

2016 YEAR IN REVIEW

KC PARKS



Dear **Friends**
of Kansas City Parks
and Recreation

In 2016, our accomplishments were impressive as we continued doing what we do best — making Kansas City Parks and Recreation a top-quality organization for our residents, businesses and visitors.

Perhaps our most important achievement in 2016 was being listed in the National Register of Historic Places. The nearly four-year process came to fruition in August when “The Kansas City Parks and Boulevards Historic District” was finally approved and officially added to the register. This paramount listing is a result of our City’s respect and stewardship throughout the years for our historic park system.

It was a big year for playgrounds as several large and adventurous play amenities were added to our system. Our City of Fountains sprung back to life with the reenergizing of two major fountains that had been inoperative. Connections throughout the city were improved with trail expansions, pedestrian/bike-friendly boulevard improvements, signage installations and bridge openings. And for the first time in its 107-year history, the Kansas City Zoo hit one million in attendance. Please enjoy reading more details about these projects and others in this publication.

Several innovative events were added. A series of food truck festivals, called Feast of Fountains, were held throughout the summer as fundraisers for our city’s flowing treasures. The Kansas City Museum honored the Long family’s equestrian legacy with a chic Derby Party on the front lawn. One thousand millennials golfed on the streets of downtown during the Downtown Open which culminated with a lively after party in Washington Square Park. And more than 1,300 people attended the inaugural Ponies & Pumpkins which featured wagon and pony rides at Little Blue Valley Park. I am excited that all of these events will happen again in 2017.

Also in 2016, work began on two major projects that will impact our city for generations to come.

With leadership from the Parks Board, the Kansas City Museum continued planning the architectural design for the restoration and renovation of Corinthian Hall. Construction on the mansion is expected to begin in 2017. In addition, the Kansas City Museum produced a business and strategic plan that introduced a new mission: “To preserve, interpret, and celebrate Kansas City through collections, exhibitions,



Left to Right: KC Parks Director Mark McHenry, PGA Golfer Tom Watson and Jackson County Executive Frank White, Jr. at the Tom Watson Golf Academy

and bold programs that reflect the City’s evolution and spirit, and engage visitors in unfolding stories about Kansas City’s vibrant history, cultural heritage, and pride.” A new vision was also crafted: “To be a hub of learning, creativity, and collaboration where individuals and communities innovate and inspire engagement and civic unity.”

The highly anticipated Kansas City Major League Baseball Urban Youth Academy (UYA), which broke ground in April of 2016, will be fully operational this fall. The UYA features three state-of-the-art baseball fields, one softball field and an indoor training facility. The project, located in Parade Park, enhances the iconic 18th and Vine District and supports the existing efforts of MLB to attract more youth to the game. UYA’s initial goal is to serve approximately 800-1000 youth, ages 6-18, per year. In addition to providing free, year-round baseball and softball instruction, the Academy will provide youth access to educational and vocational programs.

I’d like to thank our volunteer Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners who provide strong leadership, advocacy for our department and stewardship of many cultural treasures. I acknowledge our employees for their loyalty and for choosing KC Parks in which to serve the residents of Kansas City, Missouri. I appreciate our many partners whose collaboration and commitment to our mission positively impacts our community. As parks patrons, your ongoing support is also very much appreciated and crucial to our continued growth and development.

In 1892, the City Charter authorized the mayor to establish a Board of Commissioners and appoint its members. That was 125 years ago. In 2017, we plan to commemorate and celebrate this monumental anniversary all year long. Stay tuned!

Sincerely,

Mark L. McHenry, Director
Kansas City, MO Parks and Recreation

Kansas City, Missouri Parks and Recreation provides facilities, programs and recreational opportunities for the community that contribute to an aesthetically pleasing environment and enhanced quality of life. The department maintains 220 parks, 12,242 acres of parkland, 158 miles of trails and bikeways, 29 lakes, hundreds of athletic fields and tennis courts, 103 playgrounds, and five public golf courses. Miles of scenic boulevards and parkways crisscross the city, where 48 fountains and 119 monuments and sculptures surprise and delight. Ten community centers, along with seven museums, provide the setting for socially equitable and community-driven programming.

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OUR Mission

“To improve the quality of life, health and wellness of our community by providing socially equitable, community-driven programming and environmentally sound natural-resource management.”



Indian Creek - Blue River Pedestrian Bridge



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Making Connections

Indian Creek-Blue River Pedestrian Bridge

On a beautiful day in November, guests strolled along a new section of the Blue River Trail to dedicate a new pedestrian bridge connecting to the Indian Creek Trail. Spanning 350 feet across Indian Creek at the confluence of the Blue River, the new bridge is the longest bicycle/pedestrian bridge in the region.

With the approximately half-mile extension, the trail now gives runners, walkers and bicyclists more than seven miles of connected trails on the Missouri side and will eventually connect to the Trolley Track Trail. Funding was provided by a Federal Transportation Grant and the Kansas City, Mo., Public Improvement Advisory Committee (PIAC) funds through Council Districts 4, 5 and 6.

New Phase of Route 152 Trail Opens in Northland

Northlanders celebrated the opening of a new section of the Route 152 Trail on November 12. The two-mile segment completes the connection between I-29 and US 169. With this addition, the Route 152 Trail is more than five miles in length and provides a network that connects people to places and economic opportunities. This project was a partnership between KCMO, Platte County, the YMCA of Kansas City, and the Platte County Economic Development Council.

Penn Valley Park Signage

Finding your way around Penn Valley Park got a lot easier on December 2, when representatives of KC Parks and the Penn Valley Park Conservancy unveiled the first of many wayfinding signs to be installed in the park.

Penn Valley Park is a regional park with a variety of activities and monuments located within its boundaries, including Liberty Memorial, National World War I Museum and Memorial, The Scout, Penn Valley Lake, The Firefighter's Fountain, Off Leash Area, Pioneer Mother, Just Off Broadway Theatre, and baseball fields. The park consists of two areas, the west and east sides, with Penn Valley Drive dividing the park in two.

A master signage program was developed, taking in consideration of size of Penn Valley Park, the historic nature of the park and its activities, the network of streets and trails in the park and the speeds at which vehicles travel though the park.

Overall, three types of signage were installed: Wayfinding — both pedestrian and vehicular; Destination-signs for individual activity/arrival points; and Secondary Entry Signage — stone columns placed at secondary entrances around the park that announce the arrival to Penn Valley Park and include a brief list of destination points near that entrance.



Penn Valley Park



Grand Boulevard Bridge

Grand Boulevard Bridge

The city celebrated some grand improvements to a downtown bridge when the Grand Boulevard Bridge over I-670 reopened on December 2. The collaboration between the city and Missouri Department of Transportation (MODOT) turned a project that would typically take three years to complete into a nine-month success story.

The Grand Boulevard Bridge was closed in the spring after a MODOT inspection revealed structural issues. MODOT allocated \$3.5 million to replace the bridge, and Kansas City provided \$1.1 million to make it easier and safer for vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians to cross. Upgrades to the new bridge include bike lanes and protective barrier, 12-foot sidewalks and curb ramps, art installation, LED lighting and decorative fencing.

Independence and Benton Boulevards Intersection

Officials celebrated the transformation of a Historic Northeast interchange on December 9 at a ribbon cutting for the improved Independence Boulevard and Benton Boulevard intersection. The Independence/Benton Project, which broke ground in late April, significantly improves the traffic flow and safety of the intersection through the addition of modern traffic signal equipment, dedicated left-turn lanes on Benton, and crossing islands.

The aesthetic of the junction was also vastly enhanced with the installation of metal walls on the corners bearing the names of Historic Northeast, Independence Plaza and Scarritt Renaissance, brick pavers, seat walls, and neighborhood markers. Trees and bioswale plants were added to green up the area and assist with drainage.



Route 152 Trail



Independence & Benton Boulevards Intersection



Volker Fountain



Volker Fountain

Keeping Our City of Fountains Flowing

“Since the first streams of sparkling water spouted across a concrete pond in the middle of The Paseo Boulevard in 1899, the collective wishes and aspirations of Greater Kansas City have been reflected in our famous fountains.”
 — City of Fountains Foundation

Fountain Day: William Volker Memorial Fountain

The 2016 Fountain Day was held April 12 at the Charles B. Wheeler Amphitheater in Theis Park. The event celebrated the official start of fountain season and the restoration of the William Volker Memorial Fountain. The fountain's five bronze sculptures by Swedish artist Carl Milles were removed, cleaned, conserved, and reinstalled, and the dramatic 28-foot waterfall fountain along Brush Creek, which had been dormant for several seasons, was repaired and re-energized.

The fountain renovations/repairs were made possible by generous contributions to the City of Fountains Foundation's Wish Upon a Fountain Campaign and from the following: Hall Family Foundation, KCP&L Fund, Muriel McBrien Kauffman Foundation, and the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation. Design and construction assistance was provided by Burns and McDonnell, J.E. Dunn. and Grundfos Pump.

Following the ceremony, attendees were able to enjoy lunch from several food trucks that were on-site to kick-off a new fundraiser for our city's fountains — Feast of Fountains — which continued through the summer.

Children's Fountain Celebrates Birthday

On June 21, the City of Fountains celebrated the 21st Birthday of the Children's Fountain. Officials from the City of North Kansas City, KC Parks and the City of Fountains Foundation were joined by summer camp kids to observe the birthday and recently completed renovations to this iconic Northland fountain.

A highlight of the ceremony occurred when former Parks Commissioner Anita Gorman and her grandchildren unveiled a plaque commemorating the key funders — including the Perry Foundation, Waddell & Reed and Cerner Corp — who helped make the fountain and sculpture renovations possible. Of course, the celebration ended with birthday cake and punch!

Rededication of Henry Wollman Bloch Fountain

Union Station's new South Plaza was the site for a rededication ceremony of the Henry Wollman Bloch Fountain on June 30. Installed in 2001, the Henry Wollman Bloch Fountain underwent a massive renovation and upgrades in 2016 that included —the installation of beautiful new lighting and water jets with choreographed presentations. The rededication ceremony honored Mr. Bloch's generosity and commitment to Kansas City.



Bloch Fountain



Chouteau Heritage Fountain

Chouteau Heritage Fountain Plans Move Forward

Great strides were made in 2016 towards the construction of a new fountain in the Northland. In November, the City Council and Mayor approved a resolution to locate the fountain in the southern portion of Kansas City's 1st District on the west side of Chouteau Parkway. The KC Parks Board of Commissioners and KC Municipal Arts Council had previously reviewed and endorsed the project. The new fountain will honor the French pioneer Francois Chouteau who established the first fur-trading post on the bluffs of the Missouri River, Kansas City and the Native Americans with whom he traded. A Founders group, led by Keith Nelson, is working with the City of Fountains Foundation to raise private funds and grants to underwrite this educational, historical and multicultural monument to Kansas City's earliest history.

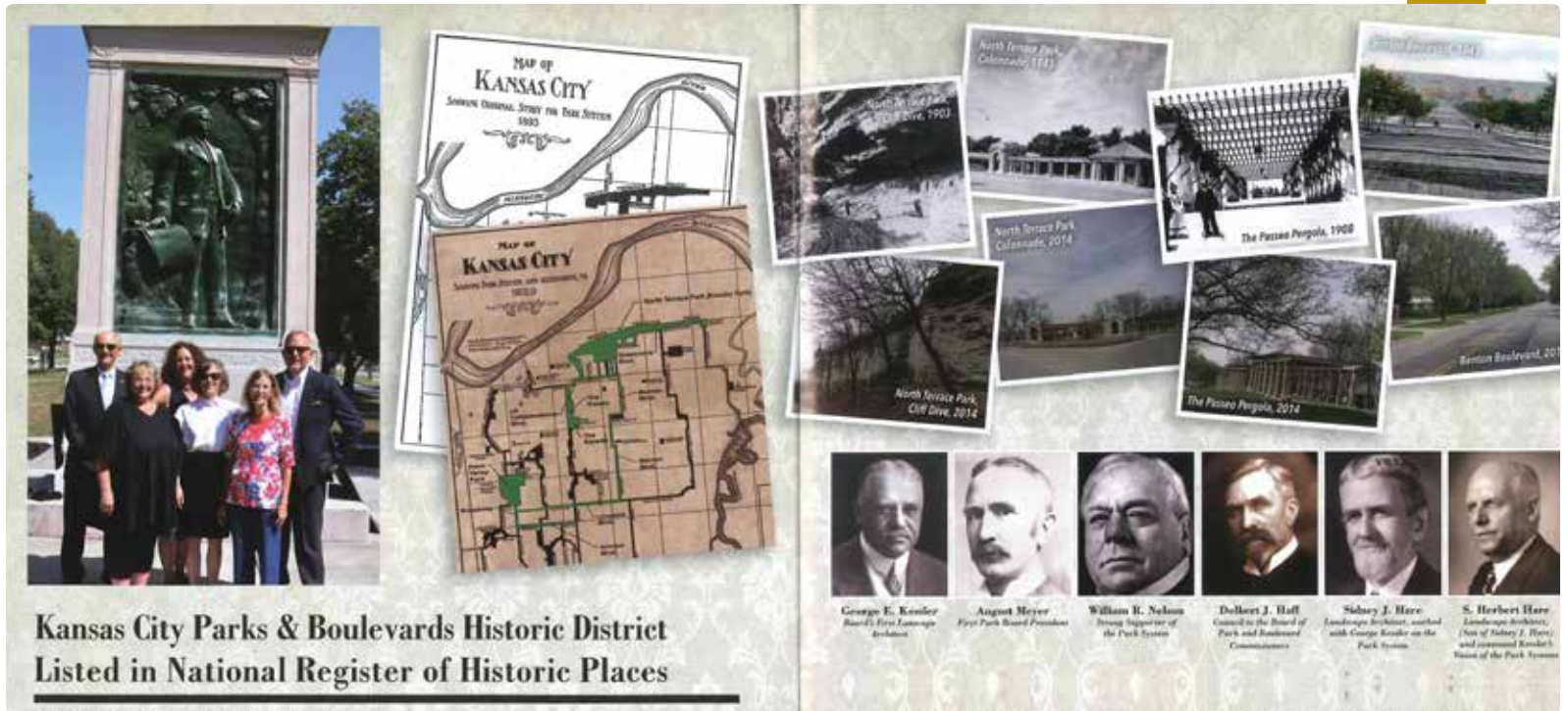
“ These unique and varied water sculptures and statuary do more than just give our neighborhoods and public spaces vitality and a special sense of place. They commemorate and celebrate the visions, deeds and generosity of generations of Kansas Citians who helped make so many of our community's wishes come true. ”



Children's Fountain



Children's Fountain



**Kansas City Parks & Boulevards Historic District
Listed in National Register of Historic Places**

National Register of Historic Places

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A process that began in 2014 concluded in 2016 when “The Kansas City Parks and Boulevards Historic District,” Kansas City, Jackson County, Mo., was listed in the National Register of Historic Places for its significance in Community Planning and Development and Landscape Architecture. The historic district (timeframe 1895-1965) consists of three parks, including Kessler Park, Penn Valley Park, and The Parade, connected by a series of seven boulevards, including Independence, Gladstone, Linwood, Armour, The Paseo, Benton Boulevard, and Broadway, as written in the National Register of Historic Places nomination.

The National Register of Historic Places is the official list of the Nation’s historic places worthy of preservation. Authorized by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, the National Park Service’s National Register of Historic Places is part of a national program to coordinate and support public and private efforts to identify, evaluate, and protect America’s historic and archeological resources.

The designation was officially announced on August 16, when KC Parks hosted a news conference at the August R. Meyer Memorial on The Paseo.

“Kansas City has a great historic park system because the city has shown so much respect for it over time,” said Barbara Wyatt, ASLA of the National Park Service. “I extend my thanks to the city government for its stewardship, especially the Parks and Recreation Department and the Park Commission.”

As stated in the nomination, Kansas City’s parks and boulevard system is traced to the work of landscape architect George E. Kessler (1862-1923). The initial network of parks and boulevards designed and implemented for Kansas City established the nucleus and foundation for the entire system and the city as a whole as it planned for the future, while guiding the design of the entire circulatory system that shaped Kansas City. The park system was integrated with one of the principal goals of the City Beautiful—the monumental and scenic restructuring of the center of the city. The Kansas City Parks and Boulevards Historic District as an entity is a continuation of Kessler’s 1893 framework for Kansas City, a comprehensive network that guided and coordinated urban growth, thus its significance in Community Planning and Development. In Landscape Architecture, The Kansas City Parks and Boulevards Historic District as a whole is representative of the work of George Edward Kessler and later the prominent Kansas City landscape architecture firm of Hare & Hare, combining the natural and formal styles in park and boulevard design.

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— Barbara Wyatt, American Society of the Landscape Architects of the National Park Service



“The Kansas City Park and Boulevard System is not only one of the most important public open space networks in the country, but it is also a pivotal work of the City Beautiful era, where planning and landscape architecture came seamlessly together through the vision of George Kessler. The Cultural Landscape Foundation applauds the increased visibility and recognition of the value of this unrivaled landscape heritage that listing in the National Register of Historic Places affords,” said Charles A. Birnbaum, FASLA, FAAR, President + CEO, The Cultural Landscape Foundation.

Within The Kansas City Parks and Boulevards Historic District there are various parks and boulevards that are significant in other areas, as well. In transportation, The Kansas City Parks and Boulevards Historic District affords a connection to the overall boulevard system of roadways while providing the opportunity for a wide variety of activities such as sports, hiking, bicycling, and areas for picnics and community events, tied to the area of Entertainment/Recreation. In Architecture and Art, The Kansas City Parks and Boulevards Historic District features a variety of buildings, structures, fountains, memorials and sculpture — often the work of noted architects, artists and engineers — that enhance portions of the system.

The National Register points out that as Kansas City has unduly sprawled through the years and is now bisected with major Interstate systems. It is important to note that the parks and boulevards included in this nomination afford not only an opportunity to traverse the city by way of an interconnected system of “pleasure drives,” but also to experience a variety of architecture, sculpture and structures. Their overall design, material and unique expressions cover a wide range of styles and further enhance and contribute to this enduring landscape.





Go Ape! Treetop Adventure



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Playgrounds – Unique Adventures for All Ages & Abilities

Go Ape! Treetop Adventure Course Opens in Swope Park

Yet another amenity was added to Kansas City's largest park when a zip line and treetop adventure course – Go Ape! – opened in early April at Camp Lake of the Woods in Swope Park.

The Swope Park course is Go Ape's second location in Missouri and is made up of numerous rope ladders, and exciting crossings including the Log Swing, Wobbly Ladder, Japanese Bridge, Plank Crossing, Tarzan swings and zip lines. Overall, there are five individual sections within the course, each section rising higher into the forest canopy and finishing with a zip line. The course opened to record-breaking crowds and visitors continued to show their enthusiasm for the adventure course with more than 7,500 participants throughout the first season.

Roanoke Park Playground Experience

A new play experience opened on April 30 along Karnes Boulevard in Roanoke Park with a neighborhood celebration featuring author Gillian Flynn (*Gone Girl*), face painting, balloon artists, musical entertainment and more!

The Midtown neighborhood came out in force to enjoy the new state-of-the-art playground that was designed to fit in with the natural surroundings. As a result, the Karnes playground offers many elements of play that are not just fun, but also challenging.

There are slides for all with a 12-foot high turf mound hill slide for the family and a smaller hill slide for toddlers. For older kids, a rope structure provides

opportunities to climb up, down and side-to-side. There is also a zip line, and for those who like to go round and round, a spinner challenges strength, coordination and balance. Kids of all ages can join the band with the addition of outdoor chimes, xylophone and drums. The playground has been a huge hit for Roanoke Park and is a unique example of how to take outdoor fun to a new level.



Roanoke Park



Roanoke Park



Concourse Playground



Tiffany Hills Park



Hyde Park

Lower Concourse Playground Improvements

On May 14, members of the Scarritt Renaissance Neighborhood Association (SRNA) were joined by City and KC Parks officials for the grand opening of the new 44-foot long embankment slides in the lower Concourse Playground in Kessler Park.

Additionally, the park's basketball courts were renovated and two Futsal courts — a variant of soccer played on a hard court — were also added in 2016. Once funding is secured, more improvements are planned, including lighting, a small amphitheater for children, a walking trail, a tennis court, and a skateboard park.

In August, KaBOOM! announced it had awarded SRNA a grant to construct a toddler playground. This is the second time in the last three years that KaBOOM! has provided funding for lower concourse playground improvements.

All-Inclusive Playground in Tiffany Hills Park

A new playground accessible to all — including those with disabilities — opened June 18 in Tiffany Hills Park. The Variety KC Playground was the culmination of two years of dreams and work for an all-inclusive playground in Platte County. KC Parks donated the land and maintains the playground, which sits adjacent to the Tiffany Hills Sports Complex.

Unlike many playgrounds that have a percentage of components for those with disabilities, this Unlimited Play playground is 100% accessible to all children and those who wish to play with them.

As the major sponsor — Variety, the Children's Charity of Greater Kansas City — received naming rights and chose

the playground themes: a mermaid theme for the two- to five-year-old section and for the five- to twelve-year-olds, a pirate theme.

The one-of-a-kind playground includes ramps, bright colors to assist those with vision problems, slides made of metal for children with hearing problems so as not to build up static electricity, and sensory panels that offer wheels to turn and buttons to punch to hear water sounds. High-back swings that provide body core support for those who need it have also been added.

Playground in a Day: Hyde Park KaBOOM! Toddler Playground

Early in the morning on October 26, KC Parks employees, 225 volunteers from CarMax, Cornerstones of Care, and the local Kansas City community joined together to build a playground in Hyde Park. Eight hours later — KaBOOM! — the playground was complete.

The playground, which focuses on children between two and five years old, was chosen for the location because many of the toddlers in the Hyde Park and Old Hyde Park neighborhoods did not have a dedicated safe and accessible place to play. The new amenity serves more than 1,500 area children and enables them to learn, grow and simply enjoy being a kid.

The playground was funded by the CarMax Foundation through its national partnership with KaBOOM! and supports The Foundation's commitment to furthering the cause of children's healthy living. KaBOOM! is a national organization that helps communities provide healthy play for children.



Swope Park

At 1,805 acres, Swope Park is the crown jewel of the Kansas City, Mo., park system. As Kansas City's largest park and one of the largest urban parks in the United States, Swope Park is home to many of Kansas City's finest attractions.

In addition to the Go Ape! Treetop Adventure course opening, several other major happenings took place in Swope Park in 2016.

Tom Watson Golf Academy Opens at the Heart of America Golf Course

KC Parks, The First Tee of Greater Kansas City, and Tom Watson himself officially opened the Tom Watson Golf Academy (TWGA) at the Heart of America Golf Course in Swope Park on April 30.

Following a ribbon-cutting ceremony, the 39-time PGA Tour champion and World Golf Hall of Famer conducted a free golf clinic for several hundred youth. The Tom Watson Golf Academy offers affordable lessons and provides golf-focused learning and mentorship for Kansas City-area youth to help build a further love of the game. Classes are offered as a program of The First Tee of Greater Kansas City and are open to any 10- to 17-year-old golfer wanting to improve their game.

Built in 1924, the Heart of America Golf Course was known as Golf Course #2 and was open to everyone, while Course #1 (today's Swope Memorial Golf Course) was operated as a segregated public course. Golf Course #2 was renamed the Blue River Golf Course in 1973. In 2005, the course name was changed to the Heart of America Golf Course and Academy in honor of the Heart of America Golf Club members who fought against Course #1 segregation and helped open golf to all at both Swope Park golf courses.

Swope Park Rangers

The United Soccer League (USL) Swope Park Rangers kicked-off their inaugural season at The Children's Mercy Victory Field in Swope Soccer Village on April 27. The team had an extremely successful first season, making the playoffs and ultimately finishing as the Western Conference Champions. The Swope Park Rangers, affiliates of Sporting KC, are one of 31 USL clubs located in markets across the United States and Canada. The Swope Park Rangers are the first in American professional team sports to feature a municipal park.

The nine-field, \$20+ million Swope Soccer Village complex is also home to our National Women's Soccer League team, FC Kansas City, and serves as the site of Sporting Kansas City's training ground in addition to attracting numerous championship events for the NCAA, Big 12 Conference and Missouri State High School Activities Association.





Pet Project



KC Zoo



Community Gardens

Pet Project: Raise the Woof

Kansas City leaders and animal lovers announced plans on September 22 for a new state-of-the-art animal shelter to be built in Swope Park. The current shelter, located on Raytown Road and operated by KC Pet Project, was built in 1972 and has been considered too small and outdated for many years.

The new shelter will be located at the corner of Elmwood and Gregory in the park. Funding will come from a combination of private donations and, if approved, the general obligation bond on the April 2017 ballot. KC Pet Project took over the operations of the Kansas City, Mo., municipal animal shelter in 2012. It is the largest no-kill animal shelter in the city and the third largest open-admission shelter in the United States to achieve no-kill status.

Kansas City Community Gardens Expansion in Swope Park

On September 23, Kansas City Community Gardens (KCCG) hosted a ground breaking to launch a two-phased building renovation and new storage facility construction at its Swope Park headquarters.

KCCG is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life of low-income households and other members of the community by helping them grow their own nutritious fruits and vegetables.

The renovation and expansion project enhances KCCG’s capacity to educate, mobilize, and support Kansas City’s gardeners. The new Education Center expands seating capacity for training sessions and allows KCCG to host more “hands-on” demonstration workshops on topics such as healthy cooking, building a grow-light unit, and creating a planting plan.

The projects were funded by the Public Improvements Advisory Committee (PIAC), City of Kansas City, Missouri,; and David T. Beals III, Bank of America, Trustee.

Thanks A Million, Kansas City

For the first time in its 107-year history, more than one million visitors (1,021,091 to be exact) experienced an adventure at the Kansas City Zoo in 2016. The Zoo hit the one million mark on November 25 when the Jackson family – from Waterloo, Iowa – walked through the front gates and were met with a wild surprise! The family received a Friends of the Zoo membership, a KC Zoo gift basket, and more.

The attendance milestone was celebrated again on December 28 as officials and residents of Clay and Jackson Counties joined together for a Thanks a Million event celebrating the voters who have been integral to the Zoo’s success.

Both counties showed their support for the Kansas City Zoo when the Zoological Tax was passed in 2011 which has led to improvements such as Helzberg Penguin Plaza, Orangutan Canopy, Tuxedo Grill, and Koala Flats.



KC Zoo



Amelia's Wish

Wishes are as big as a child's imagination

Wishes are as big as a child's imagination, and 8-year-old Amelia, who was battling brain cancer, wished to "take care of the world" for a day. So on February 27, KC Parks and Make-A-Wish Missouri, along with hundreds of volunteers, came together to help make Amelia's wish come true by cleaning up local parks.

Amelia's day began at Romey Hills Park where she and several dozen volunteers picked up and recycled trash. After a couple of additional cleanup stops in North KC, Amelia arrived at the Swope Park bandstand where hundreds of volunteers were lined up to greet her. Amelia and her friends joined in for a brief park cleanup followed by a celebration of her unique wish. KC Parks Director Mark L. McHenry welcomed Amelia and the volunteers. Kansas City Mayor Sly James delivered a proclamation in her honor. Chairwoman of Helzberg Diamonds LuAnn Bott, sponsor of the wish, and Make-A-Wish officials were also on hand to share in the power of her inspirational wish.

Amelia's simple and unselfish wish to "take care of the world" became an international phenomenon as volunteers from all over the world created cleanup crews and joined in cleaning up parks in their own communities on that day. Sadly, Amelia lost her battle to brain cancer in October of 2016. However, her legacy lives on each time a piece of trash is picked up in a park.



Take care of the world

THE YEAR IN NUMBERS: 2016

TOTAL PARTICIPATION: 5,298,107

COMMUNITY SERVICES	2016
Customer Participation	
Community Centers	520,475
Pools/Spraygrounds	114,138
Athletic Facilities and Programs	765,099

Youth Participation	
All Facilities and Programs	765,283

ATTRACTION ATTENDANCE	2016
Golf Courses	142,616
Lakeside Nature Center	32,717
Loose Park Garden Center	21,609
Kansas City Zoo	1,021,091
Kansas City Northern Railroad	59,842
Kansas City Museum	24,760
National WWI Museum	206,121
Shoal Creek Living History Museum	6,257
Starlight Theatre	305,994
Bruce R. Watkins Cultural Heritage Center	8,304

SHELTER HOUSES	2016
Reservations	1,478
Attendance	111,678

VOLUNTEERS	2016
Number of Volunteers	6,324
Volunteer Hours	56,098
Estimated Value of Volunteers	\$1,290,254

NATURAL RESOURCES	2016
Trees Trimmed	8,898
Trees Removed	3,452
*1,018 Removed due to EAB	
Stumps Removed	817
Total Acreage Mowed	78,114
Cubic Yards of Snow Removed	1,341,511
Graffiti Incidents Removed	388
Citizen 311 Action Center (Resolved)	7,694
Land Acquisition in Acres	12.18

MARKETING AND EVENTS	2016
Facebook Fans	9,414
Twitter Followers	6,190
Instagram Followers	5,999
Enewsletter Distribution List	13,891
Number of Park Events	308
Special-Events Attendance	624,675
Permitted Road Races	65
Road Race Participation	130,675

MAINTENANCE HOURS WORKED	2016
Athletic Fields	6,328
Landscaping	37,986
Park Facility Repairs	15,606
Special Event Preparation	3,679
Litter/Trash Removal	36,462

TOTAL PARTICIPATION 2016	5,298,107
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Partners

Alexander Majors House
 ArtsTech
 Black Archives of Mid-America Inc.
 The Bloch Foundation
 Blue River Relief
 Blue River Watershed Association
 R.A. Bloch Cancer Foundation
 Boys & Girls Clubs of Kansas City
 Bridging the Gap-Heartland Tree Alliance
 Brookside Business Association
 Brookside Roller Hockey
 Brookside Soccer Club
 Burns & McDonnell
 Chaumiere Neighborhood Association
 Children's Mercy Hospital
 Chouteau Heritage Fountain Founders
 City of Fountains Foundation
 City of North Kansas City Parks & Recreation
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 Developmental Disability Services of Jackson County-EITAS
 Dogpark Improvement Group (DIG)
 Downtown Council
 DST Realty/State Street Bank
 Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City
 El Centro, Inc.
 Elmwood Cemetery
 The Enshriners
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 Friends of Corinthian Hall
 Friends of Lakeside Nature Center
 Friends of the Zoo
 Full Employment Council
 Gardeners Connect
 The Giving Grove
 Gladstone American Legion
 City of Gladstone Parks and Recreation
 Go Ape! Treetops Adventure Course
 Gracemor Randolph Neighborhood Association
 Grand Construction
 Greater Kansas City Health Care Foundation
 GreenWorks of Kansas City
 Guadalupe Center Inc.
 HAVEN Bee Hives
 Heartland Conservation Alliance
 Heart of America Council/Boy Scouts
 Heart of America Shakespeare Festival
 Hickman Mills School District
 Historic Kansas City Foundation
 Historical Society of New Santa Fe
 Trailside Center
 Hyde Park Neighborhood Association
 Independence Avenue CID
 Independence Plaza Neighborhood Association
 Indian Mound Neighborhood Association
 Jackson County Parks + Recreation

JE Dunn Construction Company
 Just Off-Broadway Theatre
 KaBOOM!
 Kansas City Carriage Company
 Kansas City Chiefs
 Kansas City Art Institute
 Kansas City Community Gardens
 Kansas City Cricket Club
 Kansas City Design Center
 Kansas City Flying Disc Club
 Kansas City Metro Jr. Golf Club
 Kansas City, Missouri Police Department
 Kansas City, Missouri School District
 Kansas City Museum Foundation
 Kansas City Native Plant Initiative
 Kansas City Northern Railroad
 Kansas City Organics & Natural Market
 Kansas City Rose Society
 Kansas City Royals
 Kansas City Rugby
 Kansas City WildLands
 KC Crew
 KC Hoops
 KC Sport and Social
 KC United Tennis (KCUT)
 William T. Kemper Foundation
 Kessler Society of Kansas City
 Key Coalition
 Liberty Memorial Association/National World War I Museum and Memorial
 Liberty, MO Parks and Recreation
 Literacy Kansas City
 LiveKC
 Lykins Neighborhood Association
 MainCor
 Marlborough Neighborhood Coalition
 Mattie Rhodes Center
 Metropolitan Lutheran Ministries
 Mid-America Regional Council
 Mid-Continent Public Library
 Mill Creek Park Association
 Miller Nichols Charitable Foundation
 Missouri Department of Conservation
 Missouri Department of Natural Resources
 Missouri Department of Transportation
 Missouri Korean War Veterans Memorial Committee
 Missouri Master Gardeners
 Missouri Parks & Recreation Association
 Monnett Battle of Westport Fund
 National Park Service
 National Recreation & Parks Association
 Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art
 North Bennington Neighborhood Association
 North Kansas City Area Baseball Association
 North Kansas City School District
 North Suburban Youth Football League
 Northeast Arts KC
 Northeast Chamber of Commerce
 Northeast Kansas City Historical Society
 Northern Knights Model Airplane Club
 Northland Animal Welfare Society (NAWS)
 Northland Neighborhoods Inc.

Northland Regional Chamber of Commerce
 Northland Rugby Football Club
 Park Hill School District
 Pendleton Heights Neighborhood Association
 Penn Valley Park Conservancy
 Platte County Convention & Visitors Bureau
 Platte County Parks and Recreation
 Platte County Sports Commission
 Plaza Rotary Club
 Police Athletic League (P.A.L.)
 Port KC
 Recreation Council of Greater Kansas City
 Roanoke Park Conservancy
 Ronald McDonald House Charities
 Scarritt Renaissance Neighborhood Association
 Sheffield Neighborhood Association
 Shepherd's Center of KC Central
 Shoal Creek Living History Museum Association
 Silvertooth-Fahey Home Owners Association
 Sister City Association of KC
 Skywalk Memorial Foundation
 Society for Friendship with China
 South Kansas City Alliance
 South Suburban Junior Football League
 Southern Platte County Athletic Association dba Northland Sports Alliance
 Southtown Council
 Sporting Club & Sporting Kansas City
 Starlight Theatre Association
 StoneLion Puppet Theatre
 Swope Park Rangers
 Theater League
 3 & 2 Baseball
 Three-Tracks CID
 Tony Aguirre Community Center Advisory Committee
 12th Street Heritage
 Urban Trail Co.
 Unity Ridge Home Owners Association
 University of Missouri, Kansas City
 Union Cemetery Historical Society
 Union Station Kansas City Inc.
 Urban American Outdoors
 Frank and Ann Uryasz
 USA Swimming
 US Army Corp of Engineers
 US Fish & Wildlife Service
 Verona Hills Homes Association
 Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 317
 Visit KC
 Vivion Road Gang
 Waldo Area Business Association
 Waldo Tower Historic Society
 Ward Family Foundation
 Wedgewood Pointe Property Owners Association
 West Plaza Neighborhood Association
 Westport Historical Society
 Westside CAN Center
 Winnwood-Sunnybrook Neighborhood Association
 Wornall Homestead Homes Association
 Wonders of Wildlife

2016 AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Federal Executive Board-Public Employees' Recognition Day

Leadership Award: Richard Allen, Planning

GolfAdvisor.com

Top 25 Courses in the U.S./Course Layout: #18-Shoal Creek Golf Course

Golfweek Magazine "Best You Can Play-Missouri Top 5"

#2-Shoal Creek Golf Course
#4-Swope Memorial Golf Course

Historic Kansas City Foundation

Excellence in Conservation Award: JC Nichols Fountain Project
Jane Flynn Merit Award - Parkway and Boulevard Standards

Ingram's Magazine Best of Business Awards

Best Charitable Event-Gold: Jazzoo at the Kansas City Zoo
Best Theater-Silver: Starlight Theatre
Best Family Outing/Venue-Gold: Kansas City Zoo
Best Museum-Silver: National World War I Museum and Memorial

Kansas City Environmental Management Commission: Environmental Achievement Awards

Lakeside Nature Center, Pollinator Patch
Laura Conyers Smith Municipal Rose Garden, Reduction of Chemical Use

KC Dog Club

Best "Hike with the Hounds": Blue River Trail

KC Parent Magazine Family Favorites

Favorite Animal Attractions: #2-Kansas City Zoo
Favorite Museum: #3-National World War I Museum and Memorial
Favorite Live Show: #3-Starlight Theatre
Favorite NEW Place in KC: #1-Go Ape Treetop Adventure Course
Favorite Outdoor Family Destination: #1-Kansas City Zoo

Kemper Sports

PGA Retailer of the Year: Shoal Creek Golf Course



KC Parks Employee Service Awards

Missouri Park and Recreation Association

Citation Award: Starlight Theatre Association

National Arbor Day Foundation

Tree City USA Award: City of Kansas City, Missouri

Pitch Magazine Best of KC Awards

Best Golf Course-Readers' Choice: #1-Swope Memorial Golf Course; #3-Shoal Creek Golf Course
Best Bike Trail-Readers' Choice: #3-Line Creek Trail
Best Park: #1-Loose Park; #3-Swope Park
Best Dog Park: #2-Penn Valley Park

Research Medical Center

Community Leader and Service Award:
Mark L. McHenry, Director

South Kansas City Alliance

Outstanding Government Service Award: Three Trails System

Tennis Industry Magazine

Grassroots Champion of the Year: Scott Hanover, Plaza Tennis Center

Visit KC: Visitors' Choice Awards

Favorite Fountain: J.C. Nichols Memorial Fountain
Favorite Golf Course: Swope Memorial Golf Course

Yelp

People Love Us on Yelp Award: Swope Park Off-Leash Dog Park

EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS

35 Years: City of Kansas City, MO

Keith Ross, Natural Resources - South Region

35 Years: Parks and Recreation

Holly Weddington, Community Services - Community Centers
Nathaniel Logan, Natural Resources - Loose Park Gardens

Employee Retirements

Carieta Balance, 22 years
Keith Clark, 25 years
Al Dunn, 18 years
Arnold Johnson, 20 years
Diana Mack, 19 years
Michael Music, 18 years
Edward A. Rollins, 27 years
Sherry VanWinkle, 23 years
Brent Vickers, 24 years
Holly Weddington, 36 years



QUALITY CIRCLE AWARDS

Adriane Malone Supervisor of the Year

Robert Thompson, Central Region

Employee of the Quarter

Epifanio Yanez, Equipment Operator - North Region
Ed Rollins, Maintenance Worker - South Region
Tony Franklin, Equipment Operator - South Region

2016 SPECIAL EVENTS

January 18

MLK Jr. Day Nature Walk on the Brush Creek Trails

Kids Health Fair at Southeast Community Center in Swope Park

February 6

Old House Expo at the Kansas City Museum

February 13 - 14

Lock Your Love: Valentine's Day on the Old Red Bridge

February 13

Breakfast with the Beasts at Lakeside Nature Center

February 14 - 15

Great Backyard Bird Count at the Trailside Center

February 27

Amelia's Wish Park Cleanup in Swope Park

March 3

No More Nomads—A Picnic On My Dress at the Kansas City Museum

March 12 - 13

2nd Annual Sam Lacey Memorial Basketball Tournament at Gregg/Klice Community Center

March 12

Brookside St. Pat's Warm-Up Parade

March 17

St. Patrick's Day Parade on Broadway

March 19

Kids Spring Jamboree at Shoal Creek Living History Museum in Hodge Park

Bone-Anza at Waggin' Trail Dog Park

March 20

Cash for Critters Fundraiser at Lakeside Nature Center

March 23

A Youth Photovoice Reception at Southeast Community Center

Jim Bridger's 212th Birthday Celebration at the Trailside Center

April 2

Project Blue River Rescue in Swope Park

April 8

Go Ape! Tree Top Adventure Course Opening and Ribbon Cutting in Swope Park

April 12

Fountain Day at William Volker Memorial Fountain in Theis Park

April 19

Show-Me State Games Torch Run in Mill Creek Park

April 20

Urban Youth Academy Ground Breaking in Parade Park

April 23

Spring Discover Day at KC Parks Community Centers

Earth Day at Lakeside Nature Center

Arbor Day Celebration in Loose Park

April 23 - 24

Chalk Walk in the Historic Northeast

April 26

Track & Field Improvements Celebration for Central Park

April 27

Turn the Waldo Water Tower Blue in Tower Park

April 28

Independence and Benton Project Ground Breaking

April 30

Children's Day at 9th & VanBrunt Athletic Fields

Karnes Playground Opening in Roanoke Park

Tom Watson Golf Academy Opening at Heart of America Golf Course in Swope Park

May - September

Kansas City Northern Railroad Open for Season (Weekends and Holidays)

May - October

KC Organics and Natural Market in Minor Park Open for Season (Saturdays)

May 4 - 7

Penn Valley Park Plein Air Fest

May 6 - 8

Kansas City Wide Open at KC Parks Disc Golf Courses

May 7

1st Saturday at Shoal Creek Living History Museum in Hodge Park

Dig Day (Citywide)

The Derby Party, Kansas City Museum

May 12

Fashioning Kansas City Icons Opening at the Garment District Museum

Feast of Fountains: A Food Truck Fest in Theis Park

May 14

Hillside Slide Opening Celebration in Concourse Park

Celebrate Urban Birds at Lakeside Nature Center

National Train Day Celebration at Kansas City Northern Railroad

May 19, 26 and June 2, 9, 16 & 23

Thimble Thursday Concerts in Garment Park

May 21

Orange Fountain for National Orange Popsicle Week at J.C. Nichols Fountain

Downtown Open Urban Golf Tournament in Washington Square Park

May 20 - August 6

Mayor's Nights/Club KC Events

May 25

KC Parks Employee Departmental Service Awards Breakfast at Southeast Community Center

May 27 - 30

Memorial Day Activities at National World War I Museum and Memorial

May 28 - September 5

Major Pools & Spraygrounds Open for Season

May 29

Kansas City Symphony's Celebration at the Station

May 30

Memorial Day Activities at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fountain and Union Cemetery

June 3

Jazzoo at the Kansas City Zoo

Penn Valley Park Plein Air Exhibit & Sale at Buttonwood Gallery

June 3, 10, 17 and 24

Children's Film Festival in Hyde Park

June 4

Tour of Kansas City on Cliff Drive

1st Saturday at Shoal Creek Living History Museum in Hodge Park

June 5

Rose Show & Rose Day at Laura Conyers Smith Rose Garden in Loose Park

June 6

Sporting KC Ability Sport Camp in Swope Soccer Village

June 8

Storytime in the Park in Hidden Valley Park

June 11

Dragon Boat Festival & Races on Brush Creek

Artpalooza in Marlborough

June 12

City of Fountains Bicycle Tour at Washington Square Park

June 14

Flag Day Celebration at Missouri Korean War Veterans Memorial in Washington Square Park

June 14 - July 4

Heart of America Shakespeare Festival in Southmoreland Park: Twelfth Night

June 16

Feast of Fountains: A Food Truck Fest on North Lawn of the World War I Museum and Memorial

June 18

Variety KC Playground Opening in Tiffany Hills Sports Complex

Urban Kids Fishing Derby at Spring Valley Lake

Readings in the Roses at Laura Conyers Smith Rose Garden in Loose Park

Bugs Extravaganza at Lakeside Nature Center

June 19 - 25

Taps at the Towner at the National World War I Museum and Memorial

June 21

21st Birthday of the Children's Fountain

June 22

Storytime in the Park in Chouteau Greenway Park

June 24

Art in the Park in Ilus Davis Park

June 25

Volkerfest in Roanoke Park

Monarch Garden in the Park Opening in Loose Park

June 25 - 26

Amateur Radio and Field Day at Shoal Creek Living History Museum in Hodge Park

June 26

Summer Concert Series at Kansas City Museum

June 30

Henry Wollman Bloch Fountain Rededication at Union Station

July 1 - 31

National Parks and Recreation Month

July 6

Storytime in the Park in Winnwood Park

July 8

Teddy Bear Picnic at the Kansas City Museum

Summer Concert Series at the Kansas City Museum

July 14

Feast of Fountains: A Food Truck Fest at Anita B. Gorman Park

July 16

1st Saturday at Shoal Creek Living History Museum

Kids, Water, Bugs, Fish at Lakeside Nature Center

July 17

Kansas City's Big Picnic and Quick Paint Contest in Theis Park

July 20

Storytime in the Park in Penguin Park

"Yes We Can" National Storytelling Event at Bruce R. Watkins Cultural Heritage Center

July 29

Art in the Park in Ilus Davis Park

Spiders: Eight Legged Gems on the Prairie at Lakeside Nature Center

August 6

1st Saturday at Shoal Creek Living History Museum

Youth Sports Festival at Zona Rosa

August 7

Sunday in the Park with StoneLion at Westport Roanoke Community Center

August 11

Feast of Fountains: A Food Truck Fest at Spirit of Freedom Fountain

August 12

Summer Concert Series at the Kansas City Museum

Latinos and Baseball: In the Barrios and the Big Leagues at the Kansas City Museum

August 13

Sly's Rock the Block at Union Station

"Los Sabios" Memorial Fast Pitch Softball and Exhibition Games in Penn Valley Park

August 17

National Register of Historic Places Designation News Conference on The Paseo

August 19 - 21

Ethnic Enrichment Festival in Swope Park

August 20

What's Out At Night? At Lakeside Nature Center

Ball Field Opening and Clinic at Mulkey Square

August 25

Concert in the Park in Ilus Davis Park

August 26

Art in the Park in Ilus Davis Park

August 28

Jazz in the Roses at Loose Park Rose Garden

September 1 - 3

Gold Fountain for Childhood Cancer Awareness at J.C. Nichols Fountain

September 2 - 4

Kansas City Irish Festival in Washington Square Park/ Grand Boulevard

September 3

1st Saturday at Shoal Creek Living History Museum

Heartland Heat Triathlon at The Springs Aquatics Center

September 8

Feast of Fountains: A Food Truck Fest at The Concourse

September 9

Red Fountains for Kansas City Chiefs Red Friday

September 10

Dippin' Dogs Swim Party at The Springs Aquatics Center

Dance in the Park in Roanoke Park

September 11

Dippin' Dogs Swim Party at The Bay Water Park

September 16 - 18

Brush Creek Art Walk

September 17

Revolving Green Around the Blue on Indian Creek Trail

Fall Discover Day at KC Parks Community Centers

September 21 - 28

Blue Fountains for Ewing Marion Kauffman's 100th Birthday

September 22

KC Pet Project News Conference at Starlight Theatre in Swope Park

Wine & Roses Party in Loose Park Rose Garden

September 23

Groundbreaking for KC Community Gardens Expansion in Swope Park

September 23 - 24

Wonders of Outdoor Wildlife at Camp Lake of the Woods in Swope Park

September 24

Kansas City Zoo Run/Walk: Run for the Gorillas

September 29

Concert in the Park in Ilus Davis Park

September 30

Art in the Park in Ilus Davis Park

October 1

Rhyme in the Roses in Loose Park Garden Center

WaterFire KC on Brush Creek

Architecture Merit Badge Day at the Kansas City Museum

October 4

Brush Creek Art Walk Awards and Exhibition Opening at Anita B. Gorman Discovery Center

October 8

Harvest Festival at Shoal Creek Living History Museum in Hodge Park

Magic Woods at Lakeside Nature Center

Historical Epitaphs, Voices from the Past at Union Cemetery

October 15

HOWLoween Pooch Parade at Waggin' Trail Off Leash Dog Park

In the Line of Duty KCFD Exhibition Opening at Kansas City Museum

October 17

Pink Ribbon Road Show Launch and Solidarity Walk in Ilus Davis Park

October 22

Fright Night at Shoal Creek Living History Museum in Hodge Park

October 23

Day of the Dead Celebration at Kansas City Museum

October 26

KaBOOM! Playground Build and Ribbon Cutting In Hyde Park

October 29

Spooky Skate at Line Creek Ice Arena

Kid Safe Halloween at Shoal Creek Living History Museum in Hodge Park

Ponies and Pumpkins at Little Blue Valley Park



Ball Field Opening at Mulkey Square

November 2, 4 & 6

Big 12 Women's Soccer Championship Tournament at Swope Soccer Village

November 4

StoneLion Puppets Calacas Illuminated Parade on West Pennway

November 5

The Wilderness Run at Shoal Creek Living History Museum in Hodge Park

November 6

Sunday in the Park with StoneLion at Westport Roanoke Community Center

November 10

Trolley-Blue River Trail Connector Opening

November 11

Veterans Day Observances at Vietnam Veterans Memorial and Black Veterans Memorial

November 11 - 13

Veterans Day Weekend at National World War I Museum and Memorial

November 12

Route 152 Trail Dedication at YMCA Challenger Field

November 19

Turkey Bowling on Ice at Line Creek Ice Arena

Kris Kringle & K-9s at Waggin' Trail Off Leash Dog Park

December 1 - 3

NCAA Division II Men's & Women's Soccer Championship Tournament at Swope Soccer Village

December 2

Wayfinding Sign Unveiling in Penn Valley Park

Santa's Wonderland in Gillham Park

Senior Holiday Luncheon at Southeast Community Center

December 2 - 23

Mayor's Holiday Parties at Community Centers

December 3

Santa's Wonderland in Penguin Park

A Visit from St. Nicholas at Shoal Creek Living History Museum

HOLIDAZZLE at Bruce R. Watkins Cultural Heritage Center

December 10

Kris Kringle 5K Ugly Sweater Run in Swope Park

December 10 - 11

The Fairy Princess at the Kansas City Museum

December 14

KC Parks Employee Breakfast & City Service Awards at Union Station

December 20

Skate with Santa at Line Creek Ice Arena

December 28

1 Million+ Thank You Event at the Kansas City Zoo in Swope Park



Feast of Fountains

2016 COMPLETED KEY PROJECTS

CONSTRUCTION

- Chouteau Parkway Slope Repair – landslide repair, sod
- Columbus Square Park – new sidewalk, landscaping, picnic grove, landscaping, and Bocce court
- Independence and Benton Intersection Improvements
- Loose Park Improvements – new stone walls and stairs around lake
- Migliazzo Lake Railing Replacement and Concrete Repair – new railing along walkway across lake

PICNIC SHELTERS

- Penn Valley Park – renovation of shelter near ball diamonds
- Water Works Park – new shelter

TRAILS

- Buckeye Greenway Pedestrian Bridge and Bank Stabilization – 10' wide/75 foot long pedestrian bridge
- Indian Creek at Wornall Bridge – replace trail surface under bridge on Indian Creek Trail
- Mill Creek Park – resurfacing .98 miles
- Route 152 Trail between I-29 and US 169, 2 miles
- Trolley Connector Trail Indian Creek to E. 95th Terrace-extension – .5 miles/350 foot long pedestrian bridge

NEW PLAYGROUNDS

- Arbor Villa Park
- Gillham Park – resurfacing
- Hyde Park
- McCoy Park
- Oak Park
- Park Forest
- Roanoke Park – near Karnes Blvd.
- Sycamore Park
- The Concourse/Kessler Park – embankment slide
- Tiffany Hills Park
- Town Fork Creek Greenway Park

MONUMENTS & FOUNTAINS

- American War Mothers Fountain – stone repairs
- Children's Fountain – renovations
- Firefighters Memorial – landscape improvements
- Major William Bland Memorial – conservation
- Pioneer Park Monument – conservation
- William Volker Memorial Fountain – renovations
- Waldo Water Tower – lighting and restoration

STONE WALL REPAIRS

- Blenheim Park
- Camp Lake of the Woods Drive
- Penn Valley Drive – stairs repaired
- Southmoreland Park
- Tony Aguirre Community Center
- Troost Lake
- Westport Roanoke Community Center

FACILITY MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS

- Black Archives – replaced a deteriorated wood column and raised settled second floor
- Brush Creek Community Center – pool improvements
- Dopson Administration Building – elevated catwalk
- 39th & Gillham – utilities upgrade

SIGNAGE

- I-435 & Wornall
- Arbor Villa Park – and landscaping
- Penn Valley Park

PLAN/DESIGN DOCUMENTS

- Kansas City North Community Center Master Plan
- Major Street Plan Amendment

ATHLETIC FIELDS

- Center High School – park track resurfacing
- Kessler Park – Futsal and basketball courts and fencing
- Plaza Tennis Courts – resurfaced seven courts
- Swope Park – basketball courts near Southeast Community Center
- Water Well Park – sports field lighting

STREETS, CURBS AND SIDEWALKS

- 17th & Hardesty – new sidewalks
- 63rd Street - sidewalks from Jackson to Manchester
- Emanuel Cleaver II Blvd. – curb and walk improvements
- Jerry Smith Park – road overlay
- Mamie Hughes Bridge over Bruce R. Watkins Dr. – concrete repairs and painting
- Roanoke & Karnes – replace inlet and curb repair

SECURITY CAMERAS AND LIGHTS

- Brush Creek Community Center
- Budd Park
- Longview Tract
- Seven Oaks

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) IMPROVEMENTS

- Brush Creek Community Center
- Garrison Community Center
- Heart of America Golf Course
- Hillcrest Community Center
- Hodge Park Golf Course
- Kansas City North Community Center
- Lakeside Nature Center
- Shoal Creek Golf Course
- Shoal Creek Living History Museum
- Southeast Community Center
- Swope Memorial Golf Course
- Terry R. Dopson Administration Building
- Tony Aguirre Community Center

PARKING LOTS

- Bruce R. Watkins Cultural Heritage Center
- Hillcrest Community Center
- Swope Park Tree Tops Adventure Park (Go Ape!) – and Oakwood Drive Road Overlay
- Tiffany Springs Park Trail Head





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