



YOUR LAST PRESENTATION

NEKC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

04/20/2025

→ INDEPENDENCE AVENUE CID

03/16/2025 ←

THE INTERNATIONAL MARKETPLACE



PRESENTED BY: BOBBI BAKER, NEKC CHAMBER PRESIDENT/CEO & IA CID MANAGER

MAY 15, 2025

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- RECENT EVENTS
 - STOREFRONT IMPROVEMENT
 - CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP
 - HAPPENING ON THE AVENUE
 - INDEPENDENCE AVE CID & TITAN REPORTS
 - TITAN 'FOUR CORNERS'
 - THE NE NEWSPAPER'S "CID-CENTERFOLDS"
 - THE EGG EVENTS
 - UPCOMING EVENTS

The 'EGG' & NE News Office



NEKC Chamber, IA CID & HNE Office





2025 NEKC CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP

Ambassador of Business Communications Report



TOTAL MEMBERS TO DATE: 193

KC's INTERNATIONAL MARKETPLACE

JANUARY: 1 NEW & 40 RENEWALS

New: 1

Nomad Develops

Renew: 40

Las Tres Palmas
Legacy Tire Shop
Taco Express
Taqueria El Torito I
Taqueria El Torito III
Taqueria El Torito Restaurant
Spalitto's Pharmacy
Elviria's Cake
Yasmeen Café
San Antonio Market
La Jarochita Express
Al Rahman Mediterranean Market
Sharif Store
Baraka Market
Charrito's Plaza Restaurant
One Way Clothing
Jay Grocery & Restaurant
Love Expression
JH Beauty Supply
Cricket Wireless
Fresh Market / El Mercado Fresco
El Mercado Fresco
El Mercado Fresh – 5901 Indep Ave
D & R Diversified
Independence Blvd Christian Church
Al – Hahal, LLC

Express Nails Salon
El Paso Del Norte
D' Angeles Beauty Salon
Taqueria Mexico II Restaurant
Where There's A Wilt
Dr. J. Edward Kendrick
Mika & Sons Inc.
Gringo Logo Market
Taqueria Mexico II Restaurant
Lit Smoke Shop
Show Me KC Schools
El Rey de las Baleadas
Top Notch Liquor
Hernandez Income Tax Service

FEBRUARY: 1 NEW & 9 RENEWALS

New: 1

Makan LECET

Renew: 9

Mogadisho Market
Total Wireless Indep Ave
Total Wireless Saint John Ave
La Cubana Cuban Restaurant
Frutopia
Hector's Auto Repair
Premium Wireless
Balaane Business Center
Ebenezer Shop

MARCH: 1 NEW & 18 RENEWALS

New: 1

University Health

Renew: 18

Custom Truck One Source
Pho Bowl
Adco Litho Plate
Holy Rosary Credit Union
The Salvation – Army
Liberty Tax
Sam Davis Agency
Kansas City University
Urban Hikes Kansas City
Kansas City Care Clinic
World Direct Link
Lina Nails
Opes Commercial Real Estate
Mark One Electric
Ralph C. Johnson & Company
The Don Bosco Centers
CSL Plasma
Holy Rosary Credit Union
Urban Hikes Kansas City

APRIL: 3 NEW & 14 RENEWALS

New: 3

Centerwell Senior Primary Care
Aisha Home Care, LLC
Avenue Eatery

Renew: 14

Westlake Hardware
Warehouse One, INC
Northeast Community Center
Core Coffee
Jack DeSimone
The Tamale Kitchen
Passantino Bros. Funeral Home
Back Door Pottery
Titan Protection & Consulting Service
Computer KC, LLC
Strategic Workforce Development
The Tamale Kitchen
Draw North
Samuel Rodgers Health Center

Kessler Park Master Plan Implementation Group

MARCH 14, 2025

Attendees: 13

MAY 14, 2025

Attendees: ????

The Group discussed the progress of creating their by-laws & how to proceed forward with implementation.



Conservation Plan Map

This map shows the ecosystems of Kessler Park and the areas of focused conservation efforts. The concept designs for each area of the park (pp 36-52) include strategies to increase the health and resilience of the natural resources while providing benefits to the health and wellness of park users. See Appendix A Conservation Plan for more information on the conservation approach and strategies.

Hoxie
COLLECTIVE LLC

Legend

- Woodland Area - Invasive Species Removal
- Turf to Savannah Conversion Area
- Wetland Restoration Area
- Existing View
- Proposed View to be Cleared

- Existing Urban Trail Company (UTC) single track dirt trail
- Proposed Widening of UTC Trail





SAFETY & SECURITY MEETINGS

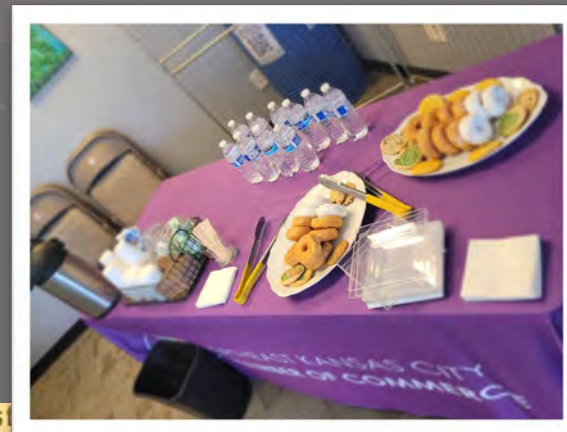
APRIL 17, 2025

MAY 15, 2025

- 1) The 3700 Independence Avenue business strip and TITAN & KCPD's responses was the focal point.
- 2) The positive attributes of using CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) strategy was discussed.
- 3) Repeat Nuisance Offenders (RNO) problem & solutions through the Urban CID Alliance program (shared database).
- 4) KCPD will be presenting information about the public safety tax renewal at the April 3rd forum here at the NEKC Chamber.
- 5) Mattie Rhodes is working to expand their safety initiative into the Independence Plaza neighborhood.

GENERAL ATTENDEES

- 1 KCPD Officer
- 1 City Prosecutor
- 1 Business Owner
- 4 TITAN Angels
- 6 CID Office Staff
- 1 Mattie Rhodes Representative



TASTY TOPIC TALK

NEKC CHAMBER LUNCHEON



THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 2025
ATTENDEES: 18 ATTENDEES + 5



SPEAKERS:

- 1) Jonathan Arnold, Arnold Development Group
- 2) Carmen Chopp, Nomad Develops

TOPIC: HARDESTY LOFTS DEVELOPMENT

LUNCH PROVIDED BY: Las Tres Palmas



 **ARNOLD DEVELOPMENT**





Public Safety Tax Renewal Forum

APRIL 3, 2025
ATTENDEES: 8 + 3 STAFF

GUEST SPEAKER:
KCPD MAJOR, JOSH HEINEN



COFFEE, CULTURE, &... CONVERSATION



NOMADDEVELOPS
ACQUIRE · DEVELOP · ACTIVATE

TOPIC: VENDOR FORUM, Hardesty Lofts Marketing
SPEAKER: Cofounders of Nomad Develops,
Carmen Chopp & Bobby Keys

MARCH 10, 2025

ATTENDEES: 15 + 5 STAFF



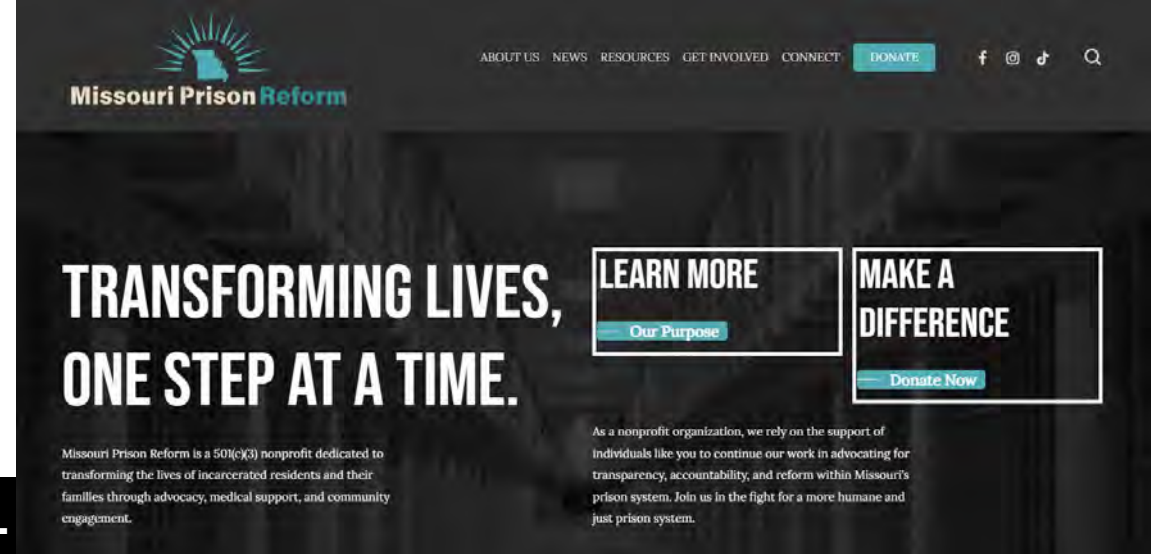
La Pina Loca
Restaurant



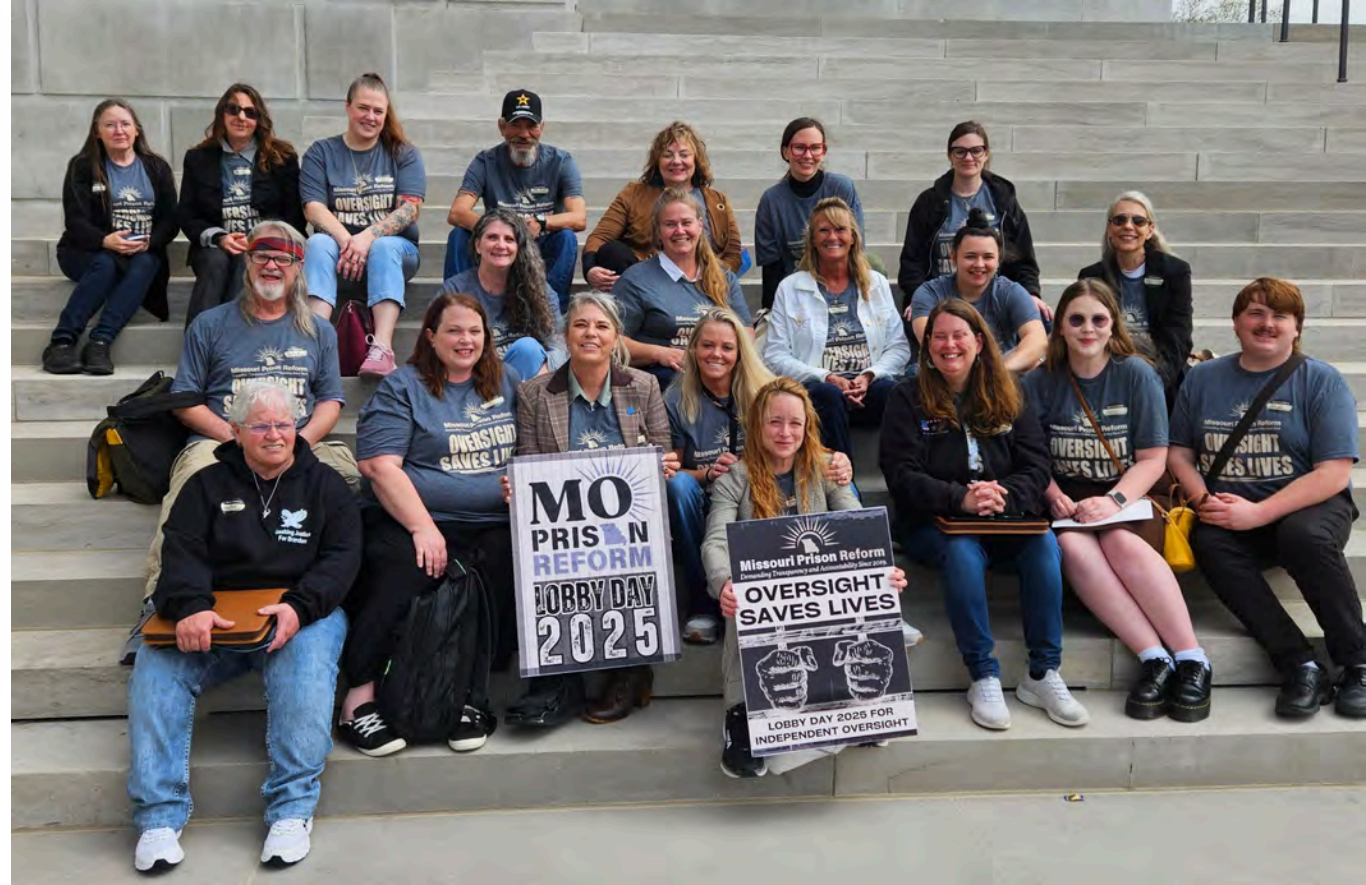
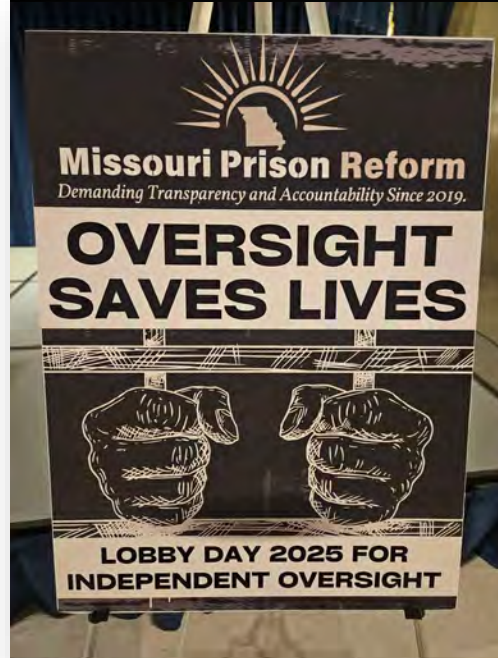


MO House Rep (District 19):
← **WICK THOMAS**

Independence Ave CID's
Resource Manager:
LAURA BIRDSONG



LOBBY DAY MO STATE CAPITOL



APRIL 2, 2025
BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS



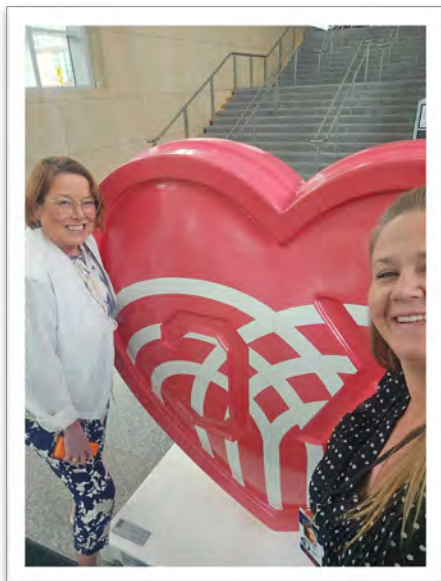
2301 INDEPENDENCE BLVD, KCMO

Health & Wellness Event

Tuesday, April 8, 2025

IA CID STAFF ATTEND





← LEFT TO RIGHT

CHARLIE PASSANTINO
 IA CID Chairperson

BOBBI BAKER
 IA CID District Manager

LAURA BIRDSONG
 IA CID Resource Manager

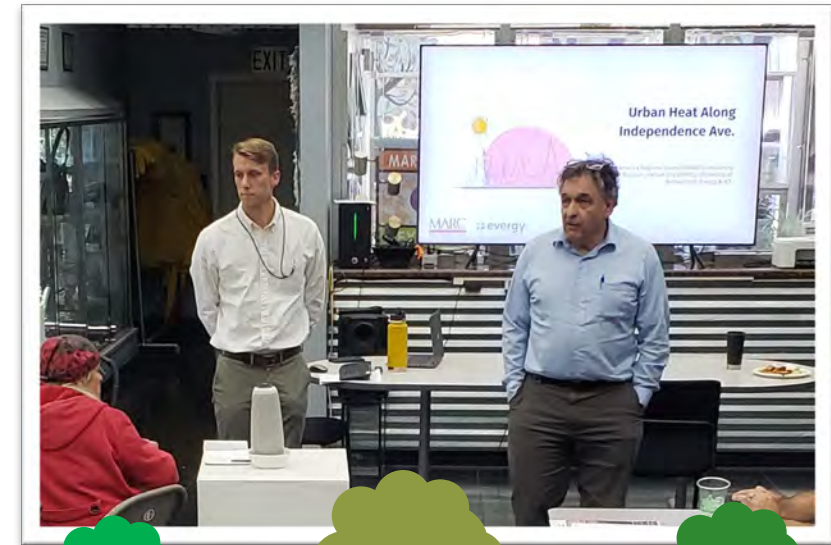
JOE PRIVITERA
 Mark One Electric Rep



'HEAT ISLAND'

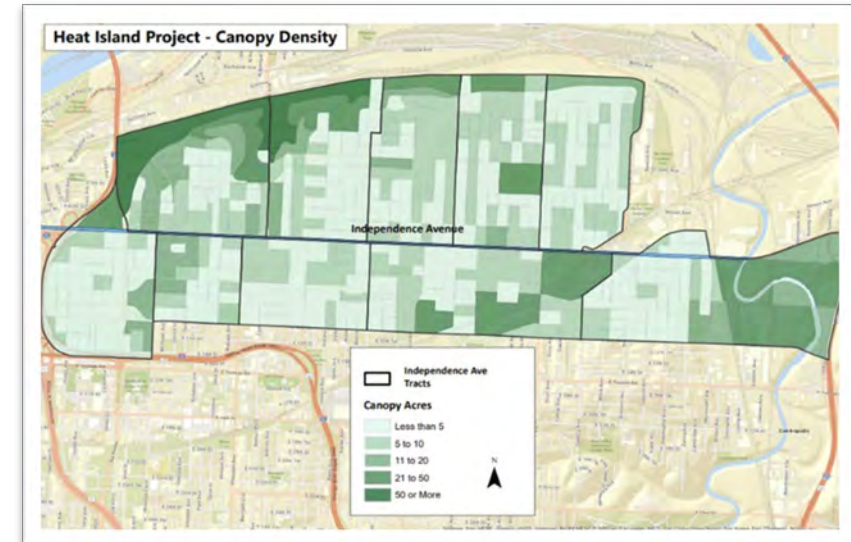
Urban Heat Along Independence Ave

- 1) Increasing Tree & Vegetative Cover
- 2) Installing Green/White Roofs
- 3) Use Cool Pavement (reflective and/or permeable)
- 4) Promote Smart Growth Development Principles



APRIL 24, 2025

ATTENDEES: 6 IN-HOUSE + 1



TREE CANOPY DENSITY HISTORIC NORTHEAST

TASTY TOPIC TALK NEKC CHAMBER LUNCHEON



THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2025
ATTENDEES: 8 ATTENDEES + 5 STAFF

SPEAKERS: Kevin Klinkenberg,
Midtown KC Now CID Manager

TOPIC: TEMPORARY DETENTION CENTER
PROPOSED FOR KANSAS CITY, MO

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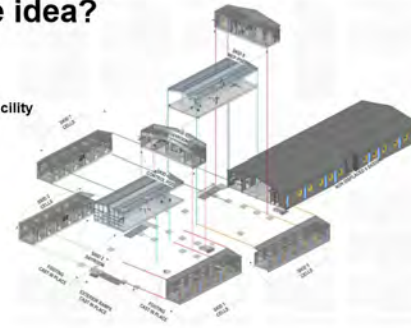


Why this? Why now?



What is the idea?

A modular, temporary facility



TEMPORARY JAIL FACILITY PROPOSAL

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI



INDEPENDENCE AVENUE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Mayor and City Council
City of Kansas City, MO
414 East 12th Street
Kansas City, MO 64106

Re: Urgent Need for Temporary Municipal Detention Facility

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

On behalf of the Independence Avenue Community Improvement District (CID), I am writing to urge immediate and decisive action to advance a temporary municipal detention facility. While the April 8 public safety sales tax renewal was a critical step forward, we cannot afford to wait until the permanent detention center is built to address the escalating public safety crisis that threatens the stability and future of our city.



Legislative Town Hall Meeting

Invitation

Saturday 4-26-25

10:30 am - 12:30 pm

NEKC Chamber Community Room
2657 Independence Ave KCMO 64124

Join in with Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83980732789?pwd=kN2N6oM939Q7o22rT1XueTnkbt2uzU.1>

Meeting ID: 839 8073 2789

Passcode: 118247

Your Voice Matters! We invite you to participate in our upcoming town hall meeting where we will gather as a community to discuss important issues and share ideas. Mimosas, Coffee and Elvira's Pastries served.

State House District 19, MO

State House District in Missouri United States

36,674

20.4 square miles

Population

1,798.7 people per square mile

Census data: ACS 2023 5-year unless noted

State House District 21, MO

State House District in Missouri United States

38,639

13.5 square miles

Population

2,861.7 people per square mile

Census data: ACS 2023 5-year unless noted

APRIL 26, 2025

ATTENDEES: 28



Representative Wick Thomas, a Democrat, proudly represents part of Jackson County (District 19) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2024.

Address:
MO House of Representatives
201 West Capitol Avenue
Room 135-AA
Jefferson City MO 65101
Legislator Assistant:
Phyllis Hernandez
Phone:
573-751-3310
E-Mail:
Wick.Thomas@house.mo.gov



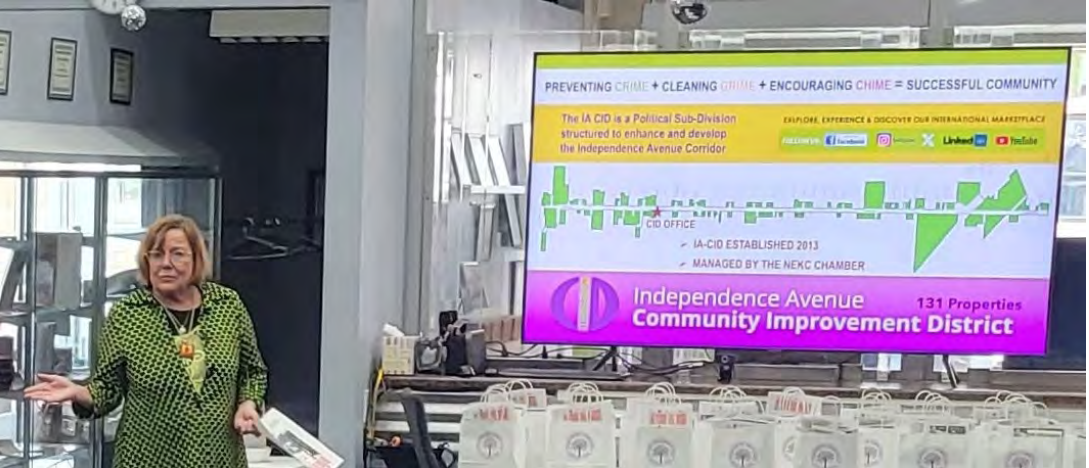
Representative Michael Johnson, a Democrat, represents Jackson County (District 23) in the Missouri House of Representatives. He was elected to his first two-year term in November 2020. Johnson currently serves as the Chair of the Missouri Legislative Black Caucus.

Address:
MO House of Representatives
201 West Capitol Avenue
Room 105-F
Jefferson City MO 65101
Legislator Assistant:
Cyrus Taylor
Phone:
573-751-0538
E-Mail:
Michael.Johnson@house.mo.gov



URBAN CORE CID ALLIANCE
15 Attendees on Tour

- 1. Independence Ave CID
- 2. Downtown CID
- 3. River Market CID
- 4. Midtown KC Now CID
- 5. Crossroads CID



Kansas City Community Improvement Districts
Participate in Trolley Tour MAY 7, 2025

Julia Williams • Community , News May 7, 2025



COFFEE, CULTURE, &... CONVERSATION



TOPIC: Core Coffee & Eatery corecoffeeandeatery.squarespace.com

FEATURED GUEST: Owners, Deana & Eric Bellamaganya

THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2025

546 Olive Street, KCMO

ATTENDEES: 13 + 6 STAFF



IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE EVENT



MCC-PENN VALLEY

SPONSORED BY:

Councilman Crispin Rea (4th District at Large)

Eric Bunch (4th District)

Councilman Emanuel Cleaver (5th District Mo)

MAY 9, 2025 **ACLU**
Kansas

Immigration Compliance: Know Your Rights

Best practices and preparation for workplace enforce




SATURDAY, MAY 10, 2025



This FREE, family-friendly event in the tradition of European 16th-century street painting transforms the dull, grey concrete of the sidewalks and surface of the Concourse Park Fountain into colorful, pastel canvases.

- DETAILS**
- Free Concert featuring Local Up and Coming musicians:**
- Danny and Malek Azrael (10am - 11am)
 - Fritz Hutchison Band (2pm - 4pm)
 - Joseph Warren of the Wanderlust Revival (11am - 12pm)
 - Stone Lion Puppets (11am - 2pm)

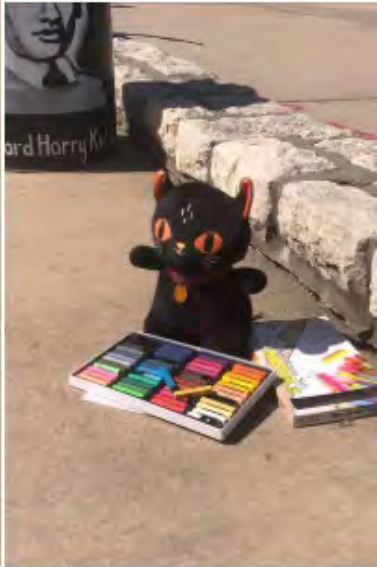




Kansas City's Northeast News

May 10 at 10:42 AM · 🌐

Northeast Arts KC presents the 18th Annual Chalk Walk today, Saturday May 10 at The Concourse (200 Benton Blvd). Create art, enjoy music and puppets throughout the day ... [See more](#)



 You, Northeast Arts KC, Pendleton Heights and 107 others

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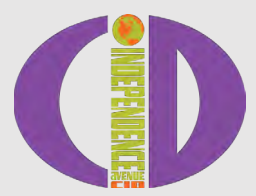
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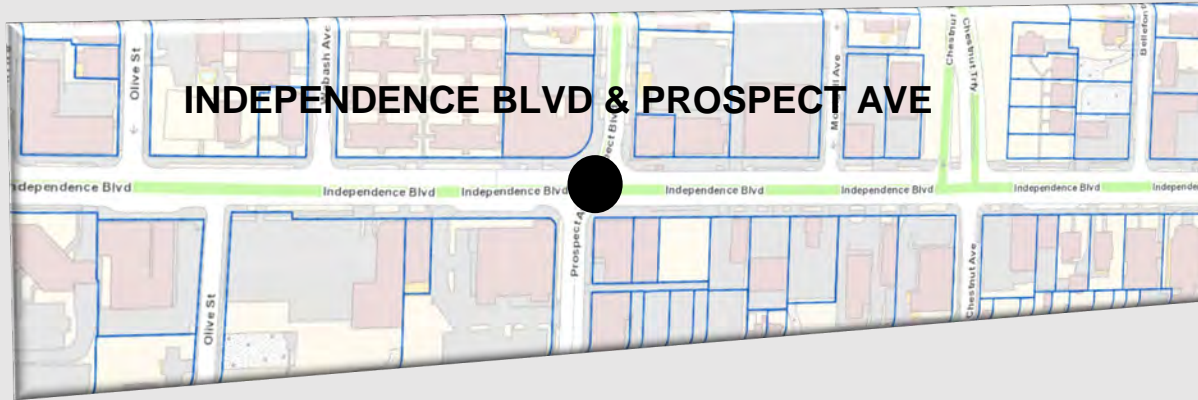
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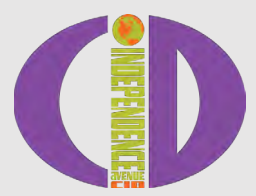
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AVENUE BEAUTIFICATION 2025

SPRING PLANTING FLOWER BEDS

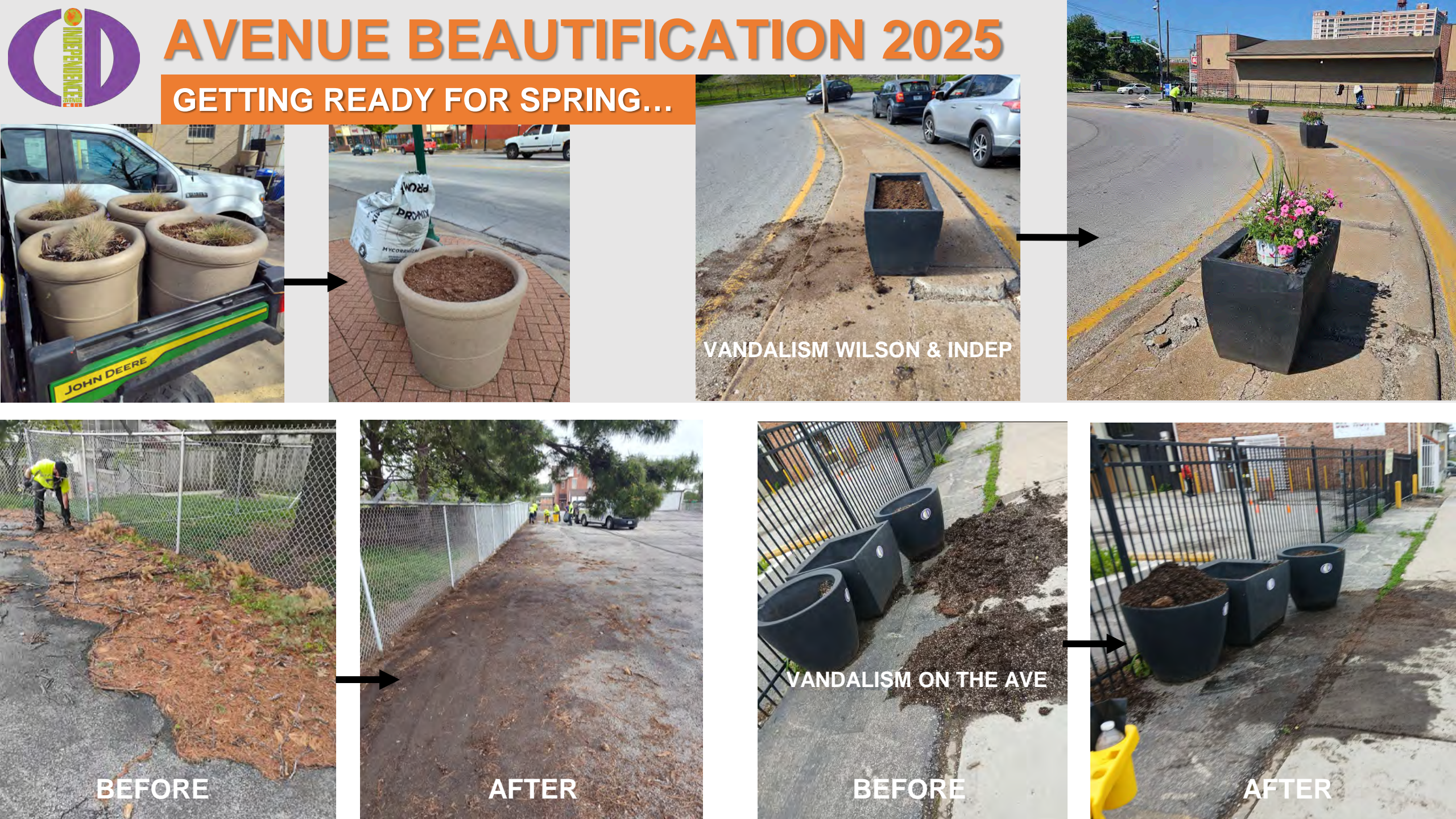




AVENUE BEAUTIFICATION 2025

SPRING PLANTING ALONG THE AVENUE...





AVENUE BEAUTIFICATION 2025

GETTING READY FOR SPRING...



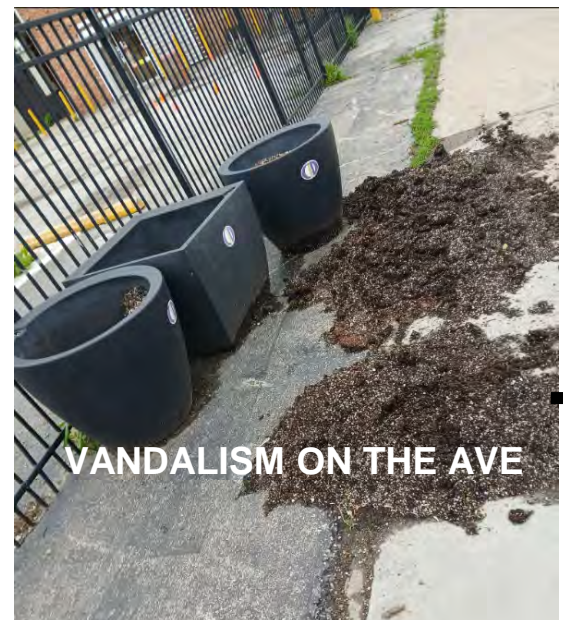
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BEFORE



AFTER

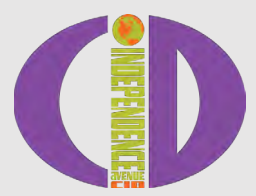


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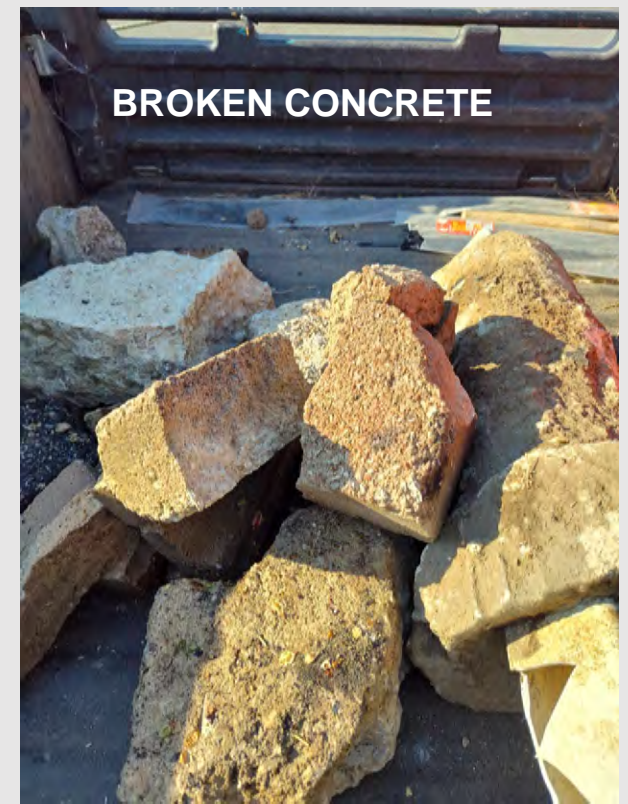


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AVENUE BEAUTIFICATION 2025

CLEANING UP MESSSES MADE...



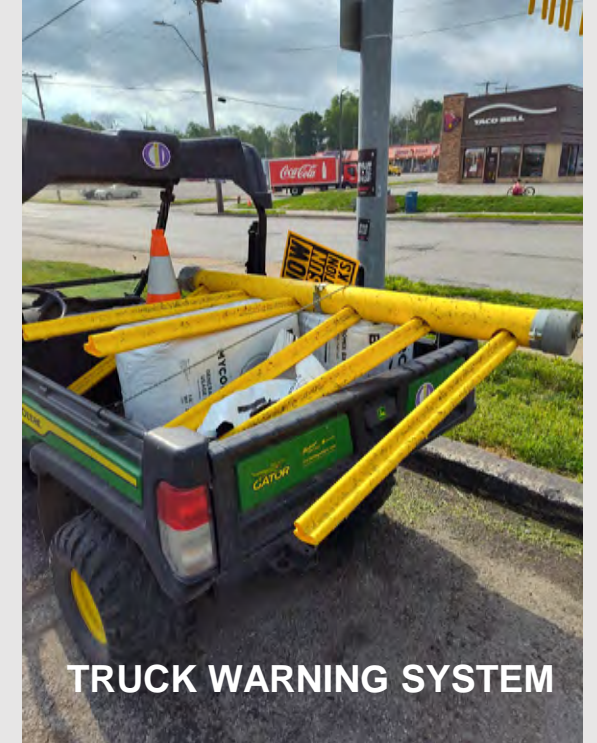


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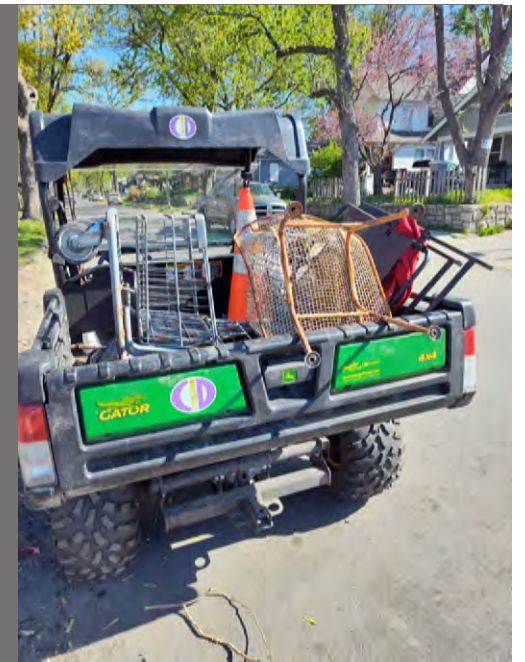
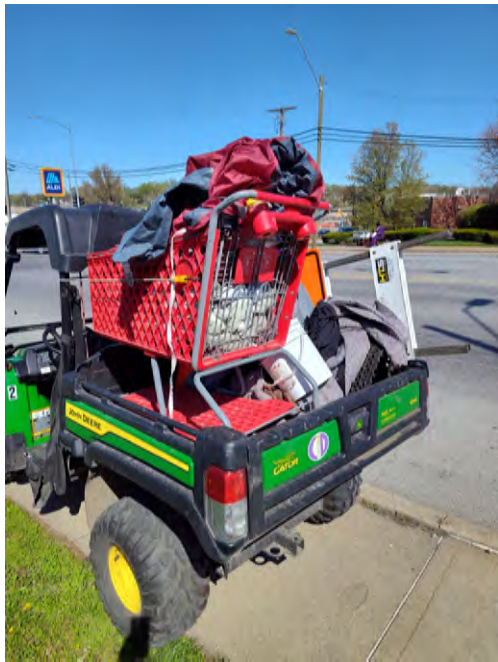
CLEANING UP MESSSES ALONG THE AVENUE...



TRUCK-EATING BRIDGE



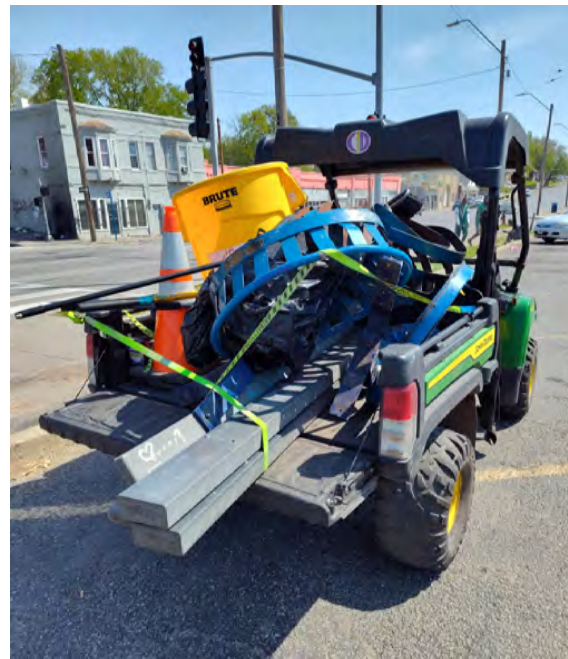
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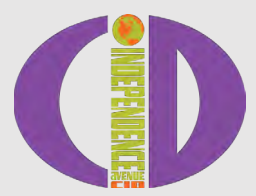




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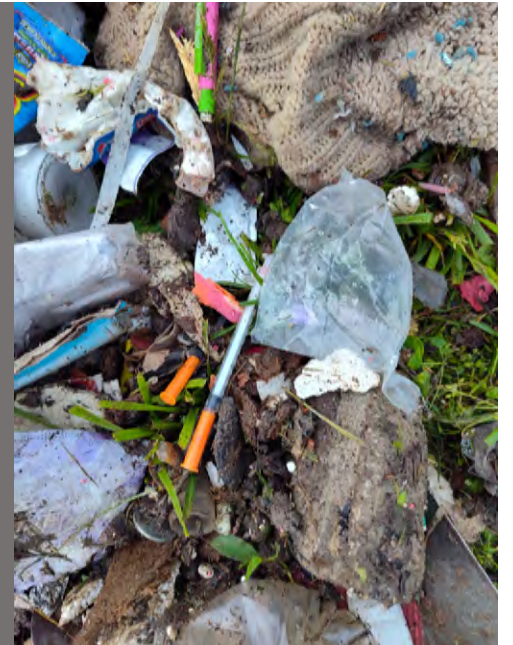
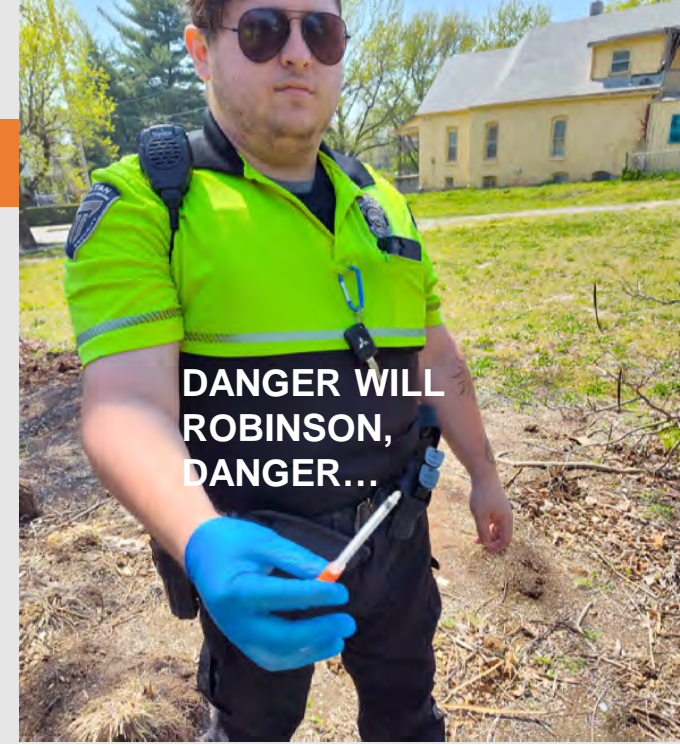
CLEAN UP ACTIVITIES ON THE AVENUE...





AVENUE BEAUTIFICATION 2025

CLEANING UP DANGER IN THE HISTORIC NORTHEAST



NON-MUNICIPAL FUNDING AND SERVICES CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN

THE CITY OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
AND
INDEPENDENCE AVENUE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

~~THIS CONTRACT, made and entered into this first (1st) day of May 2018 by and between KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, a constitutionally chartered municipal corporation of the State of Missouri, through its CITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, hereinafter referred to as "CITY", and the INDEPENDENCE AVENUE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, hereinafter referred to as "CONTRACTOR", consists of two parts: PART I, SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AND PART II, STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS.~~

~~WITNESSETH: Consisting of seventeen (17) alleys abutting Independence Avenue to the north and south, and certain park land known as Independence Plaza Park at approximately Brooklyn and Independence Avenue Boulevard, and other public rights-of-way as may be designated by mutual agreement of the parties.~~

17 ALLEYWAYS

MANAGED BY:
NEKC CHAMBER

IMPLEMENTED BY:
INDEPENDENCE AVE CID



Independence Avenue CID Alleys

4 CLEANUP: MARCH 20 – MAY 15, 2025

SPRING BEGINS



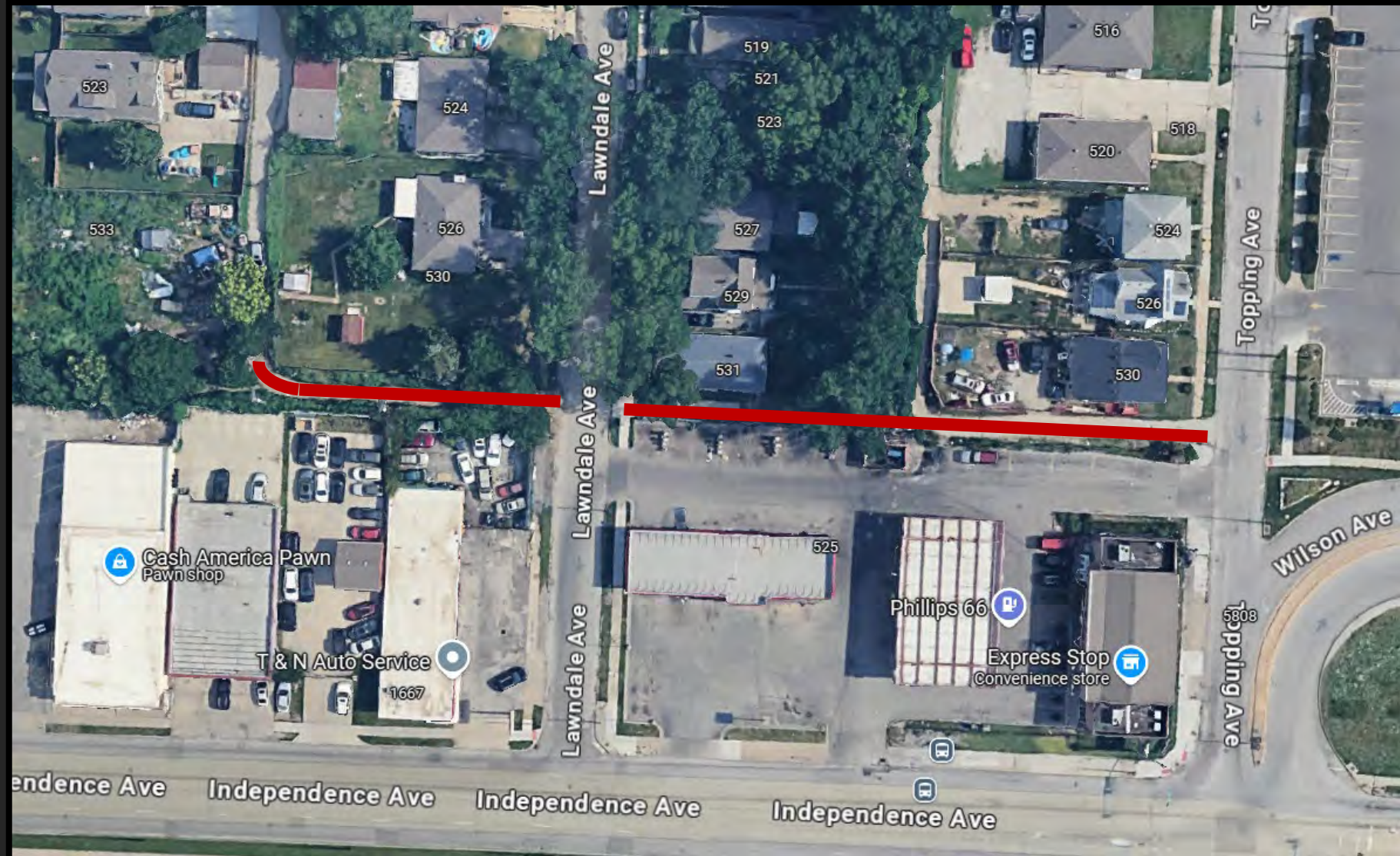
#1 4/14/2025 ALLEYWAY CLEANUP → Topping - Lawndale - Oakley

2,200 Pounds Removed > 9 CID Crew Members > 5 Hours

PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS

- 1) TITAN Security
- 2) Mattie Rhodes Center
- 3) Jerusalem Farms
- 4) KCPD
- 5) KC Solid Waste Division
- 6) Healing House
- 7) IA CID Staff

NOTE: The new *Urban CID Alliance Database of Repeat Nuisance Offenders (REO)* was used to communicate vital information.



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BEFORE



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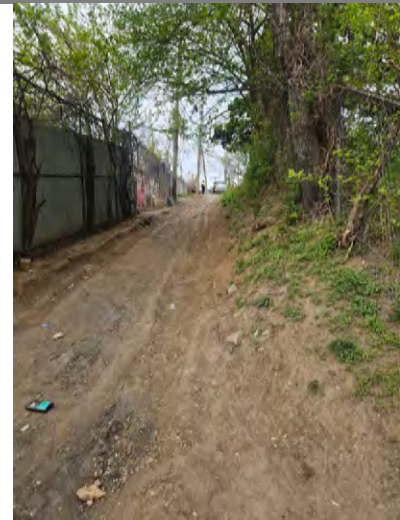
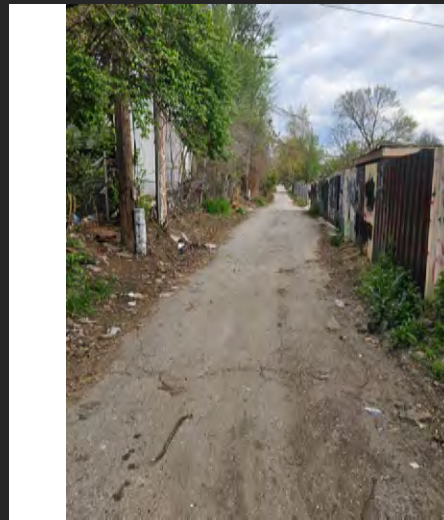
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AFTER



#1 4/14/2025 ALLEYWAY CLEANUP → Topping - Lawndale - Oakley

2,200 Pounds Removed > 9 CID Crew Members > 5 Hours

AFTER

Social Media Posts Courtesy
Molly, Mattie Rhodes KCMO



Working alongside people
like this makes it all worth it.



Come out and join us on these clean-ups. We
need more people sharing love in these
streets.

They know I don't touch the mattresses or
toilets when we're out here 🤔



This lady right here. Laura Birdsong with
NEKCC is one of a kind. These are the
moments no one else sees. She is present and
meets people exactly where they are. Praying
for safety and freedom from this life.

#2 5/6/2025 ALLEYWAY CLEANUP → Cleaveland to Myrtle

800 Pounds Removed > 7 CID Crew Members > 4 Hours

AFTER



REMOVED A
MAKE-SHIFT
METAL 'HUT'



#3 5/6/2025 ALLEYWAY CLEANUP → Myrtle - Norton

420 Pounds Removed > 7 CID Crew Members > 2 Hours

AFTER



#4 5/6/2025 ALLEYWAY CLEANUP → Norton - Spruce

480 Pounds Removed > 7 CID Crew Members > 3 Hours

AFTER



URBAN STREET AMBASSADOR (USA) REPORT



ALL ACTIVITY YEAR-TO-YEAR



Reports This Week

77

½ WEEK

Reports This Month

319

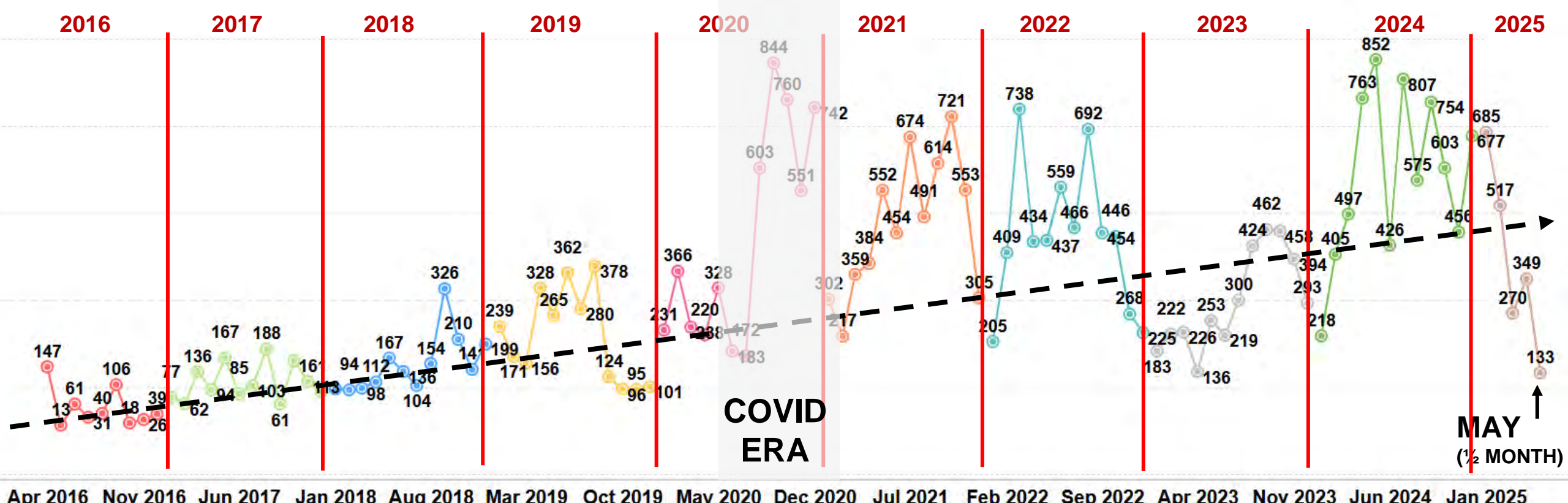
½ MONTH

Reports This Year

4443

Reports All Time (Since April 2016)

49854



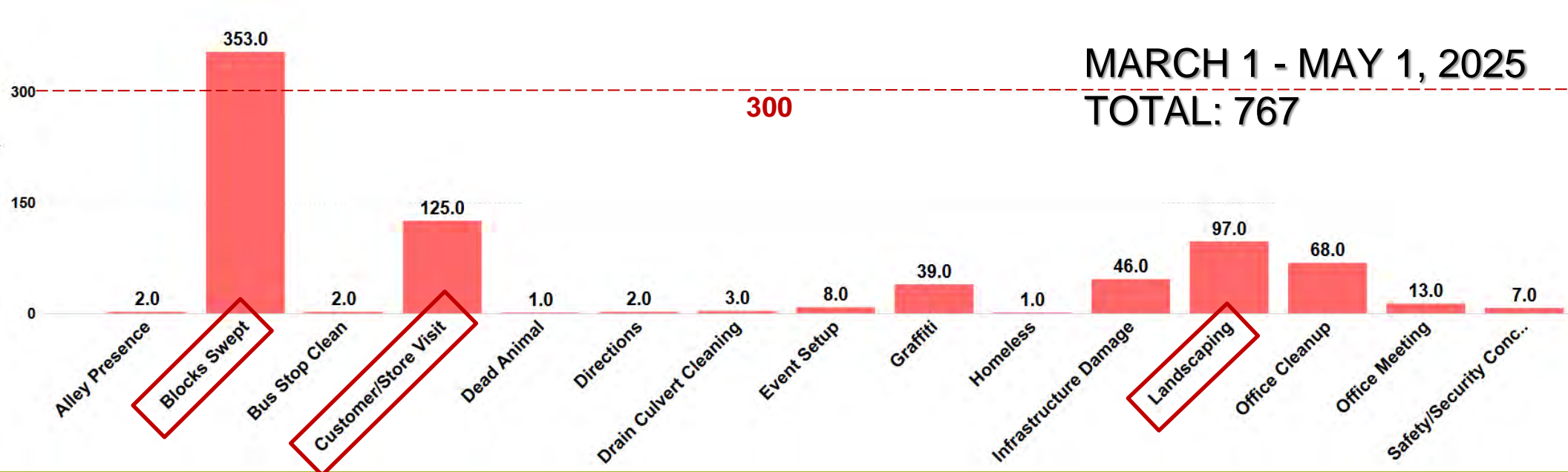
URBAN STREET AMBASSADOR (USA) REPORT



2025

ACTIVITY
DETAILS

2024



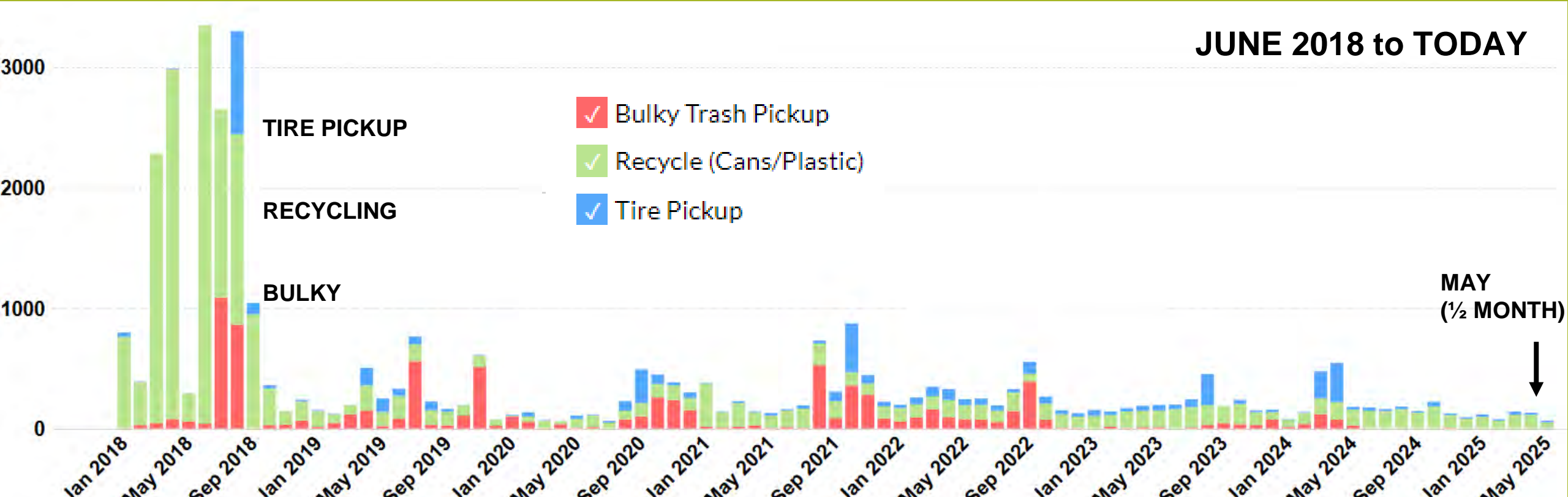
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CLEAN UP YEAR-TO-YEAR



Incidents This Week	Incidents This Month	Incidents This Year	Incidents All Time
20 ½ WEEK	49 ½ MONTH	470	17389



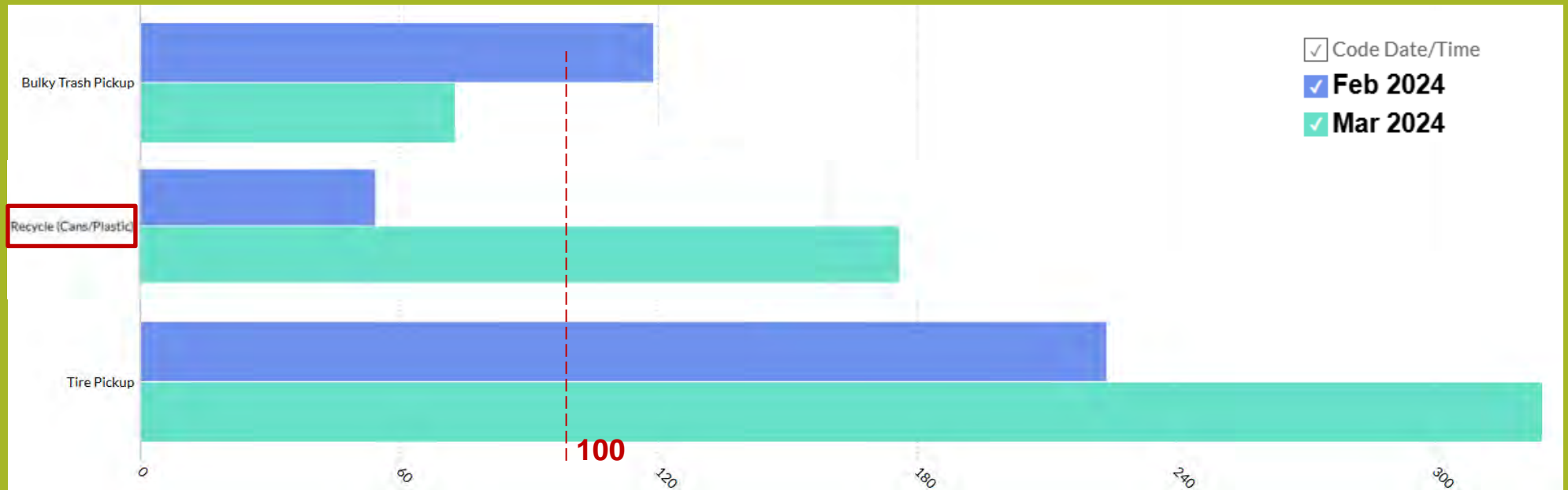
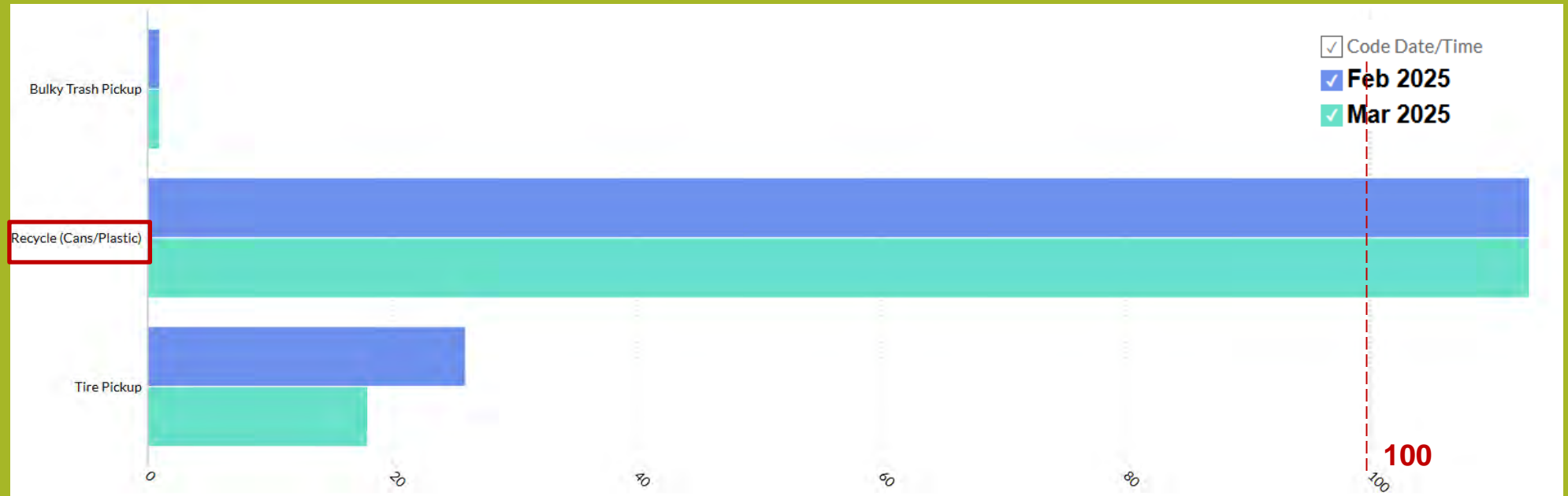
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2025

CLEAN UP BY
QUANTITY

2024



URBAN STREET AMBASSADOR (USA) REPORT



2025

CLEAN UP BY
LOCATION

2024



TITAN REPORT



ACTIVITY YEAR-TO-YEAR

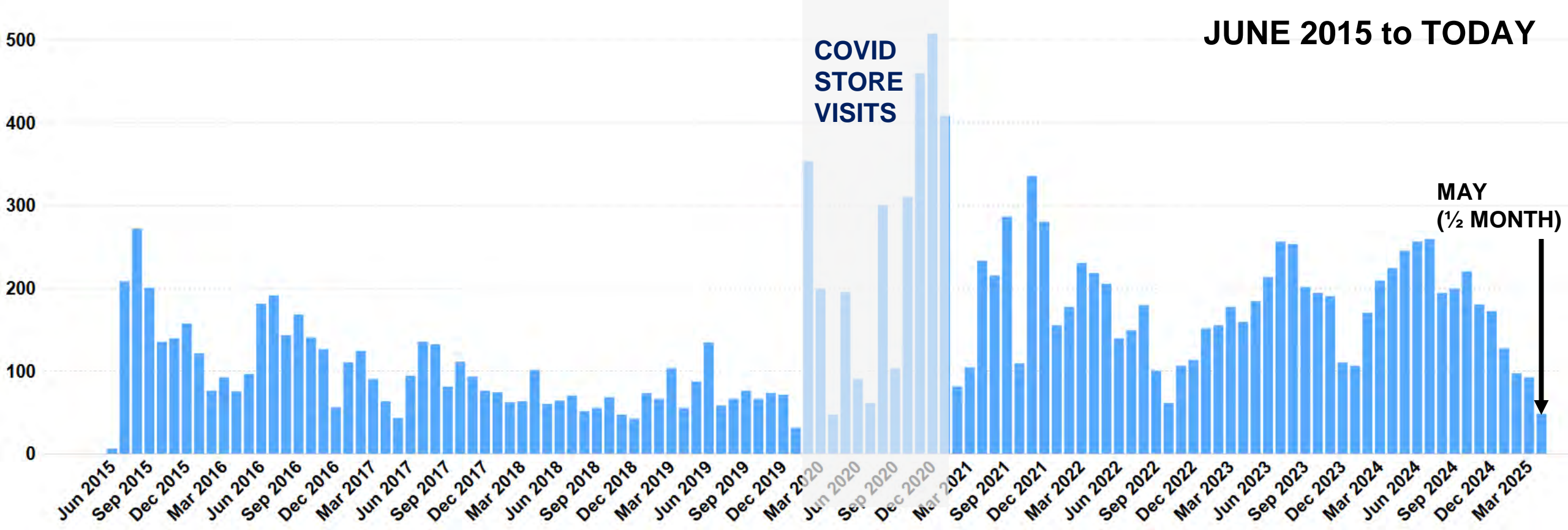


Incidents This Week
17
½ WEEK

Incidents This Month
73
½ MONTH

Incidents This Year
389

Incidents All Time
17308



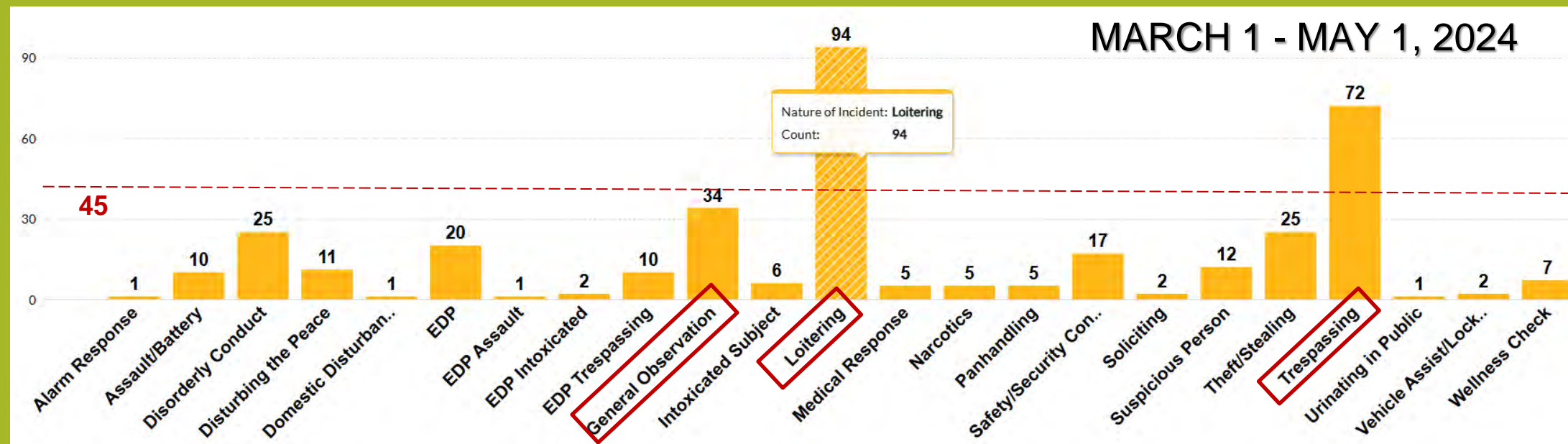
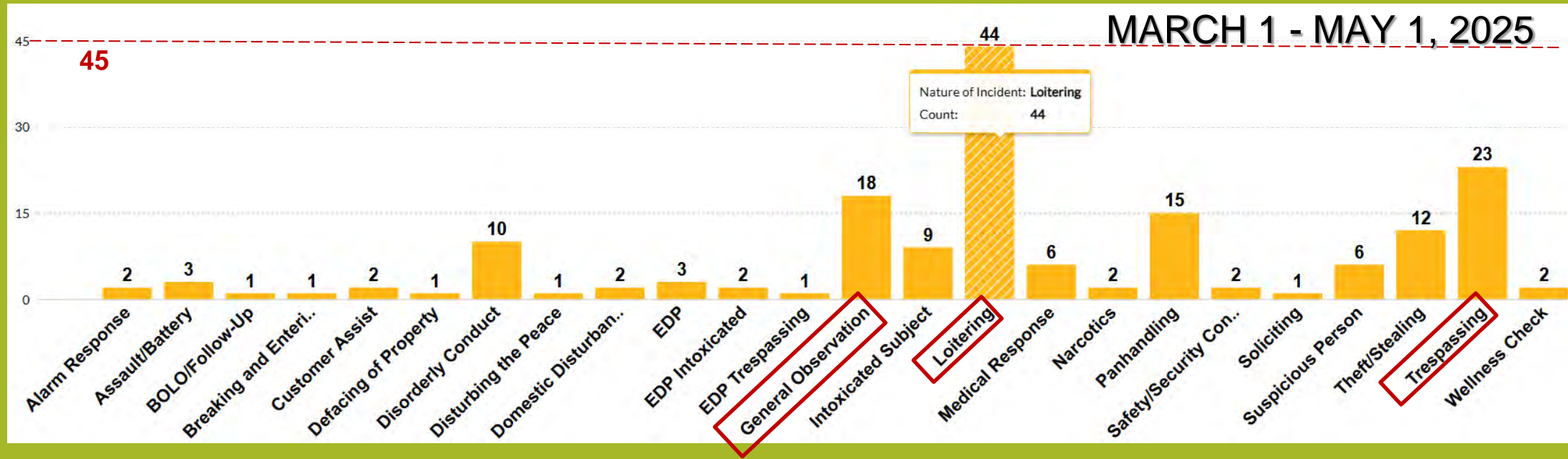
TITAN REPORT



2025

INCIDENT
COUNT

2024

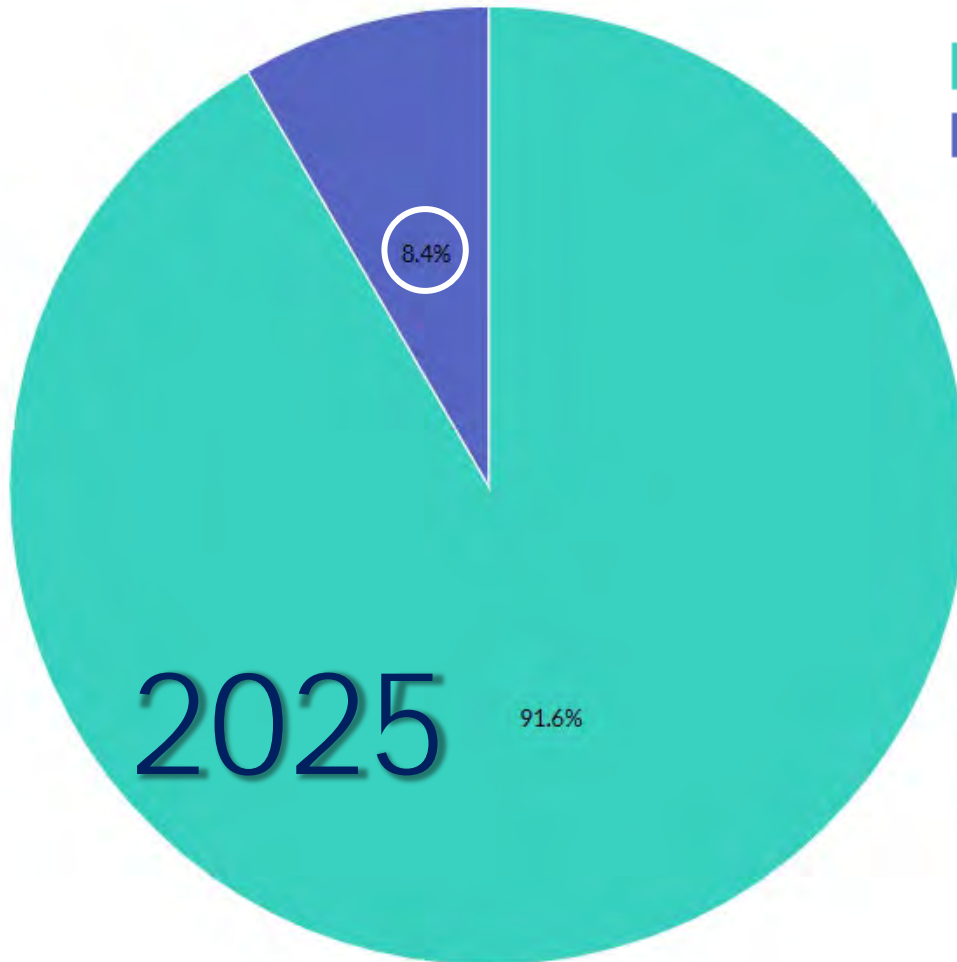


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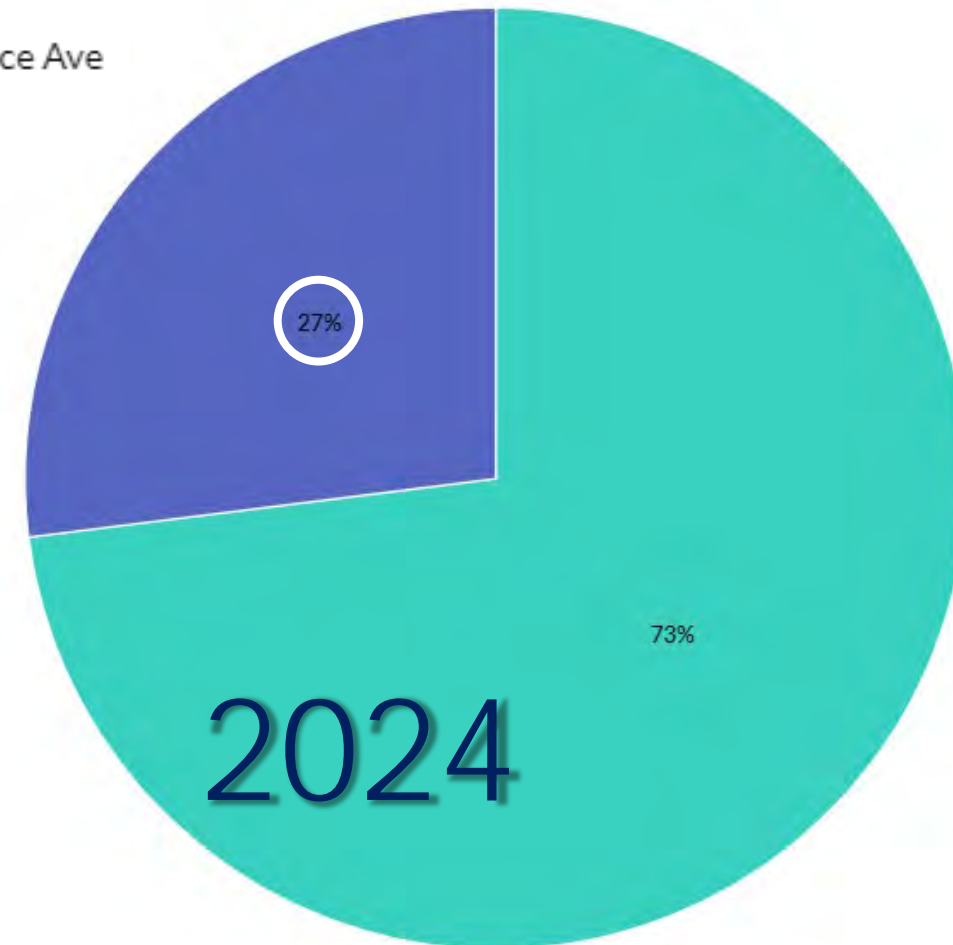


WILSON RD VERSES INDEPENDENCE AVE

MARCH 1 - MAY 1



✓ Independence Ave
✓ Wilson



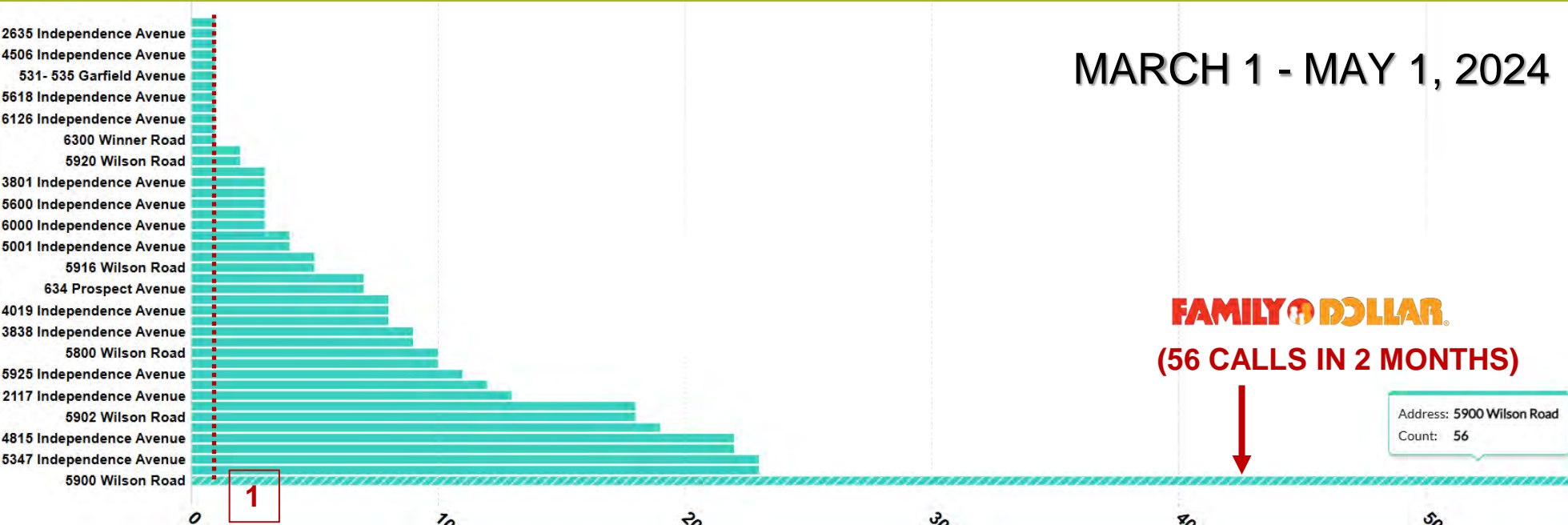
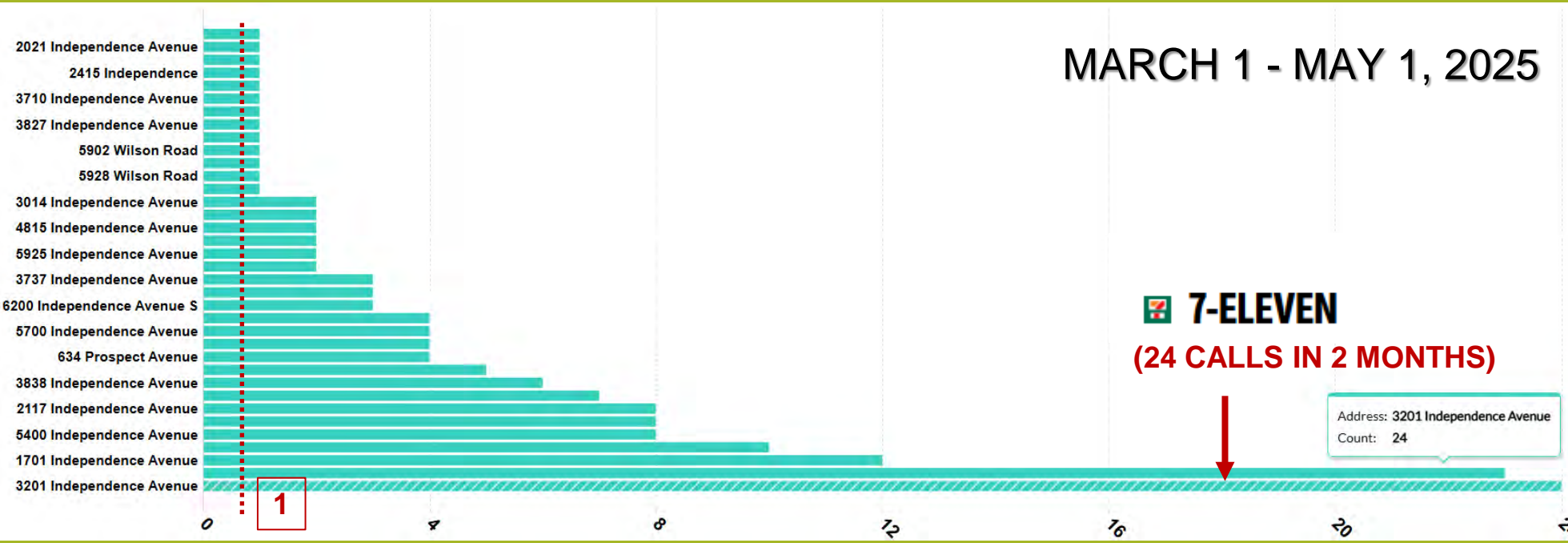
TITAN REPORT



2025

ACTIVITY
BY ADDRESS

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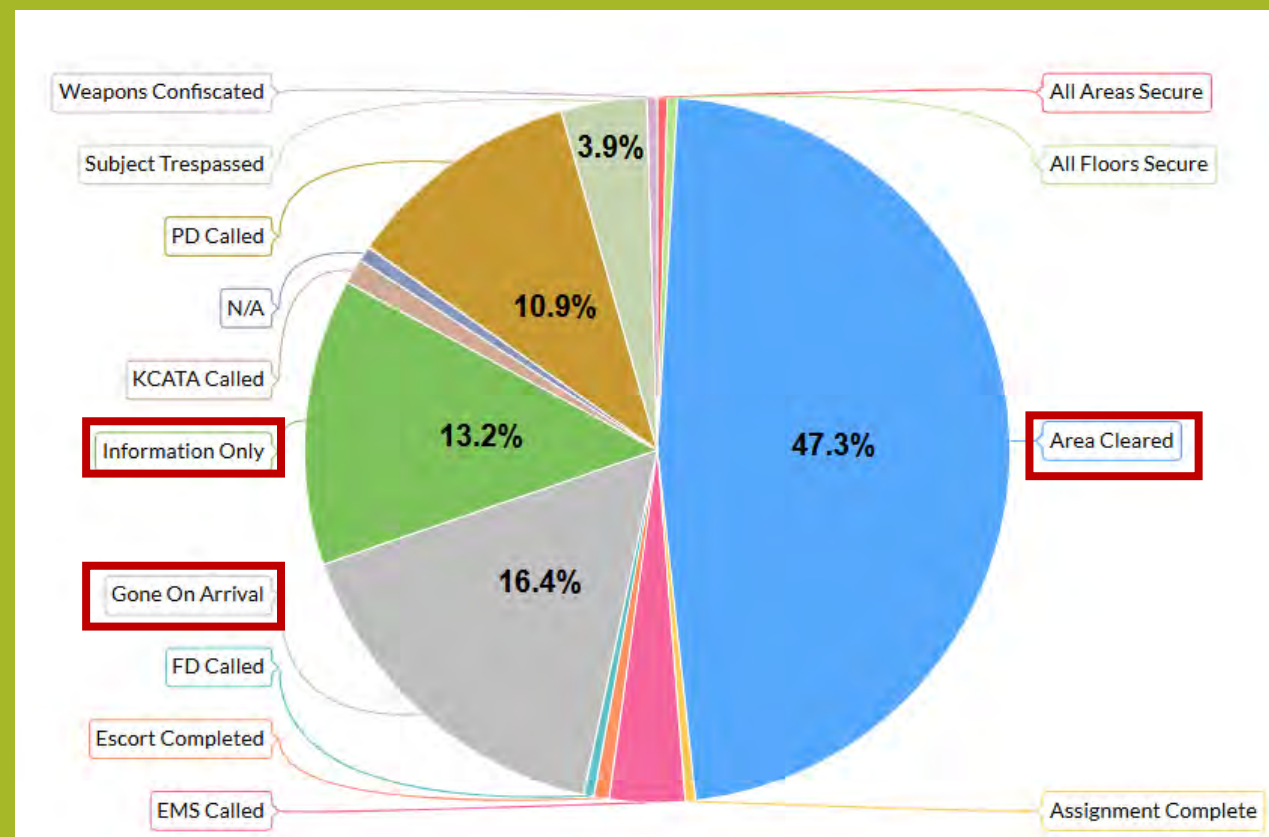
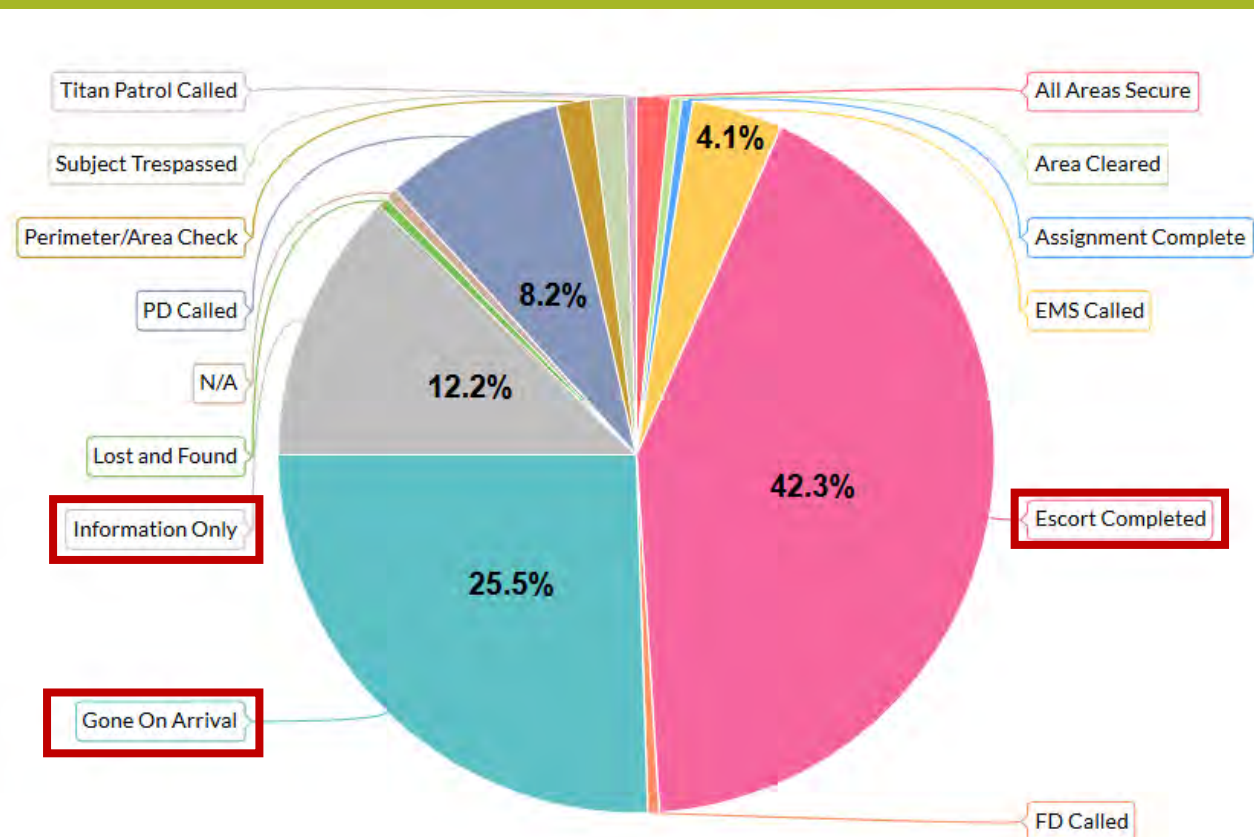


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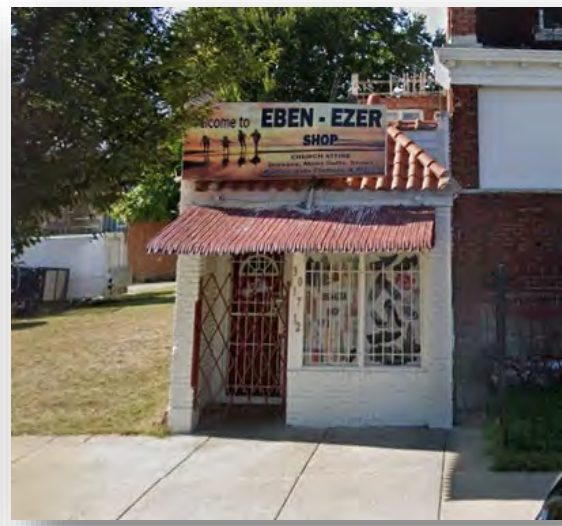
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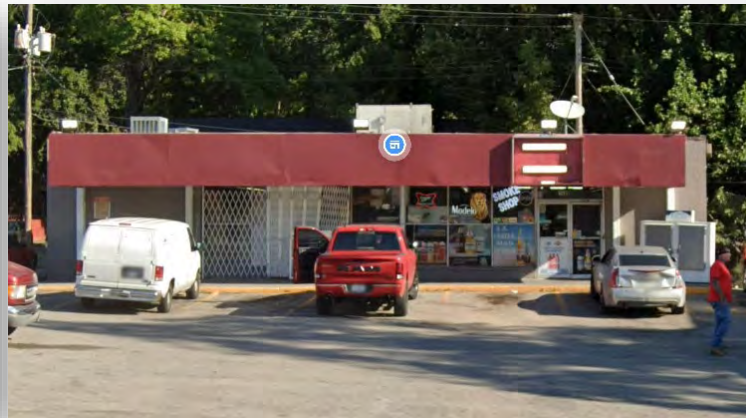


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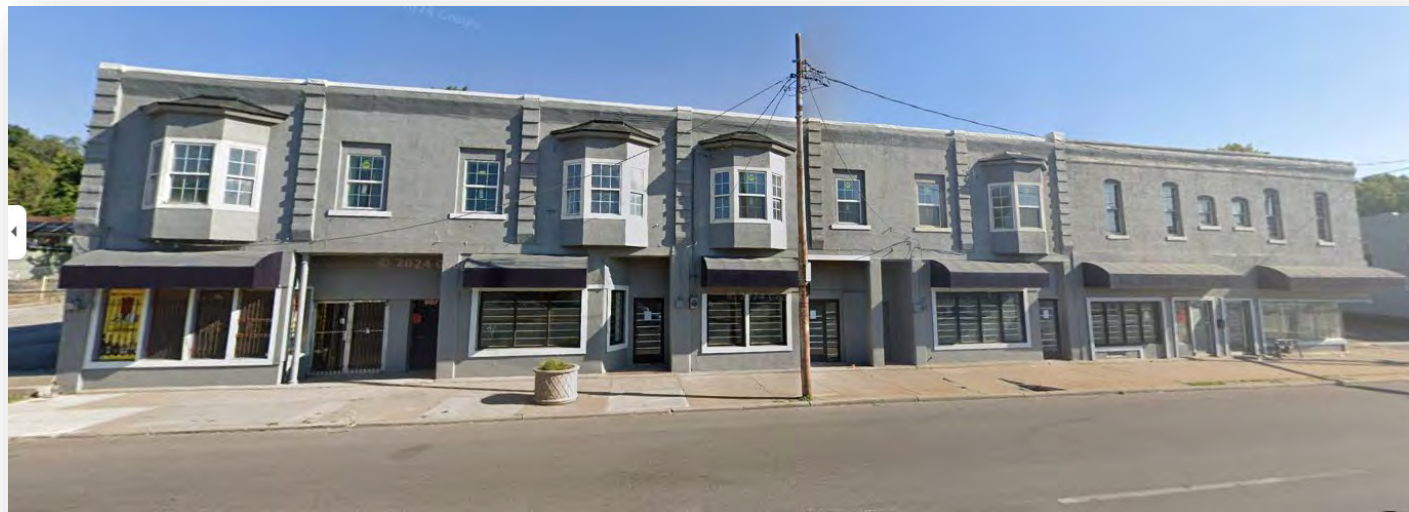
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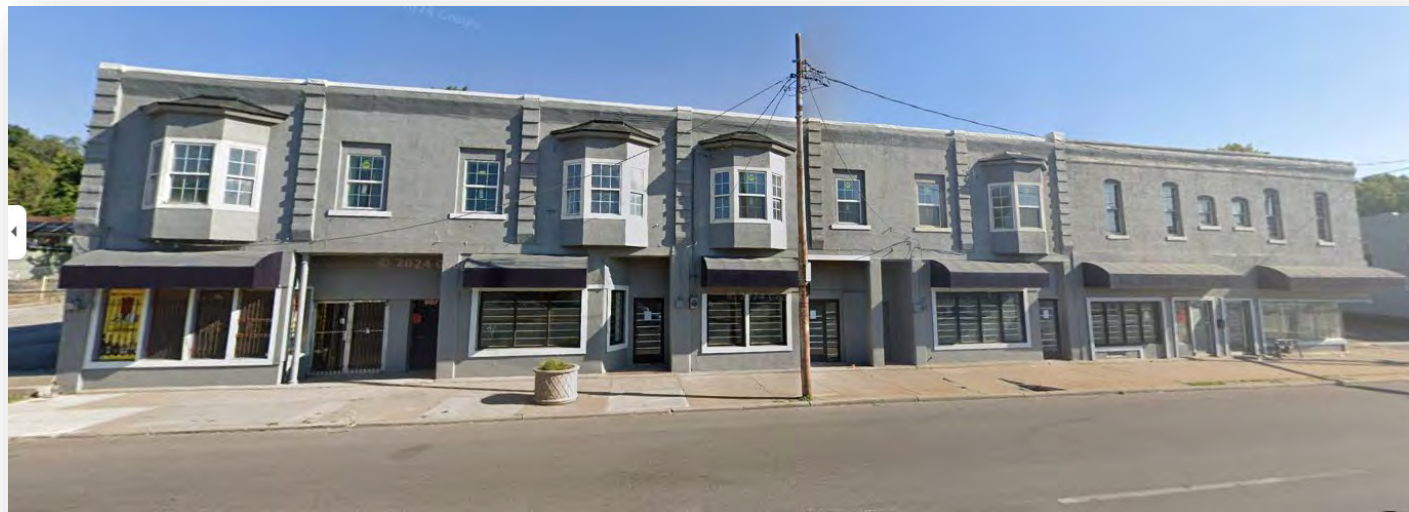
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Last week's Independence Avenue Community Improvement District Four Corners Community Call was Jay's Grocery and Restaurant, 2605 Independence Ave.



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Central African Native Brings Regional Cuisine to Independence Avenue



Julia Williams
Editor-in-Chief

Ored Jay — owner of Jay's Grocery and Restaurant — opened his store at 2605 Independence Ave., in December, 2021 with a mission to provide the community with African food.

"I saw a problem and came to solve it," Jay shared in an interview.

As a Northeast resident himself, Jay said he wanted to open a local, halal grocery store for the community, rather than see his neighbors walk or drive long distances to get the products they were searching for.

Business owing to a new concept for Jay, he said he has had a passion for business

since his childhood. His family comes from the Democratic Republic of Congo — or Congo — in Central Africa and both his mother and uncle, he shared, owned their own businesses there.

Jay moved to Kansas City in March 2016 after living in a temporary refugee program for 19 years.

Utilizing his familial entrepreneurship background, he opened up a couple other grocery stores in various locations within Kansas City prior to his current spot along Independence Avenue, but has since closed those stores.

85% of Jay's Grocery and Restaurant's clients, Jay said, are looking for African food and a diverse range of groceries.

Items offered at Jay's Grocery can include anywhere from beans, cooking oil, lentils, fish — including fresh or dried — and cereals, among others. Jay shared the business receives its products from suppliers in Chicago, Ill.

He feels that his store has helped the Northeast community, and himself included, by allowing him to become financially independent, while supplying residents with the products they need.

While Jay shared he enjoys all of his products as a business owner, the dry fish offered at Jay's remains one of his favorite items and flour is popular among customers.

When asked about the employees who Jay tries to work

within his store, he said he welcomes everyone.

"I don't discriminate. I work with all races, usually [employees] come with an African [background] to help with communication skills," Jay shared in an interview.

He also mentioned his store will offer free samples of its products for customers.

For additional information on Jay's Grocery and Restaurant, visit: <https://jaysgrocery.com/about/>.



Exterior of Jay's Grocery and Restaurant at 2605 Independence Ave. | Photo by Julia Williams



Fresh food selection currently offered at Jay's Grocery and Restaurant, which includes Thai and Caribbean among other items. | Photo by Julia Williams

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COFFEE CULTURE & CONVERSATION

THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2025

Independence Ave Church

TASTY TOPIC TALK LUNCH

TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2025

Rebuild KC Projects HNE

Rebuild
KANSAS CITY
— NEIGHBORHOOD GRANTS —

SAFETY & SECURITY MEETING

THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 2025

Discuss Local Security
Issues & Solutions



TITAN SECURITY

SATURDAY, MAY 17, 2025

Deter Shoplifters



SHRED-IT EVENT

SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2025

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TASTE & TOUR

FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025

Hop On – Hop Off



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