

# IVANHOE - MOUNT HOPE - KEY COALITION

## Neighborhood Assessment Report

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Neighborhood Workshop Date: February 6, 1999



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# FOCUS KANSAS CITY AND NEIGHBORHOOD ASSESSMENTS



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**FOCUS Kansas City**, Kansas City's strategic and comprehensive plan, recognizes that neighborhoods understand best how to direct their own futures. The first initiative in the *FOCUS Neighborhood Prototypes Plan* is a strategic assessment that enables a neighborhood to evaluate its strengths and needs. Through the assessment process, a neighborhood can direct its assets towards its most critical needs. The *FOCUS Neighborhood Prototypes Plan* identifies the assessment format.

There were two objectives for this neighborhood assessment:

1. Self-identify its **neighborhood type** from the *FOCUS Neighborhood Prototypes Plan*.
2. Develop **improvement strategies** that will direct neighborhood improvement, a "To Do" list incorporating participation by the neighborhood, community partners, and the City.

This community conducted the neighborhood assessment workshop with assistance from City staff. Residents, business people and people who work in local institutions provided input. These community members mapped their community, and identified assets and priority issues in their neighborhood.



Neighborhood residents at the Ivanhoe - Mount Hope - Key Coalition workshop



# NEIGHBORHOOD TYPE

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The FOCUS Neighborhood Prototypes Plan recognizes that not all neighborhoods in Kansas City are the same. The character and condition of where we live varies according to age, history, type of housing and other factors. Each community has different strengths and opportunities. Each has different assets and priorities that drive unique strategies for improvement. FOCUS developed four unique Neighborhood Types that generally describe Kansas City neighborhoods. These four Types (assigned the colors Blue, Orange, Purple and Green in the Neighborhood Assessment workshop) are:

## **Developing      Conservation      Stabilization      Redeveloping**

Each Neighborhood Type suggests what actions are required for an area to become or stay healthy. The Assessment is a beginning point from which the community can move forward and achieve quality living environments through a commitment to continuous improvement. The descriptions for these four Neighborhood Types are contained in the *FOCUS Neighborhood Prototypes Plan, Appendix A, "General Neighborhood Description / Types."*

In the workshop, participants defined the tools, actions and strategies for improving their community. They will use this information to strategically apply public and private resources in a way that is based on existing conditions, trends, opportunities, strengths and needs. Once other neighborhoods identify their Type, then similarly "typed" Kansas City communities can connect and partner around common issues and projects while assisting each other in developing their organizations.



Workshop participants review their workbooks

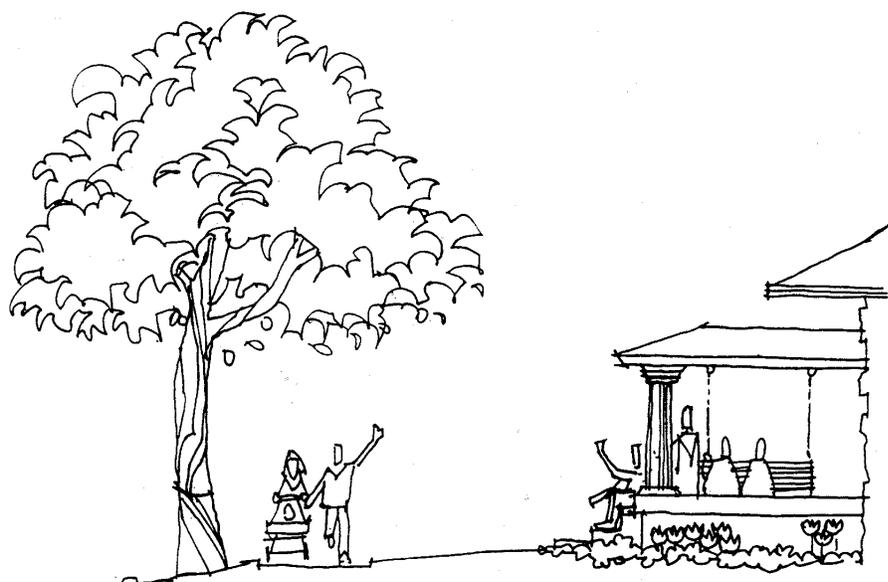
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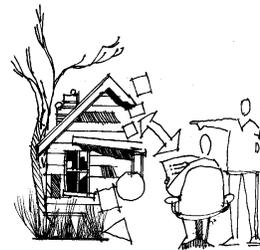
Members of the Ivanhoe, Mount Hope, and Key Coalition neighborhoods gathered on Saturday, February 6, 1999 at the Linwood Multi-Purpose Center for a neighborhood assessment workshop. The workshop was an opportunity for the residents, institutions, and businesses to look at the place where they live and work as an interconnected community. The workshop participants engaged in several workshop exercises during which they listed things they like about their neighborhoods, as well as things that concern them about their neighborhoods, and voted on their neighborhood type.

The 71 workshop participants were divided into four groups. The participants were clear about what they enjoy - and what challenges they face - in their neighborhoods. Many stated that they were long time residents and did not want to move from their community. They recognized the challenges that come with the maintenance of older homes and wanted more homeowners to take pride in their homes and community. They also wanted a cleaner community and a community free of crime.



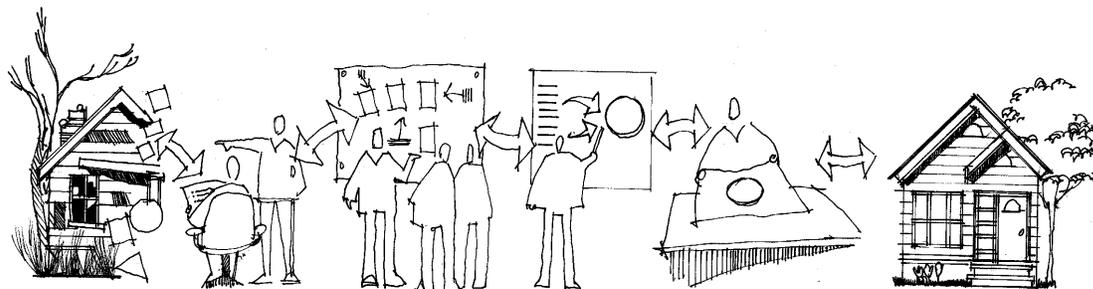
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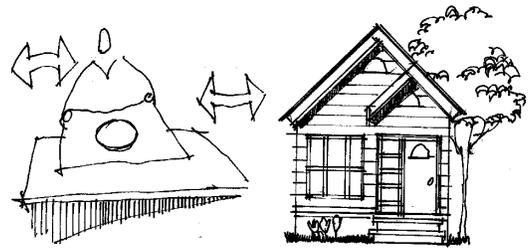
Most of the workshop participants identified their neighborhood as a Redeveloping area. A Redeveloping neighborhood is served by public improvements such as water, sewer, and streets, and provides a good opportunity to attract new businesses or homes. Challenges to to a redeveloping area are population loss, a high percentage of rental properties, and the lack of maintenance to older homes and structures. There are some new improvements that will affect the Ivanhoe, Mount Hope and Key Coalition neighborhoods as well. The Bruce R. Watkins Roadway through this area is expected to open in the spring of 1999. Existing homes are plentiful but many are in need of rehabilitation.

In addition, many community partners (The Kauffman Foundation, Kansas City Power Light [KCPL], Project Neighborhood, Village Church, Linwood Project, Inc.) have begun working with the neighborhoods on various projects. These partners will also join together with the neighborhoods for the Clean Sweep event on Saturday, May 8, 1999. The Clean Sweep event will bring together the community partners, the City and the residents to address the concerns about trash and illegal dumping in abandoned buildings and on vacant lots in many parts of the neighborhoods.



# PRIORITIES

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The following themes were the result of the workshop participants' ideas concerning ways to improve their neighborhood.

## **Restore the Neighborhoods with New Developments**

The workshop participants were very concerned about the number of vacant lots and abandoned houses, and they want to reduce the number of abandoned properties and vacant lots that impact their neighborhoods. There are new residential building projects sponsored by CDC-KC and Habitat for Humanity, but more needs to be done in other parts of the neighborhoods. Participants suggested these actions:

- Design a development plan for vacant lots and abandoned houses
- Design procedures for making vacant lots available to persons without having to pay back taxes, liens or penalties
- Establish eminent domain procedures for abandoned houses and vacant lots where the owners are deceased or cannot be found
- Enforce property code maintenance against owners and landlords for their abandoned and vacant properties
- Residents, community partners and the City can work together to develop plans pertaining to development issues

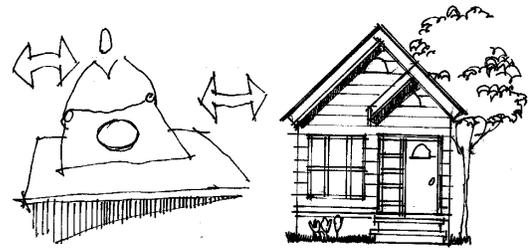
## **Eliminate Criminal Activity in the Neighborhoods**

The workshop participants acknowledge that criminal activity such as drug houses and other crimes have negative effects on the neighborhoods. Residents are working to eliminate these problems but believe they have a long way to go before the problems are turned around. Participants suggested these actions:

- Continue to work with the Community Relations Officers of the Kansas City Police Department to create Drug- and Prostitution-Free zones around residences, churches and school communities
- Residents can participate in crime fighting programs such as the Citizen's Crusade Against Crime to help solve criminal activity issues
- Residents want abandoned houses and other properties torn down or rehabilitated to eliminate the attraction to use the properties for drug or other criminal activities

# PRIORITIES

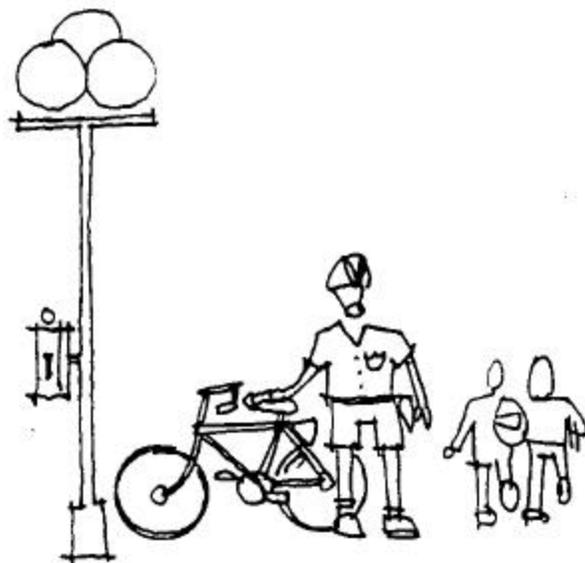
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## Establish Youth Programs and Services

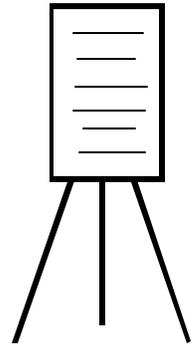
The workshop participants expressed a desire to have programs for the youth in the community. Several community partners have expressed an interest in working with the neighborhoods to establish youth programs. To achieve this goal, the participants suggested these actions:

- Form a youth task force that will identify programs and services for youth, i.e. job training
- Find out from the churches and schools in the neighborhood about existing youth programs and services
- Work with the community partners, (Kauffman Foundation, Project Neighborhood, Linwood Project, Inc.) in establishing youth programs and services



# CHART NOTES

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The Ivanhoe - Mount Hope - Key Coalition Neighborhood Assessment covered the area from 27<sup>th</sup> Street to Brush Creek Boulevard and from The Paseo to Prospect Avenue.

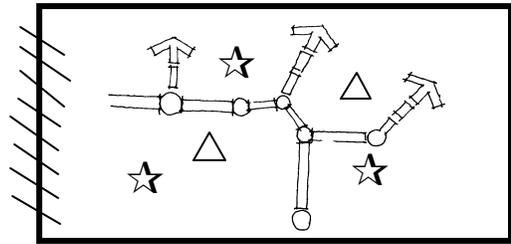
## Neighborhood Slogans

The workshop participants, who were divided into four workshop rooms, listed several slogans to describe their neighborhoods. The slogans helped the participants to identify how they viewed their neighborhoods.

The selected slogan: **One House at a Time - One Block at a Time**

Other suggested slogans:

- The Ugly Duckling
- Dirty, Nasty, Trashy
- Forgotten
- Come and See Our Illegal City Dump
- I Hate My Neighborhood
- Where It's Quiet
- Come and Shop at Linwood
- We Welcome Bruce R. Watkins Roadway, After 25 to 30 Years
- Jimmie's on Prospect
- One House at a Time - One Block at a Time
- The Youth Are Our Future
- Turn Ghetto Into Goldmine
- We're Moving On Up
- From Dirty to Clean
- In Transition
- Rebirth of Ivanhoe
- Renewal of Mount Hope and Boston Heights
- Ivanhoe: We're Coming Back!
- My Neighborhood is a Great Place to Live
- Ivanhoe: The Eye's (I's as in the "I" in Ivanhoe) of Redevelopment
- Our "Hope" Has Come Alive
- Move the Drugs for "Good" Out of the Neighbor"hood"
- Drugs: We're Not Going to Let You Stay Here



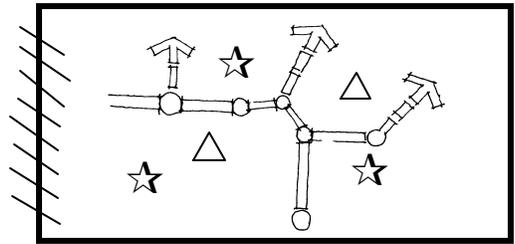
## STEP 1: My Neighborhood Is

Workshop participants identified how they experience their neighborhood, and considered those things they want to protect, preserve or enhance in the neighborhood. They thought about the landmarks, paths, activity centers, districts, edges or barriers, and features. These were noted on a wall map.

- △ **Landmarks** — significant physical objects, like buildings or signs
- ⦚ **Paths** — routes people use to get places
- **Activity centers** — gathering places to do some activity
- **Districts** — areas of recognizable character
- ▨ **Edges or barriers** — a limit or boundary that prevents people from enjoying the neighborhood or something in it
- ☆ **Features** — things people like and would like to preserve or enhance



Workshop participants study maps of the Ivanhoe, Mount Hope and Key Coalition neighborhoods

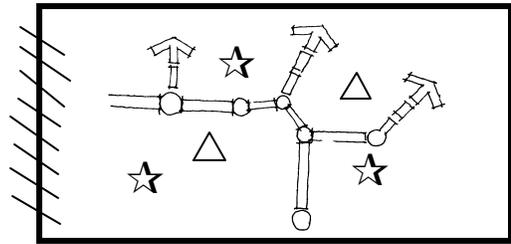


## Landmarks

- Linwood Shopping Center
- Morning Star Baptist Church, 27<sup>th</sup> and Wabash
- Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church
- St. Vincent's Catholic Church, 31<sup>st</sup> and Flora
- Harold Thomas Center
- Habitat for Humanity building at 1423 E. Linwood (corner of Linwood and The Paseo)
- Lawrence A. Jones Funeral Home
- Ely Funeral Chapel
- Troost Lake
- Linwood Presbyterian
- Ivanhoe Masonic Temple
- Linwood Multipurpose Center
- 31<sup>st</sup> and Linwood (empty brick buildings that have a nice character)
- 28<sup>th</sup> and Brooklyn
- Mount Sinai Church, 37<sup>th</sup> and Brooklyn
- Wabash Avenue Church of God, 3551 Wabash
- Richardson School, 35<sup>th</sup> and Park
- Jimmie's, 29<sup>th</sup> and Prospect
- Lucille H. Bluford Public Library, 31<sup>st</sup> and Prospect
- Gregg Tabernacle Church, 37<sup>th</sup> and Michigan
- Prince of Peace Church, 43<sup>rd</sup> and Prospect
- Linwood and Park
- Bernard Powell Monument, 28<sup>th</sup> and Brooklyn
- Monument at 31<sup>st</sup> and Benton
- Grocery Stores
- Samuel Rodgers Clinic
- Sanford Brown Park
- Spring Valley Park

## Paths

- 35<sup>th</sup> Street
- 31<sup>st</sup> Street
- Linwood Boulevard
- Man-made walking path behind Piggly Wiggly at 35<sup>th</sup> and Prospect
- 39<sup>th</sup> Street
- Brooklyn
- 27<sup>th</sup> Street
- 43<sup>rd</sup> Street
- Brush Creek
- 45<sup>th</sup> and Park
- Woodland Avenue
- Prospect
- Paseo
- 27<sup>th</sup> St. and 18<sup>th</sup> St. (only way to Truman Medical Center)
- Bruce R. Watkins Roadway



## Activity Centers

- Mt. Sinai Church, 37<sup>th</sup> and Brooklyn
- Sanford Brown Plaza, Linwood and Brooklyn
- Walgreens
- 43<sup>rd</sup> and Brooklyn
- Jimmie's, 29<sup>th</sup> and Prospect
- Linwood Multi-Purpose Center (closed when you want to use it)
- Harold Thomas Center
- Lawrence A. Jones Funeral Home
- 39<sup>th</sup> and Brooklyn building still standing
- Corner of 27<sup>th</sup> and Prospect
- Corner of 39<sup>th</sup> and Prospect
- Brooklyn Park
- House of Belief at 30<sup>th</sup> and Flora (doesn't exist now, but will soon)
- Spring Valley Park
- Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church
- Habitat for Humanity building, 1423 E. Linwood (corner of Linwood and The Paseo)
- Wabash Avenue Church of God, 36<sup>th</sup> and Wabash

## Edges or Barriers

- 44<sup>th</sup> and Michigan
- Bruce R. Watkins Roadway
- Southeast section of Brush Creek Boulevard
- D. A. Benton School - no traffic lights

## Features

- Spring Valley Park
- Linwood Multi-Purpose Center
- Harold Thomas Center
- All parks
- LMP Body Shop
- Grocery Stores
- Samuel Rodgers Clinic (closed when you want to use it)
- Lawrence A. Jones Funeral Home
- Union Bank
- Ace Body Shop

## Districts

- Martin Luther King Village at 27<sup>th</sup> and Woodland
- Palestine Senior Citizen's Housing Community at 33<sup>rd</sup> and Prospect

# IVANHOE - MOUNT HOPE - KEY COALITION IMAGES

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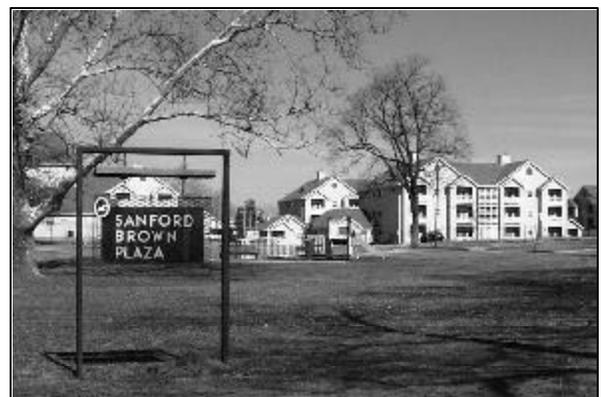


**Landmark and Activity Center:**  
Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church



**Path:** Bruce R.  
Watkins Roadway,  
looking toward Down-  
town Kansas City

**Landmark and Activity Center:**  
Sanford Brown Plaza (Metropolitan  
Homes in background)



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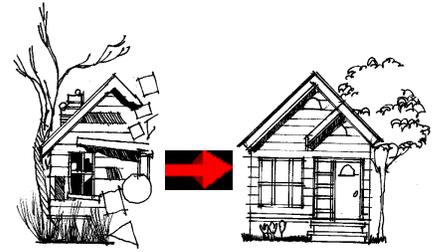
**Landmark and Activity Center:**  
Lucile H. Bluford Public Library



**Landmark, Activity Center and Feature:**  
Linwood Multi-Purpose Center



**Landmark:** Linwood Shopping Center



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## STEP 2: If I Could Fix One Thing

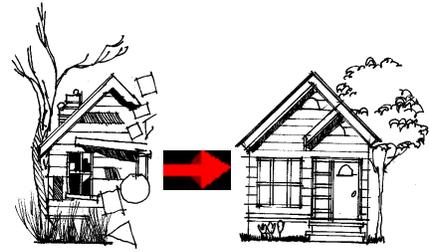
In every neighborhood there are some things that need to be changed. These things stop residents from enjoying their neighborhood and from doing the things they like to do.

Below is the list of “fixes” that workshop participants said they would like to see in the Ivanhoe, Mount Hope and Key Coalition neighborhoods:

- Establish neighborhood block club to take care of problems such as trash
- Establish community network, have accountability with each other and government, and invest in community
- Fix up neighborhood from Linwood and Park to 33<sup>rd</sup> and Park
- Elderly assistance (for emergency repairs) and other issues
- Security
- Get rid of taxicabs on streets
- Remove people on the streets (loitering)
- Need lighting, police officers
- Communication with our officials
- Implement more police patrols
- Younger generation doesn't take pride in property
- People from outside neighborhood cause problems
- Get a live human being when calling City Hall instead of voice-mail
- Indoor recreation center
- Neighborhood organizer – clean-up, paint



Workshop participants discuss the issues together



- Very noisy
- Relationship between City and citizens - City needs a better complaint center and to improve on customer service
- Positive gathering place for young people
- Crime
- Bridge educational gaps - get kids in school
- Better public transportation
- Stop shooting (like at 39<sup>th</sup> and Brooklyn)
- Residents are frightened to come out of their homes at night
- Clean streets and alleys and find a way to keep them clean
- Clean City
- Pay people for recyclables (i.e. mattresses, paper)
- Pick up trash in front of vacant lots and clean lots

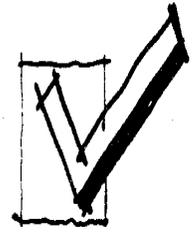
- Pick up all trash in a specific area versus spot pick up
- Re-allocate taxes so money can be used to pick up trash
- Permanently install trash cans in ground
- Resolve the illegal dumping problem (i.e. tires)
- People littering our grounds, streets
- Clean up the neighborhood, trash is terrible!
- Remove broken glass
- Trash really bad at 44<sup>th</sup> and Brooklyn where bus turns around
- Hire more City employees - many trash pickup workers were laid off
- Drugs and alcohol
- Drug dealers and users
- Drug house at 30<sup>th</sup> and Highland
- Develop comprehensive plan to get rid of drug houses



Trash is a problem mentioned by many workshop participants







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## STEP 3: My Neighborhood's Assets

Workshop participants identified assets that add value to their neighborhood. The assets include places, groups, organizations, equipment, skills, abilities and any other thing that adds value to the neighborhood.

- Clubs and organizations (i.e. Key Coalition)
- Elected representatives
- Harold Thomas Center
- Volleyball court at 29<sup>th</sup> and Wabash
- Vacant lots at 2835 Wabash and 39<sup>th</sup> and Brooklyn to be utilized for community venues
- Good neighbors
- Quietness
- Churches
- Block club for Euclid and 39<sup>th</sup>/40<sup>th</sup> Streets
- Public transportation
- Street lights
- Shopping areas like Linwood Shopping Center
- Parks
- Lucille H. Bluford Public Library
- Piggly Wiggly
- 44<sup>th</sup> and Euclid and 42<sup>nd</sup> and Euclid, historic stone buildings
- Nice houses
- Children
- Problem neighbor evicted
- People taking time and effort to fix things in the neighborhood
- Good child care
- Churches that feed people
- Bernard Powell Park – Black history
- Bruce R. Watkins Cultural Heritage Center
- Brush Creek Community Center
- Swope Park Health Center
- Habitat houses
- Harrell Johnson
- Most of the people in the area



Habitat house in the neighborhood



Piggly Wiggly at 35<sup>th</sup> and Prospect

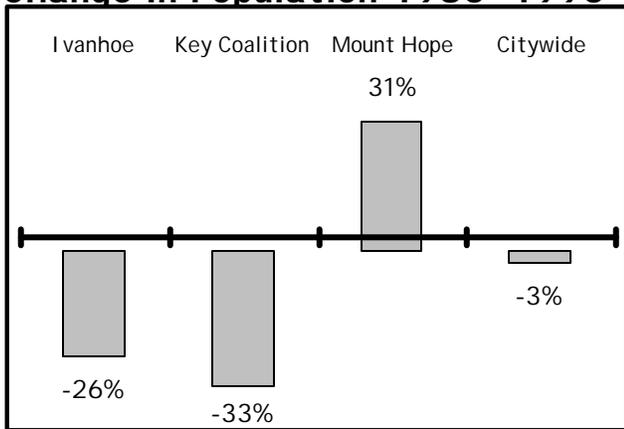


## STEP 4: Facts About My Neighborhood

The information presented at the Ivanhoe - Mount Hope - Key Coalition neighborhood assessment was from the 1990 U.S. Census, and from 1998 information from the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department and the Kansas City, Missouri City Planning and Development Department.

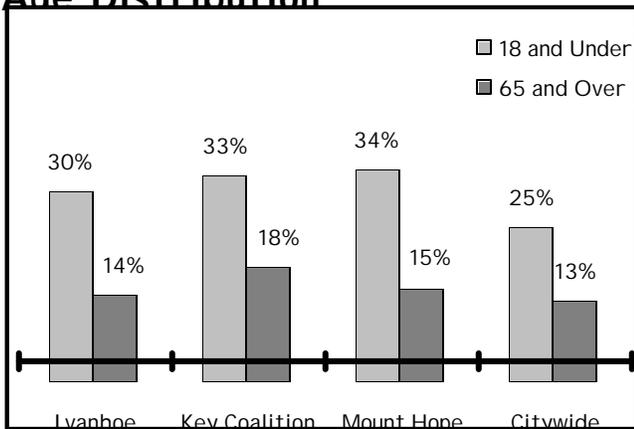
Below are the facts that participants said were surprising, not surprising or had changed since the information was gathered. In discussing the facts below, the workshop participants looked at the data and expressed their thoughts as to how the data relates to their neighborhood concerns. (See the neighborhood assessment workbook for more detail.)

### Change in Population 1980-1990



It appears that the Mount Hope population has increased with the construction of new Habitat for Humanity housing units.

### Age Distribution

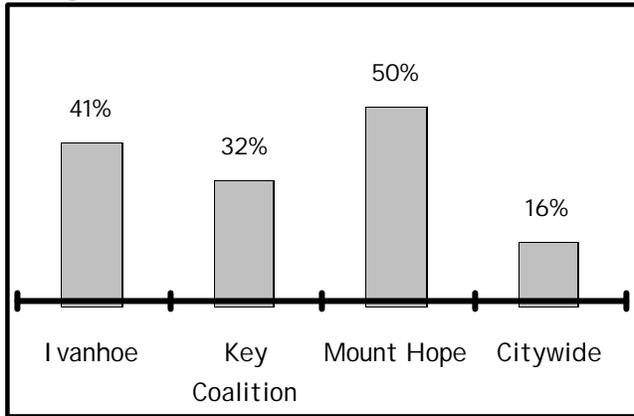


In these neighborhoods, there is a large percentage of youth, which may contribute to the need for youth programs.



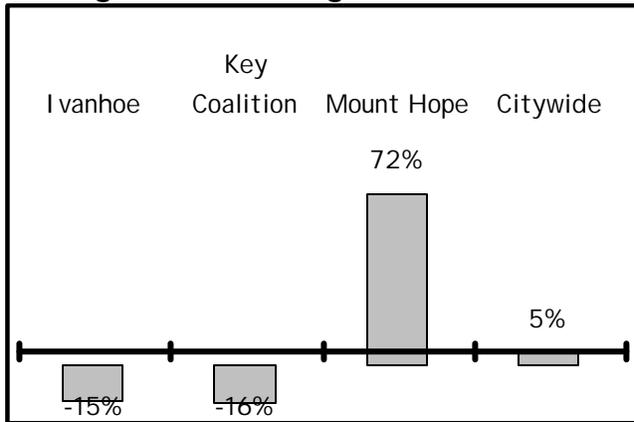
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### Single Parent Households



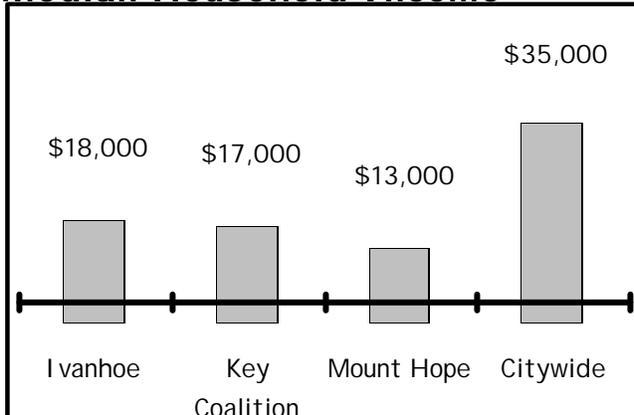
There is a higher percentage of single parent households in these neighborhoods that may suggest the need for youth programs and services.

### Change in Housing Units



Ivanhoe and Key Coalition lost housing units while Mount Hope gained many housing units, probably due to new Habitat houses.

### Median Household Income

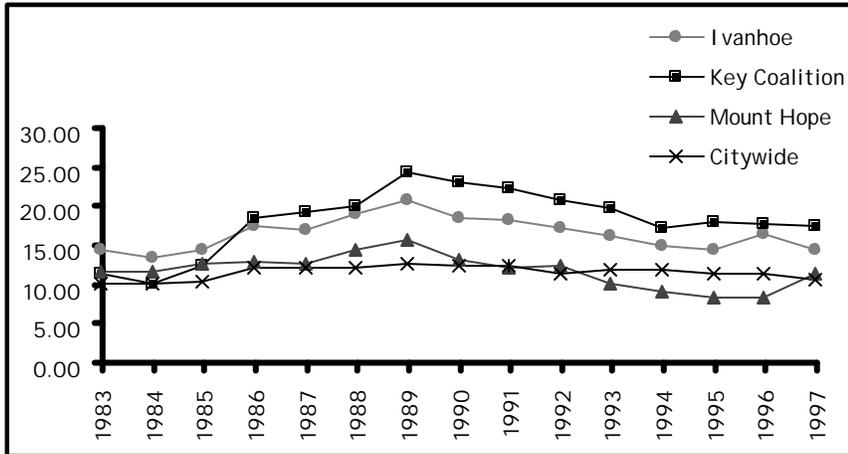


The median household income is lower in these neighborhoods in comparison to the City, making it hard to fix up houses.

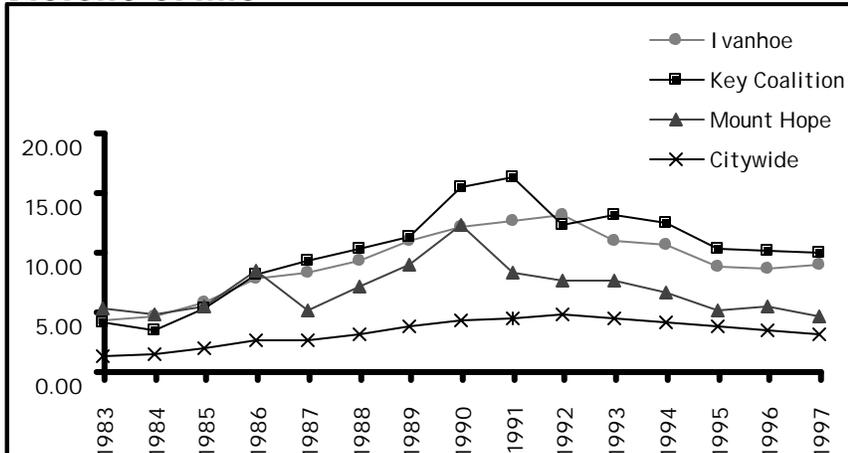


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## Non-Violent Crime



## Violent Crime



Participants were surprised to see that crime has been dropping recently, especially with so much news coverage of crime.



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## STEP 5: Describing My Neighborhood

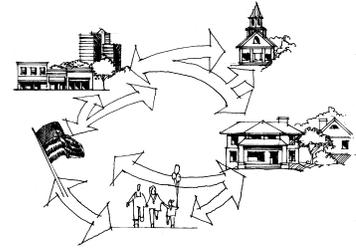
Those who attended the workshop were asked to vote on the neighborhood type that best described their neighborhood. Their choice was Redeveloping.

### Redeveloping

I have watched my neighborhood decline for many years now. No longer are the commercial areas as vibrant with activity as they used to be. Many residents, businesses and institutions have moved away. Many owners do not bother or cannot afford to maintain their property. The vacant houses and properties are really noticeable.

The area is already served by public improvements such as water, sewer, and roads and would be a good opportunity to attract new businesses or homes and some of the older homes and businesses could be rehabilitated. Better maintenance of public areas, roads, and sidewalks would help.

Problems are hard to fix through our neighborhood association, a call to the City, or neighbors getting together to help one another. It will take a strong commitment from the residents as well as others in the community to help strengthen this neighborhood, but it can be viable again.



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## STEP 6: Making My Neighborhood Better

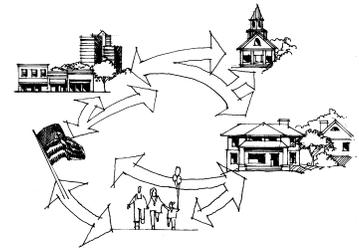
Workshop participants talked about specific actions the community can take to address the issues and challenges identified earlier in the assessment. They brainstormed ideas, concentrating on those actions that can be performed by the community to improve the neighborhood. Following is a list of all the ideas mentioned by workshop participants. They voted on the ideas that they most want implemented to make their neighborhood better.

Things **We** can do by ourselves:

- Obtain a list of residents from the City's Neighborhood and Community Services Department to help organize neighborhood associations that are not active
- Organize a block party where neighbors can get to know one another and can work together concerning neighborhood issues
- Exercise our rights as citizens by calling City Hall departments and City Council representative to request certain City services concerning illegal dumping, property code enforcement, crime reporting, and vacant lot problems
- Follow up with the City and other partners when the residents request services
- Start an "Adopt An Alley" program to help eliminate trash and illegal dumping
- Work together to enhance personal and public safety by participating in the Citizen's Crusade Against Crime and other crime fighting organizations
- Learn about the resources that will help with understanding procedures for requesting City services such as curbs and sidewalk repairs, new housing development
- Identify youth programs that will involve youth in activities
- Demand that grocery stores in the neighborhoods keep their businesses clean, safe and attractive for the residents that shop at their stores



Workshop participants discussing neighborhood issues

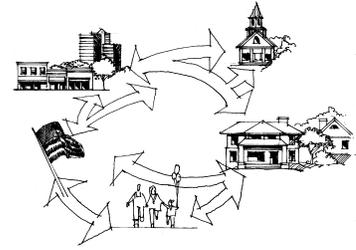


Things we can do with a **Partner:**

- Develop partnerships with schools, churches, and foundations to address the need for youth programs
- Work with the Community Police Department to declare neighborhoods Drug and Prostitution Free Zones
- Work with the City to recycle materials such as tires, bulky items and other illegal dumped materials that are on vacant lots and in the public streets
- Partner with businesses to get trash containers on their properties to help keep the business areas clean and safe
- Help locate places in the neighborhood to build "infill" housing, i.e. areas where there are several blocks of vacant lots that could be developed for housing
- Strategize with partners on other community uses for vacant lots
- Work with businesses to keep liquor stores away from school, church and residential areas



St. Vincent's Catholic Church, 31<sup>st</sup> and Flora



Things the **City** should do:

- Tear down vacant and abandoned houses
- Enforce codes for owners and landlords to maintain their homes and vacant lots
- Take away property from absentee owners and landlords that do not maintain their homes and vacant lots
- Make it easier for persons to purchase vacant lots by waiving the back taxes, liens and penalties owed on the lots
- Publicize the Clean Sweep event for Saturday, May 8, 1999 so that the neighbors have an opportunity to participate
- Hold the Community Development Corporations (CDCs) accountable for the monies appropriated to them for commercial and residential development in neighborhoods



One of the many homes that need repair

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