

The Ray Way: October 11, 2021- October 17, 2021



“We are so much more than just a city called Raytown. We are a group of citizens, individuals, families, government, organizations, and businesses that together make up this place we call Raytown.” Mayor Mike McDonough

Special Announcements:

- ☼ **BOWEN TOWERS IS ASKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO COME TO THE FACILITY AND DO ACTIVITIES WITH ITS RESIDENTS. IF YOU HAVE A SPECIAL SKILL, TALENT, NEED TO EARN SCHOOL CREDITS, OR JUST WANT TO MEET AND HANG OUT WITH SOME GREAT PEOPLE, PLEASE CALL: 816-335-5455!**
- ☼ **THE HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE CATEGORY IN THE RAY WAY IS BEING UPDATED WEEKLY AS NEW INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE!**

BABY/CLOTHING

- Baby Grace: 816-787-5936; multiple resources for diapers, wipes, clothing, classes, etc. Call for more info.
- Connection Point Church: 816-353-1994
- Curbside Closet Boutique will be the 4th Sundays of the month at 4232 Troost Ave., KCMO 64110. This is for parents of toddlers or birthing persons seeking gently used clothing and/or baby equipment. It is **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY!!!** Please call 816-541-3718 for an appointment.
- Don Bosco Family Center: 816-691-2900
- Easterseals Midwest is again going to be serving Jackson and other counties and providing in-home services ranging from prenatal to 3 years old! For more information, please contact the Program Manager who is Amy Gorton at: 816-335-4572. You may also visit: promise1000.org
- Front Porch Alliance is having 2 community baby showers, one on Oct. 15th and the other on Nov. 12th. The events will occur at 2:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. You must RSVP and have either given birth in the last 6 months or adopted a baby in that time or be expecting. For more information or to RSVP, please go to: <https://forms.gle/ZYg3CbKqLdMNt25z9>
- Frugals Family Thrift: 816-478-9200 (ask about the available vouchers for clothing, furniture, & household goods). You may also ask about diaper and food banks (dependent upon availability).
- Hope Network: 816-778-1105
- Journey Impact Center is located at: 463 SW Ward Rd., Lees Summit. By appointment only, you may get assistance such as food and clothing. Holiday assistance may again be available closer to the season. For more information and/or to schedule an appointment, please go to: <https://www.takethejourney.cc/journey-impact-center>
- Mt. Washington Baptist Church is having a food pantry and clothing distribution on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to Noon. This is located at 9623 E. Independence Ave., Independence. For

questions or more information, please call: 816-254-5777.

- Prospect Plaza Park has a clothing, food, and essentials distribution every Sunday around 2 p.m., first come, first served. The park is located at: 2430 E. 12th St., KCMO 64127.
- Raytown Chapel Church: 1st & 3rd Wednesdays; 5:30-6:30pm; 5413 Blue Ridge Cut-Off, Raytown. If you need clothing, the clothing closet, Grace Place is now open but you must complete the form on the website and then make an appointment to come in for clothing. Infant through adult clothing is available. The website is: www.raytownchapelchurch.org
- Raytown Christian Church: 816-353-1708
- REAP: 816-356-0054
- Sisters in Christ: 816-772-3398
- St. Mark's Methodist Church has a food pantry on Tuesdays from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., no appointment needed. They are located at: 603 N. Jennings Road, Independence, MO 64056. Please call for more information at: 816-257-1812. They also have a clothing closet but that is by appointment only!
- Temple of Truth: 1st Saturday; 10-2; 7900 Westridge Rd., Raytown; 816-381-7982.
- Theclothoption.org is a FREE cloth diaper program. The program has NO income requirements, quick turn around on applications, and is delivered. Recipients may also receive ongoing education and support for using cloth diapers. Diapers are provided for children up to 35 pounds.
- Triple A Foundation has new openings/signups for a monthly supply of diapers and if available, baby clothes, toys, etc. The distribution is every second Saturday. Please call to register at: 816-

328-6067. You may also visit the website at: TRIPLEAFOUNDATION.COM

- Uzazi Village's Diaper Depot: 1st & 3rd Wednesdays. Please call 816-541-3718. You may call M/W/F 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Tuesdays 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. They also offer a breast feeding clinic. Please email breastfeeding@uzazivillage.org for more information on that program. This is a virtual consult at this time due to the pandemic.

BEDDING

- Sleep in Heavenly Peace; provides beds for Raytown people in need; beds can be requested at: www.shpbeds.org; wait times vary; delivery and setup may be available.

BURIAL/CREMATION ASSISTANCE

- Assistance with burial or cremations (Jackson County residents ONLY); 816-881-3355 or email: indigentburial@jacksongov.org
- Diasterassistance.gov has info about help with funeral costs for any passing related to a Federally declared disaster. NOTE: This is SEPARATE from COVID-19 passing. For information about funeral assistance because of COVID, please go to: <https://coronavirus.dc.gov/funeralassistance>
- The Funeral Consumer Alliance is a detailed website that provides information about costs, comparisons, options, and related items. It does not though provide any financial assistance. Please see: <https://funerals.org>

DAYCARE

- dss.mo.gov/child-care (online application for day care assistance and other programs). There are also some additional support services to assist Missouri parents. For those resources, please visit:

<https://mydss.mo.gov/media/pdf/missouri-resource-guide>

- health.mo.gov/safety (click child care for licensing regs, provider searches, how to file a complaint, and other resources)
- The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services has information pertaining to things related to child care and these are listed under, "Child Care." Please go to: <https://health.mo.gov>

EDUCATION/TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE

- Catholic Charities has a free support and education program for women and their families throughout pregnancy and until the baby's first birthday. For more information, please call 816-659-8285 or email at: cf@ccharities.com
- Center for Conflict Resolution offers a variety of educational tools and trainings to help teach successful conflict resolution skills to people of all ages. This may also include successful conflict resolution amongst neighbors. For more information, please visit: <https://www.ccrkc.org> or call: 816-461-8255. Services are available for individuals, organizations, and communities. There is a sliding fee scale.
- Charlie's House is part of a nonprofit organization dedicated to educating parents and caregivers about common dangers to children in and around the home. Their safety demonstration house is now open and giving tours. To schedule a time, please go to: <http://ow.ly/ePPH50EHvgC>. You may also do a virtual safety demonstration and walk-thru the new 3D experience and see safety videos! Please go to: <http://charlieshouse.org/virtual-safety-demonstration-house>. The location of the house is 2425 Campbell, KCMO 64108. The phone is 913-375-7123.
- College Board Opportunity scholarships program is open for the class of 2022 to make applications. Please visit here for

more information:
<https://opportunity.collegeboard.org>

- Connectionstosuccess.org: 636-940-8027. Has an office in KCMO and offers a variety of programs to help break the cycle of poverty through professional development, clothing, support, & training. There are various groups including for fathers, mothers, men, and women who are not parents. The local number is 816-561-5115 and the location is 300 West Linwood Blvd., KCMO 64111. You may also email Mr. Jeff Lee at: Jefflee@connectionstosuccess.org
- Disaster Preparedness Resources for disasters, pandemics of all sorts:
 - National Pediatric Disaster Coalition: <https://www.npdcoalition.org>
 - Prepare with Pedro is a program available in English and Spanish through the American Red Cross that teaches children K-2 about how to prepare for various sorts of extreme events. For more information, please go to: <https://www.redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies/teaching-kids-about-emergency-preparedness/prepare-with-pedro.html>
 - Resilient Children/Resilient Communities: <https://rcrctoolbox.org>
- Educational Opportunity Center Kansas City has a wealth of information and resources to increase the number of first time college students and to remove barriers to such. Examples of the FREE services provided are: Academic Counseling, High School Equivalency Referral and Placement, College Planning and Selection, College Admission Applications, Financial Aid Applications, Financial and Economic Counseling, Scholarship Searches and Resources, Career Counseling, and Student Loan Default Counseling! Please call: 816-604-4400 or visit the website for more information at: <https://www.mcckc.edu/eoc>

- Emergency Broadband Benefit Program is helping people stay connected during the pandemic! This is a program sponsored by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and provides a temporary discount on monthly broadband bills for qualifying low-income households. If eligible, you will receive up to a \$50 monthly discount on broadband services/equipment and a one time discount up to \$100 for a laptop, tablet, or desktop computer. Enrollment is open and the program will continue for 6 months after the COVID-19 emergency ends or until funds run out. To apply, please go to: GetEmergencyBroadband.org or call: 833-511-0311 for a paper application.
- Emerging Builders is a program for females and other minorities who wish to learn more about construction trades. For more information or to become a Builder, please go to: <https://www.emerging-builders.org/become-a-builder>

There is now a 10 week apprenticeship program that requires that you have a High School diploma or a GED, reliable transportation, and a willingness to learn. Participants can earn \$12 an hour and work on actual construction sites and receive classroom training. For more information, check out the website listed or email: admin@emerging-builders.org
- Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City has some excellent tools and information about teaching financial literacy and related topics to children, go to: www.kansascityfed.org. Then click, "Education." Lists of multiple resources then is organized by grade level!
- Full Employment Council: 816-471-2330. SNAP & TANF recipients qualify for FREE training in healthcare occupations and career placement assistance after completion. To learn more, please visit www.feckc.org/training. They also have courses on becoming a Web Developer. Tuition, books, & laptop are provided. This is also in connection with UMKC. To learn

more information or to apply, please go to:
<https://connectwithyes.com>

- Giving Hope & Help: Focus is on giving low-income high school seniors, scholarships. Some scholarships also available for adult college students. For more information go to: www.givinghopeandhelp.org
- Grace Home School Coop: www.gracecoopkc.com
- Heartland Book Bank, Inc. is located at: 1425 Oak St., KCMO and the phone is: 816-472-5600. The email is: bookbank@booksareus.org. This organization offers free books to educators, families, and nonprofit organizations!
- Jack Kent Cooke Foundation has scholarships available to someone pursuing a Bachelor's degree. Application deadline is November 18th. For more information, please go to: JKCF.ORG
- Kaleidoscope at Crown Center: You may sign up for a weekly email with ideas to inspire imaginations and art at: kaleidoscope@hallmark.com
- KC Digital Drive is an organization dedicated to everyone in the metro area being connected to technology as well as several other initiatives for entrepreneurs and citizens. For more information, please go to: <https://www.kcdigitaldrive.org/project/kccd-i-2>
- KC Freedom Project; tutoring program for children ages 5 to 12 who have a parent that is incarcerated. Please email for more information: Lsmith@kcfreedomproject.org
- KC Library Youth has a program called, "Dial-A-Story" available for kids to call in and hear a story! Call: 816-701-3456 or go to: <https://kclibrary.org/kids/dial-story> (to hear what is in the agenda for the week).

NEW!!! The library is now offering writing classes taught by the UMKC Creative Writing MFA program graduate students. These are online classes for beginning and intermediate level writers. To learn more, please go to: <https://bit.ly/3lcwqak>

NEW!!! They have a program called Brainfuse for K-12 students and this is an online program that sets students up for success by having access to tutoring, writing feedback, test prep, learning-reinforcement activities, and much more. You need to have a library card or obtain one. Raytown residents can get a library card for the Kansas City libraries for example. Once you have a card, go to: <https://kclibrary.org/research-resources/research-databases/brainfuse-0>

- KC Scholars is an organization that equips youth with educational and financial opportunities! Please call: 816-581-5700 or visit their website for more information at: <https://kcscholars.org>. NEW!!! There is an adult learners scholarship and the application opens on October 1st. The deadline to apply is November 19th. This may offer up to \$5,000 a year paid directly to the school. Please see: kcscholars.org
- Kansas City Zoo offers ZooED which is available to educational organizations in Jackson and Clay Counties. This offers many learning activities! For more information, please call: 816-595-1765 or please go to: <https://www.kansascityzoo.org/zooed>
- Kaplan has free test prep available on its website. Please go to: <https://www.kaptest.com/mcat/free/mcat-free-practice-test>
- Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) has information for Clay, Platte, and Jackson County residents that are interested in high-quality early learning services. To learn more about this and/or to apply, please go to: marcheadstart.org

- Mid-Continent Public Library is offering Wi-Fi hotspots to use at home! This is for anyone needing Wi-Fi to take part in tele-health visits, pay bills, attend school, apply for jobs, etc. For more information, please go to: <https://www.mymcpl.org/wi-fi-go>

NEW!!! Live online tutors are available 7 days a week for K-12 students. These and other resources such as encyclopedias, writing help, and more are available for FREE using your MCPL card. To get started, please go to: mymcpl.org/backtoschool

- Minddrive.org is a Kansas City organization dedicated to helping students excel academically/intellectually. You may also sign up to be a mentor.
- Missouri Department of Conservation has many free programs both virtual and in-person for children and adults! Some upcoming events in Jackson County include: Birds & Blooms, Edible Blooms of Spring, Native Plants, etc. For more information, please go to: [Nature.mdc.mo.gov](https://nature.mdc.mo.gov)
- Missouri Parents Act (MPACT) provides various kinds of trainings on special education services and related topics for parents of children that receive special education services through the school system. Please call: 816-531-7070 or go to: <https://www.missouriparentsact.org>
- Money Smart Kansas City is a great resource for children, teens, and adults wanting to better educate themselves on financial literacy and related resources. For more information, please go to: <http://www.moneysmartkc.org>
- Moshowmehope is a wonderful site to help kids better understand the COVID-19 pandemic and has additional resources. There are even children and adult coloring books available for free downloads to help kids understand why the pandemic has changed things! Please go to:

<https://www.moshowmehope.org/additional-resources>

- National WWI Museum and Memorial has a website with many educational resources! For more on this, please go to: <https://www.theworldwar.org/learn/educators-students>
- New Reflections Technical Institute KC is now accepting applications for their program leading to a CDL Class A driver's license. Financial aid is available and immediate work after graduation. Please call: 816-361-5239 for more information.
- Parent Education and Empowerment Center in KCMO is an excellent resource to empower parents to be more a part of their children's education, better understand, IEPs, 504 plans, and more. For more information, please go to: <https://www.ulkc.org/peec>
- Parent Leadership Training Institute KC has a training program for parents or those who work with children and want to see them reach their full potentials! They have other sources of support as well. Please visit: <https://www.pltikc.org>
- Parenting Skills Training classes are being offered virtually. There are various sessions available. For more information, please call the Community Education Manager, Tonika Benson at: 816-534-0623. This is a CAPA Parenting Education Class. You may also register at: capacares.org/what-we-do/education
- PCs for People (Formerly Connecting for Good) provides low-cost desktop & laptop computers/accessories for low income people. Some repair services & training are also available. Please call 816-293-9966, 816-293-4753, or 816-293-4657 to see if you qualify! You may also email at: kansascity@pcsforpeople.org. Also you can email: Cmeyers@pcsforpeople.com

- Police Athletic League (PAL) is having basketball clinics to learn, train, and develop athletic skills. These sessions are all at: PAL Center, 1801 White Ave., KC, MO. The sessions are on Mondays and Wednesdays. Ages 8-12 go from 5-6 p.m. and ages 13-18 go from 6:10 p.m. to 7:10 p.m. For more information please first call: Coach Steve Brown at 816-756-4422 or Coach Brandon Walker at 816-446-8198.
- Prosperity Center through Rockhurst University offers a variety of educational services to the public such as employment and financial coaching and other helpful services. Please call: 816-501-4239 for qualifications/information or visit: <https://www.rockhurst.edu/prosperity-center>
- Raytown Community Education has many online offerings and some possible in person events (pandemic permitting). Please go to: <https://www.ed2go.com/raycomed>. You may also call: 816-268-7041.
- Raytown Historical Society and Museum has many educational resources and other things on a variety of topics! Their phone number is 816-353-5033. They are at 9705 E. 63rd St., Raytown 64133. The web address is: <https://www.raytownhistoricalsociety.org>
- Raytown Public Library: 816-353-2052. They offer a variety of services in person and virtual. Please call or go to their website at: <https://www.mymcpl.org/locations/raytown>
- Raytown Quality Schools: Community Education/GED Prep: 816-268-7041; Herndon Career Center: 816-268-7140; Student Support Services: 816-268-7000
- Saturday Academy is offered through UMKC and is for students who are interested in learning more about careers in health care. For more information, please go to: <https://med.umkc.edu/saturday-academy>
- Shawn Carter Foundation: Offers a scholarship to undergraduates pursuing their first degree. Must be a high school senior to apply or have a GED, enroll in a 2 or 4 year undergraduate program, or students enrolled in a vocation or trade school. Must also be a US citizen, 25 years old or younger, have a minimum of a 2.00 g.p.a, and the household income must not exceed \$75,000. For more information about this and other programs, please go to: Shawncartersf.com/scholarship.
- Start at Zero offers free developmental screenings that can be completed online with results received from a Parent Educator in 5 business days. . They also offer various other services such as “Virtual Circle Time.” To sign up for these sessions, please go to: <https://www.startatzero.org/playandlearn> or call 816-600-4932 for more information. Virtual Circle Time is every Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. with your child to do a fun activity together! These meetings are via Zoom.

* If you are looking for support to help empower your parenting, visits can be completed virtually. To sign up for this, please go to: <https://www.startatzero.org/familyvisiting>
- The Arvin Gottlieb Planetarium has a fun, simple, and free set of instructions for making an at-home planisphere for star gazers! Please go to: <http://bit.ly/MakePlanisphere>
- The Athletic Academy, 6420 Raytown Trafficway. Indoor youth baseball related activities/education. Please call 816-541-0000 for more info or visit their FB page.
- The Sewing Labs is located at 526 Campbell, KCMO 64106. They teach sewing skills and provide a variety of free services and classes. For more information, call 816-888-3051. You may also email them at: thesewinglabs@gmail.com. They also have a website you may look at by typing in: Sewing labs community.
- The Toolbox: Small Business Resource Center is a FB site for those wanting to start a small business or for those who already have one but want some pointers.
- Twenty Twenty or 20/20 Leadership has many resources to support youth such as youth development programs and much more! They are located at: 31 West 31st Street, KCMO 64108. Please call for more information at: 816-535-0250. The website is: <https://2020leadership.org>
- Union Station KC Educator Program. Free, available to all licensed educators, early childhood educators, home school educators, etc. Contact: KBaker@UnionStation.org for details about the program and pandemic restrictions.
- Urban League of Greater KC has some great programs such as ACT prep, career assistance, financial education, and PEEC (Parent Education & Empowerment Center). This program teaches parents how to best advocate for their children’s education. For info, please go to: Ulkc.org.
- US Bank has a, “Student Scholarship” to win but, you must fill out the registration form and then complete financial education lessons. For more information, please go to: USBANK.COM
- Virtual field trips are available for educators and families! Please go to: <https://www.discoveryeducation.com/community/virtual-field-trips>. There is a great selection!
- www.thoughtco.com: Free homeschool resources
- Youth Life Link Advisory Council is accepting applications. This helps youth to develop leadership and other important skills! For questions, please call: 816-772-

3398 or you may pick up an application at:
6317 Evanston, Raytown, 64133.

FOOD

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOU
CALL/CHECK SOCIAL MEDIA IF POSSIBLE
BEFORE GOING TO ENSURE NO
DATE/TIME CHANGES!**

- American Legion Post 21 in Independence has a food box pantry on the last Saturday of the month from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. You must show proof of your Veteran status. Sometimes they will also have toiletries. The address is: 16701 E US HWY 40, Independence, 64055. The number is: 816-373-0221.
 - Bethel Family Worship Center has a food give away every Tuesday from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. The location is 10801 Ruskin Way, KCMO. For questions or further information, please call: 816-399-5025 or email at: admin@bethelfwc.org
 - Brooking Heights Baptist Church: 816-356-3007. 9500 E. 53rd Street, Raytown. Hours are 4-6 p.m. every Wednesday and some hours are possible on Sunday (please call for more information).
 - Calvary Chapel Church, 5101 Bristol Ave., KCMO, 64129. On the 1st Friday of every month, there will be a Harvester's Mobile Food Distribution. First come, first served. The hours are 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. or until gone. For questions please call 816-809-8834 to verify dates/times.
 - Caring for The Raytown Community's next food distribution is October 23rd. You may register for the event at the event. The event will run from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The location is the Raytown School Education & Conference Center at: 10750 E. State Route 350, Raytown, 64138. This will be the last event for the season and is also a, "Trunk or Treat" event!
 - Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph has an online shopping portal for the food pantry currently located at 4101 E. 105th Terrace, KCMO. The portal allows families to make selections based on need, preferences, etc. This resource is free and available to anyone within the 27 county service area. For more information about this service please call: 816-221-4377 or visit: <https://catholiccharities-kcsj.org/pantry>
 - Community Action Agency: 816-358-6868
 - Community Assistance Council: 816-763-3277
 - Food Pantry Group for Kansas/Missouri: This is a group for the Kansas City Metro area. You may post food needs, trades, etc. ALL MUST BE FREE, NO SELLING!
 - Free after school meal programs are available across the greater KC metro and do not require a school ID. These operate Monday through Friday and offer snacks, and hot to go meals. For more information please call: 1-800-825-0490.
 - Guardian Angels Catholic Church located at 1310 Westport Road, KC, MO has food to give away and you do not need to live within Parish boundaries. They are often able to give 2 weeks worth of groceries. You need to set up an appointment and have picture ID. Families can come 2 times a month. Please call 816-768-6575 to set up an appointment and to verify availability.
 - Harvesters Community Food Network has a feature on their website where you may type in an address/zip code and find the nearest location for assistance with food. Please go to: <https://www.harvesters.org/Get-Help>
 - Heart of America Food Pantry; 7600 Blue Ridge Blvd. Please call 816-356-6380 for questions about food. Emergency service is possibly available on an individual basis by calling the Church. Admins will post some possible upcoming food distribution dates
- however in the meantime, leave a message at the number listed above and someone will call you to arrange a Friday appointment for food (depending on availability). Their next public food distribution is on October 22nd but no time has yet been published. Please call to confirm the time on that date.
- Hope City KC offers daily lunches, a weekly food distribution, as well as other programs to beat addiction, youth programs, and other supports. Please call 816-241-9931 to confirm the dates/times of the events. They are located at: 5101 E. 24th St., KCMO 64127. Their website is: <https://hopecitykc.org>
 - Hope Network: 816-778-1105. Food pantry hours are Tuesday at 5, Wednesday at 3, and Thursday at 6 p.m. Because of the pandemic, it is drive up only but may soon switch back to an inside, pick your own items event. Please call for further info. No registration is required but you must have an ID. The location is 10500 E. 350 HWY.
 - J.A. Rogers Elementary will be providing the location for mobile food distributions on the first and third Saturdays of the month from 9:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. while supplies last. You may drive through or walk up. Distributions may not occur if there is severe/inclement weather. To check for changes due to weather, please go to: cor.org/hunger. The school is located at: 6400 E. 23rd, KCMO 64129. Open to all.
 - Journey Impact Center is located at: 463 SW Ward Rd., Lees Summit. By appointment only, you may get assistance such as food and clothing. Holiday assistance may again be available closer to the season. For more information and/or to schedule an appointment, please go to: <https://www.takethejourney.cc/journey-impact-center>
 - KC Food Box is a USDA mobile food distribution for families with children 18 and under. The distribution occurs on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. The location is at:

207 Linwood Blvd., KCMO. Please enter on Wyandotte. For questions or further information, please call: 816-931-9942.

- Kansas City Health Department is having a food give away. You must wear a mask. The location is: 2400 Troost, KCMO. Additionally, if you have not been vaccinated and would like to be, the Health Department will have a walk-in clinic! Please note that the food give away happens every 2nd Tuesday of every month at the same time (1:30 p.m.) until supplies run out! The next distribution is on October 12th in their Atrium.
- KC PBJ Project is a monthly delivery of peanut butter, jelly, and bread for needy families. You can sign up to adopt a family or ask that your family be adopted! Please go to: <https://www.kcpbjproject.org>
- Lasagna Love: An organization that provides large pans of lasagna to needy families who are struggling as a means to give them a break. For more info, to donate/sponsor, or to request a meal please go to: www.lasagnalove.org. Type in your zip code to see if there is a location in your area. For example, it DOES serve 64133!
- Love & Loaves is a food distribution program that gives free meals to 300 people. This is every Thursday from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and it is located at: 3406 Troost, KCMO, 64109.
- Mountaintop Inc. Food Pantry will be at the Macedonia Baptist Church located at 1700 E. Linwood Blvd, KCMO. EVERYONE is welcome, no requirements! This event will be EVERY Wednesday from 1:30-5:00 p.m. or until supplies run out!
- Mt. Sinai M B Church is having a large food distribution on Thursdays from 1-3 p.m. The Church is located at 3634 Brooklyn Ave., KCMO 64109. Meat, fruit, vegetables, & dairy items will be given away. Items will be placed in your trunk. For more info or any questions, please call 816-392-8738.

- Mt. Washington Baptist Church is having a food pantry and clothing distribution on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to Noon. This is located at 9623 E. Independence Ave., Independence. For questions or more information, please call: 816-254-5777.
- Prospect Plaza Park has a clothing, food, and essentials distribution every Sunday around 2 p.m., first come, first served. The park is located at: 2430 E. 12th St., KCMO 64127.
- Raytown Chapel Church: 1st & 3rd Wednesdays; 5:30-6:30pm; 5413 Blue Ridge Cut-Off, Raytown (walk or drive-up meals to go). Please note that on November 17th, this will be a hot to go Thanksgiving meal! There will also be basic groceries given away during the food event. If you need food at a different time, please complete the form on the website. Also, if you need clothing, there is now a clothing closet but you must complete the form on the website and then make an appointment to come in for clothing. The website is: www.raytownchapelchurch.org
- REAP: Every Friday: 10:30-until gone; 816-356-0054. Location: 9300 E. 75th St., Raytown.***Please note that sometimes the event starts earlier than expected for different reasons. It is best to arrive early!
- Redemptorist Center has mobile food distributions every Wednesday evening at 5:30 p.m. The location is: 207 Linwood, KCMO. Enter off Wyandotte (in the rear). Please call for questions at: 816-931-9942 or email at: info@redemptoristcenter.org
- Salvation Army: 816-252-3200 or 816-241-6485.
- Sheffield Family Life Center Ministry (East Campus) has a free food give away after the service on every third Sunday. The location is: 740 Blue Ridge Blvd., KCMO, 64125. Please call: 816-241-5433 for information

about service time and other possible assistance.

- Sisters in Christ has a food pantry every 2nd Thursday of the month. You MUST call to register at: 816-772-3398. The hours are from Noon until 2:00 p.m. There is also a large food distribution every 3rd Saturday of the month. Please also call to register for that event that is in partnership with the Raytown Schools.
- St. Bernadette: FOOD BY APPT ONLY! 816-356-3700, ext. 228. 9020 E. 51st Terrace, KCMO, 64133.
- St. Mark's Methodist Church has a food pantry on Tuesdays from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., no appointment needed. They are located at: 603 N. Jennings Road, Independence, MO 64056. Please call for more information at: 816-257-1812. They also have a clothing closet but that is by appointment only!
- Temple of Truth: 4th Saturday; 1-3; 7900 Westridge Rd., Raytown, 64138. 816-381-7982
- Theatre Community Fund of Kansas City has a TCF Food Bank that has food, hygiene, and cleaning products. Open to anyone and some delivery may be possible. Go to: <https://www.theatrefundkc.org/tcf-food-bank-1> and complete the food bank request form and we will take it from there!
- Unity Southeast in Kansas City has a weekly food pantry on Sunday from 10 a.m. to Noon. 3421 East Meyer Blvd., KCMO, 64132. Please call 816-841-1402 for more information. There will also be food distribution every fourth Friday of the month and include meats, fruits, veggies, and dairy. This is for up to 300 households so arrive early as it only goes until supplies run out. The next public food distribution is October 22nd at 2:00 p.m. No registration is required. ***NEW!!! On Sundays at 12:00 p.m., there will be a potluck and all are welcome!

**FREE FACEBOOK SITES/OTHER
(Needs/Donations)**

- Buy Nothing Kansas City
- Caregivers on The Home Front is a nonprofit organization that serves families who have someone actively enlisted or serving or whom are caring for Veterans. A variety of help is available such as advocacy, support groups, etc. Please see their FB page or call 816-462-2022.
- Food Pantry Group for Kansas/Missouri: This is a group for the Kansas City Metro area. You may post food needs, trades, etc. ALL MUST BE FREE, NO SELLING!
- Helping Hand-Household Essentials is a FB group dedicated to providing free cleaning supplies to single parents and those who have children with disabilities. Their goal is to give those families one less thing to have to worry about.
- Helping Hands of KC is a FB group who seeks to help meet the needs of KC area residents. You may post a need or something that you have to donate!
- Intellihelpets is a FB site where pet owners may post a need and/or post things they have to give. All pet related.
- Kansas City Area Free Resources Assistance Group is a FB site where you can post a need and/or provide assistance.
- Kansas City Heroes
- Kansas City's Houseless Donation Community: Group for discussing donations needed for the houseless population of Kansas City as well as donating items that you may have and wish to donate to help the cause. Houseless information coordination.
- Kansas City Mutual Aid
- KC Responds is a nonprofit with a FB site. The group helps to connect people with resources to meet their physical, emotional, and spiritual needs. You may also sign up for a free newsletter with updates and offerings. There is also an email: connect@kansascityresponds.org
- Kansas City Twin/Multiples Swap Shop
- Moms Helping Moms (Greater Kansas City Area). Giving/trading group only of needed items such as clothing, toys, etc. Group is for moms, grandparents, caregivers, etc. to support one another across the Kansas City area.
- No Shame: A Period Product Project for Our Underserved Communities: Can assist needy women with needed feminine supplies.
- Parents Helping Parents (Raytown, Mo Area). This is a free/trade group. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/225131272113125>
- Raytown and Surrounding Area Buy Nothing Group. This is a FB site where people may ask for, give away, or exchange items to prevent waste. You may have what someone else needs! No selling allowed.
- Raytown Charity Unleashed
- Raytown Free Items and Pay it Forward Group
- The Really Really Free Market takes place the first Sunday of the month and includes clothing, food, home goods, books, toys, media, etc. You take what you need, can bring donations, and ALL are FREE! The hours are 9 a.m. until 12 p.m. It is set up at the park located at the intersection of 57th and Brookside Blvd.
- The Single Mom KC is a FB site with many resources and support.
- 211 has a comprehensive website for a variety of resources that you can search by zip code or by county. Please see: <https://uwgkc.myresourcedirectory.com>
- Artists Helping The Homeless: Nonprofit providing aid with respect, advocacy services, etc. to address the cause of homelessness and provide free assistance. 3625 Warwick Blvd, KCMO, 64111. Please call 816-668-1007 for further information.
- Bishop Sullivan Center has a variety of possible assistance and programs to meet various needs. Please go to: www.bishopsullivan.org/get-help/household-assistance or call: 816-231-0984.
- Catholic Charities Welcome Center; 4001 Blue Parkway, #250, KCMO. Walk-in services include: Food, hygiene items, & diapers. Call with questions, to verify times, or call for other services such as rent & utility assistance. 816-221-4377.
- Community Action Agency: 816-358-6868. The agency offers help with rent, mortgages, weatherization, food, toiletries, etc. Please call for more details!
- Eventbrite has a listing of current events across Kansas City, please see: <https://www.eventbrite.com/d/mo--kansas-city/community-events>
- Family Promise of the Northland can help with showers, doing laundry, getting food, using the wifi, and other sorts of assistance such as help getting your stimulus checks! Walk-ins are welcome but reservations are preferred by calling: 816-888-7070. If you need transportation out to the location, every Thursday, they provide bus service from Gladstone Blvd. and Independence Ave. to there and back. Pickup is at 11 a.m. and the return is at 3 p.m.
- Findhelp.org is a resource tool where you type in your zip code and it then takes you to a page with multiple categories. Click the

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needed category and it will list resources in the general area of your zip code.

- Hope City KC offers daily lunches, a weekly food distribution, as well as other programs to beat addiction, youth programs, and other supports. Please call 816-241-9931 to confirm the dates/times of the events. They are located at: 5101 E. 24th St., KCMO 64127. Their website is: <https://hopecitykc.org>
- Independence Boulevard Christian Church has something called, “Micah Ministry” on Monday evenings from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. During this time you can get a hot to go meal, hygiene products, clothing, additional food items, a free medical clinic that may be able to help with prescriptions, stimulus check support assistance, sleeping bags, and more. All depends on availability and it is first come first served. The address is: 606 Gladstone Blvd., KCMO 64124. If you have questions, please call: 816-231-0016. They will NOT be doing the event on September 6th, Labor day.
- Jewish Family Services is able to help with pantry items, meeting basic needs, provide mental health counseling, and has older adult services. Please call the JFS Navigator line at: 913-327-8250 to discuss what they may be able to help you with. The area location is: 425 E. 63rd St., KCMO 64110.
- Kansas City has a great website for parents across the metro area and it is called: kcparent.com. This has excellent resources on many topics as well as up to date listings of camps and events across Kansas City and surrounding areas!
- KC Community Bail Fund Project may be able to assist someone with obtaining the funds needed in order to have bail, be released, and still be able to continue working and support his/her/their families. For more information please go to: <https://www.kccommunitybailfund.org>

- Kansas City Park and Recreation has many resources for the community. For current information about events and resources, please go to: <https://kcparks.org> or call: 816-513-7500.

- Kansas City Public Library has a, “Need Help” outreach program that can connect people in the metro area to various services that they may need. You can sign up for a session at: 816-701-3767 or go to: kclibrary.org/outreach. From there, click “Community Resources.” There are also refugee/immigrant services information.

The library has something called the “Senior Listen Line” that provides seniors with short stories to hear, poems, encouragement, resources, etc. in a pre-recorded format. To access this please call: 816-701-3467!

The library now offers a free notary service. For more information, please go to: <https://kclibrary.org/notary>. You may also call ahead to schedule at: 816-701-3400.

- Legal Aide has a mobile program where people can meet one on one with an Attorney from Legal Aide of Western Missouri. These are the 4th Thursday of the month from 12-1:30 p.m. and you MUST schedule an appointment beforehand!!! For more information please call: 816-474-1413, extension 5259. There are limits on what the Attorneys can and cannot address. The location is 3051 Penn Valley Drive, KCMO, 64108 at the Just Off Broadway Theatre.
- LINC (Local Investment Commission) has many resources to help children and families live a healthier and better life in the greater KC area. For more information about what they offer, please go to: <https://kclinc.org> or call: 816-889-5050.
- Missouri Protection & Advocacy is a Federal program in the state of Missouri that provides protection of the rights of people with disabilities through legally-based advocacy. It is located in Jefferson City, MO

but available to any resident. Please call: 573-893-3333 or go to: www.moadvocacy.org

- Missouri Services Navigator is an online system where people can search for a variety of services particular to a specific region. Please visit: <https://mo.servicesnavigator.org/s4s/WhereILive/Council?pageId=1&lockla=true>
- MOSource Link is an additional place people can search for services across Missouri. Please visit: <https://www.mosourcelink.com/resources/fin d-a-resource>
- Raytown City Hall’s website has a wealth of information about City services and other resources. Please go to: www.raytown.mo.us or call them at: 816-737-6000
- Raytown Fire Department has an excellent webpage with helpful information as well as guidelines about what is and is not allowed for outdoor fire pits. Please see their website at: <http://www.raytownfire.com>. You may also call their non-emergency number at: 816-737-6034
- Raytown Parks and Recreation has a great website with information about the various parks and what resources each has to offer! Please call: 816-358-4100 or go to the website at: <https://www.raytown.mo.us/parks>
- Resource Connect provides help for those in need of services such as housing, utilities, baby supplies, hygiene, etc. Please call Amanda Washington at 816-581-6440, Extension 700 for details.
- Senior Saturday for senior citizens is available every 4th Saturday of the month at Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist Church. The location is: 3634 Brooklyn Ave., KCMO 64109. The event runs from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and has fun, food, prizes, and more! Some transportation may be available but, you need to set that up by the Monday BEFORE the event. Please call: 660-232-4464.

- Services Navigator is an online resource that allows people to search for various resources across the state of Missouri. For more information, please go to: <https://mo.servicesnavigator.org>
- Shepherd's Center of Raytown offers a variety of resources & services for Raytown seniors. Please call 816-356-9000 for details.
- The Whole Person provides supportive services, advocacy, and more for adults needing assistance to maintain their independence. Please call: 816-561-0304 or TTY: 816-531-7794. The website is: <https://thewholeperson.org>
- Visit KC has a website with many resources and events occurring around Kansas City. Please visit the website at: <https://www.visitkc.com/visitors/events>

HEALTH/PRESCRIPTIONS/VACCINE INFO

CURRENT COVID-19 VACCINATION INFORMATION AND RESERVATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT: [KCMO.gov/coronavirus](https://kcmo.gov/coronavirus) or at <https://jacohd.org>. INCENTIVE INFO: [MOSStopsCovid.com/win!](https://moplastops.com/win/)

- Air and skycast information as well as other health resources can be found at: <http://airqkc.org>
- Ask A Nurse is a line that provides medical advice and direction for anyone living in Kansas or Missouri. Please call: 913-676-7777.
- Cancer Action is located at 4010 S. Lynn Court, Independence, 64055. They are open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The phone is: 816-350-8881. They offer a variety of support services, education, help getting needed equipment etc.
- Care Beyond The Boulevard has weekly health clinics for people otherwise unable to readily access health care for a variety of needs. Clinics are offered in various locations across the Kansas City metro area

and Independence. For more info about these clinics, please call: 701-484-2273 or email them at: info@carebeyondtheboulevard.org

- Center for Community Connections (at Children's Mercy Hospital). Provides social work assessments, connections to services/resources, navigating what CMH has to offer families, assistance with completing applications for a variety of programs. Please call 816-404-3659.
- Center of Grace located at: 520 S. Harrison, Olathe, KS 66061 has a Medical Equipment Closet to help meet the needs people may have for various kinds of equipment. No residency requirements were mentioned but call to verify that and for further information at: 913-764-1353.
- First Call (substance recovery): 816-361-5900
- Flu and COVID Vaccinations will be taking place at the City Market on October 14th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The Market is at 5th and Walnut in KCMO 64106. This is in partnership with the KCMO Health Department. There is NO cost and the precise location is in front of the Steamboat Arabia Museum. This event is only for those 12 and up and those under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. At this time the COVID vaccines offered will be Pfizer, Moderna, and Johnson & Johnson. Pfizer Biotech third dose will also be available to those eligible. If you are due for a second dose or a booster, you must bring your vaccination card.
- Freewheelchairmission.org is an organization that distributes wheelchairs to those unable to afford one but are in need. They serve developing countries but if someone here needs a wheelchair, they may call the front desk during normal business hours for further information. That number is: 949-273-8470.

- HealthCare.gov offers free help with obtaining health insurance through the Marketplace. The insurance is not free but the help in obtaining it/understanding which policy is best for you, is free. Please call: 816-599-5590 to speak to a Swope Health enrollment specialist.
- Independence Boulevard Christian Church has something called, "Micah Ministry" on Monday evenings from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. During this time you can get a hot to go meal, hygiene products, clothing, additional food items, a **free medical clinic that may be able to help with prescriptions, stimulus check support assistance, sleeping bags, and more.** All depends on availability and it is first come first served. The address is: 606 Gladstone Blvd., KCMO 64124. If you have questions, please call: 816-231-0016.
- Jackson County Health Department has excellent general information on a variety of things as well as more specific information and community resources! Please visit the site at: <https://jacohd.org>

NEW!!! To help get children caught up on immunizations who may have fallen behind because of COVID, the health department is having immunization clinics. For further information, please visit: <https://jacohd.org/back-to-school-vaccinations>
- JayDoc Free Clinic is open by appointment only but is available to provide general medical care as well as tooth extractions. You MUST wear a mask regardless of vaccination status. To schedule an appointment or get more information, please call: 913-387-1202. The clinic's mailing address is: 300-340 Southwest Blvd., KC, KS, 66103. It is in KCKS but very close to the KCMO borderline.
- KC CARE Clinic (medical, dental, & behavioral care); 2340 E. Meyer Blvd., KCMO, 64132; 816-753-5144 for sliding fee scale, appointments, & general info). Emergency and pain patients for dental

services can be seen on a first come/first served basis Monday-Friday at the Research location (see above address) starting at 7:30 a.m. Please call 816-753-5144 for further details. Children, teens, and young adults can also be seen in their Homeroom Health clinic at 1106 E.30th, Suite B, KCMO, 64109 but you must call 816-601-2375 for an appointment.

- Kansas City Free Eye Clinic provides accessible preventative eye care to homeless and low-income populations. Email for further info at: contactus@kcfreeeyeclinic.org or visit their website at: <http://www.KCFreeEyeClinic.org>
- Kansas City Healthy Start Initiative can provide support and services to women and their children through 18 months of age. In Jackson County, the zip codes served are: 64109, 64111, 64124, 64126, 64127, 64128, 64130, and 64132. For more information, please go to: nurturekc.org or call: 816-283-6246.
- KC Medicine Cabinet (prescriptions, supplies, and more): 816-276-7517
- Mattie Rhodes Center is offering FREE COVID-19 vaccinations every Tuesday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The location is 148 North Topping Ave., KCMO, 64123. NO appointment is needed. Please call: 816-581-5623 with any questions.
- Mayor's Office on Disabilities in KCMO is an office to help KC residents and family members be able to better access government to voice concerns, raise awareness, and seek resolution for disability issues. Please call: 816-513-1313 or go to the website at: <https://www.kcmo.gov>
- Medicaid expansion information for adults, the qualifications, requirements, applications, etc, can be found at: <https://mydss.mo.gov/healthcare>
- Missouri Assistive Technology has a, "Swap 'n Shop Equipment Exchange Program" that may be able to assist with getting needed equipment. You may contact Eileen at 816-655-6700 or email her at: Ebelton@mo.at.org. The website is: <https://at.mo.gov.recycle-reuse>
- Morningstar Youth and Family Life Center is having a COVID vaccination event on October 31st from Noon to 3:00 p.m. (first dose) and on November 21st from Noon to 3:00 p.m. (second dose). This is for people 12 and up but if you are between 12-17 years old, you must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please call: 816-404-CARE for more information. The location is: 2525 E. 27th Street, KCMO 64127.
- NKC Hospital has multiple FREE online course offerings pertaining to health and wellness. Some examples of these offerings include but are not limited to: A fall/risk class, healthy living, heart health, everything about diabetes, tobacco cessation, and weight loss seminars! There are also free lunch and learn classes. To access these, please go to: nkch.org/Lunch. To learn about support groups for various things, please go to: nkch.org/SupportGroups. They also have something called, "Club W" which stands for women, wisdom, and wellness. There are many free and virtual offerings. For more info, please go to: ClubWkc.com/Events
- Raytown Medical & Dental Clinic (Community Health Center): 6303 Evanston; 816-356-4325
- Raytown Schools Wellness Center has affordable services and resources for year round fun! Please go to the website for more information at: <https://www.raytownschools.org/domain/1566>
- Raytown Wellness Center has many offerings for workouts, swimming, and so much more! For more information, please go to: <https://www.raytownschools.org/domain/1566>. You may also call them directly at: 816-268-7190.
- Revolve KC Community Bike Shop has multiple resources including a program where you can earn a bike! There is a small fee involved for that but they will not turn anyone away because of an inability to pay. Please call: 816-599-6544 for more information.
- Second Wind; online outlet store for CPAP and accessories; will work with hospitals, social workers, charities, etc. if anyone cannot afford and possibly donate equipment or VERY low cost. Have case worker email sales@secondwindcpap.com or call 1-855-263-2727.
- Sojourner Health Clinic is coming to Linwood United Church at 3151 Olive Street, KCMO, 64109. This will be every Sunday at 12 p.m. except for major holidays. They will offer FREE primary care such as FREE non-narcotic medications and other basic services! This is for those without access to healthcare and those without health insurance. For more information, please email: ekxfb@mail.umkc.edu or email: mmv5b@mail.umkc.edu
- Stephanie Vest Foundation in Lee's Summit provides a variety of types of support to families who have a member struggling with cancer. For more information, please go to: <https://www.stephanievest.com>
- Street Medicine KC can offer some health services and may have different locations at different times. They also offer mental health assistance. Please call 816-434-0581 for details. 1444 E. 8th, KCMO, 64106.
- Stronger Together through the State of Missouri has a website called, MOSTopsCovid.com that has excellent and up to date information related to all things involving the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Swope Health (medical, dental): 816-923-5800
- The Whole Person is an organization that provides a variety of services to people with various kinds of disabilities and their families so that they may lead independent lives. The contact number is: 816-561-0304 or go to their website for further information at: Thewholeperson.org
- Truman Medical Center has something called, “The Center for COVID Recovery” that can provide additional care and support. Please call: 816-608-7373 or go to: trumed.org/covid-19/center-for-covid-recovery

HELP WITH PAST INCARCERATIONS

- Beyond The Conviction: 816-842-4975
- Journey to A New Life: 816-960-4808
- Second Chance: 816-231-0450
- The Help KC is a local organization that helps empower women that were formerly incarcerated. They help with a variety of needs including vouchers for assistance, employment, etc. Please call 816-227-6020 or email them at: info@thehelpkc.org.

HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE

- 211 Resource Database is actively compiling information about who is providing assistance for the upcoming holidays. Besides calling 211 you may also go to: www.211kc.org. For those wishing to add their organization to the database, please contact the Resource Specialist who this year is, LaTrice Parker.
- Metro Lutheran Ministry has started accepting applications for their, “Christmas Store Program.” For questions, please call: 816-931-0027. The application process is online only and more information about that can be found at:

<https://www.mlmkc.org/christmas-store-signups.html>

- Raytown Chapel Church: 5:30-6:30pm; 5413 Blue Ridge Cut-Off, Raytown (walk or drive-up meals to go). Please note that on November 17th, this will be a hot to go Thanksgiving meal!
- REAP will soon be announcing their plans to help Raytown families with Thanksgiving and Christmas assistance!
- Redemptorist Center is accepting applications for holiday food and Angel Tree registrations. You must register separately for a Thanksgiving basket, Christmas, and Angel tree. For more information, please call: 816-931-9942. The link for information is: www.redemptoristcenter.org/holidays
- The Salvation Army will soon again be open for Christmas assistance applications. They will be accepting applications between October 18th and December 6th. Please call: 816-483-8484 if you live in the following zip codes: 64101, 64102, 64105, 64106, 64108, 64120, 64123, 64124, 64127, and 64128. For 64133, please call: 816-241-6488.

HOTLINES/MENTAL HEALTH/SUBSTANCE ABUSE/FIRE, POLICE (NON-EMERGENCY), & WATER COMPANY

SAMHSA.GOV THEN ENTER, ”COPING WITH GRIEF AFTER COMMUNITY VIOLENCE.” EXCELLENT FACT SHEET AS WELL AS OTHER RESOURCES FOR COPING WITH DISASTERS AND OTHER ISSUES.

- Christine’s Place Drop-In Center is for women that have been victims of prostitution and human trafficking. They offer a variety of resources and assistance. For more information, please go to: <https://www.rpor.org/christines-place-drop-in-center>. Their phone number is: 816-301-

5571. The address is 5108 Independence Ave., KCMO 64124.

- COVID-19 Distress Line: 800-985-5990 or text, “TalkToUs” 66746. MOSHOWMEHOPE.ORG
- Domestic Violence: 816-361-5900 or 816-468-5463.
- First Call (Substance Abuse) Crisis Line (24/7): 816-361-5900
- First Call Re-entry Program: 816-800-8065
- Healing House offers a variety of help and support for those seeking to recover from substance abuse. For more information, please go to: <https://www.healinghousekc.org> or call: 816-920-7181.
- Home Free program in partnership with Greyhound Bus offers FREE tickets to youth that have runaway and want to come home. Free tickets are also being offered to the parent or legal guardian if the youth is under 15 years old. The number to call is the NRS Helpline at 1-800-786-2929.
- Hope City KC offers daily lunches, a weekly food distribution, as well as other programs to beat addiction, youth programs, and other supports. Please call 816-241-9931 to confirm the dates/times of the events. They are located at: 5101 E. 24th St., KCMO 64127. Their website is: <https://hopecitykc.org>
- Hope Faith Homeless Assistance Campus (housing and other possible services): 816-471-4673
- Hope House (Domestic violence); 816-461-4673 (24 hour hotline).
- Hotline for The Homeless: 816-474-4599.
- Human Trafficking Hotline: 1-888-373-7888

- Kansas City Anti-Violence Project: 816-561-0550.
- Kansas City Center for Inclusion (LGBT): 816-753-7770.
- KC Tenants Hotline: 816-533-5435.
- Legal Aide of Western Missouri: 816-474-6750
- Men’s Virtual Support Group through MOCSA. This is for men who have been sexually abused, assaulted. It is Tuesdays from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Please contact Tracy for details at: 816-285-1348.
- Mental Health America of The Heartland Helpline: 913-281-2221.
- Missouri Department of Mental Health: dmh.mo.gov
- Missouri Mental Health Crisis Line: 1-888-279-8188.
- MOCSA Crisis Anti-Violence Hotline: 816-531-0233.
- NAMI offers a variety of trainings, supports, and more to those needing assistance with mental illness. Please go to: <https://namimissouri.org>. They also have a training program called, “NAMI Smarts for Advocacy.”
- National Runaway Safe Line: 1-800-786-2929
- National Safe Place is a great resource for youth/teens in trouble that need help! Also a great resource for adults to be aware of! Many resources and tools on the website as well as info about, “TXT 4 Help”, a way for any child in crisis to get immediate help. The website address is: <https://www.nationalsafeplace.org>
- Poison Help Line: 1-800-222-1222

- Raytown Fire Department Non-Emergency: 816-737-6034
- Raytown Police Non-Emergency: 816-737-6020
- Raytown Water Company: 816-356-0333. 10017 E. 63rd, 64133. <https://raytownwater.net>
- Rediscover Mental Health 24/7 Line: 888-279-8188
- Rediscover Mental Health (Children’s Services): 816-966-0900; Urgent Care (Adults Only): 816-988-2739. Please note that the Urgent Care for adults only is at 7001 Blue Ridge Blvd. and the hours are 7 days a week from 9 a.m.-9.p.m. Walk-ins are accepted until 7:30 p.m.
- Refugee and Immigration Services and Empowerment: 816-701-3766.
- Rose Brooks DV Hotline: 816-861-6100
- SPIN Foundation (Single Parents In Need); temporary crisis relief/supportive services; spinfoundation.org
- Suicide and Anti-Violence Education (SAVE) program will present a virtual town hall monthly meeting and is open to ages 12-18. This will be a monthly series. For more information please email: kelisha.youthambassadors@gmail.com
- Suicide Prevention Resources:
Suicide Prevention: 1-800-273-8255
Missouri Suicide Prevention Network: mospn.org
Suicide Prevention Toolkits: Suicide Prevention Toolkits|mospn.org
Treatment Providers & Services: Locate Treatment & Services|dmh.mo.gov

24/7 Access Crisis Intervention Lines Missouri: <https://www.mospn.org/crisis-lines>

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-8255 or chat at suicidepreventionlifeline.org

Veterans Crisis Line: Text 838255 or chat at veteranscrisisline.net

Crisis Text Line: Text MOSAFE to 741741 or visit crisistextline.org

Gun Safety: saferhomescollaborative.org

Zero Suicide Institute: zerosuicide.edc.org

Join the Missouri Suicide Prevention Advocacy Network: Advocacy@mospn.org

Suicide Prevention in Healthcare ECHO: SuicidePrevention@showmeecho.org

- The Center for Missing and Exploited Children: 1-800-THE-LOST. For more information and resources, please go to: MissingKids.org. You may also email the Program Manager, Missing Children’s Division at: jepaluska@ncmec.org
- Transgender Helpline: 877-565-8860

HOUSING/ASSISTANCE

THE KANSAS CITY EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE CENTER (KCERAC) IS NOW OPEN TO ASSIST WITH THE EXPEDITING OF DISTRIBUTING FEDERAL EMERGENCY RELIEF MONEY. THIS IS AIDE FOR RENT AND UTILITIES. THE CENTER IS LOCATED AT: 4400 DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. BLVD (FORMERLY BLUE PARKWAY) IN KCMO. THE CENTER IS LOCATED INSIDE OF THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OFFICES. **NO WALK INS WILL BE ACCEPTED! YOU MUST CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT AT: 816-513-4501.**

*****YOU MUST HAVE A KCMO MAILING ADDRESS*****

THE CITY OF RAYTOWN HAS SOME SERVICES FOR LANDLORD-TENANT ISSUES BUT THESE ARE LIMITED BECAUSE MANY ISSUES REQUIRE LEGAL ACTION AND RAYTOWN WILL NOT BECOME INVOLVED IN SUCH MATTERS. THE STATE OF MISSOURI HAS A BOOKLET FOR LANDLORD-TENANTS RIGHTS. CONTACT THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AT: 816-737-6014.

THE MISSOURI HOUSING RESOURCES HAS EXCELLENT RESOURCES FOR LANDLORDS AND TENANTS! TENANTS MAY ALSO VIEW THINGS THROUGH AN INTERACTIVE MAP FOR EMERGENCY SHELTERS, RENT/UTILITY ASSISTANCE, AND DEPOSITS. PLEASE REFER TO: mohousingresources.com/safhr or call 833-541-1599 for further information. NEW!!! SAFHR HAS A NEW STREAMLINED APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE FOR RENTERS AND LANDLORDS. THERE ARE REPORTEDLY FEWER DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS. PLEASE GO TO: mohousingresources.com

- Catholic Charities: 816-221-4377
- Center for Neighborhoods KC has many resources to help strengthen and revitalize communities. For more information, please go to: <https://cfn.umkc.edu> or call them at 816-235-6931.
- Community Action Agency: 816-358-6868
- Community Assistance Council: 816-763-3277
- Community LINC can help those at-risk of homelessness. Please call to schedule an assessment and from that, they may provide services. The number is: 816-531-3727.

- Community Services League is administering some funds received for rental assistance. Please call 816-254-4100 for more information or go to: www.cslcares.org
- Consumer Financial Protection Bureau has extensive data bases of where renters and homeowners can get assistance with rent, utilities, and mortgage assistance in addition to educating yourself on your rights as a consumer. Please go to the following web address: <https://www.consumerfinance.gov>
- Evictionlab.org is a national website with statistics and information related to evictions in the pandemic.
- Flourish Furnishings: 816-946-8600 for full information or go to Flourishfurnishings.org. You MUST be referred by an agency that they partner with. Flourish furnishings collects, prepares, and distributes donated furnishings and home essentials to offer a “hand up” by meeting household furnishing needs in Kansas City’s urban and suburban communities.
- Heartland Center for Jobs and Freedom: Heartlandcenterforjobsandfreedom.org or call 816-278-1344 or 816-278-1092. Helps with legal rights/evictions due to COVID-19, employment and consumer rights for low-wage workers.
- Homeless Hotline: 816-474-4599
- Hope Faith Ministries: 816-471-4673 offers a number of case management and other services to help house the homeless and meet their needs during this time.
- Kansas City has a City of Kansas City Missouri Office of The Housing Advocate. The contact information is: Tiffany Drummer at 816-513-3026 or by email: tiffanydrummer@kcmo.org. This office is able to possibly assist with rent/utility assistance, evictions, and related matters. It may only serve residents with a Kansas City address but call to verify that.
- KC Regional Housing Alliance is a resource for fair housing, assistance, and other information all pertaining to housing. Please go to: <https://kcregionalhousingalliance.org>.
- KC Tenants; advocacy, resources to emergency funds, etc. Please call 816-533-5435 to verify aide is available to Raytown residents. To submit a concerns online, please go to: <https://bit.ly/IncidentsKCT>.
- Kim Wilson Housing Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Programs. Call about this and their voucher programs at 913-233-3356.
- Legal Aide: 816-474-6750 or 816-474-9868; Thursday from 12:45-2, lawyers are present at the Jackson County Courthouse to assist those having an eviction hearing.
- Metro Lutheran Ministries: 816-931-0027 or 816-514-2683; 3031 Holmes St.; Mon-Fri, 9-330 pm to pick up an application. Jackson County residents only!
- Missouri Housing Development Commission is a great resource for tenants, homeowners, and those wanting to buy their first homes. There are a multitude of available help programs in each of these areas including programs to help low-income buyers buy their first homes and reduce taxes each year they own their homes. There is also information about home repair grants and related money available. Please go to: <http://www.mhdc.com>
- Mother’s Refuge is a homeless shelter for girls 21 years old and younger who are pregnant. They offer a variety of supportive services! For more information, please go to: <https://mothersrefuge.org>
- REAP: 816-356-0054. For assistance with needs, people may also email a REAP Case Manager at: erap@raytownreap.org
- Restart: Rental assistance with possible back utilities owed; Jackson County

residents only; must have been impacted by COVID-19. 816-472-5664 x. 353 or call 816-886-9153. You may also email for more information or questions at: housingstability@restartinc.org

- SAFHR funds may be available to help struggling renters with rent and utility money. For more information, please go to: <https://bit.ly/3mCt2pq>.
- Salvation Army: 816-252-3200
- SAVE, INC. offers housing assistance of different kinds including a Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Program that offers rental vouchers to socially and medically disadvantaged individuals and families. They collaborate with Johnson County, KS, KCMO, and the Missouri Department of Mental Health. Please call 816-531-8340 for details.

There is now an overnight shelter for youth ages 18-24 that primarily serves those in the LGBTQ community however, anyone in the age range is welcome. Please call 816-931-0602 (24/7) or 816-531-8340 (Extension 190) for more information. For a tour of the facility, please email the Residential Program Manager, Scout DeSimio at: sdesimio@saveinck.org. The facility is located at 3109 Campbell, KCMO, 64109.

- Sheffield Place helps severely traumatized and homeless mothers secure what they need to be successful. For more information please call: 816-483-9927 or go to: <https://www.sheffieldplace.org>

JOB ASSISTANCE, COUNSELING, FAIRS, AND TRAINING

THERE ARE A FEW JOB SEARCH SITES WHERE YOU CAN LOOK FOR JOBS AND/OR POST YOUR RESUME! TRY WWW.INDEED.COM, WWW.CAREERBUILDER.COM, AND WWW.MONSTER.COM

- Ability KC: Hiring for support services and other positions. Please call 816-472-7799 for more information or visit: Abilitykc.org for a list of available jobs. You may also email your resume to: hr.department@abilitykc.org.
- Aerotek is a staffing service that is currently hiring for various positions such as entry level assemblers, drivers, packers, and many more! The contact information is: Stacy Franklin at: 816-226-7072 or: stfranklin@aerotek.com
- Amazon is hiring for the Kansas City area plant and possibly other locations. Text KCMO to 77088.
- Bally's Kansas City is hiring and offering a hiring bonus. Please go to: Ballyskansascity.com
- Bishop Sullivan Center Employment Services: Joselina Lara at 816-231-0984
- Career Fair will occur on October 12th from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at: Mohart Multi-Purpose Center located at 3200 Wayne Ave., KCMO 64109. There will be 7 Sector Employers and Trade Unions present. Pre-registration is not required, bring your resume!
- Central Early Childhood Center is hiring teachers. For more information, please send an inquiry to: central_ecc@yahoo.com. The center is in KCMO.
- City of Kansas City, Missouri is hiring for a variety of positions. For more information, please go to: <https://bit.ly/3fxY9OL>. Additionally, the Kansas City Fire Department (KCFD) is hiring. For more information, please go to: www.kcmo.gov/careers or call: 816-513-1903.
- Clymer Community Center; 816-994-0312; call to inquire if they have current certification programs.
- Coca Cola Distribution Center in Lenexa, KS is hiring. Please go to: <https://www.heartlandcocacola.com>
- Community LINC: 816-531-3727
- Community Service League is launching new tuition-free programs. Program offerings include CNA, Sustainable Material Handling, Medical Coding (may have remote-work opportunities), Billing Professional, Phlebotomy, and Welding Technology. There are also openings for warehouse laborers, maintenance, installers, front desk, custodial/housekeeping, and retail store manager. You will also be connected with a CSL Financial Coach and employment services to assist with finding a job after graduation. Please call 816-491-2013 for current offerings, questions or apply at: <https://cslcares.squarespace.com/newskills>. You may also email at: Martj@cslcares.org or Wallgrent@cslcares.org. NEW!!! CSL is looking for employees for their own office! They are hiring for an Accountant, Financial Coach, Job Coach, a Family Stability Specialist, and a Housing Case Manager. Apply for these positions at: <https://cslcares.bamboohr.com/jobs>
- Connectionstosuccess.org: 636-940-8027. Has an office in KCMO and offers a variety of programs to help break the cycle of poverty through professional -development, clothing, support, & training. The local number is 816-561-5115 and the location is 300 West Linwood Blvd., KCMO 64111. You may also contact call: 816-288-2986 for additional assistance.
- Creative Supports of Kansas City is hiring for Personal Care Attendants. For more information please go to: <https://creativesupportskc.com>
- CVS Health has some job openings! For more information, please go to: <https://jobs.cvshealth.com>

You may also text, CVSDC to 25000 and chat with a virtual recruiting assistant.

- Express Employment Professionals has many openings, temporary and permanent! Please call 816-994-2424. They are located at: 301 Armour, KCMO, 64116.
- First Student is hiring for part-time Bus Drivers with an hourly salary at \$18.80 or more. Paid training, no experience needed. Free CDL Class B training and other benefits! Apply online at: WorkAtFirst.com or call: 816-254-5262.
- Full Employment Council: 816-471-2330. SNAP & TANF recipients qualify for FREE training in healthcare occupations and career placement assistance after completion. To learn more, please visit www.feckc.org/training. ***NEW!!! The FEC has a program called, “Amazon Web Services” or AWS. This is a certification program that teaches the technical skills needed for a great paying career. NO college degree is required. For more information, please go to: <http://ow.ly/Qx9E50GasGM>
- Guadalupe Centers: Workforce Program. If you need help finding a job, need assistance with a resume, etc. please call 816-561-6885.
- Harvesters is hiring for a Class A Driver and other positions. For more information, please go to: www.harvesters.org
- Heartland Conservation Alliance is hiring and training is provided. The pay is \$17 an hour. This is for, the “Action Crew Member” position. For more information, please contact: Meghan at meghan@heartlandconservationalliance.org or call: 816-654-6961.
- IRS is hiring for examiners and clerks. These are full-time permanent as well as seasonal positions. For more information please go to: irs.usajobs.gov. You may also call: 816-499-4900.
- Jack Cooper is hiring for part-time Casual Yard Employees with day, night, and weekend hours. Pay rate is: \$26.18 an hour. Please apply at: www.jackcooper.com/careers
- JCPenney is hiring full and part time for a warehouse located on the KS side. Starting wage is \$18 an hour plus \$1.00 shift differential. Monthly peak bonus \$250. Please go to: Jobs.jcp.com
- Jackson County Parks & Rec is hiring! Full-time and seasonal opportunities are available. Visit: jacksongov.org/jobs for more information.
- JE Dunn has a, “Diversity Program” to help people get into the construction industry. For more information, please go to: <https://www.jedunn.com/diversity-inclusion>
- Jewish Vocational Services: 816-471-2808
- Job One is an organization that specializes in helping people with disabilities obtain and maintain employment. For more information please visit: <https://jobonekc.org> or call: 816-796-7070. The organization is also looking to add to their own staff! Please contact: khankins@jobonekc.org
- KCATA is looking for Bus Drivers for RideKC. The position offers paid training. Please go to: <http://kcata.org/jobs>.
- KC Care Health Center is hiring. For more information, please go to: <https://www.paycomonline.net/v4/ats/web.php/jobs?clientkey=147ECC7C8F07DEC613E743D6973B8D0B#>
- KC Job Fair is on October 13th from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. This is sponsored by the Women’s Employment Network but all genders are welcome. Reserve your free ticket and get more information: WomensEmploymentNetwork.eventbrite.com
- Kansas City Post Office is hiring for City Carrier Assistants. Possible wages up to \$18.51 an hour. To apply: usps.com/careers
- Kansas City Public Library has a, “Job Club” to assist people looking for work. For more information, please go to: <https://kclibrary.org/blog/looking-work-library-offers-resources-and-job-club> or call: 816-701-3663.
- Kansas City VA is hiring for various positions! Email at: VHAKANHRRecruit@va.gov
- Landmark Event Kansas City has various positions open at Chiefs games. Wages generally start around \$13 an hour and up. For more information, please go to: Landmarkeventstaff.exacthire.com
- Legal Aid has an unemployment hotline called Legal Aid CARES. That number is: 1-800-990-2907. It is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The location is 200 W. 12th Street, KCMO.
- Missouri Apprentice Connect is a resource for anyone seeking an apprenticeship, training, or something related. For more information, please go to: <https://www.moapprenticeconnect.com>
- Missouri Department of Mental Health is hiring for various positions across the State. For more information, please go to: mocarers.mo.gov
- Nebraska Furniture Mart is hiring. Please go to: <https://www.nfm.com/careers.html>
- Nelson Atkins Art Museum has openings for various positions. Please go to: <https://nelson-atkins.org/careers-internships>
- New Reflections KC is offering a CDL Class A License program! New classes start every 2 weeks and enrollment is now open. Please apply at: www.newreflectionskc.org. For questions, please call: 816-361-5239.

- Project Pathways through the Urban League of Greater Kansas City is a program for minorities and women that assists them getting into the construction and building industry. This includes different certifications and practical experience as well. Enrollment is required! Please call: Eric Rambo at 816-471-0550. You may also email at: erambo@ulkc.org
- Prosperity Center through Rockhurst University offers a variety of educational services to the public such as employment and financial coaching and other helpful services. Please call: 816-501-4239 for qualifications/information or visit: <https://www.rockhurst.edu/prosperity-center>. The employment coaching can consist of mock interviews, resume help, job readiness training, and so much more!
- Raytown Schools have several job openings. For more information, please go to: <https://raytown.tedk12.com/hire/index.aspx>
- Ride KC is hiring a Facilities Service Worker and there may be other positions. To learn more, please go to: https://www.kcata.org/about_kcata/entries/job_vacancies#TransitJobs.
- Seen Merch in KC is hiring for several positions to further grow their screen printing business. For more information, please email them for an application or send a resume directly to: Heidi@seenmerch.com. They are specifically looking for pack out teams, embroidery operators, and a fulfillment logistics customer service manager.
- Simplyhired.com has many job listings but specifically also has listings for FedEx. For those potential positions, please go to: <https://www.simplyhired.com/search?q=fedex&l=kansas+city%2C+mo>. You may also go to: <https://careers.fedex.com/fedex>
- Snagajob.com has multiple potential job listings and specifically has listings for warehouse positions. For those positions,

please see:
<https://www.snagajob.com/search/w-kansas+city,+mo/q-open+job+fair+warehouse+openings>

- The Builder's Association Education and Training Center has a wealth of information about getting into the industry and training. For more information, please go to: www.buildersassociation.com or call: 816-595-4145.
- The Economic Development Corporation of KCMO has a, "Loan Up" program to financially assist small businesses in KCMO that are looking to grow. For more information, please go to: <https://www.edcloancorp.com>
- The Grooming Project; tuition FREE 6 month program to help people break the cycle of poverty by learning how to groom dogs; call 816-673-9248 and ask for Barbie Daniels or email her at: bdaniels@epeckc.org to see if you qualify. A new class starts November 16th!
- The Toolbox: Small Business Resource Center is a FB site for those wanting to start a small business or for those who already have one but want some pointers. Please call for more information at: 816-309-2063. You may also email at: gmunoz@forwardcities.org.
- Triumph Foods in St. Joe is hiring with a starting pay of \$17.25 an hour. There are several different positions open. Walk-in interviews are done on Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. For more specific information, location, etc. please call: 816-396-2701 or go to: <https://www.triumphfoods.com>
- Tyson Foods is hiring for their Olathe Distribution Center. Sign on/referral bonuses are available as is night shift incentive pay. Apply online at: <https://www.tysonfoods.com/careers>. Then search, "Olathe Distribution." They are also having a job fair for this location on October 13th and 14th from 9:00 a.m. to 6 p.m. You can apply onsite these days and times at: 20701 W. 159th Street, Olathe, KS 66062. Please call with questions at: 913-393-7202.
- USPS has some job openings. For more information, please go to: <https://about.usps.com/careers>. They are specifically looking for City Carrier Assistants especially but there are other positions. Starting pay for the Assistants positions is up to \$18.51. ***NEW!!! The USPS is having a career fair on October 6th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The location is: 7420 Troost, KCMO 64131. They are looking to immediately fill positions and the starting pay is again \$18.51 an hour for City Carrier Assistants.
- Urban League of Greater KC has some job assistance and training programs such as, "Project Pathways." This program is a pre-apprenticeship program and is tuition based however, subsidies are available for eligible applicants. For more information about this and other programs, please call 816-471-0550.
- Waffle House is hiring for several different opportunities in the KC metro area. You can apply online at: whcareers.com or text CAREERS to WAFFLE or 923353. You may also contact the hourly recruiting coordinator who is Nicole Macon at: 573-855-3301 or email her at: nicolemacon@wafflehouse.com
- Women's Employment Network: 816-822-8083. They are offering multiple services including the following free options: In-person 3 week classes, an online guided course, and online weekly workshops. All of the services are designed to strengthen skills, develop a personalized plan, receive support, and more. You may also email them at: info@kc.wen.org. To learn more about the organization, please go to: <https://kcwen.org>. NEW!!! There will be 2 virtual job fairs coming up, one on October 13th and the other, November 10th from 1:00

p.m. until 4:00 p.m. Registration is required and you may do so at:
<https://kcwen.org/news-events/kc-job-fairs>

- Workforce Partnership KC has some great resources, tools, and tips for those seeking employment even if you do not live in Kansas! Checkout the website at: www.workforcepartnership.com or call 913-279-2600 for more information!
- Workforce Training Program applications are being taken for work being done at the new KCI Airport. To learn more about this program, please go to: <https://www.cwcjv.com/wtp>
- Worlds of Fun is hiring for different positions and some are with a premium wage increase up to \$18 an hour. For more information or to apply, please go to: Worldsoffun.com
- Youth Life Link Employment Services is hiring for Garden Maintenance. You must be 13-19 years old and the work is part-time (10 hours a week) at \$11 an hour. Please call: 816-772-3398 for more information.

NOT 21 ANYMORE

- AARP has many resources for those who are older. Please go to: <https://shepherdscenterofraytown.org>
- Don Bosco Senior Center is at 580 Campbell Street, KCMO 64106. They offer many resources for seniors in Kansas City and may be able to direct you if you live elsewhere. Their number is: 816-691-2900.
- Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) in Kansas City, MO has links to many excellent services for seniors. Please go to: <https://www.marc.org/Community/Aging>
- Missouri has a link for those approximately 60 and up that has many resources. Please go to: <https://health.mo.gov/seniors/aaa>

- NKC Hospital has multiple FREE online course offerings pertaining to health and wellness. Some examples of these offerings include but are not limited to: A fall/risk class, healthy living, heart health, everything about diabetes, tobacco cessation, and weight loss seminars! There are also free lunch and learn classes. To access these, please go to: nkch.org/Lunch. To learn about support groups for various things, please go to: nkch.org/SupportGroups. They also have something called, "Club W" which stands for women, wisdom, and wellness. There are many free and virtual offerings. For more info, please go to: ClubWkc.com/Events. NEW!!! On November 30th from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., there will be a free in person seminar called, "Medicare in Plain English." This will explain the basics and how to enroll. The event will be held in the Burlington Room, 1st Floor Pavilion. For questions please call: Shanna Watt at 816-691-1690. To register, please go to: <https://www.nkch.org/class/medicare-in-plain-english>
- Shepherd's Center of Raytown has many services and resources for those residents that are older. Please call: 816-356-9000 or go to the website at: <https://shepherdscenterofraytown.org>

PETS

- Armani's Angels KC is an organization that will help raise funds and provide assistance to pet owners whose pets are ill or injured. The website is: Armanisangelskc.org for further information or to apply for assistance.
- Frankiesfriends.org is a resource to help struggling pet owners keep and take care of their pets. Please visit the website to apply for assistance.

- Intellihelpets is a FB site where pet owners may post a need and/or post things they have to give. All pet related.
- Jasmine's Corner @ Jewish Family Services is a PET FOOD pantry with KS & MO locations. Call 913-327-8250.
- KC Pet Project (PET food); can provide emergency pet food (when available) during normal business hours in the Admissions Dept. Open Sunday 9-5 and Monday through Saturday 9-6. 7077 Elmwood Ave., KCMO, 64132. Call beforehand to verify hours at 816-683-1383. *** They also have a new program called, "Home Away from Home: Crisis Boarding Program." This is a great resource to help temporarily board pets while their owners seek to secure housing and stability. You may call or go to: Kcpetproject.org. MUST be a resident of KC for the boarding program.
- Lantz Tucker Memorial Fund for Pets has a FB site that explains who they are, what they do. They may be able to assist with various PET health needs and surgery.
- Pet Resource Center of KC; helps with various PET needs. Call 816-353-0940, ext. 5 or visit prckc.
- Salvation Army has a pet food distribution on October 15th from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. All are welcome. While supplies last. The location is: 14700 E. Truman Rd., Independence, MO. Pet supplies and other services may be available. For more information, please call the Pet Resource Center at: 816-353-0940.
- The Rescue Project at Rescueproject.net helps struggling pet owners in Kansas City and surrounding areas. 816-366-5434.
- Wayside Waifs (PET FOOD): 816-761-8151

TAXES

- Child Tax Credit Payment questions can call: 1-800-829-1040.

- **KC Metro Tax Coalition** is a group that offers free tax services to those in need. For more information about who is involved in this effort (who to contact), please see: <https://kclinc.org/news/tag/Kansas+City+Metropolitan+Tax+Coalition>
- **Paid Sick Leave Requirement and Credit through the IRS** may provide some relief to eligible employees unable to work because of COVID. There are other requirements. For information, please see: <https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/covid-19-related-tax-credits-for-paid-leave-provided-by-small-and-midsize-businesses-faqs>
- **VITA tax sites:** Please call 1-800-906-9887 to find a VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) location.

TRANSPORTATION/COMMUNICATION

ASSURANCEWIRELESS.COM OFFERS THE MISSOURI LIFELINE PROGRAM WHICH PROVIDES FREE DATA, TEXTING, MINUTES AND A FREE PHONE TO THOSE THAT QUALIFY. SEE SITE FOR DETAILS/QUALIFICATIONS.

Q LINK WIRELESS ALSO OFFERS A FREE MONTHLY UNLIMITED DATA, TALK, & TEXT FOR LIFE WHEN YOU BRING YOUR OWN PHONE TO Q LINK. TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY PLEASE SEE: <https://bit.ly/3o1TV5k>. You may also call 1-855-QLI-NK43.

- **Around Town RideShare;** 816-209-9428; Welfare to Work transportation services for those currently enrolled in a State assistance program that have no means of transportation to/from employment. To see if it is available and if you qualify, call 816-209-9428.

- **Disability Transportation Network:** A free service that connects those with transportation needs with available providers in the community. The rides are not free but you can call the respective provider to see about rates, discounts, etc. Go to: <https://morides.org> or call 844-836-7433 for more details.
- **Hope Bus (via Hope-Faith Ministries).** Hope Bus is a KC Community Transportation initiative designed to remove the barriers of transportation between all the homeless/low-income human and social service agencies here in the Kansas City area. By connecting all the agencies into one central artery, we can now provide support for the whole person and reduce the amount of time someone experiences homelessness. Please call 816-471-4673 for details.
- **Hope Network in Raytown** may have services to assist with some car repairs. Please contact Michele Workman at 816-778-1105 to see if this service is available. Availability is contingent upon having the resources to provide assistance.
- **Raytown Metro Flex** offers request based services in a set service area. 24 hour notice is required. You may also request, "standing order" service if you have an appointment that occurs same day/time. For information about these services, costs and questions please call 816-346-0802.
- **Ride KC (Reduced/No Fare Apply):** 816-221-0660. ***There are some upgrades and other improvements coming in October such as expanded and intersecting routes. For more details please go to: <https://ridekc.org/planning/ridekc-next>

UTILITIES AND HOME REPAIR/UPGRADES

EVERGY CUSTOMER SERVICE IS: 1-888-471-5275. CALL TO SEE WHAT HELP MAY BE AVAILABLE. YOU MAY ALSO GO TO:

WWW.EVERGY.COM/FINANCIALASSISTANCE

THE CONTACT FOR SPIRE ENERGY IS: 1-800-582-1234.

- **Bishop Sullivan Center** may be able to help with utilities depending on availability of funds and where you live. For more information, please call: 816-561-8515, extension 205 or go to the website at: Bishopsullivan.org
- **Catholic Charities:** 816-221-4377
- **Christmas in October** is an event for those in the Kansas City Metropolitan area that are homeowners and who are seniors, disabled, and/or are Veterans and are unable to make home repairs and possibly other resources. For more information, please see: <https://christmasinoctober.org>. You may also call: 816-216-7250.
- **Community Action Agency of Greater Kansas City: LIWAP (Low-income Weatherization Assistance Program)** can assist with insulating homes, installing new LED lightbulbs, seal up drafts/leaks, replace furnaces, put in smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, and more! Call 816-358-6868 for more information. They are also performing free Healthy Homes inspections to improve the quality of life of residents. Please call to see if you qualify for this service!
- **Community Assistance Council:** 816-763-3277
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- Front Porch Alliance has a minor home repair program but you must live in the Ivanhoe neighborhood. Please call: 816-921-8812. NOTE: This service may not be available because of COVID. Please call for more details.
- Hopebuilders-kc.org: Home repairs for the elderly, disabled, & low-income.
- Hope Faith: 816-471-4673
 - LIHEAP information can be found at: <https://mydss.mo.gov/energy-assistance>
 - LIHWAP or Low Income Household Water Assistance Program is a new and evolving program from the State designed to help people afford their water bills. For more information, please go to: <https://mydss.mo.gov/utility-assistance>. This page is shared with LIHEAP, but there is a flyer, application and FAQs specific to LIHWAP. Please note that the MAAC LIHEAP office is NOT handling LIHWAP. Please do not have applicants fax, email or drop applications off at the LIHEAP office as this will only delay processing. This new program will be handled by Pam Meek and John Rich out of the MAAC office on Armour Blvd. The numbers that will soon be in operation are: 816-831-1830 and fax is: 816-831-1839
- Metro Lutheran Ministries: 816-931-0027
- Raytown Water Company: 816-356-0333. 10017 E. 63rd, 64133. <https://raytownwater.net>
- REAP: 816-356-0054
- Salvation Army: 816-241-6485 or 816-252-3200

- Youth Life Link Lawn Services through Sisters in Christ/Jackson County Combat. This is for Raytown residents only! Must be a senior citizen or low income family. Please call: 816-772-3398 for more information.

VETERANS SERVICES

- American Legion Post 21 in Independence has a food box pantry on the last Saturday of the month from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. You must show proof of your Veteran status. Sometimes they will also have toiletries. The address is: 16701 E US HWY 40, Independence, 64055. The number is: 816-373-0221.
- Catholic Charities of Kansas City & St. Joseph has, “Supportive Services for Veteran Families, Veterans Workforce.” For more information, please contact James Madril at: 816-659-8315.
- Caregivers on The Home Front is a nonprofit organization that serves families who have someone actively enlisted or serving or whom are caring for Veterans. A variety of help is available such as advocacy, support groups, etc. Please see their FB page or call 816-462-2022.
- Hope Faith (HVAC: Homeless Veteran Assistance Coalition); Chris Stout: 816-471-4673 Extension 322). You may also visit their website at: www.hvackc.org
- KC VA: 816-861-4700
- My VA: 1-800-698-2411.
- VA Heartland Network: 816-701-3000
- Veterans Affairs has excellent information about various mobile apps available to Veterans to help support them with their needs. For more information, please go to: <https://mobile.va.gov/appstore/mental-health>

- Veterans Crisis Line is a free and confidential, 24/7 available resource that can be accessed by calling: 1-800-273-8255 and then press 1. You may also text: 838255. Additionally you can chat online at: VeteransCrisisLine.net/Chat.

- Wells Fargo has a, “Wells Fargo Veterans Scholarship Program” with a deadline for applications on December 31st, 2021. The financial support allows Veterans to focus on completing their education and to reduce a reliance on student loans. The program is administered by, “Scholarship America.” For more information, please go to: <https://learnmore.scholarshipapply.org/wellsfargoveteransemergency>
- www.va.gov.vetresources (Free weekly newsletter with excellent current lists of resources)

*** For additional potential resources please refer to: <https://kclibrary.org/community-services/outreach-services>. List is current at publication but subject to change. For questions, submissions, updates, or additional assistance please contact Jennifer at Thriftgirl@yahoo.com. The Ray Way is updated weekly on Sunday for distribution on Monday.**