakthrough

Operation Breakthrough provides parenting education that supports families in the challenges of raising children. They offer classes and resources to help parents become successful and nurturing caregivers. **Organization:** Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@operationbreakthrough.org; **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org/>

Triple P – Positive Parenting Program at KVC Health Systems

KVC offers the Triple P – Positive Parenting Program, a flexible, practical way to develop skills, strategies, and confidence to handle any parenting situation. It is designed to prevent social, emotional, behavioral, and developmental problems in children by enhancing the knowledge, skills, and confidence of parents. **Organization:** KVC Health Systems; **Address:** 21350 W. 153rd Street, Olathe, KS 66061; **Email:** info@kvc.org; **Website:** <https://www.kvc.org/>

Cornerstones of Care

Offering a range of programs including individual and family counseling services, with a focus on trauma-informed care to improve communication and strengthen family dynamics. **Organization:** Cornerstones of Care; **Address:** 300 E. 36th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@cornerstonesofcare.org; **Website:** <https://www.cornerstonesofcare.org>

Operation Breakthrough

Offers a centralized location where children and their families can access education, health, and social services in one place, emphasizing streamlined support for low-income families. **Organization:** Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** [\[info@example.com\]\(mailto:info@example.com\)](mailto:info@example.com); **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org>

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City

The organization offers a variety of programs for youth in areas such as education, arts, sports, and career development. They rely heavily on volunteers to provide mentoring, homework assistance, and coaching. **Organization:** Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** info@helpkckids.org; **Website:** <https://www.helpkckids.org>

YMCA of Greater Kansas City

The YMCA utilizes volunteers in its numerous programs aimed at youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility. They seek volunteers for activities such as youth sports coaching, mentoring, and after-school programs. **Organization:** YMCA of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** customerservice@kansascityymca.org; **Website:** <https://www.kansascityymca.org>

Latchkey Leadership Program

The Latchkey Leadership Program focuses on offering academic and recreational after-school activities for children and youth in a safe environment. **Organization:** Latchkey Leadership Program; **Address:** Multiple locations within Kansas City; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <http://latchkey.co/>

Upper Room

The Upper Room provides high-quality out-of-school programs for children and teens, such as after-school and summer programs. **Organization:** The Upper Room; **Address:** 2803 East 51st Street, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <http://www.upperroomprogram.org/>

Kansas City Public Schools Family & Community Engagement

The district's F.A.C.E. team works to engage parents and community in the education process, including the use of school-community liaisons to support students and their families. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** ; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Local Investment Commission (LINC)

LINC provides school-based community liaisons called Caring Communities, which help to connect families with resources and support, focusing on high-need students. **Organization:** Local Investment Commission; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd #1100, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** ; **Website:** <https://www.kclinc.org/caringcommunities>

Turn the Page KC

A citywide effort that brings attention to educational resources and tutoring programs aimed at improving literacy for children, focusing on third-grade reading proficiency. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.turnthepagekc.org/>

Mental Health Peer Support at Schools

A program which provides peer support groups in schools to offer students a chance to speak

about mental health concerns including family issues, aiming to create an understanding and supportive environment. **Organization:** Mental Health America of the Heartland; **Address:** 739 Minnesota Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.mhaoftheheartland.org/peer-support/>

Teen Peer Educators

Peer education program where trained teen volunteers work with middle school students to provide support and promote understanding on a variety of issues including family dynamics.

Organization: Synergy Services; **Address:** 400 E. 6th Street, Parkville, MO 64152; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.synergyservices.org/>

Peer Support Training for Teachers

Teachers and school staff are trained to facilitate peer support groups in schools helping students to cope with family issues by sharing their experiences and offering mutual support.

Organization: Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd Street, Suite 1001, Kansas City, MO 64119; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org/>

Operation Breakthrough

Offers a centralized location where children and their families can access education, health, and social services in one place, emphasizing streamlined support for low-income families.

Organization: Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@example.com; **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org>

Lead to Read KC

A reading mentorship program where volunteers from the community spend time reading with local students. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC; **Address:** P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org>

Tutoring Kansas City

Tutoring Kansas City provides one on one tutoring to students of all ages to help improve academic performance and confidence. They cater to individual student needs, including those who may be struggling due to family issues. **Organization:** Tutoring Kansas City; **Address:**

4741 Central St #374, Kansas City, MO 64112; **Email:** contact@tutoringkansascity.com;

Website: <https://www.tutoringkansascity.com/>

Literacy KC

Offers a variety of programs including one-on-one and small group tutoring for adults, helping them to achieve their personal education goals. **Organization:** Literacy KC; **Address:** 3036

Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@literacykc.org; **Website:**

<https://literacykc.org/>

Kansas City Public Schools: Tutoring Services

Kansas City Public Schools offers a range of tutoring and supportive educational services to ensure that students who experience family problems or other challenges receive the extra assistance they need to stay on track academically. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools;

Address: 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** PublicRelations@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Kansas City, Missouri Police Department (KCPD) Crisis Intervention Team

The KCPD has a specialized Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) program which includes officers who have received comprehensive training to respond to crisis situations involving individuals with mental illness. They work in collaboration with mental health professionals to de-escalate situations and connect individuals in distress with appropriate services. **Organization:** Kansas City, Missouri Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** kcpdcommunityinteraction@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/community/crisis-intervention-team-cit/>

Comprehensive Mental Health Services Crisis Intervention Team

Comprehensive Mental Health Services offers a Crisis Intervention Team to assist individuals and families experiencing a crisis. The team provides immediate support, resources, and interventions to help manage and stabilize situations, aiming to prevent unnecessary hospitalizations or involvement with law enforcement. **Organization:** Comprehensive Mental Health Services; **Address:** 17844 E. 23rd St. South Independence, MO 64057; **Email:** NA; **Website:** <https://thecmhs.com/>

Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health Crisis Intervention Team

Truman Medical Centers offer a Crisis Intervention Team that provides rapid response to mental health emergencies. Their team is trained to offer support and connect individuals experiencing a behavioral health crisis with the necessary resources and support services. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 2301 Holmes Street, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** NA; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/services/behavioral-health/>

reStart Inc. Homeless Crisis Intervention Team

reStart Inc. provides a Homeless Crisis Intervention Team that not only offers immediate assistance to homeless individuals and families in distress but also connects them with housing, health services, and other essential resources. **Organization:** reStart Inc.; **Address:** 918 E 9th St, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** info@restartinc.org; **Website:** <https://restartinc.org/what-we-do/>

United Way of Greater Kansas City 2-1-1

An online and physical directory of local support services and community resources in the Greater Kansas City area. Residents can access information and help across various services including food, shelter, health, services for seniors, and more. **Organization:** United Way of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 801 W 47th Street, Suite 500, Kansas City, MO 64112; **Email:** info@uwgkc.org; **Website:** <https://uwgkc.myresourcedirectory.com/>

My Resource Connection

A website provided by the government of Johnson County that connects individuals to services related to behavioral health, medical care, housing, and more within the region. **Organization:** Johnson County Government; **Address:** 111 South Cherry Street, Olathe, KS 66061; **Email:** Not

publicly available; **Website:** <https://www.jocogov.org/dept/mental-health/my-resource-connection>

KCSOURCELINK Resource Navigator

KCSOURCELINK maintains a comprehensive directory of business-building resources and provides personalized guidance for entrepreneurs seeking help to start, grow, and accelerate their businesses. **Organization:** KCSOURCELINK; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave., Suite 123, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcsourcelink.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcsourcelink.com/>

KC Help

KC Help is a local directory of community resources offering a broad range of assistance for individuals seeking help with food, housing, employment, health care, counseling services, and more. **Organization:** KC Help (Collaborative effort); **Address:** Information varies by resource; no central office; **Email:** Information not publicly available; **Website:** <https://kchelp.org/>

Kansas City Public Library Community Resources

The library provides a directory of resources for social services, emergency assistance, community programs, and educational opportunities. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <https://www.kclibrary.org/community-resources>

Turn the Page KC

A citywide effort that brings attention to educational resources and tutoring programs aimed at improving literacy for children, focusing on third-grade reading proficiency. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.turnthepagekc.org/>

Parents as Teachers

A program that provides parent education and family support to increase parental involvement and children's school readiness. They conduct personal visits and group meetings to educate and engage parents. **Organization:** Parents as Teachers - Kansas City; **Address:** Specific addresses vary according to local program locations.; **Email:** Find specific contact details on their website.; **Website:** <https://parentsasteachers.org/>

PREP-KC

PREP-KC's mission is to increase college readiness and access to high-quality employment for Kansas City's urban students. The organization collaborates with schools and partners to advocate for policies that enhance these opportunities. **Organization:** PREP-KC; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@prep-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.prep-kc.org/>

Kansas City Public Schools Parents University

KCPS Parents University offers a series of workshops and resources that foster family engagement, increasing awareness of the importance of parental involvement in their children's education. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave., Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** communications@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Family Conservancy

The Family Conservancy supports families through education and advocacy. Their programs and events aim to raise awareness about the significance of family involvement in early education.

Organization: Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:**

<https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org/>

KC Scholars

KC Scholars provides scholarships, financial incentives to promote college savings, and support services for low- and modest-income students and adults needing access to pursue and complete a postsecondary credit-bearing credential or degree. **Organization:** KC Scholars; **Address:** 8080

Ward Parkway, Suite 402, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@kcscholars.org; **Website:** <https://kcscholars.org>

Family Engagement

Kansas City Public Schools has a Family Engagement Department designed to empower parents to actively participate in their children's education and to strengthen the partnership between home and school. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave,

Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** ask@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:**

<https://www.kcpublicschools.org/families>

The Family Conservancy

The Family Conservancy supports local youth through early education programs and family support services, relying on philanthropic contributions. **Organization:** The Family

Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org>

Parents as Teachers

This program provides parent education and family support to boost school readiness and parent involvement from prenatal through kindergarten. **Organization:** Parents as Teachers; **Address:**

8150 N Oak Trafficway, Kansas City, MO 64118; **Email:** Not provided; **Website:**

<https://www.nkcschools.org/>

PTA/PTSA

Schools in Kansas City often have active Parent Teacher Associations (PTA) or Parent Teacher Student Associations (PTSA) that work towards encouraging parent involvement within schools.

Organization: Individual Kansas City Schools; **Address:** Various addresses depending on the school; **Email:** Varies depending on the specific school; **Website:** Varies depending on the specific school, usually accessible through the school's website

Stand Up, Speak Out: A Campaign to Build Safe, Bully-Free Communities

In partnership with local schools and community groups, this campaign features workshops, resources, and events aimed at empowering students and educators to actively combat bullying and promote a safe and inclusive environment. **Organization:** Stand for the Silent Kansas City;

Address: N/A – They work with various schools and communities throughout Kansas City;

Email: contact@standforthesilent.org; **Website:** <http://www.standforthesilent.org>

RESPECT Campaign

The RESPECT Campaign involves assemblies, student leadership training, and educator professional development focused on preventing bullying and fostering respect and inclusion among students. **Organization:** Synergy Services; **Address:** 400 E. 6th Street, Parkville, MO 64152; **Email:** info@synergyservices.org; **Website:** <https://www.synergyservices.org/>

Be an Upstander

Encourages students to take active roles in preventing bullying by being 'upstanders' rather than bystanders. The campaign includes school presentations, activities, and resources for creating more respectful school communities. **Organization:** Greater Kansas City Anti-Violence Project; **Address:** PO Box 411211, Kansas City, MO 64141; **Email:** info@gkccavp.org; **Website:** <http://www.gkccavp.org>

No Bully KC

A comprehensive program that offers solution-focused interventions to address bullying. It includes professional development for school staff, support for parents, and interactive activities for students. **Organization:** PACER's National Bullying Prevention Center; **Address:** 8161 Normandale Blvd., Bloomington, MN 55437 (Note: Not specific to Kansas City, but offers resources that can be utilized in Kansas City schools.); **Email:** bullying411@pacer.org; **Website:** <https://www.pacer.org/bullying/>

Professional Learning

Kansas City Public Schools offers professional development programs that revolve around improving classroom management, communication, and conflict resolution skills. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** Not publicly available; typically communicated internally to staff; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Professional Development Programs

The Kansas City Teacher Residency program provides training that includes professional development in areas essential to teaching, including communication and classroom management. **Organization:** Kansas City Teacher Residency; **Address:** 10 E. Cambridge Circle Drive Suite 230, Kansas City, KS 66103, United States; **Email:** info@kcctr.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcteach.org/our-model/professional-development>

Elevating and Celebrating Effective Teachers and Teaching

This is a program where teachers have opportunities to learn collaboratively which include improving communication and classroom management. **Organization:** National Education Association - Kansas City, Missouri; **Address:** 4224 S Hocker Dr, Independence, MO 64055, United States; **Email:** Not publicly available; email contacts are generally available for members on the NEA Members Portal; **Website:** <https://kcnea.org/professional-development/>

Teacher Mentoring and Induction Program

A program designed to support new teachers in their first years of teaching, which includes components of communication and conflict resolution. **Organization:** Missouri Department of

Elementary and Secondary Education; **Address:** 205 Jefferson St, Jefferson City, MO 65101, United States; **Email:** webreplyteach@k12.mo.us; **Website:** <https://dese.mo.gov/>

Professional Development Workshops

The Center for Teacher Professional Development at Park University offers workshops that include topics related to classroom management, effective communication, and conflict resolution within the educational context. **Organization:** Park University; **Address:** 8700 NW River Park Drive, Parkville, MO 64152, United States; **Email:** education@park.edu; **Website:** <https://www.park.edu/>

KCPS Safety and Security Workshops

Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS) organizes safety and security workshops periodically involving local law enforcement and security experts. These workshops are aimed at educating staff, students, and sometimes parents on various topics ranging from personal safety to emergency response protocols. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** contactus@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

UMKC Campus Safety Workshops

The University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC) offers safety workshops for students and staff. The workshops address personal safety practices, how to respond in an emergency, and resources available on campus for safety and security. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City; **Address:** 5100 Rockhill Rd, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** umkc@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.umkc.edu/>

Kansas City Police Department Community Workshops

The Kansas City Police Department (KCPD) provides community workshops focusing on personal safety, neighborhood watch programs, and various crime prevention strategies. Some of these workshops are designed to help school communities. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St, Kansas City, MO 64106, USA; **Email:** kcpdcommunityinteraction@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Jewish Family Services Campus Safety Workshops

Jewish Family Services of Kansas City occasionally offers safety and security workshops in partnership with local law enforcement to ensure the safety of the students, staff, and community members, including those on campus. **Organization:** Jewish Family Services; **Address:** 5801 W 115th St #103, Overland Park, KS 66211, USA; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.jfskc.org/>

LINC Caring Communities

LINC Caring Communities works in partnership with the local school districts to transform schools into community centers. They offer before and after school care, enrichment programs, and various clubs to increase student engagement. **Organization:** Local Investment Commission (LINC); **Address:** 3100 Broadway St Suite 1100, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kclinc.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclinc.org/>

After-School Programs

Kansas City Public Schools provide a variety of after-school programs aimed at increasing student engagement through academic support and enrichment activities like clubs, athletics, and arts. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** communications@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

21st Century Community Learning Centers

The program provides academic enrichment opportunities during non-school hours for children, particularly students who attend high-poverty and low-performing schools, to help them meet state and local student standards in core academic subjects. **Organization:** Missouri Department of Elementary & Secondary Education; **Address:** 205 Jefferson St., Jefferson City, MO 65101; **Email:** webreply@dese.mo.gov; **Website:** <https://dese.mo.gov/>

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City

The organization offers a variety of programs for youth in areas such as education, arts, sports, and career development. They rely heavily on volunteers to provide mentoring, homework assistance, and coaching. **Organization:** Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** info@helpkckids.org; **Website:** <https://www.helpkckids.org>

Youth Ambassadors

Empowerment program for underserved youth offering employment, education, and mentorship. **Organization:** Youth Ambassadors; **Address:** 1100 Rockhurst Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** contact@youthambassadorskc.org; **Website:** <http://youthambassadorskc.org>

KC STEM Alliance

The KC STEM Alliance is a collaborative network of educators, business partners and organizations that inspire interest in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math careers providing various mentoring opportunities among their programs. **Organization:** KC STEM Alliance; **Address:** 4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States; **Email:** info@kcstem.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcstem.org/>

Kansas City Public Schools Volunteer Program

The Volunteer Services program at Kansas City Public Schools encourages community volunteers to help in various roles such as tutoring, mentoring, and assisting in school libraries. Volunteers can contribute to event planning and support various academic and extracurricular activities which strengthen community relationships and enhance student learning. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** volunteer@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Lead to Read KC Reading Mentor Program

Lead to Read KC connects trusted, caring adult volunteers with kids in Kansas City public schools. Volunteers spend one lunch hour a week reading with and to elementary students, fostering a love for books and helping improve literacy. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC;

Address: 4049 Pennsylvania Ave Ste 300, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org/>

Turn the Page KC Volunteer Opportunities

Turn the Page KC offers volunteer opportunities to support the goal of ensuring that all Kansas City, MO's third graders are reading at grade level. Volunteers can participate in tutoring programs, help run literacy events, and engage in efforts to improve childhood reading proficiencies. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2401 Campbell Street, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <http://turnthepagekc.org/>

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Restorative Justice Program at the Center for Conflict Resolution

The Center for Conflict Resolution (CCR) offers restorative justice services and training designed to help individuals and communities manage conflict through mediation and education. These services aim to repair harm, restore relationships and empower communities. **Organization:** Center for Conflict Resolution; **Address:** 6285 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States; **Email:** ccr@ccrkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.ccrkc.org/restorative-justice>

Restorative Discipline Practices in Schools

Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS) has been implementing restorative practices in their discipline policies. The approach shifts from punitive to restorative, focusing on community building and repairing harm. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** communications@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Restorative Justice Program at the Kansas City Municipal Court

Kansas City Municipal Court has a restorative justice program that includes victim-offender mediation and community service, aimed at addressing offenses in a more holistic manner. **Organization:** Kansas City Municipal Court; **Address:** 511 E 11th St, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** Contact through their website form.; **Website:** <https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/municipal-court>

Community Mediation Center's Restorative Justice Initiatives

The Community Mediation Center (CMC) works on restorative justice initiatives that include victim-offender dialogue and re-entry mediation, which helps formerly incarcerated individuals reintegrate into society. **Organization:** Community Mediation Center; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St #2101, Kansas City, MO 64119, United States; **Email:** info@communitymediationkc.org; **Website:** <http://communitymediationkc.org/>

Cultural Competency Training

Kansas City Public Schools provide cultural competency training for teachers and staff to foster an inclusive educational environment. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** communications@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Cultural Competence Workshops

Rockhurst University offers workshops and training sessions for staff and students that encourage cultural competence and inclusive practices. **Organization:** Rockhurst University; **Address:** 1100 Rockhurst Road, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** admission@rockhurst.edu; **Website:** <https://www.rockhurst.edu/>

Diversity and Inclusion Training

Children's Mercy offers cultural competency training for healthcare providers to better serve a diverse patient population and create an inclusive environment. **Organization:** Children's Mercy Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Gillham Rd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** communications@cmh.edu; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmercy.org/>

Inclusive Excellence Workshops

The University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC) hosts workshops and training initiatives to promote an inclusive campus climate and enhance cultural competency among staff and students. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC); **Address:** 5100 Rockhill Rd, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** umkc@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.umkc.edu/>

Equity and Inclusion Training Programs

The Mid-America Regional Council offers equity and inclusion training programs, including cultural competency components, for local governments and organizations. **Organization:** Mid-America Regional Council; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105, USA; **Email:** marcinfo@marc.org; **Website:** <https://www.marc.org/>

Youth Ambassadors

Youth Ambassadors is a nonprofit organization that empowers underserved youth through education, employment, and the arts. They offer programs crafted by youth, promoting their voice and active engagement in the community. **Organization:** Youth Ambassadors, Inc.; **Address:** 1101 Walnut Street, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@youthambassadorskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.youthambassadorskc.org>

PREP-KC's College and Career Mentoring

PREP-KC partners with businesses and community leaders to provide mentoring for students. These mentors help students explore different career paths and understand the real-world applications of their studies. **Organization:** PREP-KC; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@prep-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.prep-kc.org>

KC Degrees Navigator Program

This program connects adult learners with navigators or mentors who provide support as they pursue higher education and align their studies with career goals. **Organization:** KC Degrees;

Address: 8080 Ward Parkway, Suite 402, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** contactus@kcdgrees.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcdgrees.org>

Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City

Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City works to clear the path to a child's biggest possible future through professionally supported, one-to-one mentoring relationships. They recruit volunteers to become 'Bigs' to mentor 'Littles' and make a positive impact on the youth's life. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City; **Address:** 1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** info@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org>

ScoreKC Mentoring

ScoreKC provides mentorship to young entrepreneurs, connecting them with seasoned business mentors who offer advice on starting and growing a business, thus providing a practical perspective on education and career goals in the context of entrepreneurship. **Organization:** ScoreKC; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Room 128, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** kansascity.score@scorevolunteer.org; **Website:** <https://kansascity.score.org>

Kauffman School Project-Based Learning

The Ewing Marion Kauffman School integrates project-based learning into its curriculum to help students connect their studies with real-world scenarios and local community issues. This educational approach encourages students to develop a deeper understanding through active exploration of real-world challenges and problems. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman School; **Address:** 6401 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64131, USA; **Email:** info@kauffmanschool.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffmanschool.org>

Kansas City Public Schools Project-Based Learning

Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS) has been implementing project-based learning to engage students in hands-on activities that are connected to the real world. This initiative is part of a larger effort to transform the educational experience and offer equitable opportunities for all students. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** kcps@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Center for Advanced Professional Studies (CAPS)

CAPS programs offer students in certain Kansas City metro area high schools the opportunity to work on real-world projects in fields such as engineering, bioscience, business, and more. It is a form of project-based learning that prepares students for college and careers by connecting them to industry partners and business mentors. **Organization:** Blue Valley CAPS; **Address:** 7501 W 149th Terrace, Overland Park, Kansas 66223, USA; **Email:** caps@bluevalleyk12.org; **Website:** <https://bvcaps.yourcapsnetwork.org/>

STEAM Studio

STEAM Studio is an innovative, educational outreach center that combines art with traditional STEM fields (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math), promoting project-based learning and design thinking. It offers hands-on projects to K-12 students that intersect with real-world community issues. **Organization:** STEAM Studio at Gould Evans; **Address:** 4041 Mill Street,

Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** steamstudio@gouldevans.com; **Website:** <https://www.steamstudio.com/>

LINC Caring Communities After School

LINC provides quality before and after school care for elementary and middle school children during the school year. Programs are located in schools and include academic support and enrichment opportunities. **Organization:** Local Investment Commission (LINC); **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd, Suite 1100, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kclinc.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclinc.org/>

Upper Room After School Program

The Upper Room provides high-quality after-school and summer programs to help students with homework, reading, mathematics, and offers enrichment activities such as music, art, and physical education. **Organization:** The Upper Room; **Address:** 2803 East 51st Street, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@theupperroomkc.org; **Website:** <http://www.upperroomprogram.org>

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City

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Operation Breakthrough After School Program

Operation Breakthrough provides an after-school program for children living in poverty that focuses on homework help, enrichment activities such as arts and STEM, and physical activity. **Organization:** Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@operationbreakthrough.org; **Website:** <https://www.operationbreakthrough.org>

Alvin Ailey Camp - Kansas City

Although typically a summer program, the Alvin Ailey Camp integrates dance and performing arts with personal development and communication workshops. Its after-school programming provides an artistic outlet for young people. **Organization:** Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater; **Address:** Kansas City Friends of Alvin Ailey, 1714 East 18th St., Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@kcfaa.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcfaa.org/programs/ailey-camp/>

Kansas City Public Schools Student Advisory Board

A collective where students have a direct say in curriculum development alongside administrators. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** publicinfo@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

The Literacy Lab's Leading Men Fellowship

A program that works within the school districts to place young men of color in early childhood classrooms, including input on curriculum to make it more inclusive and representative.

Organization: The Literacy Lab; **Address:** Kansas City, MO (specific address varies by placement); **Email:** info@theliteracylab.org; **Website:** <https://theliteracylab.org/program/leading-men-fellowship/>

DeLaSalle Education Center Student Advisory Program

A program where student representatives provide feedback and suggestions that teachers and administrators consider in curriculum development. **Organization:** DeLaSalle Education Center; **Address:** 3737 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** info@delasallecenter.org; **Website:** <https://delasallecenter.org>

Kansas City Public Schools Tutoring Programs

The Kansas City Public Schools offer a variety of tutoring and academic support services to students in need, focusing on personalized assistance to enhance learning and academic performance. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** info@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

1:1 Technology Initiative

The Kansas City Public Schools have implemented a 1:1 Technology Initiative to ensure every student has access to an individual electronic device to enhance their learning experience. This initiative supports personalized learning paths, interactive digital platforms, and incorporates various educational technologies in daily instruction. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** communications@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org>

Project Lead The Way

A program providing transformative learning experiences for PreK-12 students and teachers across the U.S., including Kansas City, by creating an engaging, hands-on classroom environment and empowering students to develop in-demand knowledge and skills they need to thrive. This includes technology integration in various educational paths. **Organization:** Project Lead The Way, Kansas City Region; **Address:** Specific address may vary by implementation site.; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.pltw.org>

eMINTS Program

The eMINTS Program offers professional development for teachers in the Kansas City area to support the meaningful integration of technology in education. The program emphasizes enhancing critical thinking and problem-solving skills through the use of technology and has a focus on individualizing student learning. **Organization:** eMINTS National Center; **Address:** Specific address may vary by implementation site.; **Email:** emintsinfo@emints.org; **Website:** <https://www.emints.org>

STEM Connect KC

An initiative designed to prepare students for STEM careers by integrating technology, engineering, and math into the classroom through partnerships with local organizations and businesses. This effort includes hands-on, problem-based learning environments and

technological resources for students. **Organization:** KC STEM Alliance; **Address:** 4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kcstem.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcstem.org>

Kansas City Public Schools CTE

Kansas City Public Schools offer a CTE program that provides students with hands-on experience in various technical and career fields, preparing them for in-demand jobs. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** publicrelations@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Northland Career Center

The Northland Career Center provides career and technical education programs, serving high school students by offering courses in fields such as health sciences, industrial welding, and culinary arts. **Organization:** Northland Career Center; **Address:** 1801 Branch St, Platte City, MO 64079; **Email:** nccinfo@platteschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.northlandcareercenter.com/>

Herndon Career Center

Herndon Career Center offers CTE to equip students with career-ready skills in various programs including automotive technology, cybersecurity, and emergency medical technician education. **Organization:** Herndon Career Center; **Address:** 11501 E State Rte 350, Raytown, MO 64138; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <https://www.raytownschools.org/>

Manual Career & Technical Center

Manual Career & Technical Center offers various CTE programs targeting both high school students and adults, aiming to prepare them for high-demand careers in technical fields. **Organization:** Manual Career & Technical Center; **Address:** 1215 E Truman Rd, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** manual.info@kclinc.org; **Website:** <http://manual.kcpublicschools.org/>

Summit Technology Academy

Summit Technology Academy is a unique secondary school that prepares students for careers in areas like engineering, computer science, and health care. **Organization:** Summit Technology Academy; **Address:** 777 NW Blue Parkway, Lee's Summit, MO 64086; **Email:** sta@lsr7.net; **Website:** <https://sta.lsr7.org/>

Excelsior Springs Area Career Center

This center provides students with CTE options in multiple fields and helps them develop the skills necessary for career readiness in a dynamic workforce. **Organization:** Excelsior Springs Area Career Center; **Address:** 614 Tiger Dr, Excelsior Springs, MO 64024; **Email:** Not publicly available; **Website:** <https://www.essd40.com/>

Family Engagement

Kansas City Public Schools has a Family Engagement Department designed to empower parents to actively participate in their children's education and to strengthen the partnership between home and school. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** ask@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/families>

Parents as Teachers

Parents as Teachers provides parents with child development knowledge and parenting support, using personal visits and group meetings to help parents understand their role in encouraging their child's development. **Organization:** Parents as Teachers National Center; **Address:** 2228 Ball Drive, St. Louis, MO 63146; **Email:** info@parentsasteachers.org; **Website:** <https://parentsasteachers.org>

Parent Power Lab

Turn the Page KC offers Parent Power Lab workshops to provide parents with tools and strategies to support their children's literacy at home. They partner with local organizations to facilitate these workshops. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <http://turnthepagekc.org/>

Project Eagle

Project Eagle provides a range of services and workshops for parents and families to support the healthy development and education of young children, including home visits and group connections. **Organization:** Project Eagle; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Ave, Suite 100, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** projecteagle@kumc.edu; **Website:** <http://www.projecteagle.org/services/>

PAVE (Parent Advocates for Visitation and Engagement) Program

The Family Conservancy offers the PAVE program, which includes workshops that enhance parenting skills and support the involvement of parents in their children's educational lives. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Ave, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org/>

Northwest Missouri State University Kansas City

Northwest Missouri State University offers a variety of flexible learning schedules for diverse learners, including evening, weekend and online classes to accommodate those with work or family obligations. **Organization:** Northwest Missouri State University; **Address:** 6889 N Oak Trafficway, Suite 400, Gladstone, MO 64118; **Email:** kc@nwmissouri.edu; **Website:** <https://www.nwmissouri.edu/kc/>

Metropolitan Community College

Metropolitan Community College has partnerships with local high schools and industry leaders to create apprenticeships and programs that feed students directly into workforce. **Organization:** Metropolitan Community College; **Address:** 3200 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** info@mcckc.edu; **Website:** <https://mcckc.edu/>

University of Missouri-Kansas City

Offers a range of part-time, evening, and online courses for students requiring flexible learning schedules. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City; **Address:** 5100 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** admissions@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.umkc.edu/>

Park University

Park University's Evening and Weekend Programs are designed to fit the busy schedules of

working adults and non-traditional students. **Organization:** Park University; **Address:** 8700 NW River Park Dr, Parkville, MO 64152; **Email:** admissions@park.edu; **Website:** <https://www.park.edu/academics/explore-majors-programs/>

Kansas City Public Schools

Kansas City Public Schools offers alternative educational options and programs that may include flexible learning schedules for students with special circumstances. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave., Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** contactus@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Schools and Local Businesses Partnerships

Partnerships between schools in Kansas City and local businesses to provide students with internship opportunities, mentorship, and real-world experience. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** communications@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Turn the Page KC

A citywide effort that brings attention to educational resources and tutoring programs aimed at improving literacy for children, focusing on third-grade reading proficiency. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.turnthepagekc.org/>

Teach for America - Kansas City

Engages various community partners to recruit and develop educators who commit to expanding educational opportunities for students in low-income communities. **Organization:** Teach for America - Kansas City; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** kansascity@teachforamerica.org; **Website:** <https://www.teachforamerica.org/where-we-work/kansas-city>

The Lean Lab

Facilitates collaboration among educators, students, and community leaders to create innovative, community-driven solutions in education. **Organization:** The Lean Lab; **Address:** Not specified; **Email:** hello@theleanlab.org; **Website:** <http://www.theleanlab.org/>

PREP-KC

PREP-KC's mission is to increase college readiness and access to high-quality employment for Kansas City's urban students. The organization collaborates with schools and partners to advocate for policies that enhance these opportunities. **Organization:** PREP-KC; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@prep-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.prep-kc.org/>

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School-Based Mental Health Program

The comprehensive program places licensed clinicians in schools to work directly with students, offering individual and group therapy sessions during school hours. **Organization:** Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St, Suite 1001, Kansas City, MO 64119; **Email:** information@tri-countymhs.org; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org/>

School Mental Health Initiative

This initiative provides a full range of mental health services including assessment, treatment, and crisis intervention in the school setting through partnerships with local schools. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** communications@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Mental Health School-Based Services

Mental health professionals are available in select schools to offer therapeutic services, which may include evaluations, therapy, consultations with school staff, and crisis intervention. **Organization:** Swope Health; **Address:** 3801 Blue Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://swopehealth.org/behavioral-health/>

School-Based Counseling

Offering counseling services within the school to address behavioral concerns, emotional issues, and academic stressors among students. **Organization:** Jewish Family Services of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 5801 W 115th St., Suite 103, Overland Park, KS 66211; **Email:** info@jfskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.jfskc.org/>

Comprehensive School-Based Mental Health Program

A program designed to provide an array of mental health services including assessment, treatment planning, and direct services for students within the school setting. **Organization:** Cornerstones of Care; **Address:** 300 E. 36th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@cornerstonesofcare.org; **Website:** <https://www.cornerstonesofcare.org/>

Mental Health First Aid

This program offers training to help participants understand and respond to signs of mental illnesses and substance use disorders. **Organization:** Mental Health America of the Heartland; **Address:** 739 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@mhaooftheheartland.org; **Website:** <https://www.mhaooftheheartland.org/mental-health-first-aid/>

You Be You

You Be You is a youth-focused campaign that aims to promote mental health awareness among students in the Kansas City area. The program includes educational resources for schools. **Organization:** Jewish Family Services of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 425 East 63rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@jfskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.youbeyou.us/>

SOS Signs of Suicide Prevention Program

An evidence-based suicide prevention program that teaches students to recognize the symptoms of depression and suicide in themselves or their peers and encourages help-seeking through the

use of the ACT (Acknowledge, Care, Tell) technique. **Organization:** Kansas City area schools; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.mentalhealthscreening.org/programs/youth>

Resilience and Emotional Support for Kids

This is an initiative to teach resilience and emotional support techniques to kids, their parents, and educators within the school environment. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org>

ReDiscover Youth Peer Support

The Youth Peer Support program at ReDiscover aims to assist young people with emotional, behavioral, or social challenges by connecting them with peer support specialists who have lived experience with mental health challenges. **Organization:** ReDiscover; **Address:** 901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086; **Email:** info@rediscovermh.org; **Website:** <https://www.rediscovermh.org/>

Student Assistance Program

The Student Assistance Program in Kansas City offers peer support through trained school liaisons who work with students to address issues such as substance abuse, mental health concerns, and other barriers to academic success. **Organization:** Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St, Suite 1001, Kansas City, MO 64119; **Email:** info@tri-countymhs.org; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org/services/school-based-services/>

Peer Model Program

The Peer Model Program is designed to enhance social interaction and communication among students with disabilities and their typically developing peers, providing a system of mutual peer support. **Organization:** North Kansas City Schools; **Address:** 2000 NE 46th St, Kansas City, MO 64116; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.nkcschools.org/>

MO-KAN Peerpocalypse

This annual conference brings together youth from Kansas and Missouri to give them an opportunity to learn about peer support and mental health, share resources, and build networks. **Organization:** Missouri Mental Health Foundation; **Address:** 221 Metro Drive, Jefferson City, MO 65109; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.missourimhf.org/>

School-Based Mental Health Program

This program involves a partnership between Kansas City Public Schools and local mental health providers to offer mental health services directly in schools. Services provided include counseling, therapy, and crisis intervention. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** ask@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org>

Trauma Sensitive Schools Initiative

This initiative includes training for Kansas City school personnel on how to integrate trauma-informed practices into schools and how to partner with local mental health providers to support students experiencing trauma. **Organization:** Child Protection Center; **Address:** 3100 Main St

#223, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** info@cpckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.cpckc.org/>

School Mental Health Initiative

A collaborative effort among multiple agencies to provide a framework and support for implementing school-based mental health services, including therapeutic services, professional development, and consultation. **Organization:** Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St Suite 1001, Kansas City, MO 64119, United States; **Email:** info@tri-countymhs.org; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org/services/school-based-services/>

Uplift

Uplift provides on-site clinical counseling services in several Kansas City, Missouri school districts. Their counselors work with teachers and staff to identify issues students are facing and provide appropriate mental health support. **Organization:** Cornerstones of Care; **Address:** 300 E 36th St, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** info@cornerstonesofcare.org; **Website:** <https://www.cornerstonesofcare.org>

Family Engagement Program

Offers workshops and resources for parents focused on improving children's social and emotional growth. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** publicinfo@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/families>

Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Training

Specialized training for law enforcement officers to respond to mental health crises, which may also involve collaboration with local school staff and resource officers. **Organization:** Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** contactus@kcpd.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpd.org/>

Mental Health First Aid

Program to teach skills to respond to the signs of mental illness and substance use. It may be offered to school staff among other community members. **Organization:** Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St, Suite 1001, Kansas City, MO 64119; **Email:** info@tri-countymhs.org; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org/services/mental-health-first-aid/>

Youth Mental Health First Aid

A training program that teaches adults who work with youth how to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental illnesses and substance use disorders in young people. **Organization:** MOCSA (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault); **Address:** 3100 Broadway, Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** mocsa@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://mocsa.org/>

Crisis Response Team

A team of clinicians who work with schools to provide immediate, onsite crisis intervention and to support students and staff during and after a crisis. **Organization:** Comprehensive Mental

Health Services; **Address:** 17844 E 23rd St, Independence, MO 64057; **Email:** cmhs@thecmhs.com; **Website:** <https://thecmhs.com/emergency-services/>

Mindful Schools Program

This program offers mindfulness-based education to help students manage stress and anxiety. Regular sessions include mindfulness practice, breathing exercises, and guided relaxation.

Organization: Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** communications@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Youth Yoga Project

This initiative offers yoga classes to youth in school settings to promote mental and physical well-being. The program incorporates mindfulness and stress reduction techniques.

Organization: KC Yoga Center; **Address:** 1120 West 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64101; **Email:** info@kcyogacenter.com; **Website:** <https://kcyogakula.com/>

Teen Stress Management Workshops

Workshops are designed to help teens learn about stress and provide them with practical tools for managing it, including mindfulness techniques and emotional coping skills. **Organization:**

Children's Mercy Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Gillham Road, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** communityeducation@cmh.edu; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmc.org/>

After-School Resilience Program

Focused on developing resilience and coping skills, this program provides after-school activities that include discussions, mindfulness exercises, and peer support. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** contactus@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org/mental-health/>

Screening for Mental Health

Kansas City-area schools have integrated mental health screenings for students to identify those in need of services. Screenings are typically administered through school counseling programs.

Organization: Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** Not publicly available.; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Trauma Sensitive Schools Initiative

The initiative includes training for staff on trauma-informed practices and mental health screenings. It aims to create a supportive environment for students who have experienced trauma and may potentially need mental health services. **Organization:** The Greater Kansas City Mental Health Coalition; **Address:** Not specific to one location, as it covers the Greater Kansas City area.; **Email:** info@gkcmhc.org; **Website:** <http://www.gkcmhc.org/trauma-sensitive-schools/>

Student Assistance Program

This program includes mental health screening for high-risk behaviors and referral services for students. It's part of a comprehensive approach to student wellness and safety. **Organization:**

North Kansas City Schools; **Address:** 2000 NE 46th St, Kansas City, MO 64116, United States; **Email:** Not publicly available.; **Website:** <https://www.nkcschools.org/>

Comprehensive School Counseling Program

Part of the counseling curriculum involves mental health awareness and screenings, which facilitate the referral process for students in need of further mental health services. **Organization:** Shawnee Mission School District; **Address:** 8200 W 71st St, Overland Park, KS 66204, United States; **Email:** Not publicly available.; **Website:** <https://www.smsd.org/>

Teenage Health Program

The Teenage Health Program offers health screenings that include mental health assessment and provides referrals to students requiring specialized mental health services. **Organization:** Children's Mercy Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Gillham Rd, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** Not publicly available.; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmc.org/>

Mental Health First Aid

Program to teach skills to respond to the signs of mental illness and substance use. It may be offered to school staff among other community members. **Organization:** Tri-County Mental Health Services; **Address:** 3100 NE 83rd St, Suite 1001, Kansas City, MO 64119; **Email:** info@tri-countymhs.org; **Website:** <https://www.tri-countymhs.org/services/mental-health-first-aid/>

Youth Mental Health First Aid Training

Johnson County Mental Health Center provides Youth Mental Health First Aid Training designed to teach adults how to help an adolescent who is experiencing a mental health or addictions challenge or is in crisis. **Organization:** Johnson County Mental Health Center; **Address:** 1125 W Spruce St, Olathe, KS 66061; **Email:** MHC-Prevention@jocogov.org; **Website:** <https://www.jocogov.org/dept/mental-health/prevention/youth-mental-health-first-aid>

Youth Mental Health First Aid

The Department of Mental Health works in collaboration with other organizations to offer Youth Mental Health First Aid, a training that teaches how to help an adolescent (age 12-18) who is experiencing a mental health or addictions challenge or is in crisis. **Organization:** Missouri Department of Mental Health; **Address:** 1706 E Elm St, Jefferson City, MO 65101; **Email:** None; **Website:** <https://dmh.mo.gov/>

Mental Health First Aid Program

ReDiscover offers Mental Health First Aid, a skills-based training course that teaches participants about mental health and substance-use issues. It's available for both youth and adults. **Organization:** ReDiscover; **Address:** 901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086; **Email:** None; **Website:** <https://www.rediscovermh.org/>

Mental Health First Aid

KVC Hospitals offers Mental Health First Aid courses for adults who work with youth, teaching them the skills needed to reach out and provide initial support to adolescents who may be developing a mental health or substance use problem and help connect them to the appropriate care. **Organization:** KVC Hospitals; **Address:** 4300 Brenner Dr, Kansas City, KS 66104; **Email:** None; **Website:** <https://www.kvchospitals.org/>

Thrive Kansas City

Thrive is a partnership that aims to support the mental and emotional wellbeing of youth in Kansas City by connecting them to services and resources. The network consists of schools, local mental health professionals, and community organizations. **Organization:** Thrive KC; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** contact@thrivekc.org; **Website:** <http://thrivekc.org>

School-based Mental Health Program

This program places qualified mental health professionals in schools to provide counseling, crisis intervention, and mental health support directly to students during school hours. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Cornerstones of Care

Offering a range of programs including individual and family counseling services, with a focus on trauma-informed care to improve communication and strengthen family dynamics.

Organization: Cornerstones of Care; **Address:** 300 E. 36th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@cornerstonesofcare.org; **Website:** <https://www.cornerstonesofcare.org>

Youth Ambassador Program

This program empowers youth to break down the stigma around mental health and to help connect their peers to available resources and support within the community. **Organization:** Mental Health America of the Heartland; **Address:** 739 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** information@mha-heartland.org; **Website:** <https://www.mhah.org/>

Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Initiative

Implemented by the Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS), this initiative provides age-appropriate, comprehensive sexuality education focusing on both abstinence and contraception to help reduce the instances of teen pregnancy among students. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** publicinfo@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

PREP (Personal Responsibility Education Program)

PREP provides evidence-based sexual health education to young people, including information on abstinence and contraception, to prevent teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections. This program is implemented in various settings around Kansas City. **Organization:** Mother & Child Health Coalition; **Address:** 1111 W. 39th St., Ste 100, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** mchc@mchc.net; **Website:** <http://www.mchc.net/personal-responsibility-education-prep>

THRIVE Program

The THRIVE program offers comprehensive sex education for teenagers, with a focus on healthy relationships, contraception methods, and abstinence to reduce teen pregnancy rates.

Organization: Children's Mercy Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Gillham Road, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** patientinfo@childrensmercy.org; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmercy.org/>

Healthy Futures Program

This program provides comprehensive sex education in schools and the community, including a full range of topics from abstinence to contraception use, to empower youth to make informed decisions. **Organization:** Planned Parenthood Great Plains; **Address:** 4401 W 109th St, Overland Park, KS 66211, United States; **Email:** education@ppgreatplains.org; **Website:** <https://www.plannedparenthood.org/planned-parenthood-great-plains/education>

Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City

Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City works to clear the path to a child's biggest possible future through professionally supported, one-to-one mentoring relationships. They recruit volunteers to become 'Bigs' to mentor 'Littles' and make a positive impact on the youth's life. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City; **Address:** 1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** info@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org>

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City

The organization offers a variety of programs for youth in areas such as education, arts, sports, and career development. They rely heavily on volunteers to provide mentoring, homework assistance, and coaching. **Organization:** Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** info@helpkckids.org; **Website:** <https://www.helpkckids.org>

MentorKC

MentorKC provides mentoring opportunities to connect young people with experienced role models, which may encompass discussions on a variety of life challenges, potentially including early parenthood. **Organization:** Mentor KC; **Address:** 12345 College Blvd, Overland Park, KS 66210; **Email:** info@mentorkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.mentorkc.org/>

PREP-KC

PREP-KC's mission is to increase college readiness and access to high-quality employment for Kansas City's urban students. The organization collaborates with schools and partners to advocate for policies that enhance these opportunities. **Organization:** PREP-KC; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@prep-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.prep-kc.org/>

Title X Family Planning

Provides confidential contraceptive services to teens at low or no cost depending on income, including birth control, education, and counseling. **Organization:** Planned Parenthood Great Plains; **Address:** 4401 W 109th St # 200, Overland Park, KS 66211; **Email:** contactus@ppgreatplains.org; **Website:** <https://www.plannedparenthood.org/planned-parenthood-great-plains>

Teen Friendly Contraceptive Services

Offers a variety of contraceptive services including counseling, education, and prescriptions that are teen appropriate and confidential. **Organization:** Children's Mercy Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Gillham Rd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Not publicly listed; contact through website; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmercy.org/>

Reproductive Health Services

Affordable contraceptive methods including IUDs, implants, and pills, especially targeting teens and low-income individuals. **Organization:** Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** info@rodgershealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.rodgershealth.org/>

Birth Control Access

Provides teens with access to various forms of birth control and contraceptive counseling in a confidential and supportive environment. **Organization:** Swope Health Services; **Address:** 3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** contactus@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.swopehealth.org/>

Contraceptive Equity Project

Aims to break down financial and access barriers for teens and young adults by providing free or low-cost contraceptive services. **Organization:** Thrive Health Connection; **Address:** 5008 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@thrivehealthkc.org; **Website:** <https://thrivehealthkc.org/>

Operation Breakthrough

Provides life coaching and educational workshops, including parenting classes, to help parents with skills needed for nurturing their children and managing resources. **Organization:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@operationbreakthrough.org; **Website:** <https://www.operationbreakthrough.org/>

Cornerstones of Care

Offers family support services such as parenting workshops covering topics like child development and financial literacy. **Organization:** 300 E 36th St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Address:** 300 E 36th St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@cornerstonesofcare.org; **Website:** <https://www.cornerstonesofcare.org/>

Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph

Provides education on financial literacy, parenting, and other life skills to empower individuals and families. **Organization:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 250, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 250, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** communications@catholiccharities-kcsj.org; **Website:** <https://catholiccharities-kcsj.org/education/>

Parents as Teachers

They offer personal visits, group connections, child screenings, and a resource network to help parents understand child development and connect to resources, enhancing their children's development and learning. **Organization:** Kansas City, MO; **Address:** Kansas City, MO; **Email:** info@parentsasteachers.org; **Website:** <https://parentsasteachers.org/>

Hope Family Care Center Teen Parent Support Group

The Hope Family Care Center offers a support group for teen parents, focusing on providing both emotional and practical support to help them navigate parenthood while continuing their

education. **Organization:** Hope Family Care Center; **Address:** 3027 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64128; **Email:** info@hopefamilycarecenter.org; **Website:** <http://hopefamilycarecenter.org/>

Teen Parents Succeeding

This program provides teen parents with resources, support groups, and educational guidance to ensure they can manage parenting responsibilities alongside their academic goals. **Organization:** Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@operationbreakthrough.org; **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org/>

Young Parents Program

The Young Parents Program offers support groups that help teen parents with parenting skills, emotional support, and assistance in continuing their education. **Organization:** Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1740 Jefferson St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <http://www.mattierhodes.org/>

Operation Breakthrough

Offers a centralized location where children and their families can access education, health, and social services in one place, emphasizing streamlined support for low-income families.

Organization: Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** [\[info@example.com\]](mailto:info@example.com)(<mailto:info@example.com>); **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org>

The Family Conservancy

The Family Conservancy supports local youth through early education programs and family support services, relying on philanthropic contributions. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org>

Project Eagle

Project Eagle provides a range of services and workshops for parents and families to support the healthy development and education of young children, including home visits and group connections. **Organization:** Project Eagle; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Ave, Suite 100, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** projecteagle@kumc.edu; **Website:** <http://www.projecteagle.org/services/>

Child Care Aware of Kansas

Provides resources for parents including information on local child care options. Though not a direct provider, they support parents in finding flexible child care services. **Organization:** Child Care Aware of Kansas; **Address:** 1100 SW Wanamaker Road, Suite 201, Topeka, KS 66604; **Email:** info@ks.childcareaware.org; **Website:** <https://ks.childcareaware.org>

Childcare Subsidy Program - State of Kansas

The Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF) provides a subsidy program to eligible families to help pay for part of their child care expenses, thus allowing parents to work, attend school or participate in training. **Organization:** Kansas Department for Children and Families; **Address:** None Specific - Various locations; **Email:** DCF.ChildcareHelp@ks.gov; **Website:** <http://www.dcf.ks.gov/>

Flexible School Schedules

Kansas City Public Schools offer various flexible learning options to accommodate the needs of all students, including teen parents, through its alternative education programs. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** AskKCMSD@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org>

Flexible School Schedules

Missouri Options Program provides an opportunity for students aged 17-21 who are behind in high school credits to earn a diploma while working, parenting or fulfilling other commitments. **Organization:** Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; **Address:** 205 Jefferson St, Jefferson City, MO 65101, USA; **Email:** webreplyimprove@dese.mo.gov; **Website:** <https://dese.mo.gov>

Flexible School Schedules

The DeLaSalle Education Center tailors its schedule and curriculum to meet the needs of students with life circumstances that may interfere with traditional schooling, including young parents. **Organization:** DeLaSalle Education Center; **Address:** 3737 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** info@delasallecenter.org; **Website:** <http://delasallecenter.org>

Career Counseling and Job Training for Teen Parents

The Full Employment Council offers career counseling and job training services, focusing on skill development and job placement assistance to support individuals, including teen parents, in achieving self-sufficiency. **Organization:** Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://feckc.org/>

Youth Programs

The Hire KC Youth program provides access to job opportunities and career experiences to develop work-readiness skills for youth, which can benefit teen parents looking to build a stable future. **Organization:** Hire KC; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** hirekc@kcsocialinnovation.org; **Website:** <https://www.hirekc.org/>

High School/High Tech Program

This program provides job training and employment services to youth with disabilities, potentially including teen parents, to prepare them for post-secondary education and competitive employment. **Organization:** The Whole Person; **Address:** 3710 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@thewholeperson.org; **Website:** <https://thewholeperson.org/>

Apprenticeship Programs

Metropolitan Community College offers apprenticeship programs that combine on-the-job learning with related classroom instruction, which can be vital for teen parents seeking career advancement in trades. **Organization:** Metropolitan Community College; **Address:** 3200 Broadway Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info.mcckc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.mcckc.edu/professional-dev/apprenticeships/>

Young Parent Support Program

This program provides young parents with support services that may include career counseling,

job training, and life skills workshops, to help teen parents create a stable future for their families.

Organization: Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1740 Jefferson St, Kansas City, MO 64108;

Email: info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <http://www.mattierhodes.org/>

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center offers comprehensive healthcare with a focus on culturally appropriate health and wellness programs, including preventive care services for diverse and underserved populations. **Organization:** Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center; **Address:** 825 Euclid Ave, Kansas City, MO 64124; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.rodgershealth.org>

KC CARE Health Center

The KC CARE Health Center is dedicated to providing high-quality, affordable healthcare services to the community, focusing on underserved individuals. They offer a range of wellness programs and preventive care services. **Organization:** KC CARE Health Center; **Address:** 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kccare.org; **Website:** <https://kccare.org>

Swope Health Services

With integrated case management services, Swope Health focuses on delivering comprehensive care, taking into account medical, behavioral, and social needs of its diverse client base.

Organization: Swope Health Services; **Address:** 3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Email:** information@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.swopehealth.org/>

Children's Mercy Kansas City

Offers comprehensive pediatric healthcare services including specialized care and support for teen parents. **Organization:** Children's Mercy Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Gillham Rd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** Contact through the website portal; **Website:**

<https://www.childrensmercy.org/>

Truman Medical Centers

Truman Medical Centers provides comprehensive health services and is recognized as a leader in providing high-quality healthcare for all including the underserved. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 2301 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** Not explicitly provided on website. Use contact form.; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org>

Youth Ambassadors

Empowerment program for underserved youth offering employment, education, and mentorship.

Organization: Youth Ambassadors; **Address:** 1100 Rockhurst Road, Kansas City, MO 64110;

Email: contact@youthambassadorskc.org; **Website:** <http://youthambassadorskc.org>

Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.)

D.A.R.E. offers programs in schools to teach students about resisting drug use and violence.

Organization: Kansas City Police Department; **Address:** 1125 Locust St., Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** Not publicly available; contact through website form.; **Website:** <https://kcpd.org/community/narcotics-and-vice/drug-abuse-resistance-education-d-a-r-e/>

First Call Prevention & Recovery

First Call provides comprehensive substance abuse prevention services to schools in the Kansas City area. **Organization:** First Call Alcohol/Drug Prevention & Recovery; **Address:** 9091 State Line Road, Kansas City, MO 64114, United States; **Email:** prevention@firstcallkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.firstcallkc.org/>

Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD)

SADD has various chapters in local schools, encouraging students to make positive decisions, including avoiding substance abuse. **Organization:** SADD Organization; **Address:** Not specific; varies by school chapter locations.; **Email:** Not specific; contact through national organization.; **Website:** <https://www.sadd.org/>

Family Support and Resource Center Workshops

Current parenting classes and workshops that provide information on substance abuse, communication strategies, and resource guidance. **Organization:** Cornerstones of Care; **Address:** 300 E. 36th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@cornerstonesofcare.org; **Website:** <https://cornerstonesofcare.org>

Parent Education - SUBSTANCE USE AND YOUR TEEN

A workshop aimed at giving parents the tools to recognize the signs of substance abuse, communicate effectively with their children, and understand the steps to getting help. **Organization:** Rose Brooks Center; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132; **Email:** helpline@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/what-we-do/prevention-education/>

Parenting Classes

Includes training for parents on various topics including signs of substance abuse and how to communicate with children about these issues. **Organization:** MOCSA (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault); **Address:** 3100 Broadway, Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@mocsa.org; **Website:** <https://mocsa.org/>

Parent University

A community collaborative that supports families engaging in their children's education, aiming to increase parental involvement and improve the educational success of children. Workshops cover a range of topics, including parenting strategies. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** parentuniversity@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/families/parent-university>

Teen Peer Counseling Program

A program that trains high school students to provide peer counseling and facilitate support groups for their fellow students. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** ContactUs@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Community Center Support Groups

A series of support groups focusing on a variety of topics relevant to teens, hosted at community centers throughout Kansas City. **Organization:** Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 148 N Topping Ave, Kansas City, MO 64123, United States; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <http://www.mattierhodes.org/>

Youth Peer Mentoring Program

This program pairs youth in need of support with trained peer mentors, offering guidance and a space to share experiences. **Organization:** Synergy Services; **Address:** 400 E 6th St, Parkville, MO 64152, United States; **Email:** contactus@synergyservices.org; **Website:** <https://www.synergyservices.org/>

Adolescent Support Group Initiative

Regularly scheduled support groups for adolescents dealing with various challenges, held in a safe and confidential environment. **Organization:** Rose Brooks Center; **Address:** P.O. Box 320599, Kansas City, MO 64132, United States; **Email:** info@rosebrooks.org; **Website:** <https://www.rosebrooks.org/>

Truman Medical Centers Behavioral Health

Provides a variety of mental health services including some that are subsidized for the underinsured or uninsured. **Organization:** Truman Medical Centers; **Address:** 300 W. 19th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contact form on website; **Website:** <https://www.trumed.org/services/behavioral-health/>

Kansas City Parks and Recreation

Kansas City Parks and Recreation offers a variety of community centers, sporting facilities, and programs aimed at engaging youth in activities such as sports, arts, and cultural experiences. **Organization:** Kansas City Parks and Recreation; **Address:** 4600 E. 63rd St. Trafficway, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** kcparcs@kcmo.org; **Website:** <https://kcparcs.org>

Mattie Rhodes Center

Supports the artistic development of youth and adults in the community through cultural programming, including art classes and cultural events celebrating Latinx heritage. **Organization:** Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <https://www.mattierhodes.org>

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City

The organization offers a variety of programs for youth in areas such as education, arts, sports, and career development. They rely heavily on volunteers to provide mentoring, homework assistance, and coaching. **Organization:** Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** info@helpkckids.org; **Website:** <https://www.helpkckids.org>

YMCA of Greater Kansas City

The YMCA utilizes volunteers in its numerous programs aimed at youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility. They seek volunteers for activities such as youth sports coaching,

mentoring, and after-school programs. **Organization:** YMCA of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** customerservice@kansascityymca.org; **Website:** <https://www.kansascityymca.org>

Kansas City Young Audiences

Provides arts education programming to children and teens, with classes, workshops, and school programs that aim to encourage creativity and self-expression. **Organization:** Kansas City Young Audiences; **Address:** 3732 Main St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kcya.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcya.org>

Great Circle

Great Circle provides a variety of counseling services for at-risk youth, focusing on early intervention and prevention programs to support mental health and prevent substance abuse. **Organization:** Great Circle; **Address:** 400 E. Red Bridge Road, Suite 115, Kansas City, MO 64131; **Email:** info@greatcircle.org; **Website:** <https://www.greatcircle.org>

Cornerstones of Care

Offering a range of programs including individual and family counseling services, with a focus on trauma-informed care to improve communication and strengthen family dynamics. **Organization:** Cornerstones of Care; **Address:** 300 E. 36th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@cornerstonesofcare.org; **Website:** <https://www.cornerstonesofcare.org>

KC Mothers in Charge

KC Mothers in Charge is an organization focused on reducing violence and providing support for families affected by violence. They engage in diverse outreach initiatives including public forums, discussions, and community events that often involve topics such as violence in media. **Organization:** KC Mothers in Charge; **Address:** 3200 Wayne Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@kcmothersincharge.org; **Website:** <http://kcmothersincharge.org/>

Mattie Rhodes Center

Supports the artistic development of youth and adults in the community through cultural programming, including art classes and cultural events celebrating Latinx heritage. **Organization:** Mattie Rhodes Center; **Address:** 1701 Jarboe St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@mattierhodes.org; **Website:** <https://www.mattierhodes.org>

Swope Health Services

With integrated case management services, Swope Health focuses on delivering comprehensive care, taking into account medical, behavioral, and social needs of its diverse client base. **Organization:** Swope Health Services; **Address:** 3801 Blue Pkwy, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Email:** information@swopehealth.org; **Website:** <https://www.swopehealth.org/>

Jackson County COMBAT

Community Backed Anti-Drug Tax initiative that offers a Domestic Violence Response component. The program aims to stop domestic violence and provides resources for treatment, as well as partnering with law enforcement and legal professionals. **Organization:** Jackson County COMBAT; **Address:** Jean Peters Baker, Jackson County Prosecutor, Jackson County

Courthouse, 415 E 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** combat@jacksoncounty.org;
Website: <https://www.jacksoncountycombat.com/>

YouthBuild KCK

YouthBuild KCK provides vocational training to youth, mainly those who are not in school and unemployed. The program focuses on construction skills that enable participants to build affordable housing in their communities and other essential skills for entering the job market.

Organization: YouthBuild KCK; **Address:** 727 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66101;
Email: info@youthbuildkck.org; **Website:** <http://youthbuildkck.org>

Guadalupe Centers—Workforce Development Program

The Guadalupe Centers offer workforce development programs that provide job training and employment assistance. They cater to both adults and youth, helping to prepare them for the job market with essential skills for their future careers. **Organization:** Guadalupe Centers; **Address:** 1015 Avenida Cesar E Chavez, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@guadalupecenters.org;
Website: <https://www.guadalupecenters.org/services/workforce-development/>

Prep-KC

Prep-KC offers various programs to help prepare Kansas City teens for professional and academic success. Job skills and career readiness are part of their comprehensive approach to education and vocational training. **Organization:** Prep-KC; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@prepkc.org; **Website:** <http://www.prepkc.org>

The Full Employment Council, Inc.

The Full Employment Council provides job training, placement, and workforce development services. They work with teens and adults to offer vocational training and other supportive services to enter or re-enter the workforce. **Organization:** The Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** fec@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org>

Northland Career Center—Youth Programs

The Northland Career Center provides career and technical education to high school students, including job skills training in various fields such as construction, health sciences, and more.

Organization: Northland Career Center; **Address:** 1801 Branch St, Platte City, MO 64079;
Email: info@ncccareercenter.com; **Website:** <https://www.ncccareercenter.com>

Zero Reasons Why

A community mobilization campaign to prevent teen suicide by starting conversations, forming action teams, and providing free resources and stories to encourage mental health discussions.

Organization: Johnson County Mental Health Center; **Address:** 6000 Lamar Ave, Mission, KS 66202, United States; **Email:** info@zeroreasonswhy.org; **Website:** <https://zeroreasonswhy.org/>

Speak Up

Speak Up is a youth-led program that uses art to raise awareness about mental health. This initiative includes a series of public murals and social media campaigns aimed at reducing the stigma around mental illness and encouraging young people to seek help. **Organization:** Speak

Up Foundation; **Address:** Specific location varies - projects are across Kansas City; **Email:** info@speakup.us; **Website:** <https://www.speakup.us/>

You Be You

An initiative that promotes mental wellbeing and resilience in youth through educational programs and resources. **Organization:** The You Be You Campaign; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** YouBeYou@jfskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.youbeyou.us/>

Teen Therapy Program

Offering counseling services for teens facing emotional and mental health issues, including substance abuse prevention. **Organization:** Kansas City Center for Anxiety Treatment; **Address:** 600 W. 103rd St., Suite 206, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** intake@kcanxiety.com; **Website:** <https://www.kcanxiety.com/>

Teen Peer Support

A peer-led support program providing mental health resources and mentorship to help teens navigate challenges. **Organization:** Mental Health America of the Heartland; **Address:** 739 Minnesota Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101, USA; **Email:** info@mhah.org; **Website:** <https://www.mhah.org/>

Lead to Read KC

A reading mentorship program where volunteers from the community spend time reading with local students. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC; **Address:** P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org>

Literacy KC

Offers a variety of programs including one-on-one and small group tutoring for adults, helping them to achieve their personal education goals. **Organization:** Literacy KC; **Address:** 3036 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@literacykc.org; **Website:** <https://literacykc.org/>

Upper Room KC

The Upper Room provides high-quality summer and after-school programs to inner-city youth. Their educational programs include tutoring and comprehensive educational support. **Organization:** The Upper Room; **Address:** 2803 East 51st Street, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@upperroomprogram.org; **Website:** <https://www.upperroomprogram.org>

Jewish Vocational Service (JVS) Kansas City

Provides English language tutoring and other academic supports to immigrants, refugees, and other community members through the help of volunteers. **Organization:** Jewish Vocational Service; **Address:** 4600 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@jvskc.org; **Website:** <https://jvskc.org>

Kansas City Public Library

Offers a variety of programs that promote literacy and learning, such as after-school activities for children and teens, which strengthen community connections and foster culture. **Organization:**

Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** contact@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclibrary.org>

Literacy KC

Offers a variety of programs including one-on-one and small group tutoring for adults, helping them to achieve their personal education goals. **Organization:** Literacy KC; **Address:** 3036 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@literacykc.org; **Website:** <https://literacykc.org/>

UMKC School of Education

Offers service-learning opportunities where UMKC students mentor and tutor K-12 students in various subjects. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Education; **Address:** 615 E 52nd St, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States; **Email:** soeinfo@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://education.umkc.edu/>

Rockhurst University Community Center

Engages students from Rockhurst University in tutoring programs that benefit local K-12 students. **Organization:** Rockhurst University; **Address:** 1100 Rockhurst Road, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States; **Email:** communitycenter@rockhurst.edu; **Website:** <https://www.rockhurst.edu/>

Lead to Read KC

A reading mentorship program where volunteers from the community spend time reading with local students. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC; **Address:** P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org>

Kansas City Teacher Residency

This program partners with local schools and businesses to recruit and train educators to become effective teachers in local schools. The residency model includes SEL as a core training component for the residents. **Organization:** Kansas City Teacher Residency; **Address:** 3 E. Armour Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kcteacher.org; **Website:** <https://kcteach.org/>

First Book Greater Kansas City

First Book Greater Kansas City collects books and distributes them to educators and organizations serving children from low-income families. Through these efforts, they aim to promote literacy and provide access to educational materials. **Organization:** First Book; **Address:** Kansas City, MO, USA; **Email:** NA; **Website:** <https://firstbook.org/>

Parent Workshops

Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS) offers workshops for parents covering a variety of topics, including how to support children's learning at home. Special sessions may be dedicated to parents of children with special needs. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** publicrelations@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/families/parent-university>

Family Support Workshops

The Family Conservancy supports families through educational workshops, including those helping parents of children with special needs. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org/parenting-support/>

Parent Education Program

The Child Development Center at the University of Kansas Medical Center offers a Parent Education Program which may include workshops aimed at helping parents support their children's educational needs, particularly for families with children who have developmental concerns. **Organization:** University of Kansas Medical Center; **Address:** 3901 Rainbow Blvd, Kansas City, KS 66103, USA; **Email:** cdcinfo@kumc.edu; **Website:** <http://www.kumc.edu/school-of-health-professions/departments-of-hearing-and-speech/child-development-center/parent-education-program.html>

SPED Workshops

The Special Education Advisory Board (SEAB) in Kansas City periodically offers workshops for parents and caregivers of students with disabilities, focusing on how to support their children's education. **Organization:** Special Education Advisory Board - Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** sped@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

UMKC School of Computing and Engineering Scholarship

Local businesses support the UMKC School of Computing and Engineering by funding scholarships for students, potentially including those with learning difficulties. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC); **Address:** 5110 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** sce@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://sce.umkc.edu/>

Kauffman Scholars, Inc.

A multi-year program providing academic, social, and financial support services to low-income students in Kansas City. Scholars receive coaching, scholarships, and support through their educational journey. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Rd, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/what-we-do/programs/kauffman-scholars/>

Harvesters' BackSnack Program Sponsorship

Local businesses sponsor the BackSnack program, which provides a weekly backpack filled with food for schoolchildren at risk of hunger, which may include students with learning difficulties. **Organization:** Harvesters—The Community Food Network; **Address:** 3801 Topping Ave, Kansas City, MO 64129; **Email:** info@harvesters.org; **Website:** <https://www.harvesters.org/>

Kansas City Teacher Residency

This program partners with local schools and businesses to recruit and train educators to become effective teachers in local schools. The residency model includes SEL as a core training component for the residents. **Organization:** Kansas City Teacher Residency; **Address:** 3 E.

Armour Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kcteacher.org; **Website:** <https://kcteach.org/>

PREP-KC

Partners with schools to promote safe and supportive learning environments, and includes initiatives that target violence prevention among youth. **Organization:** Partnership for Regional Educational Preparation Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Grand Blvd Suite 450, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@prep-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.prep-kc.org/>

Turn the Page KC

A citywide effort that brings attention to educational resources and tutoring programs aimed at improving literacy for children, focusing on third-grade reading proficiency. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC; **Address:** 2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.turnthepagekc.org/>

The Family Conservancy

The Family Conservancy supports local youth through early education programs and family support services, relying on philanthropic contributions. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org>

Bulldog Buddies

A peer mentoring program at Kearney High School where upperclassmen mentor incoming freshman to help with the transition into high school. **Organization:** Kearney High School; **Address:** 715 E 19th St, Kearney, MO 64060, USA; **Email:** contact@ksdr1.net; **Website:** <http://www.ksdr1.net/education/school/school.php?sectionid=9>

Peer Helpers Program

At Shawnee Mission East High School, selected students receive training to support their peers in dealing with academic and social issues. **Organization:** Shawnee Mission East High School; **Address:** 7500 Mission Road, Prairie Village, KS 66208, USA; **Email:** smeoffice@smsd.org; **Website:** <https://smeast.smsd.org/>

UMKC Roo Up Seminars

Peer mentoring seminars at the University of Missouri-Kansas City where successful upperclassmen guide first-year students to adapt to university life. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City; **Address:** 5000 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** umkcgeneralquestions@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.umkc.edu/>

Link Crew

A high school transition program at Blue Valley High School where juniors and seniors are trained to be Link Crew Leaders who mentor freshmen throughout their first year. **Organization:** Blue Valley High School; **Address:** 6001 W 159th St, Stilwell, KS 66085, USA; **Email:** bvhswebmaster@bluevalleyk12.org; **Website:** <https://www.bluevalleyk12.org/>

Peer Tutoring Program

Rockhurst High School offers a peer-to-peer tutoring program, connecting students who need

academic assistance with capable student tutors. **Organization:** Rockhurst High School; **Address:** 9301 State Line Rd, Kansas City, MO 64114, USA; **Email:** info@rockhursths.edu; **Website:** <https://www.rockhursths.edu>

YouthFriends

A school-based mentoring program where volunteers provide support and friendship to students. While not strictly peer mentoring, it involves a supportive relationship that benefits the students.

Organization: YouthFriends; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110, USA; **Email:** info@youthfriends.org; **Website:** <http://www.youthfriends.org/>

Kansas City Public Schools Education Foundation

The foundation hosts fundraising events to support the needs of the Kansas City Public Schools, including providing resources for classroom projects, scholarships, and other critical needs.

Organization: Kansas City Public Schools Education Foundation; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** kcpsfoundation@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://kcpsf.org>

Show Me KC Schools

Show Me KC Schools is an organization that helps Kansas City families make well-informed decisions about their children's education by providing detailed school information and advocating for high-quality school options for all families. **Organization:** Show Me KC Schools;

Address: None Provided; **Email:** info@showmekcschools.org; **Website:** <https://showmekcschools.org/>

Turn the Page KC

A citywide effort that brings attention to educational resources and tutoring programs aimed at improving literacy for children, focusing on third-grade reading proficiency. **Organization:** Turn the Page KC;

Address: 2401 Campbell St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@turnthepagekc.org; **Website:** <https://www.turnthepagekc.org/>

PREP-KC

PREP-KC's mission is to increase college readiness and access to high-quality employment for Kansas City's urban students. The organization collaborates with schools and partners to advocate for policies that enhance these opportunities. **Organization:** PREP-KC; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@prep-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.prep-kc.org/>

KC STEM Alliance

The KC STEM Alliance is a collaborative network of educators, business partners and organizations that inspire interest in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math careers providing various mentoring opportunities among their programs. **Organization:** KC STEM Alliance; **Address:** 4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States; **Email:** info@kcstem.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcstem.org/>

Operation Breakthrough

Offers a centralized location where children and their families can access education, health, and social services in one place, emphasizing streamlined support for low-income families.

Organization: Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@example.com; **Website:** <https://operationbreakthrough.org>

Kansas City's Big Brothers Big Sisters

This organization pairs children facing adversity (Littles) with adult volunteers (Bigs) who serve as mentors and role models, aiming to develop positive relationships that have a direct and lasting effect on the lives of young people. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters Kansas City; **Address:** 1709 Walnut St, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** info@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org>

Youth Ambassadors

Youth Ambassadors is a nonprofit organization that empowers underserved youth through education, employment, and the arts. They offer programs crafted by youth, promoting their voice and active engagement in the community. **Organization:** Youth Ambassadors, Inc.; **Address:** 1101 Walnut Street, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** info@youthambassadorskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.youthambassadorskc.org>

Lead to Read KC

A reading mentorship program where volunteers from the community spend time reading with local students. **Organization:** Lead to Read KC; **Address:** P.O. Box 140392, Kansas City, MO 64114; **Email:** info@leadtoreadkc.org; **Website:** <https://leadtoreadkc.org>

MindDrive

MINDdrive serves students through mentorship by engaging them in experiential learning projects like automotive design and contemporary communications. **Organization:** MindDrive; **Address:** 2615 Holmes St, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** info@minddrive.org; **Website:** <https://minddrive.org>

Upper Room's After School Program

Through its After School Program, The Upper Room provides mentorship to children and youth in the Kansas City area, offering a variety of educational and enrichment activities in a structured environment. Mentors also help with homework and literacy development. **Organization:** The Upper Room, Inc.; **Address:** 2803 E 51st St, Kansas City, MO 64130, United States; **Email:** contact form on their website; **Website:** <http://www.upperroomprogram.org>

LINC Caring Communities After School

LINC provides quality before and after school care for elementary and middle school children during the school year. Programs are located in schools and include academic support and enrichment opportunities. **Organization:** Local Investment Commission (LINC); **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd, Suite 1100, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kclinc.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclinc.org/>

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City

The organization offers a variety of programs for youth in areas such as education, arts, sports, and career development. They rely heavily on volunteers to provide mentoring, homework

assistance, and coaching. **Organization:** Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 4001 Blue Parkway, Suite 102, Kansas City, MO 64130, USA; **Email:** info@helpkckids.org; **Website:** <https://www.helpkckids.org>

After School at the J

A program that provides a wide range of activities including swimming, cooking, sports, and arts. It emphasizes socialization, friendship, and community among kids. **Organization:** The Jewish Community Center of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 5801 W 115th St., Overland Park, KS 66211; **Email:** info@thejkc.org; **Website:** <https://thejkc.org/>

Horizon Education Centers

Offers after-school programs to engage children in various educational and fun activities, including STEM, reading clubs, and physical fitness. **Organization:** Horizon Education Centers; **Address:** Locations vary, please refer to the website for specific addresses.; **Email:** info@horizonactivitycenter.org; **Website:** <https://www.horizonactivitycenter.org/after-school-programs>

Upper Room After School Programs

Provides after-school educational programs including tutoring, cultural activities, and enrichment classes. The aim is to increase academic performance and offer safe, constructive options for kids after school. **Organization:** The Upper Room; **Address:** 2803 E. 51st Street, Kansas City, MO 64130; **Email:** info@theupperroom.org; **Website:** <https://theupperroomkc.org/programs/after-school-programs/>

YMCA of Greater Kansas City After School Programs

Focuses on nurturing the potential of every child and teen, improving the nation's health and well-being, and providing opportunities to give back and support neighbors. Their after-school program is a safe place for children to play, learn and grow when out of school. **Organization:** YMCA of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Street, Suite 1020, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** customerservice@kansascityymca.org; **Website:** <https://www.kansascityymca.org/>

Youth Volunteer Corps

Youth Volunteer Corps (YVC) engages young people ages 11 to 18 in team-based service experiences that build life and work skills while inspiring a lifetime ethic of service. YVC projects take place during the school year as well as throughout the summer. **Organization:** Youth Volunteer Corps; **Address:** 1025 Jefferson St, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** info@yvc.org; **Website:** <https://yvc.org/>

The Caring for Kids Network

The Caring for Kids Network connects schools with community partners and resources, engaging volunteers to work with children and youth. The aim is to create a supportive environment that fosters positive outcomes for young people. **Organization:** Caring for Kids Network; **Address:** 12400 Antioch Rd, Overland Park, KS 66213, United States; **Email:** info@caringforkidsnetwork.org; **Website:** <http://www.caringforkidsnetwork.org/>

United Way of Greater Kansas City

The United Way of Greater Kansas City conducts fundraising campaigns that support a wide range of services, including housing assistance programs. They allocate donated funds to various charities across the region. **Organization:** United Way of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 801 W 47th Street, Suite 500, Kansas City, MO 64112, United States; **Email:** unitedwaygkc@uwgkc.org; **Website:** <https://www.unitedwaygkc.org/>

LINC Caring Communities

LINC Caring Communities works in partnership with the local school districts to transform schools into community centers. They offer before and after school care, enrichment programs, and various clubs to increase student engagement. **Organization:** Local Investment Commission (LINC); **Address:** 3100 Broadway St Suite 1100, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@kclinc.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclinc.org/>

Greater Kansas City YMCA

The Y's Community Service and Teen Leaders clubs give young people an opportunity to work on community service projects, promoting youth development through civic engagement and leadership experiences. **Organization:** YMCA of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Street Suite 1020 Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** feedback@kansascityymca.org; **Website:** <https://www.kansascityymca.org/>

Family Leadership Series

This series includes workshops that focus on strengthening the family's role in a child's education, including awareness of the influence of peers and how to nurture positive social development. **Organization:** The Family Conservancy; **Address:** 444 Minnesota Avenue, Suite 200, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@thefamilyconservancy.org; **Website:** <https://www.thefamilyconservancy.org/>

Parent Power & Influence Workshops

Workshops that provide tools and knowledge for parents to recognize the signs of negative peer pressure and develop strategies to guide their children toward positive relationships. **Organization:** Operation Breakthrough; **Address:** 3039 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** info@operationbreakthrough.org; **Website:** <https://www.operationbreakthrough.org/>

Positive Parenting Program

This program offers a series of workshops for parents to encourage positive behaviors in children, manage problem behaviors, and become aware of negative peer influences. **Organization:** Children's Mercy Kansas City; **Address:** 2401 Gillham Road, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** familyresourcecenter@cmh.edu; **Website:** <https://www.childrensmercy.org/>

Kansas City Social Skills Program

A comprehensive program integrated into the school curriculum that focuses on teaching children social skills such as communication, problem-solving, decision making, self-awareness, and relationship building. The program is designed to empower students to resist peer pressure and engage in positive social interactions. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901

Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** publicinfo@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Youth Friends Program

A school-based mentoring program that aims to improve students' social skills, academic achievement, and peer relationships through the support of adult volunteers who serve as mentors. The program includes social skills training to help students navigate their social environment more effectively. **Organization:** YouthFriends; **Address:** 4747 Troost, Suite 125, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@youthfriends.org; **Website:** <http://www.youthfriends.org/>

Prepare Curriculum Implementation Guide

This is an evidence-based program that includes social skills training to be adopted by schools. It contains lessons on interpersonal problem-solving, emotional understanding and communication, and stress management, which are essential for making positive choices in social settings.

Organization: PREPARE Curriculum; **Address:** Not specific to one location - multiple schools can adopt; **Email:** Not available; **Website:**

<https://www.preparecurriculum.com/products/prepare-curriculum-implementation-guide>

Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Initiative

An initiative that integrates social skills into the school curriculum across the Kansas City district.

The SEL framework teaches students essentials such as self-regulation, persistence, empathy, mindful attention, and social communication. **Organization:** Kansas City Area Education

Research Consortium; **Address:** 615 E 52nd St, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:**

info@kcaerc.org; **Website:** <https://kcaerc.umkc.edu/research-initiatives/sel-initiative/>

Teen Peer Support Group

A group where teens can come together to provide each other with support and discuss common issues under the guidance of a facilitator. **Organization:** Synergy Services; **Address:** 400 E 6th

St, Parkville, MO 64152; **Email:** info@synergyservices.org; **Website:**

<https://www.synergyservices.org/>

Adult Survivors of Childhood Trauma

Support group for adults that have experienced childhood trauma. Provides a safe space to discuss peer influence and achieve personal goals. **Organization:** The Whole Person; **Address:** 3710

Main St, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@thewholeperson.org; **Website:**

<https://www.thewholeperson.org/>

Peer Support Group

Meetings where peers encourage one another and share strategies to overcome common

challenges. **Organization:** MOCSA (Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault);

Address: 3100 Broadway St Suite 400, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@mocsa.org;

Website: <https://www.mocsa.org/>

Adolescent Support Group

Structured support group for adolescents, focusing on self-esteem, stress, and coping with peer

influences. **Organization:** Mental Health America of the Heartland; **Address:** 739 Minnesota Ave, Kansas City, KS 66101; **Email:** info@mhah.org; **Website:** <https://www.mhah.org/>

Turn the Page KC

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Kauffman Scholars

The Kauffman Scholars program is a long-term academic and life skills support program for low-income students in the Kansas City area. This initiative is a partnership between the public school districts, private philanthropy, and community programs aimed at increasing college access for underserved students. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/>

KC Degrees

KC Degrees offers adults in the Kansas City region personal advisement and career support that includes mentorship to get back to college, finish their degree, or obtain a certificate.

Organization: Mid-America Regional Council; **Address:** 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** info@kcedu.org; **Website:** <https://kcdegrees.org/>

Higher M-Pact

Provides high-risk urban youth with mentorship and educational programs. Their activities may include empowering workshops that help deter students from dropping out by equipping them with life skills and exposing them to positive role models. **Organization:** Higher M-Pact; **Address:** 3100 Broadway Blvd., Suite 1109, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@higherm-pact.org; **Website:** <http://www.higherm-pact.org>

PREP-KC

PREP-KC's mission is to increase college readiness and access to high-quality employment for Kansas City's urban students. The organization collaborates with schools and partners to advocate for policies that enhance these opportunities. **Organization:** PREP-KC; **Address:** 300 E. 39th Street, Kansas City, MO 64111; **Email:** info@prep-kc.org; **Website:** <https://www.prep-kc.org/>

Kansas City Public Schools Career and Technical Education

KCPS offers Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs that provide students with real-world skills and direct pathways to employment. Programs include health sciences, construction technology, and culinary arts, among others. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, USA; **Email:** cte@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Northland Career Center

The Northland Career Center provides career and technical education programs, serving high school students by offering courses in fields such as health sciences, industrial welding, and

culinary arts. **Organization:** Northland Career Center; **Address:** 1801 Branch St, Platte City, MO 64079; **Email:** nccinfo@platteschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.northlandcareercenter.com/>

Metropolitan Community College - Technical Education

Metropolitan Community College offers a variety of technical education programs designed to prepare students for careers in industries such as healthcare, business, and information technology. **Organization:** Metropolitan Community College; **Address:** 3200 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111, USA; **Email:** ask.SSC@mccckc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.mccckc.edu/programs>

Full Employment Council Vocational Training

The Full Employment Council partners with local employers and community colleges to provide vocational training and career development services to help individuals gain employment in high-demand fields. **Organization:** Full Employment Council, Inc.; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108, USA; **Email:** fecinfo@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://feckc.org/>

Builders' Association Education and Training Center

The Builders' Association offers apprenticeships and craft training programs aimed at developing skilled professionals in the construction industry. **Organization:** The Builders' Association; **Address:** 105 W 12th Ave, North Kansas City, MO 64116, USA; **Email:** info@buildersassociation.com; **Website:** <https://www.buildersassociation.com/en/education-training/>

Kansas City Public Schools - Climate and Culture Department

Kansas City Public Schools has a department dedicated to maintaining a positive climate and culture within its schools. The department works on various programs designed to improve student engagement, reduce suspensions, and create safe and nurturing school environments. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** [use contact form on website]; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Piper High School Business and Design Partnership

Piper High School has a Career and Technical Education program that partners with local businesses to offer students hands-on experience. **Organization:** Piper High School; **Address:** 4400 N 107th St, Kansas City, KS 66109; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <http://www.piperschools.com/>

Northland CAPS

Northland Center for Advanced Professional Studies (CAPS) connects students with local business partners for internships and project-based experiences in various fields. **Organization:** Northland CAPS; **Address:** 6889 North Oak Trafficway, Suite 424, Gladstone, MO 64118; **Email:** info@northlandcaps.org; **Website:** <https://www.northlandcaps.org>

KC STEM Alliance Partnership

The KC STEM Alliance partners with local businesses to provide internship opportunities and project-based activities for students interested in STEM careers. **Organization:** KC STEM

Alliance; **Address:** 4825 Troost Ave., Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** contact@kcstem.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcstem.org>

Hire KC Youth

Hire KC Youth offers internship opportunities with local employers to help students gain professional skills and real-world experiences. **Organization:** Hire KC Youth; **Address:** 1100 Walnut Street, Suite 1700, Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** contact@hirekcyouth.org; **Website:** <https://www.hirekcyouth.org>

Blue Valley CAPS

Center for Advanced Professional Studies program is unique to the Blue Valley district and involves local businesses in providing high school students with hands-on industry experiences. Students can intern with businesses and learn directly from professionals. **Organization:** Blue Valley CAPS; **Address:** 7501 W 149th Terrace, Overland Park, KS 66223; **Email:** info@bvcaps.org; **Website:** <https://www.bluevalleyk12.org/caps>

Career Explorations

Kansas City Public Library offers career exploration workshops allowing participants to learn about different careers from local professionals through its H&R Block Business & Career Center. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Library; **Address:** 14 W 10th St, Kansas City, MO 64105; **Email:** career@kclibrary.org; **Website:** <https://www.kclibrary.org/>

Kansas City Mentoring Programs

This effort focuses on providing youth mentorship through various programs such as Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City, where young individuals are paired with adult mentors to help guide them in their personal and professional development. **Organization:** Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City; **Address:** 1709 Walnut Street, Kansas City, MO 64108; **Email:** contactus@bbbskc.org; **Website:** <https://www.bbbskc.org>

Kauffman Scholars

The Kauffman Scholars program is a long-term academic and life skills support program for low-income students in the Kansas City area. This initiative is a partnership between the public school districts, private philanthropy, and community programs aimed at increasing college access for underserved students. **Organization:** Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.kauffman.org/>

KC STEM Alliance Mentorship Programs

This initiative focuses on inspiring students in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics sectors by connecting them with industry professionals for mentoring opportunities. **Organization:** KC STEM Alliance; **Address:** 4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** Contact through the website form; **Website:** <https://www.kcstem.org/>

Hire KC Youth

An initiative that targets the youth of Kansas City, aiming to provide them with job opportunities, internships, and career preparatory workshops. This effort focuses on the younger demographic,

particularly those from regions with limited job opportunities. **Organization:** Hire KC; **Address:** 1445 Kansas City, MO 64106; **Email:** contact@hirekc.org; **Website:** <https://hirekc.org/>

Mentor KC

Offered by the Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS), this program encourages community members to become mentors for students, aiming to foster relationships that support student success. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** mentor@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Career & Technical Education

Kansas City Public Schools offer Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs that provide students with the opportunity to acquire skills related to high-demand industries. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109, United States; **Email:** AskKCPS@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Short-Term Certificate Programs

Metropolitan Community College provides short-term, skill-based certificate programs that are aligned with the needs of local employers. **Organization:** Metropolitan Community College; **Address:** 3200 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111, United States; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://mcckc.edu/programs/shortcertificates/default.aspx>

Workforce Development Programs

Delivering programs that help individuals upgrade their skills and improve their employability, including flexible course options for busy adults. **Organization:** Full Employment Council; **Address:** 1740 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64108, United States; **Email:** information@feckc.org; **Website:** <https://www.feckc.org/>

Apprenticeship & Training Programs

The Builders' Association provides apprenticeship and skill upgrade training programs in various construction trades, responding to the needs of the local construction industry. **Organization:** The Builders' Association; **Address:** 720 Oak Street, Kansas City, MO 64106, United States; **Email:** kcagc@buildersassociation.com; **Website:** <https://www.buildersassociation.com/>

KC STEM Alliance

The KC STEM Alliance is a collaborative network of educators, business partners and organizations that inspire interest in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math careers providing various mentoring opportunities among their programs. **Organization:** KC STEM Alliance; **Address:** 4825 Troost, Suite 108, Kansas City, MO 64110, United States; **Email:** info@kcstem.org; **Website:** <http://www.kcstem.org/>

The Lean Lab

Facilitates collaboration among educators, students, and community leaders to create innovative, community-driven solutions in education. **Organization:** The Lean Lab; **Address:** Not specified; **Email:** hello@theleanlab.org; **Website:** <http://www.theleanlab.org/>

Enactus at UMKC

Enactus at UMKC engages students in entrepreneurial projects that involve solving community

issues, thereby fostering problem-solving skills through competition at the local, national, and global levels. **Organization:** Enactus at University of Missouri-Kansas City; **Address:** 5100 Rockhill Rd, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** umkcenactus@gmail.com; **Website:** <https://roogroups.collegiatelink.net/organization/enactus>

Hire KC

Hire KC is a youth internship program that connects high school and college students with employers and helps them to get real-world job experience and exposure to professional work environments. It allows local businesses to offer internship opportunities to the youth, teaching them workplace behaviors and ethics. **Organization:** Hire KC; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@hirekc.org; **Website:** <https://hirekc.org/>

Innovation in Action

Hosted by various organizations in Kansas City, Innovation in Action is a competition where students design solutions to real-life problems faced by local companies. **Organization:** Various; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** N/A

UMKC Service Learning

The University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC) offers service learning courses that allow students to engage with the community. Projects vary by class and are geared towards enhancing students' educational experience while fulfilling community needs. **Organization:** University of Missouri-Kansas City; **Address:** 5100 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** contact@umkc.edu; **Website:** <https://info.umkc.edu/servicelearning/>

Rockhurst University Community-Based Learning

Rockhurst University incorporates community-based learning as a part of its educational approach, facilitating service learning projects that aim to benefit the Kansas City area while enhancing student understanding and skills. **Organization:** Rockhurst University; **Address:** 1100 Rockhurst Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** servicelearning@rockhurst.edu; **Website:** <https://www.rockhurst.edu/>

Kansas City Public Schools Service Learning

KCPS integrates service learning into its curriculum to help students make meaningful connections between their studies and the real-world challenges in their community. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** kcps@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

Park University Service Learning

Park University offers service learning opportunities where students undertake projects that serve the Kansas City community, tying these experiences back into their academic coursework. **Organization:** Park University; **Address:** 8700 NW River Park Drive, Parkville, MO 64152; **Email:** communications@park.edu; **Website:** <https://www.park.edu/>

Kauffman FastTrac

Kauffman FastTrac equips aspiring entrepreneurs with the business skills and insights, tools, resources, and peer networks necessary to start and grow successful businesses. **Organization:**

Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** fasttrac@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://www.fasttrac.org>

Regnier Institute for Entrepreneurship and Innovation

Provides a variety of educational programs, including the E-Scholars program, designed to equip students with the skills needed to start and grow their own businesses. **Organization:** Henry W. Bloch School of Management, UMKC; **Address:** 5110 Cherry Street, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** umkc.edu/entrepreneur; **Website:** <https://bloch.umkc.edu/>

Digital Sandbox KC

Supports early-state entrepreneurs in acquiring the necessary skills through funding, events, and mentorship to transform ideas into viable commercial products. **Organization:** Innovation Center at UMKC; **Address:** 4747 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@digitalsandboxkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.digitalsandboxkc.com>

Youth Entrepreneurs

Youth Entrepreneurs is an educational program that provides students with business and entrepreneurial education and experiences to help them prosper and become contributing members of society. **Organization:** Youth Entrepreneurs; **Address:** 1 H&R Block Way, Kansas City, MO 64105, United States; **Email:** info@youthentrepreneurs.org; **Website:** <https://www.youthentrepreneurs.org/>

Entrepreneurship Certificate Program

Offers a certificate program for individuals looking to bolster their entrepreneurship and innovation knowledge to either launch new ventures or improve an existing business. **Organization:** Kansas City Kansas Community College; **Address:** 7250 State Ave, Kansas City, KS 66112; **Email:** webmaster@kckcc.edu; **Website:** <https://www.kckcc.edu/academics/degrees-and-certificates/certificate-entrepreneurship.html>

Real World Learning Initiative

The Real World Learning Initiative in Kansas City aims to integrate real-world learning experiences into the educational curriculum. Part of their work involves convening cross-sector groups, including students, educators, and business leaders, to ensure that the curriculum is relevant and aligned with workforce needs. **Organization:** Kauffman Foundation; **Address:** 4801 Rockhill Road, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@kauffman.org; **Website:** <https://kauffman.org/>

Khan Academy

Khan Academy offers practice exercises, instructional videos, and a personalized learning dashboard that empower learners to study at their own pace in and outside of the classroom. They tackle math, science, computer programming, history, art history, economics, and more. Through Khan Academy, learners can explore a wide range of content that may include technology and innovation topics relevant to future job markets. **Organization:** Khan Academy; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.khanacademy.org/>

DESE Missouri Learning Standards

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education provides resources that align with Missouri learning standards, including curriculum frameworks, instructional materials, and professional development opportunities for educators. **Organization:** Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; **Address:** 205 Jefferson St, Jefferson City, MO 65101; **Email:** webreplyteach@mo.gov; **Website:** <https://dese.mo.gov/college-career-readiness/curriculum/missouri-learning-standards>

Kansas City Public Schools Curriculum

Kansas City Public Schools offers an online curriculum portal for educators to access, which focuses on learning objectives and standards-aligned teaching materials to bolster instruction and student engagement. **Organization:** Kansas City Public Schools; **Address:** 2901 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109; **Email:** communications@kcpublicschools.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcpublicschools.org/>

KCUR Education Resources

KCUR offers educational resources through the website, including various teaching tools and materials for classroom use focused on local and global issues. **Organization:** KCUR - Kansas City Public Media; **Address:** 4825 Troost, Suite 202, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** contactus@kcur.org; **Website:** <https://www.kcur.org/education>

Share My Lesson

This platform, provided by the American Federation of Teachers (AFT), offers a space where educators can share teaching resources, including lesson plans and instructional materials. While not Kansas City-specific, it is used by educators within the region. **Organization:** American Federation of Teachers; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://sharemylesson.com/>

Kansas Education Resource Center

The KERC provides an online repository of resources for educators that includes curriculum guidelines, instructional materials, and professional development resources relevant to Kansas educational standards. **Organization:** Kansas Education Resource Center; **Address:** N/A; **Email:** N/A; **Website:** <https://www.ksde.org/Agency/Fiscal-and-Administrative-Services/Kansas-Education-Resource-Center>

EdHub KC

EdHub KC serves as a connector and collaborator to inspire innovation and transform education. It is a learning center developed for educators to work together and shares resources for best teaching practices. **Organization:** EdHub KC; **Address:** 500 E. 52nd Street, Kansas City, MO 64110; **Email:** info@edhubkc.com; **Website:** <https://www.edhubkc.com/>

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