

Monthly

news & updates

April 2025 - CITY OF WESTWOOD HILLS

Upcoming Events:

April

No Planning Commission Meeting

19 Arbor Day & Egg Hunt

22 Earth Day
Recycling workshop

May

12 City Council Meeting

22 Planning Commission Meeting

26 Memorial Day
City Offices Closed



Egg Hunt and Arbor Day Celebration

The Annual Arbor Day Celebration and Egg Hunt will take place on The Green **this** Saturday, April 19,

2025, at 10:00 AM.

Don't miss this chance to see the bunny and enjoy donuts, juice, and coffee with your neighbors of all ages.

There will be an egg hunt for the children. Thank you to the Westwood Hills Community Association for putting on this always fun event. **New this year, there will be a poster contest for Westwood Hills' kids twelve and under. See below for more details!**

Johnson County Resources

Did you know there are many resources available on the County's [website](#)? Some of the available resources include: Children & Family Health Programs, Safe Kids, Community Outreach Services, Wellness and Leisure, Health Clinic Services, Family Planning, and more. Check out the County's [website](#) to learn more.

Arbor Day Poster Contest!

New this year is an Arbor Day Poster Contest for Westwood Hills residents 12 and under!

Rules:

- **Westwood Hills Residents** 12 and under may enter the contest, which will include three age groups:

- Ages one through five
- Ages six through eight
- Ages nine through twelve
- The picture must be on a white 8.5" by 11" piece of paper.
- The picture must be about trees and include a drawing of at least one tree.
- **Bring your picture, signed with your name and age on the front, to the Arbor Day/Egg Hunt Celebration on April 19, 2025.**

All pictures will be posted at The Flying Cow for one week.

One winner from each age group will receive a five dollar gift card at The Flying Cow!





Earth Day

RECYCLING WORKSHOP

Join Terri Baugh of Mission's Sustainability Commission to celebrate Earth Day by learning a new and different approach to Recycling. Recycling made easy! Come hear about Recycling 101.



Tuesday, April 22, 2025



Powell Community Center, 6200 Martway Street



7:00 p.m.

Hosted By : Terri Baugh for Mission's Sustainability Commission



Food Truck for a Cause - A Neighborhood Event You Don't Want to Miss!

Join us for food, fun, and community at our first Neighborhood Food Truck Event! Sponsored by the Westwood Hills Community Association, this event is a great way to support a local business, see neighbors, and enjoy some great food while giving back. 30% of the proceeds will be donated

back to the Westwood Hills Historic Foundation.

Date: Sunday, June 1, 2025

Time: 5-7 PM

Location: Westwood Hills Green

Johnny Jo's Pizza will serve pizza and sandwiches. Please bring your own beverages and chairs.

This event is hosted and made possible by the Westwood Hills Community Association. We look forward to seeing you there!



**The Johnson County Area Agency on Aging
is conducting an assessment to better
understand the needs of older adults in
Johnson County, KS.**

**Your input regarding your own needs
and/or those of your loved ones is
invaluable as we develop a
comprehensive four-year area plan.**

www.jocogov.org/agingservices

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In Memoriam - Nancy Benton

Previous Westwood Hills Resident Nancy Benton passed away on February 16, 2025. Nancy's full obituary can be found [here](#).
The City of Westwood Hills extends our sympathy to Nancy's family.

JOHNSON COUNTY
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Election Office

2025 Elections

The 2025 Election for Westwood Hills City Council positions will be held on November 4, 2025. The candidate filing deadline is June 2, 2025, at Noon. Applications must be submitted in person at the Johnson County Election Office - 2101 E. Kansas City Road, Olathe, KS 66061. Westwood Hills City Council is comprised of a Mayor and five City Council persons - all serving a two-year term. You can find more information on filing [here](#).

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, 2025. Requests for refunds must be received by November 30, 2025.**

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

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



Stormwater Management Plan and Annual Report

The 2021 Stormwater Management Plan and the 2024 SMP Annual Report, filed in February 2025, may be found on the City's [website](#). In August 2024, KDHE conducted an audit of the City's stormwater program and MS4 permit and determined that the City is in compliance with the terms of its permit.

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