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Program Income Guidelines

Household Size	Maximum Total 2021 Household Income (Not Adjusted Gross Income)
1	\$39,450
2.....	\$45,050
3.....	\$50,700
4.....	\$56,300
5.....	\$60,825
6.....	\$65,325
7.....	\$69,825
8+.....	\$74,350



Property tax rebate program accepting applications Jan. 9

As part of the 2023 budget process, the Governing Body has again allocated \$20,000 from the City’s budget to a property tax rebate program designed to alleviate some of the burden of home ownership due to rising property values. Qualified residents will be reimbursed 100% of the City’s portion of property taxes, excluding special assessments.

Eligibility requirements:

Only property owners that are Prairie Village residents living in owner-occupied homes, are current on payment of their property taxes and special assessments and meet the income guidelines are eligible for the program. For 2023, income guidelines have been increased in an effort to assist a larger number of residents. Please note that the guidelines are based on total 2021 income, not adjusted gross income.

Eligible applicants must also live in a home that is appraised by the county at or below the previous year’s average property value in the City (in 2022, this amount was \$426,865).

Application instructions:

The City Clerk’s office will begin accepting applications at 10 a.m. on Monday, January 9, 2023, on a first-come, first-served basis. Applicants will be required to submit proof of their 2021 income for all household members (i.e., tax return and/or social security statement). The types of income that must be reported are available at pvkansas.com/propertytaxrebate.

Applications must be delivered in-person to Prairie Village City Hall. Refunds will be distributed as funds allow to eligible applicants in the order in which applications were received.

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Elected Officials

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Unsure which ward you live in?
Visit www.pvkansas.com/wardmap.

A Message from the Mayor



Dear friends and neighbors,

Transitioning to 2023, let's take a moment to reflect back on highlights of an extraordinary 2022, as we anticipate great things ahead.

Back In-Person. 2022 was the year Prairie Village, along with much of the rest of the world, emerged from the pandemic. Our community began to reconnect in-person, enthusiastically seizing opportunities at traditional and new civic events such as VillageFest, JazzFest, Arts Fair, Holiday Tree Lighting, Juneteenth, Arts Council gallery shows, MLK celebration, PV Foundation charitable events,

Diversity forums, the swimming pool season, Ukrainian Sister City support, and Coffees with a Cop, socially filling our public spaces across Prairie Village again with laughter, learning and fun.

Fiscal Strength, Police, Roads and Staff Funding. Our local economy roared in 2022 as well with record economic activity, major commercial redevelopment investments, new local shop openings, and increased property values. We reconfirmed our best-in-class, triple AAA credit rating and again won an award for budget excellence and transparency, all while beating our budget. We approved the largest City property tax rate reduction in at least a generation and expanded our cash rebate programs for residents. We substantially increased police salaries and funding; made major infrastructure investment in roads, parks, and drainage; and rewarded our outstanding staff who kept it all humming.

Park Improvements, Sustainability. We expanded recycling programs, built new pedestrian and bike trails, and received the highest LEED Platinum environmental certification for our amazing new Public Works building. We installed new art, playgrounds, trees, restrooms, shelters and other amenities in our award-winning park system and adopted an ambitious new five-year capital plan for the future of those great parks.

2023. What lies ahead? We anticipate more upgrades to many of our parks in 2023, including the swimming pool. We will continue to seek input and consensus on unique Prairie Village answers to the question: Can we do more to address our housing cost and diversity challenges in ways that enhance long-term property values and strengthen our neighborhoods? We will consider additional improvements to our civic center campus, including City Hall, the Police Department, recreation and library facilities. We will undertake several major road and drainage improvement projects and continue to improve delivery of services including more online options.

As always, there is apprehension and uncertainty about the future. Fears of recession, inflation, partisan vitriol, new virus variants, lingering staffing challenges...pick your worry. None of these are new but they are all real threats to our quality of life, worthy of concern and planning.

A fundamental, historic path can continue to guide us to civic success. Some call it the "Prairie Village Way." If we each recommit to the greater good, share differences civilly as we seek common ground and truth, volunteer to help in good faith, and respect and celebrate our neighbors, then we will again overcome whatever adversity awaits. With your help, our Prairie Village star will shine, prosper and flourish in 2023 and beyond, more than ever before.

Happy New Year,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eric Mikkelson'.

-Eric

Dates to Note

Tree drop-off available until January 15

The holidays have come and gone, and it's time to un-deck the halls. Prairie Village residents have multiple options for live tree disposal.

Republic Services will pick up live trees at the curbside for the first two weeks in January. Trees taller than 6 feet must be cut in half prior to removal. The trees will be picked up with other compost/yard waste items on each resident's typical trash pickup date.

Additionally, the City sponsors a tree recycling program which runs until January 15. Trees can be placed in designated areas of Porter, Franklin, and Taliaferro Parks. Trees must be free of all lights, ornaments, stands, metal nails, etc. as these items will damage the chipping machine. Residents may take the chips for their own use.

Date	Event	Time	Location
1/2	New Year's Day observed - City offices closed	All day	City offices
1/10	Planning Commission Meeting	7 p.m.	City Hall
1/11	Arts Council Gallery Reception	7 p.m.	City Hall
1/14	I Have a Dream (Home) Action & Celebration Event	4 p.m.	Village Church
1/16	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - City offices closed	All day	City offices
1/17	City Council Meeting	6 p.m.	City Hall
2/6	City Council Meeting	6 p.m.	City Hall
2/7	Planning Commission Meeting	7 p.m.	City Hall
2/20	President's Day - City offices closed	All day	City offices
2/21	City Council Meeting	6 p.m.	City Hall

For a full list of upcoming council and committee meetings, visit pvkansas.com.

STAND UP FOR BLACK LIVES+ PRAIRIE VILLAGE, PV DIVERSITY COMMITTEE, JCNAACP AND VILLAGE CHURCH PRESENTS

PRAIRIE VILLAGE'S SECOND ANNUAL

I HAVE A DREAM (HOME) ACTION & CELEBRATION EVENT

Honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



SATURDAY 14
JANUARY

4 to 5:30 PM

VILLAGE CHURCH
6641 Mission Road
PRAIRIE VILLAGE

ALL AGES WELCOME!
Featuring Dove Award Winner, LYNDA RANDLE, GLENN NORTH, Poet | Writer, ERIN ROYALS, Geography PhD student, JAMES WARD BAND TRIO, STORLING DANCE THEATRE, and TROY SANDERS
--Reception to follow--
--Livestream at villagepres.org/online

OUR GUEST SPEAKER
IAN GRAVES,
PRAIRIE VILLAGE WARD 6,
CITY COUNCILMAN

As a part of the city's ongoing efforts to better know and welcome our diverse neighbors, Stand-Up for Black Lives+, City of Prairie Village, Prairie Village Diversity Committee, JCNAACP, and Village Church are pleased to sponsor an event honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his message of service and inclusion. The event will be held at 4 p.m. January 14 at Village Church. All are invited.



Gingerbread decorating party

The Prairie Village Foundation hosted its annual Gingerbread House Decorating Party December 4 to raise money for summer recreation scholarships for qualified Prairie Village families. The event sold 72 gingerbread houses, which were made by Meli Ballard. Thank you to everyone who participated in the event and supported the Prairie Village Foundation.



Shop with a Cop benefits local students

The twelfth annual Shop with a Cop event was held in early December. Sponsored by The Prairie Village Foundation, Shop with a Cop is a chance for the Prairie Village Police Department to team up with deserving children in our community to spread holiday cheer.

The Police Department hosted twelve elementary school children identified by school counselors and the Police Department D.A.R.E. Officer to be part of the program. The children were taken to Target in Mission to shop for themselves and family members. After shopping, each child was treated to a pizza and ice cream party, while volunteers wrapped their packages.



Thank you!

The Police Department would like to thank the following for their generous contributions to what has been the most successful year yet for the Shop with a Cop program:

- Prairie Village Foundation
- Prairie Village Police Department
- Atha Family Foundation
- Greater Kansas City Public Safety Credit Union
- WireCo World Group
- Target – Mission, Kansas
- Johnny's Tavern - Prairie Village
- The Learning Tree - Prairie Village
- Prairie Village Dentists - Grant R. Smith DDS
- The Big Biscuit
- Notes to Self, LLC
- SCHEELS All Sports
- Chill in the Village
- The Bank of Prairie Village
- B-Bop Comics and Games
- Bijin Salon & Day Spa
- Subway
- Salty Iguana-Prairie Village
- QuikTrip
- Hy-Vee-Prairie Village
- Many anonymous contributors and volunteers



Contractor licenses, building permits move online

The City of Prairie Village is transitioning to an online, cloud-based licensing and permitting system called OpenGov for contractor licensing and building permitting. The website is available online at prairievillageks.viewpointcloud.com.

All general contractor and sub-contractor licenses carry a single, flat fee of \$75, which can be paid online by credit card or through the mail via check. Licenses are issued for a 12-month period, beginning at the time of licensing and renewing 12 months later. Contractor licenses will not be processed until fees are paid and the contractor has an active Johnson County Contractor License.

Contractor licensing began online December 5, 2022. Permitting begins online January 3, 2023.

With further questions regarding licensing, please contact the Community Development Department at permits@pvkansas.com or 913-385-4604.



Police Citizen's Academy

Graduates of the 2022 Prairie Village Police Department Citizen's Academy were recognized during a City Council meeting in November. The Academy is a 10-week course that meets on Wednesday evenings from September through November. Course topics include: traffic enforcement, Kansas law, officer safety tactics, crime scenes, communications, and use of force. Those interested in Citizen's Academy must be able to commit both time and energy, must possess a concern for law enforcement service in our community, and must be at least 18 years of age.

Solid Waste Collection 2023

Large Item Pickup:

April 22 - Homes west of Roe and north of 79th Street - mattress pickup 4/21

April 29 - Homes west of Roe and south of 79th Street - mattress pickup 4/28

May 6 - Homes east of Roe and north of 75th Street - mattress pickup 5/5

May 13 - Homes east of Roe and south of 75th Street - mattress pickup 5/12

Denotes Bulky Item & Holiday Delay

Denotes Small Bulky Item Week

Denotes Holiday Delay

January 12 Yard Waste Items						
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March 12 Yard Waste Items						
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April 12 Yard Waste Items						
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May 12 Yard Waste Items						
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August 12 Yard Waste Items						
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September 12 Yard Waste Items						
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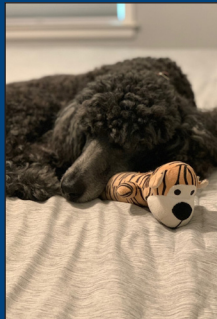
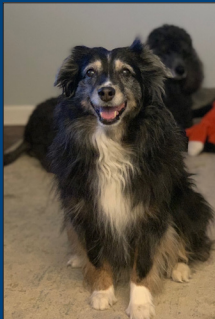
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November 12 Yard Waste Items						
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Small bulky item: Residents are allowed to set out one bulky item each month during the first full week of the month. Items cannot be larger than 2' by 2' and should weigh less than 45 pounds. For more information visit pvkansas.com/trash.





Licenses required for cats and dogs in Prairie Village

Do you own a cat or dog over the age of six months? If so, your pet must be licensed with the City. Licensing your furry friend helps keep them safe by ensuring they can be returned to their home if lost, and by certifying all animals in the City have rabies vaccinations. It's also inexpensive, with single-year licenses costing only \$6 for spayed or neutered animals.

Each Prairie Village household is permitted to have a maximum of four pets, with no more than three of one species (dog or cat). Licenses must be renewed every one, two or three years depending on the license purchased. Rabies vaccinations must also be valid for the duration of the license being purchased. If an animal cannot tolerate the rabies vaccination, a letter stating the intolerance must be provided by your veterinarian.

You can download a registration form online at www.pvkansas.com/animals. Please contact Barb Fisher at City Hall with questions at 913-385-4685.

Arbor Day Honoree nominations open

The Prairie Village Tree Board is accepting nominations for this year's Arbor Day Honoree. This is an opportunity for the community to recognize the efforts and contributions of outstanding citizens who had made a difference in Prairie Village. Their efforts should have had a positive and lasting impact on the community; they may be living or deceased individuals or couples and may have served the community in any capacity. Nominations will be accepted until February 28, 2023. You can obtain nomination forms online at pvkansas.com/treeboard

Volunteers help plant trees

The Heartland Tree Alliance and the Prairie Village Tree Board held their sixth annual fall street tree planting event November 30 to promote the value of trees in the community.

More than 20 volunteers, including Honeywell Kansas City employees, planted a variety of trees in right-of-way areas in the Meadowlake neighborhood including Baldcypress, Shumard Oak, and Kentucky Coffee trees.

Pictured at right, employees from Honeywell Kansas City plant a "White Shield" Osage-orange tree. White Shield is a male cultivar of Osage-orange that doesn't produce hedge apples.

Homeowners committed to water and care for the trees over the two-year critical growing period.

Studies show that trees provide



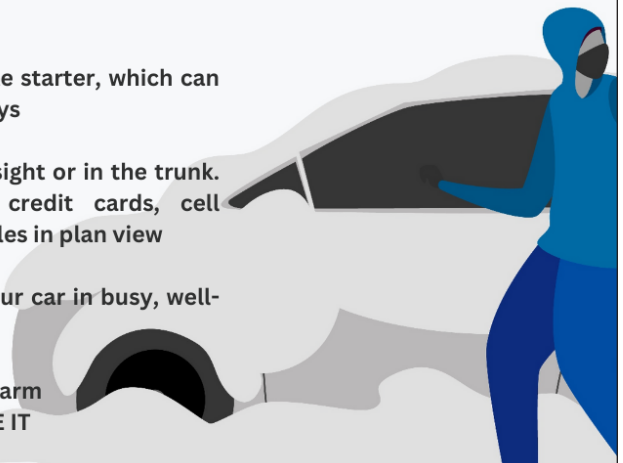
many benefits including reductions in particulate matter concentrations, the lowering of ambient air temperatures, reductions in crime, and improved health and psychological benefits.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the fall planting!

CAUTION: PREVENT VEHICLE THEFT

Follow these simple tips so you won't be left out in the cold

- Never leave your car running or the keys in the ignition
- Consider using a remote starter, which can run your car without keys
- Keep valuables out of sight or in the trunk. Never leave purses, credit cards, cell phones or other valuables in plain view
- When traveling park your car in busy, well-lit areas
- If your vehicle has an alarm or anti-theft device, USE IT



PRAIRIE VILLAGE ARTS COUNCIL 2023 CALENDAR ARTIST EXHIBITS, RECEPTION & MORE!

All receptions below to be at R.G. Endres Gallery at Prairie Village City Hall.

JANUARY 11, 7-8PM

GLORIA GALE & SUSAN RICHARDS
R.G. ENDRES GALLERY | 01/07 - 03/04/2023

MARCH 8, 7-8PM

DONNA YEAGER
R.G. ENDRES GALLERY | 03/04 - 05/06/2023
MEADOWBROOK CLUBHOUSE | 03/04 - 07/08/2023

MAY 10, 7-8:30PM

ART OF PHOTOGRAPHY JURIED COMPETITION 2023*
R.G. ENDRES GALLERY | 05/06 - 07/08/2023

JULY 12, 7-8PM

SHANNON TREVETHAN & SHANNON BROUK
R.G. ENDRES GALLERY | 07/08 - 09/09/2023
MEADOWBROOK CLUBHOUSE | 07/08 - 11/04/2023

SEPT. 13, 7-8:30PM

STATE OF THE ARTS JURIED COMPETITION 2023*
R.G. ENDRES GALLERY | 09/09 - 11/04/2023

NOVEMBER 8, 7-8PM

DEBRA PAYNE & DONNA PAUL
R.G. ENDRES GALLERY | 11/04/2023 - JAN. 2024
MEADOWBROOK CLUBHOUSE | 11/04/2023 - MAR. 2024

● **SUMMER 2023 | PRAIRIE VILLAGE ART WALK**

● **APRIL 2**

SHOOTING STARS GALA**
NERMAN MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART, 3CCC
WWW.ARTS3CCO.ORG FOR TIME & MORE INFO

● **JULY 4**

VILLAGEFEST**
PV MUNICIPAL COMPLEX / HARMON PARK
WWW.PVKANSAS.COM

● **JUNE 2-4**

PRAIRIE VILLAGE ART SHOW**
SHOPS AT THE VILLAGE | WWW.PVARTSHOW.COM

● **SEPTEMBER 9**

PRAIRIE VILLAGE JAZZFEST**
HARMON PARK | WWW.PVKANSAS.COM

*ANNUAL JURIED COMPETITIONS

**EVENT BY OTHER, PVAC WILL HAVE A ROLE AS SPONSOR OR PARTICIPANT.

Grant Programs



Are you making an improvement to your residence? You may be eligible for grant funding.

The 2023 grant programs will begin accepting applications online on February 1, 2023. Grants will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. Grant guidelines will be posted online when they are available.

**Learn more at
pvkansas.com/grants**

Staff Spotlight

Name: **April Leon**
Position: **Court Clerk - Docket**
Years with the City: **7**



Responsibilities: I'm currently responsible for prepping all court dockets, trials, running driving records, criminal records, and probation/diversion.

Favorite thing about working for Prairie Village: I enjoy working as a team with my co-workers. We work very well together, and we also have a good time doing it.

Name: **Larry Enochs**
Position: **Grounds Maintenance**
Years with the City: **8**



Responsibilities: I'm assigned to the grounds maintenance crew. We're responsible for maintenance of public spaces including parks and playgrounds, the pool complex, fountains and signs. We're also responsible for playground inspections.

Favorite thing about working for Prairie Village: My favorite thing about working for Prairie Village is working outdoors.

Name: **Patrick Mahoney**
Position: **Corporal**
Years with the City: **15**



Responsibilities: I am currently assigned to the Patrol Division. I help supervise the patrol officers on a day-to-day basis. I handle calls for service and enforce traffic ordinances and city ordinances. Additionally, I am the Department Coordinator for the Law Enforcement Torch Run, which is a worldwide organization of Police Officers that helps raise funds and awareness for Special Olympics.

Favorite thing about working for Prairie Village: My favorite part of the Police Department is we are big enough to have plenty of opportunities and responsibilities, but still a size where you will know everyone you work with and you aren't just a number. We get to work with a variety of different people with all different backgrounds and experience and everyone has different life experience to bring to the job.

Tree lighting event raises awareness for PV Foundation

A large crowd gathered in early December to kick off the holiday season with the Mayor's Holiday Tree Lighting. The crowd was entertained by Dancerz Unlimited and the Prairie Elementary School Choir. KC Wolf, the Shawnee Mission East Lancer, the Prairie Panther, the Briarwood Bulldog, the Corinth Dragon, Olaf, and the Shawnee Mission East drumline ushered Santa Claus into the festivities. Retiring Shawnee Mission East Cross Country Coach Tricia Beaham helped Mayor Mikkelson flip the switch to light the tree.

The tree is lit as a symbol of hope for families in Prairie Village who find themselves in need. The funds raised for the Mayor's Holiday Tree Fund help pay utilities, rental assistance and fund local food pantries. Donations to the Mayor's Tree Fund at the Prairie Village Foundation can be made by scanning the QR code at the bottom of this page or at prairievillagefoundation.com.

We would like to thank Hen House, Hattie's Coffee, Social Suppers and Laura Little's Fudge for providing treats for the crowd.



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CITY HALL AND MUNICIPAL COURT

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 Nickie Lee, Deputy City Administrator
 Meghan Buum, Assistant City Administrator
 Tim Schwartzkopf, Assistant City Administrator
 Adam Geffert, City Clerk
 Jason Hannaman, Finance Director

POLICE DEPARTMENT

7710 Mission Road
 Byron Roberson, Chief of Police

PUBLIC WORKS (Facility now home to Building Codes)

3535 Somerset Drive
 Keith Bredehoeft, Public Works Director

SOCIAL MEDIA

Are you on social media? Follow the City of Prairie Village and the Police Department for the most up-to-date information on City happenings.



DONATE

If you would like to make a donation to the Prairie Village Foundation, open your smartphone's camera and hover over this QR Code. A page will pop up directing you to the Foundation's website.



EVERYONE MAY PARTICIPATE

If anyone requires an accommodation to participate in public meetings, contact the City Clerk's office at 913-381-6464 (TDD 800-766-2777) at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting time, if possible, to make arrangements.