

# YEAR 2

PROGRESS  
REPORT MAY  
2019



The **GO KC** groundbreakings that began a year ago are continuing in 2019, with even more sidewalks, fountains and bridges being repaired. This progress report summarizes the latest activity generated by our 20-year, \$800 million capital improvements program.

The Kansas City Museum enjoyed a major restoration and renovation to Corinthian Hall, accounting for \$8

million over two years. The \$6.1 million Wornall Road project between 85th and 89th St. wrapped up in May. Some \$3 million in improvements made to the Beacon Hill Southwest Quadrant are complete, and the list of projects nearing completion keeps growing.

One of the splashier efforts completed in the second year of GO KC is the Delbert Haff Fountain restoration.

This \$750,000 investment began in 2018 and features a new basin, piping and transformer for renewable energy. Plus, there's new ADA access on the East side.

This update supplements our GO KC Project Explorer in Open Data KC, which allows residents to track progress and review details of ongoing projects. More complete information is also available at [KCMO.GOV/GOKC](https://kcmo.gov/gokc).

## YEAR TWO PROJECTS

## YEAR THREE

PROJECT NAME	TYPE	STATUS
Red Bridge (Holmes to Wornall)	Bridges	●
Kenneth Rd Bridge	Bridges	●
Indian Creek	Bridges	●
Swope Park Industrial Flyover Bridge	Bridges	●
KC Museum	Buildings	●
Starlight ADA	Buildings	●
City Hall ADA	Buildings	●
Animal Shelter	Buildings	●
North Fire Station	Buildings	●
Swope Park Industrial Levee	Flood Control	●
Dodson/Turkey Creek Debt Service	Flood Control	●
Citywide Sidewalk Repair	Sidewalks	●
ADA Curb Ramps	Sidewalks	●
Maple Woods Parkway	Streets	●
North Oak Trafficway	Streets	●
Southwest Quadrant Beacon Hill	Streets	●
135th St from Wornall Rd to M-150	Streets	●
155th St from Kensington to Scott Ave	Streets	●
Green Hills Rd from Platte Brooke to 78th St	Streets	●
Gregory Blvd over Big Blue River	Streets	●
Paseo Gateway	Streets	●
Prospect MAX	Streets	●
Englewood Road	Streets	●
Wornall Road, 85th to 89th	Streets	●
Beardsley Road Landslide	Streets	●
22nd/23rd Street	Streets	●
Marlborough Community Infrastructure	Streets	●
Penn Valley Park Landslide	Streets	●
Broadway Traffic Synchronization	Streets	●
1% for Arts	Public Art	●

The second year proved to be just as robust and stimulating as the first. So how do things look for the third year?

- \$48.3 million dedicated to improving 33 **ROADS, BRIDGES AND SIDEWALKS** along with 13 **FLOOD-CONTROL AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS** projects
- **RECONSTRUCTION ON WORNALL** from 75th to 79th accounts for \$4.1 million
- **FRONT STREET** (Chouteau to Universal) accounts for another \$3.5 million in big-ticket road repairs

Flood control investments include:

- \$7.6 million Dodson/Turkey Creek debt
- \$2.5 million Swope Park Industrial

The much-anticipated animal shelter gets \$11 million to move forward with construction that began in 2018 and is expected to finish in late 2019. Once completed, this state-of-the-art facility will be a public-private partnership sure to make Kansas Citians proud.



## AWESOME ANIMAL SHELTER

The Kansas City Campus for Animal Care is shaping up to be a \$28-million upgrade for animal lovers. If all goes according to plans, this 60,000-square-foot facility being built in Swope Park at the corner of Elmwood and Gregory will replace the aging, overcrowded shelter on Raytown Road.

Widely acclaimed as a no-kill shelter, the facility will feature:

- Affordable veterinary services

- Meet-and-greet space for those considering adopting a pet
- Natural light throughout the building
- Education and training center
- Pet supply store
- Office space for animal control officers and private-sector advocates for animals to work side by side

The City is investing \$18 million in GO KC bonds and will own the facility, which is also being partially funded by private donors who are contributing \$10 million to the project.

AT A GLANCE ↓

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PROJECTS IN MOTION

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BLOCKS OF REPAIRED SIDEWALKS

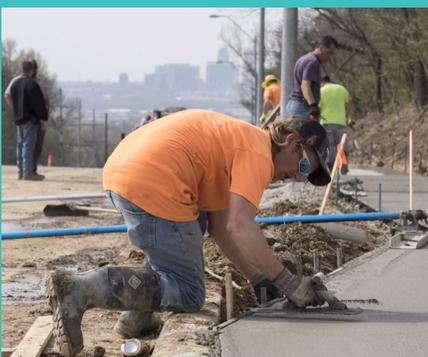
(Year 1 and Year 2)

\$105.8



MILLION INVESTED

(Year 1 and Year 2)



## PAVING NEW SIDEWALKS FOR MORE KCMO RESIDENTS!

Finding a way to lift the burden of financing sidewalk repairs off the shoulders of KCMO property owners was a challenge. That challenge is being met with dollars included in a bond proposal that voters overwhelmingly approved in 2017 to create a massive capital improvements program. The first question presented on that ballot was whether we wanted to invest \$150 million to revamp

the way sidewalks are repaired and built across the City. Voters answered with a resounding “Yes!”

That affirmation resulted in:

- 79 blocks of repaired sidewalks paved and counting
- \$7.5 million spent in 2018 to erase year-one backlog
- \$5 million dedicated to sidewalks in Year Two
- New program systematically evaluates repair needs
- A goal to complete two citywide cycles over 20 years

## HOW IT WORKS

- Program funded by issuing about \$40 million in General Obligation bonds annually for 20 years
- Voters approved higher property taxes to fund \$800 million in infrastructure work
- Capital improvements include reconstructed streets; new sidewalk repair program; flood control; and renovation of public buildings

## CONNECTING PIAC & GO KC

For nearly 40 years, the Capital Improvements voter-approved sales tax has provided funding for projects specifically requested by residents through the PIAC (Public Improvements Advisory Committee) process.

The tax generates approximately \$20 million per year, with \$3 million to \$4 million allocated

to each council district. Of the projects that get approved by PIAC, many are divided into phases to allow funding to be spread across multiple years.

With the approval of the GO KC bonds in April 2017, a number of PIAC-approved projects are moving forward thanks to the infusion of GO KC cash. Recently, the 135th Street project that began in 2013 was completed thanks to the additional funding. The budget for this project was \$3 million.

“The 135th Street Project in Martin City which improved the road adding new sidewalks, curbs and lighting between Holmes Road and Highway 150 was completed much more quickly with the GO KC funding,” said PIAC Coordinator Rose Rhodes. “The third phase totaled more \$3.8 million which would exceed what could be

allocated with PIAC funding alone in one year.”

“The Martin City area is a very successful neighborhood in South Kansas City,” said Barbara Ingle, former Martin City Capital Improvement District President. “The area generates nearly \$3 million in tax revenue annually and these improvements will ensure the area remains competitive with areas like Belton and South Johnson County.”

GO KC funding will continue to be combined with PIAC funding on additional projects like the improvements along Maplewoods Parkway. Council Districts 1 and 2 are combining their PIAC dollars to move this project forward.



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## HOW TO FIND INFORMATION ABOUT GO KC PROJECTS

To help you track the progress of this 20-year

program, the city makes information available in multiple formats.

- **OPEN DATA KC:** GO KC
- **PROJECT EXPLORER:** Track progress 24/7 and view details of ongoing projects.
- **WEBSITE:** [kcmo.gov/gokc](http://kcmo.gov/gokc)
- **VIDEO STORIES:** [youtube.com/kcmocco](https://www.youtube.com/kcmocco) and click on GO KC Recent Projects
- **TWITTER:** Follow the city's account @KCMO and search using #GOKC