



# KANSAS CITY MISSOURI

# **KC Blueprint Violence Prevention Initiatives**

**Ordinance # 250557 and 250558**

**Contract Renewal for Year Two 2025**

**July 22, 2025**

**Neighborhood and Development Committee**



# Violence Prevention Funding

The City of Kansas City's Violence Prevention Funding is a \$30 million, five-year initiative aimed at reducing violence and improving public safety.

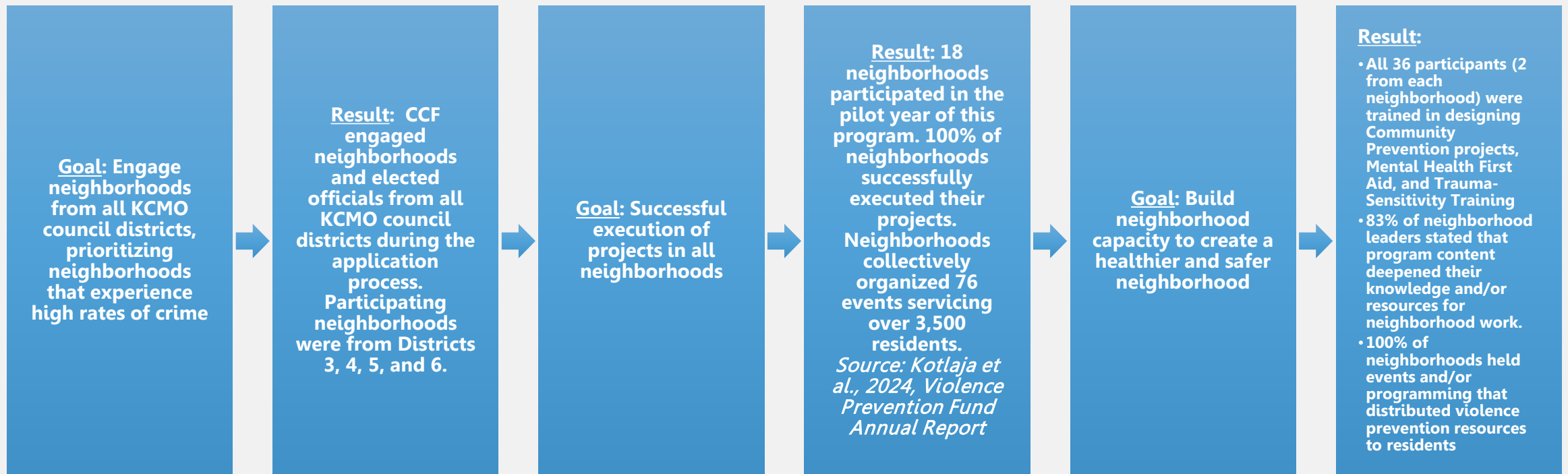
Focused on neighborhood strategies, youth development, and community restoration, with an emphasis on collaboration and resident engagement.

The funding reflects Kansas City's commitment to a comprehensive approach that combines community involvement, support for at-risk individuals, and creating a safer environment.

# **Community Capital Fund**

## **Ordinance #250557**

# 2024 Strong Program Goals & Results



# **\$167,629.06 was distributed to Neighborhoods for programming**

## **Types of Community Impact**

Events included:

**Community building:** Family Fun Days, holiday parties, neighborhood celebrations

**Safety initiatives:** Crime prevention workshops, collaboration with KCPD

**Civic engagement:** Neighborhood meetings, interpretation services for non-English speakers

**Youth development:** Leadership programs, coding/cooking classes

**Community improvement:** Clean-up activities, home repair assistance fairs

**19 neighborhood  
associations**  
participated  
across diverse KC  
communities

**76+ community  
events** hosted  
citywide

**3,573+ residents**  
directly engaged  
in community  
activities

**100%  
completion rate**  
for neighborhood  
projects and  
leader training  
requirements

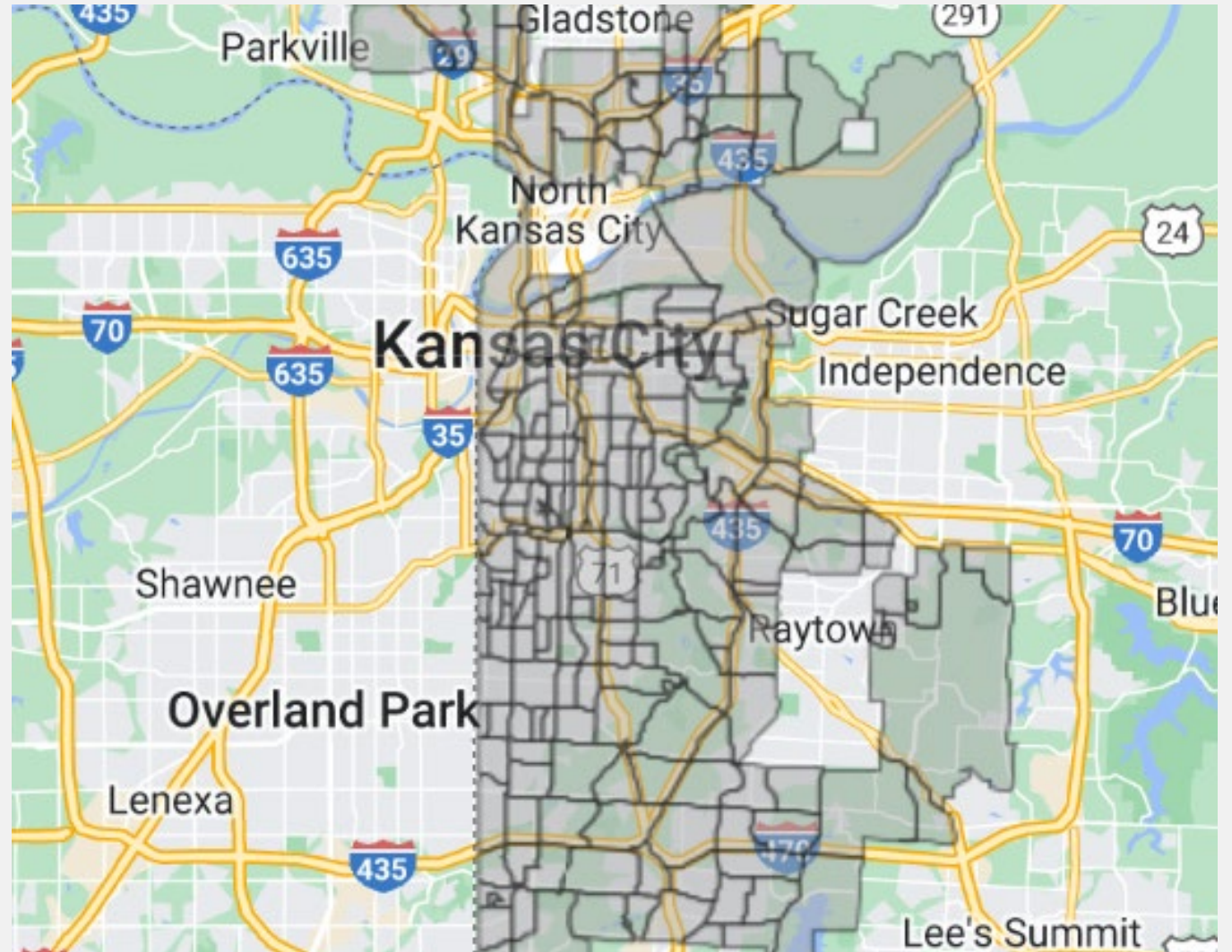
# 2024 Participating Neighborhoods

- ☐ Blue Hills Neighborhood Association
- ☐ Blue Valley Neighborhood Association
- ☐ Boston Heights/Mount Hope Neighborhood Association
- ☐ Columbus Park Community Council
- ☐ East 23rd St. Pac Neighborhood
- ☐ Foxtown East Neighborhood Association
- ☐ Heart of the City Neighborhood Association, Inc.
- ☐ Lykins Neighborhood Association
- ☐ Marlborough Community Coalition
- ☐ Paseo West Neighborhood Association
- ☐ Pendleton Heights Neighborhood Association
- ☐ Santa Fe Area Council
- ☐ Town Fork Creek Neighborhood Association
- ☐ Tri-Blenheim Neighborhood Association
- ☐ View High Drive North Neighborhood Association
- ☐ Vineyard Neighborhood Association
- ☐ Ward Parkway Homes Association
- ☐ Washington Wheatley Neighborhood Association

## 2025 Program Impact

In 2025, this program will...

- ☐ Engage 23 neighborhoods across Kansas City, MO for a 10-month program
- ☐ Equip 46 neighborhood leaders with tools, resources, and capital to advance neighborhood initiatives found in the KC Blueprint for Violence Prevention
- ☐ Fund projects designed to combat violence, crime and/or residential instability





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**2025 saw a 28% increase in neighborhood participation**

# 2025 Program Goals & Strategy



**Goal:** Increase the number of participating neighborhoods in the program



**Strategy:** CCF began recruitment in late 2024 for the 2025 cohort. We expanded outreach and streamlined the application process to make it more accessible to neighborhoods citywide, with targeted promotion in districts not previously or under-represented.



**Goal:** Provide more resources and training support to equip neighborhoods with tools to advance violence prevention



**Strategy:** Engage additional expert facilitators and increase technical assistance opportunities to help neighborhoods design and complete impactful violence prevention projects.



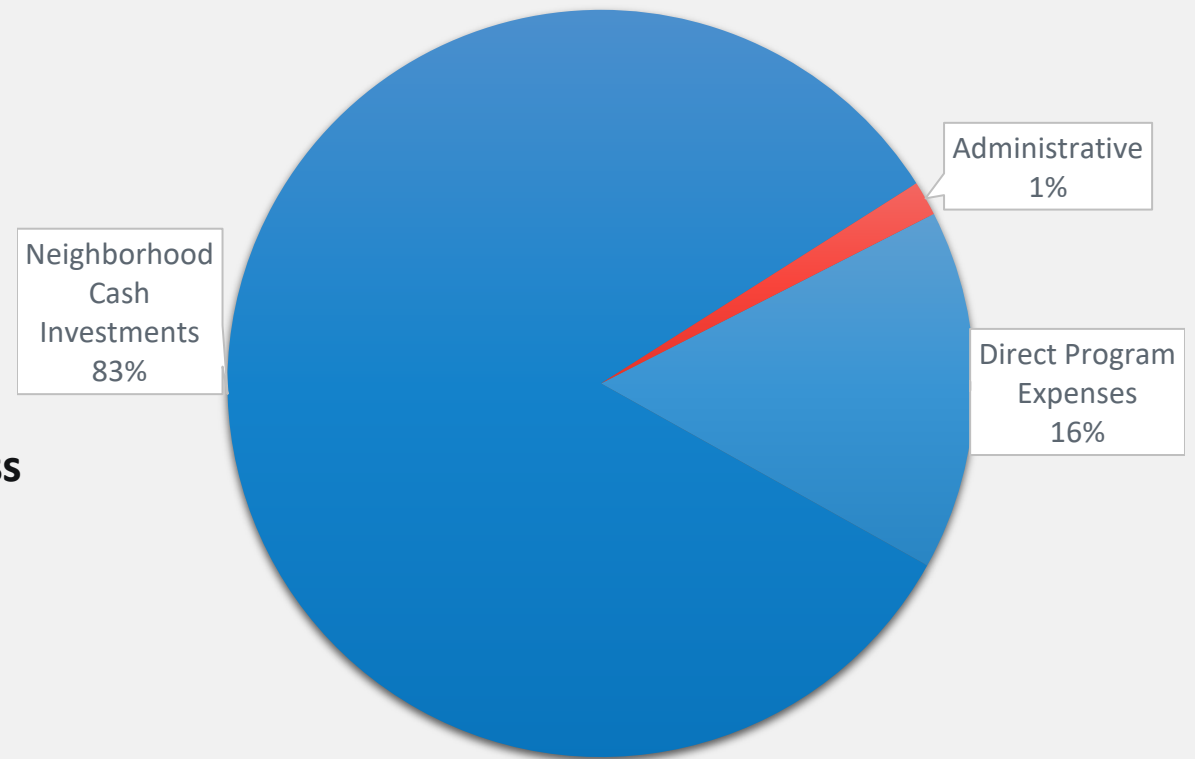
**Goal:** Increase the sustainability and visibility of neighborhood-led violence prevention efforts



**Strategy:** Help neighborhoods document outcomes, pursue additional funding opportunities, and share their stories through events, digital platforms, and earned media.

# 2025 Budget Highlights

- **83% of program budget is allocated directly to cash investments to neighborhoods**
- **This does not include CCF's \$100,000 match commitment in neighborhood subgrant funds across the program duration. Therefore, increasing the City's total benefit while staying in budget.**





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# **Kansas City Metropolitan Crime Commission Second Chance**

## **Ordinance #250558**

# 2024 Impacts – Year One

## Program Outputs

**100% new clients entering unemployed**

**57% (53/93) as of 4/30/25**

**\$18.59 average wage (\$15-45/hour)**

**Food Pantry accessed 1,645 times**

**+25,000# of food!** (January 2024-April 2025)

**Less than 12% recidivism in first year**

**(March 2024 – April 2025)**

- ✓ **1,273 Attendance in Cog Groups (1,556 Total)**
- ✓ **80 of 93 (86.02%) participants engaged  
in at least one cog group**
- ✓ **\$38,500 earned in stipends**
- ✓ **\$164,101.65 paid in vocational training and  
upskilling**

# Client-Centered Impacts

Harvester's Food Distributed

25,311 lbs.



Pantry Accessed

1,645 Times



Prison Outreach Contact

773

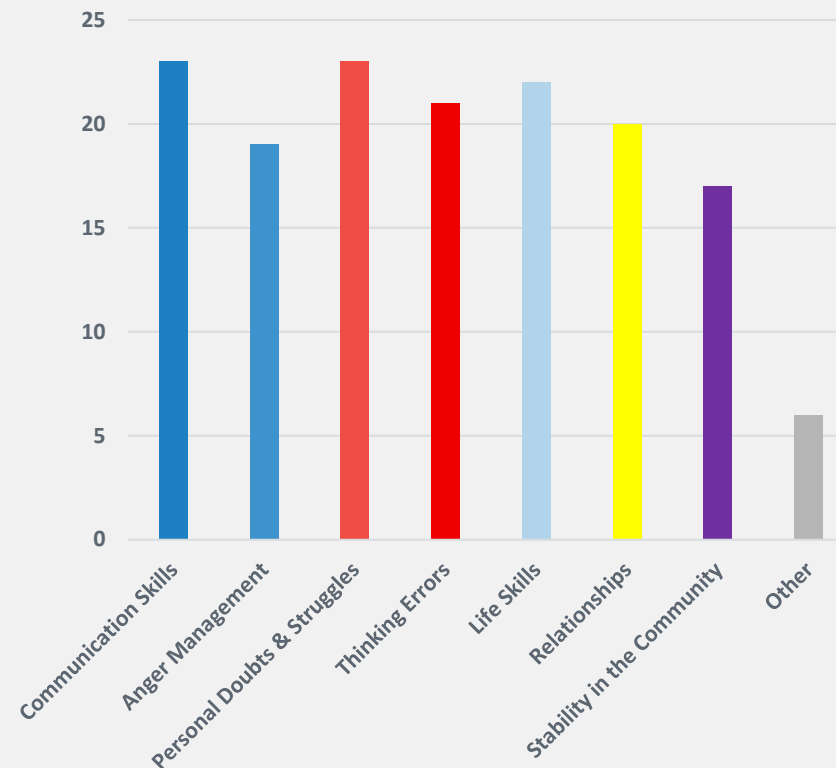


Community Referrals

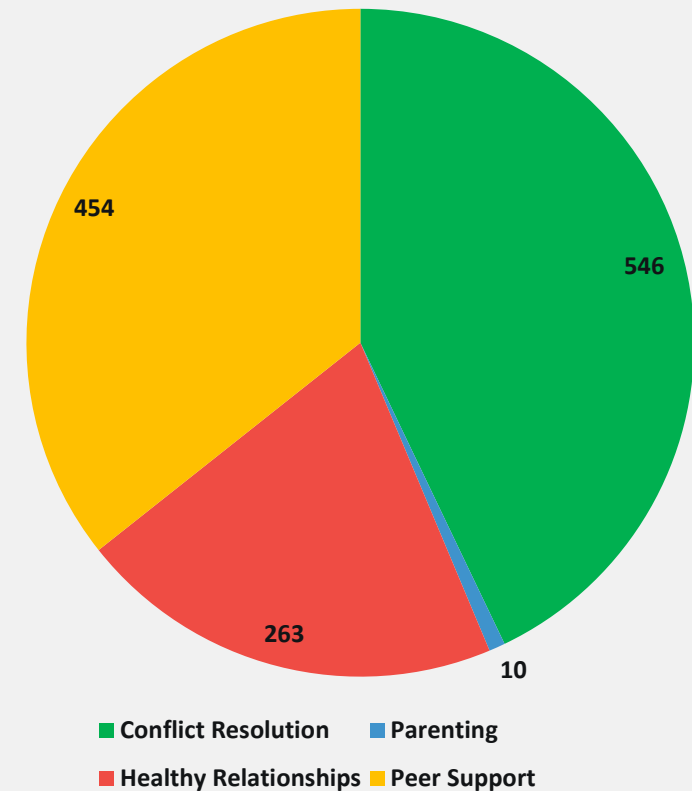
3,310



Client Self-Report  
3/1/24 - 4/30/25



Cognitive Intervention Groups



## Fair Hiring Expansion

Increase opportunities for employment

## Employer Education

Increase engagement amongst area employers for seamless adjustment in hiring practices

## Build Capacity

Increase Subcontract Awards to move towards One-Stop Model

## Aggressive Collaboration

Move away from organizational silos and work collaboratively towards system change

## Adjust Strategies

Learn from other national models to ensure ongoing efficacy and fidelity

## Changing Narratives

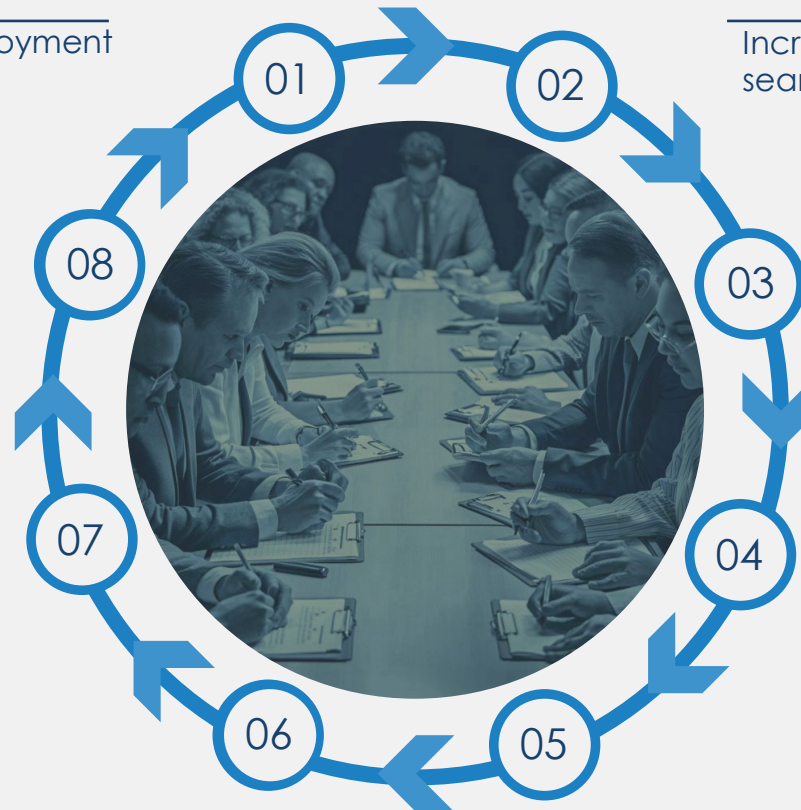
Decrease the negative stereotypes and messaging around being Justice Impacted

## Gather Feedback

Engage honestly and transparently in evaluation and data collection

## Increase Pro-Social Interaction

Ensure Credible Messengers are always at the table where decisions are made





# Needs in 2025



## Plan

& coordinate with Justice Systems Partners to develop true control in experiment



## Support

in Fair Hiring expansion efforts on Reentry Subcommittee of KC360



## Learn

from national examples to bring back to Kansas City; move towards One-Stop Model



## Expand

two new RFPs to be distributed for application and review



## Move

to new office space in August 2025



## Educate

community members, employers, legislators, stakeholders

