

Monthly news & updates

August 2024 - CITY OF WESTWOOD HILLS

Upcoming Events:

August

15 Planning Commission Meeting

September

09 City Council Meeting

14 Environmental Fair

19 Planning Commission Meeting

21 WWHHF Homes Tour

Save the Date!
September 21, 2024



Westwood Hills Historic Foundation
Homes Tour

The Homes Tour is sponsored by The Westwood Hills Historic Foundation. Please contact Karen Sexton at [913 579-4406](tel:9135794406) with any questions.

Fun Facts

Back in 1949:

- U.S. President - Harry Truman
- Meryl Streep was born
- The first 12 women graduated from the Harvard Medical School
- The world population was 2,400,000,000
- The first Volkswagen, Type 1 Beetle, was sold in the U.S.

Save
the Date

HOA ANNUAL DINNER
10.21.2024

Lidia's - 101 W. 22nd St., Kansas City, MO

Recycle Spot!

Visit the new and improved RecycleSpot.org to:

[Search the database](#) to find a location to recycle just about anything.

See [what items can go in your curbside bin](#) and how to [recycle better](#).

Learn more about household [hazardous waste](#) and where you can safely dispose of it.

Find your [local recycling center](#) and explore the [services available in your community](#).

Learn more about [workplace recycling](#) and how to get started.

Discover [local events](#) and get the [latest news](#).

Recycle Better

YES These items go in your recycling bin:



NO

Do NOT place these items in your recycling bin:



*Other recycling options listed on RecycleSpot.org



Back to School

Depending on your point of view, you will either be happy or sad to know that school has started for Westwood View students. With school in session, there will be more pedestrian traffic, so please watch out for little ones and slow down on streets in the neighborhood and around the school.

Congratulations 2015 West 49th St. for the August YOTM!



Environmental Fair
Go Green!
Save Our Planet and Your Pocketbook!

2024 Environmental Fair

Saturday, September 14, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Join us for Go Green 2024! This FREE family-friendly environmental fair, is set for September 14,

2024, at the Sylvester Powell Center and will show you how taking small steps to reduce your carbon footprint at home, school, and work will help the environment and save money. Local businesses and nonprofits will provide information and items to help you live a more sustainable life.

- Exhibitors will lead educational sessions on all sorts of green topics.
- Children will be in for lots of fun and activities. And yes, there will be face painting!
- Secure eCycle will be taking old computers and electronics, focusing on laptops, desktops, and monitors and recycling them at the event.



Photo of the City's Rain Garden installed in 2023

Stormwater Best Management Practices (Contain the Rain) Program

The City of Westwood Hills encourages homeowners and businesses to incorporate Stormwater Best Management Practices (BMP) on their property to aid in the improvement of local and regional water quality.

The city encourages planting native plants and trees to support the natural ecosystem and provide food for pollinators like bees and butterflies. The BMP Cost Share (Contain the Rain) program will reimburse applicants up to 50% of eligible expenses, not to exceed a project reimbursement cap, for the proper installation of the following best management practices:

All projects/plantings must have pre-approval

- Rain Barrel: \$75 per barrel cap, up to two
- Native Plant Garden (must receive runoff) \$1,000
- Native tree planting: \$150 per tree cap, up to two
- Rain Garden/Pollinator Garden: \$1,000 cap

The Program requirements can be found here.

Go to containtherainjoco.com for the application. All projects must be installed by October 31, 2024. Requests for refunds must be received by November 30, 2024.

The program requirements can be found [here](#).

Find workshops and Native Plant Sales [here](#).

Start planning your garden now. Visit the [K-State Research and Extension Online Gardening Calendar to help with your planning](#).

The National Suicide Prevention Line is reachable at 988, and the call center will direct callers to local crisis centers for assistance. The existing crisis line for Johnson Country



Mental Health Emergency Services is still accessible at (913) 268-0156.



Stormwater Management Plan and Annual Report

The 2021 Stormwater Management Plan and the 2023 SMP Annual Report may be found on the City's [website](#).

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