

UNIFIED GOVERNMENT OF WYANDOTTE COUNTY/KANSAS CITY, KANSAS COMMUNITY MEETING 2

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# A GUIDE FOR COMMUNITY ACTION

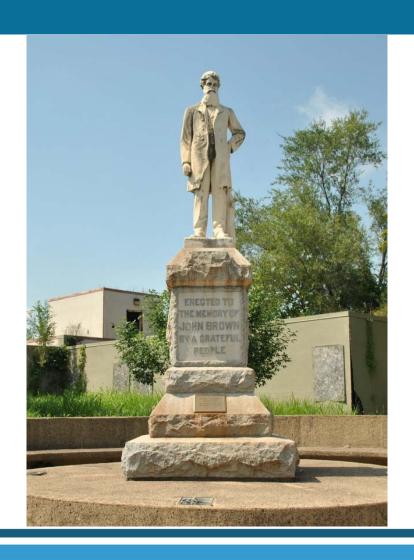
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## **EMPOWERMENT**



#### overview

- SOAR Initiative
- Plan Overview and Goals
- Actions and Accomplishments
- Assets and Challenges Review
- TLC Early Action Projects
- Visioning for the Future





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## improve appearance and image

**Property Maintenance Goal:** 

10,000 individual improvements to properties by the end of 2021

Resolve Unfit Structures from 1,479 to 739 by 2021 Effectively transition Land Bank policies and procedures to be an asset for revitalization and reoccupation Current parcels: 2,406

Reduce vacant housing stock from 3,491 to 1,900 by 2021 Increase the number of structures that are demolished to remove unsafe structures from the community

Current structures on demo list:

188

Reduce the number of Tax Sale Eligible parcels (2015) from 6,178 (8.9%) to 3,400 (5%) by 2021 Increase property maintenance index rankings in areas that are considered at risk or poorly maintained and promote continued efforts in areas that are considered to be well maintained.



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## improve the overall feeling of safety

Increase the overall feeling of safety in Wyandotte County from 29% to Kansas City Metro\* benchmark of 71% by 2021

Increase satisfaction with animal services from 33% to 45% by 2018, and to the metro average of 57% by 2021

Increase the satisfaction with efforts to prevent crime from 39% to 50% by 2018, and to the metro average of 64% by 2021

Increase the satisfaction with efforts to fire response from 77% to 80% by 2018, and to the metro average of 87% by 2021

Develop and implement management plan for vacant properties owned by the UG and those that are privately held

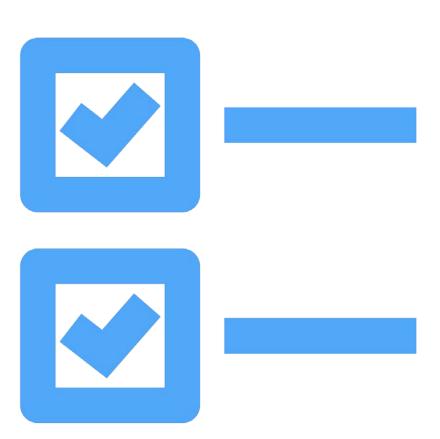
Develop and implement plans to improve overall impression about maintenance of UG Infrastructure and Facilities



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## plan overview and goals





## project area





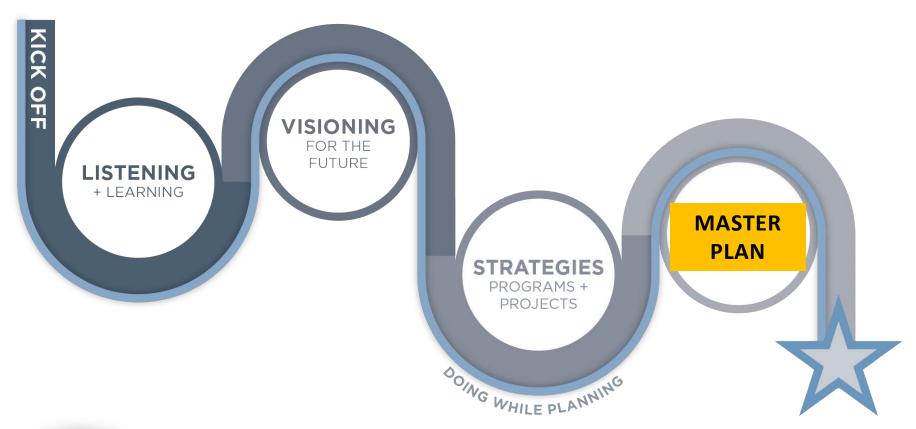
## goals of plan

- Improve the quality of life for current and future residents
- Identify opportunities for strategic reinvestment
- Put the ideas to action





## planning timeline





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## actions and accomplishments

- Extra round of neighborhood mowing
- 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Street bike lanes nearly complete
- Investigation of Big 11 Lake fish issues & scheduling of new tests
- Job posting for community liaisons beginning of hiring process
- Completion of draft market strategy



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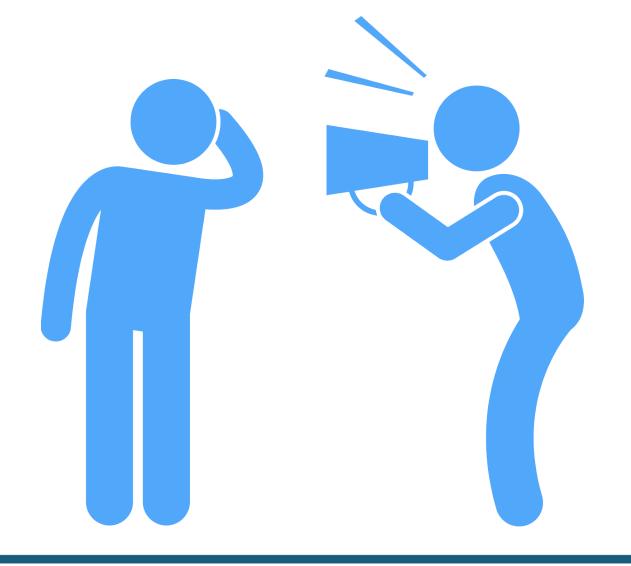






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assets and challenges





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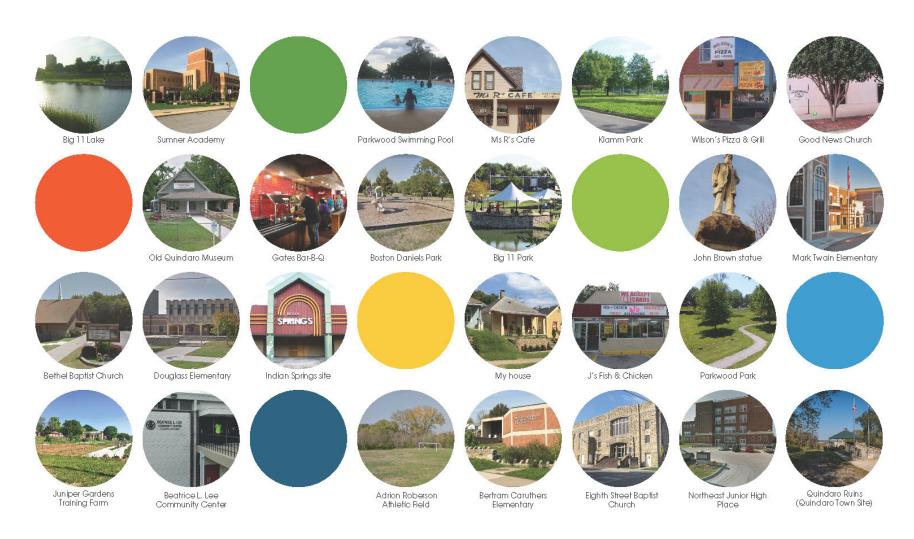
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At Community Meeting 1, residents of the Northeast Area defined what the term "Quality of Life" means to them. The figure to the left summarizes the definitions provided and the word cloud above visualizes the frequency of words used throughout residents' definitions. Community, health and safety emerge as important factors in determining quality of life for Northeast Area residents.

#### What are your favorite parts of the community? —



#### Community Assets: Physical & Economic —



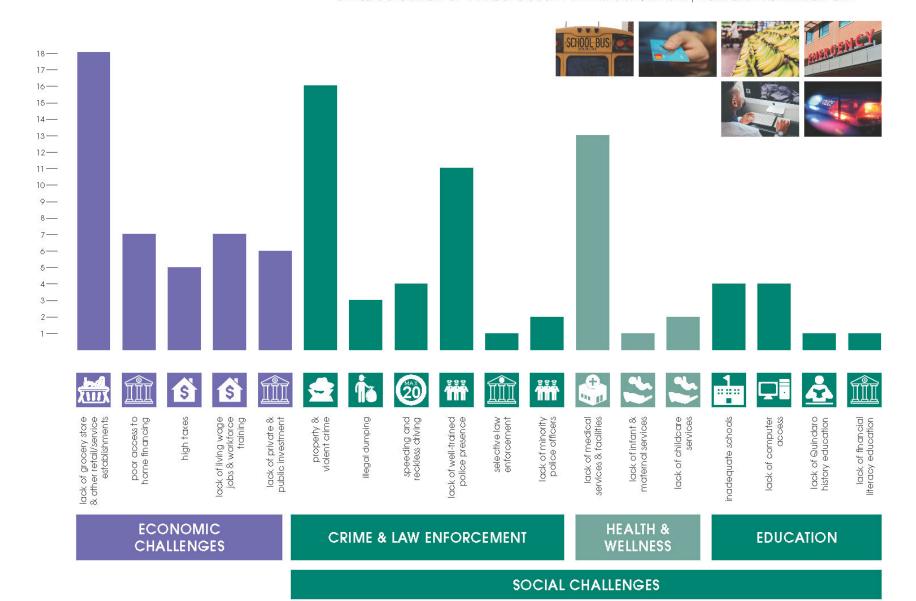
#### Community Assets: Social —



#### Community Challenges: Physical —



#### Community Challenges: Economic & Social —



tlc early action projects





## tlc projects - together leading change

"community is much more than belonging to something; it's about doing something together that makes belonging matter"

- \$15,000 will be allocated to the implementation of 3 TLC Projects.
- A list of potential projects has been formulated by community members and curated by the consultant team.



#### Please check the box of the project option that you feel should be pursued in the next few months.



Work with **YouthBuild on**rehab of homes on a
"model block" identified by
community



Conduct a springtime neighborhood clean-up and celebration and fund landscaping improvements, and other beautification projects throughout the neighborhood



Develop program for health services at Quindaro Community Center clinic space, and identify willing service providers



Develop and promote the Nextdoor.com online social network as a community resource, and connect existing neighborhood associations



Develop an initial **trail**network at the Quindaro
Townsite and apply for
grants through the AfricanAmerican Cultural Heritage
Action Fund for additional
improvements



Construct and install
heritage trail markers in the
Douglass-Sumner area and
elsewhere in neighborhood



Purchase and install computers in existing community centers, and utilize for teaching and training while working with Connecting for Good to improve wifi networks

**Email** 



Utilize community centers to host quarterly "parties with a purpose" with a focus on training, jobs, financial literacy, gardening and home upkeep



Further explore the cooperative community-owned grocery model, and invite experts to the community to teach us how It's done

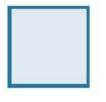


Develop summertime schedule of activities to promote and activate local parks, including sports, food, community gathering and movies in the park

Would you like to volunteer to help with an Early Action Project? Sign up here! Name \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have an idea for a **future Early Action Project?** Tell us about it!



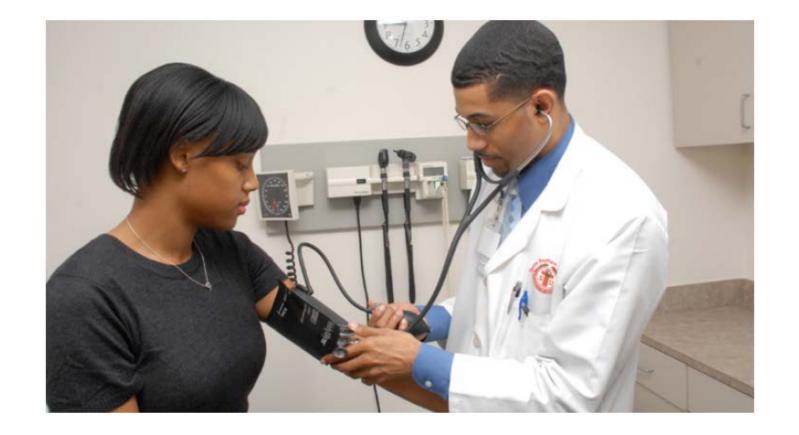


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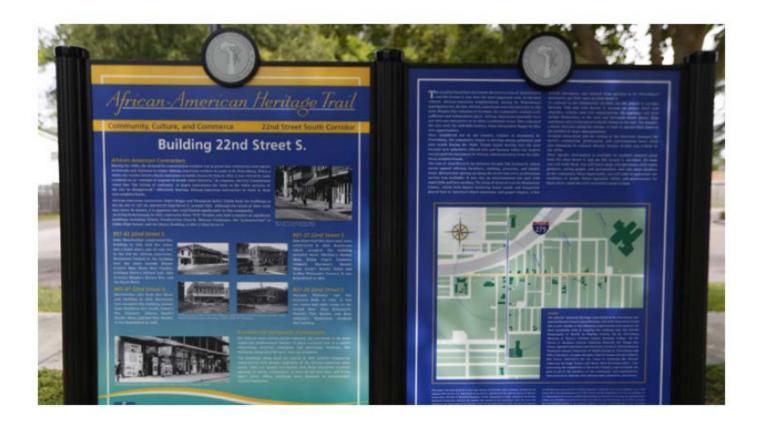


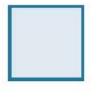
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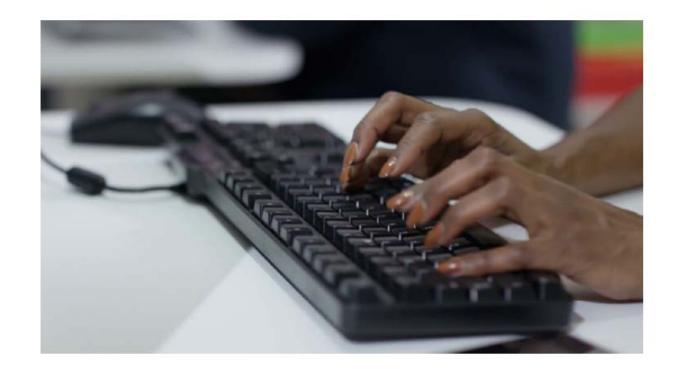


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#### Northeast Area Place Types

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The Northeast Area Place Types are representative of the different types of neighborhoods, districts, land uses and landmarks found throughout the Northeast Area. Specific locations identified in the map above were selected because they embody the characteristics of each place type. A place-based strategy that works well at one location can be applied to locations of a similar place type throughout the community.



#### **Residential Corridor**

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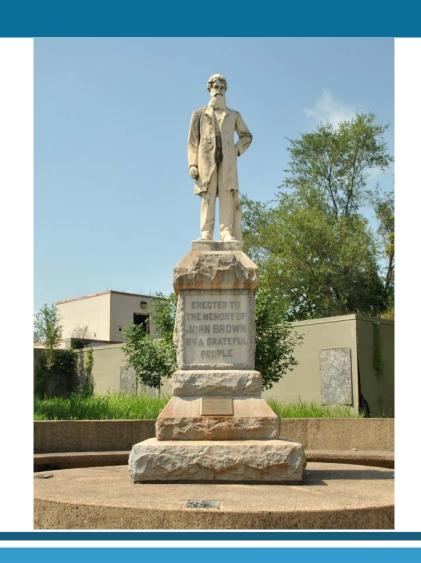






### next steps

- Hiring of community liaisons
- Market strategy summary
- Begin organizing winning TLC projects
- Development of Plan Concepts
- Community Meeting 3 -January 2018







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