

Red Bridge Homes Association Survey

This survey is for Red Bridge Homes Association residents. The Board of Directors is seeking your feedback on how you feel about the area where you live, what is working and what needs improvement. We would like to put together a long-range plan, to assist future boards with direction and vision as expressed by the residents. Please take your time and be honest with each answer. We value each of your answers and thank you for helping us make Red Bridge a great place to live.

Basic Information:

We would like to know a little bit about you to start; however, if you wish to remain anonymous you may.

1. Name: (Optional)
2. Email address (Optional)
3. Physical Address(es) in Red Bridge (if you want to remain anonymous, please give nearest block and street)
4. Are you a : (please circle all that apply)

Home owner Landlord Renter Other _____

Is your home a:

Single family Duplex Other _____

How long have you lived or owned in the neighborhood?

How long do you plan to stay in the neighborhood?

What made you decide to live/own in the Red Bridge neighborhood (please circle all that apply)

Affordable Close to schools Close to the highway

Shopping Center Needed a place to live and saw a "For Rent" sign Liked the area

Other (please specify)

What do you value most about the Red Bridge Neighborhood?

This section deals with the current conditions of the Red Bridge area:

How do you feel about the current condition of the following?

	Excellent	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Poor	Don't know/no opinion
Shopping Center						
Sidewalks						
Traffic Speed						
Upkeep of properties						
Islands and Markers						
Snow Removal						
Neighborhood Activities						
Minor Park (other than Golf Course)						
Crime Watch on my block						

Comments: _____

What type of communication is most important to you (please rate in order of importance 1,2,3,4)

Newsletters____ E-mail notices____ Annual meeting____ None---I don't really care____

What would you like to see addressed in future communications (please rate in order of importance 1-6)

Crime Alerts____ Meet your Neighbor profiles____ Liens for dues non-payment____

Helpful Hints____ Advertising____ Other (please specify)_____

How do you feel about the severity of the following problems in Red Bridge?

	Not a problem	Small Problem	Big Problem	Other (Please specify)
Traffic Speed in neighborhoods				
Traffic Speed/Congestion in shopping center				
Crime				
Party Houses/Noise (please specify location)				
Other (please specify)				

Should there be markers installed at entrances that don't have markers? If yes, where?

Many of our islands and planters are in need of repair and overhaul. If you live near an island, what improvements need to be made?

What is the approximate address of the island/planter?

Would you be willing to **consistently** take care of improvements on the island/planter? This would include watering new plants and grass Spring through Fall until well established, and during hot weather and drought after established.

Would you like to be on a "Island/Planter Improvement Committee" to assess and oversee the improvement of islands and planters?

Shopping Center:

Although the Homes Association has no control over the shopping center, it is an integral part of our neighborhood. Your responses will be shared with owners and tenants.

The movie theatre recently closed. Did you patronize the movie theatre? If so, how often? If not, why not?

What tenant do you most often patronize?

What kind of tenant would you be most likely to patronize if they were in the shopping center?

What do you think can be done to attract more tenants to the shopping center?

Crime:

Please check the appropriate responses. Feel free to add any comments at the end.

	No	Yes	Please provide brief explanation as needed
In the past 3 years, I have been a victim of crime AT HOME			
In the last 3 years, a neighbor on my block has experienced crime AT HOME			
The crime(s) above were reported to the police			
I am more worried about crime on my block than I used to be			
The city has sufficient police resources to respond quickly and appropriately to crime in my neighborhood			
Red Bridge needs a stronger police presence/more patrols			
The Board should hire off-duty police officers to patrol Red Bridge			
I would be willing to support a dues increase to hire additional security patrols			
I would be willing to be an active part of a neighborhood/block watch group.			

Additional comments:

City/Neighborhood services:

KCMO Municipal Codes (governing such things as noise, property maintenance, garbage, zoning) are:

(please circle one) Well enforced Not adequately enforced No opinion

I have contacted the Action Center about a municipal code violation in the last 2 years.

Yes No

As you know, many city services aimed at neighborhoods are slow to realization. Currently, the city HAS NOT announced a lot of changes in services, but we would like your opinion if they should....or if they are not currently adequate. Please indicate yes/no and add any comments.

Sidewalk repair: Many of our sidewalks are broken or uneven due to age and tree roots. Many homeowners contract companies to fix the sidewalks in front of their homes.

___I would prefer to wait for the city to fix bad sidewalks on their timetable (if ever), and I understand I will be charged a special assessment fee by the city.

___I would prefer the neighborhood association contract with a company to fix the sidewalks, in order of importance, and understand I will be charged a special assessment fee by the homes association if I choose to participate.

Bulky Item pickup: The city ceased collection of bulky items on a zone basis starting Sept. 1, 2008, and moved to a limited "by request only" basis....wait time by zone has not yet been determined.

___I'll call the city for my bulky item needs...no matter how long it takes. I understand that my bulky items cannot be stored outside for more than 1 day waiting for pickup.

___I would support the neighborhood association arranging bulky item drop off (not pickup) once or twice a year, even if there is a slight increase in dues to pay for the service. (Hazardous waste may be included)

Snow removal: Winter 2007/08 was particularly hard for the KC area....as a result, the neighborhood association spent much more money for snow/ice services than in past years.

___I'm glad the association is providing more prompt/thorough service than the city, and understand that some years are harsher than others. The association should continue to provide this service on an as-needed basis.

___The neighborhood should not pay for snow removal or ice treatment, no matter what. It's the city's responsibility.

Neighborhood Attention:

Where should the Board focus their time and efforts in the neighborhood? Please rank in order of importance, with 1 being most important.

Security patrols_____ Train block captains/block watch areas_____ Speed bumps_____

Markers: update planters and urns_____ Islands: refurbish and update_____

Picnics/Social Events_____ (what kind of events?)_____

Fun Contests_____ Biannual neighborhood meetings_____ Enforce "no sheds" restriction_____

Update By-Laws_____ Plan for a "greener" neighborhood_____ Work towards area dog park_____

Other (please specify)_____

Neighborhood Preservation:

Would you be willing to be part of a Neighborhood Volunteer Team to assist elderly neighbors with minor home repair, similar to Christmas in October?

If you are a homeowner who could potentially use such a service, would you welcome such a group into your home? Would you be willing to pay for any needed materials or supplies?

Would you be willing to make an additional donation to the Homes Association to support the program and/or volunteers (pizza, drinks, appreciation tokens, etc.)

Are you interested in serving on the RBHA Board or participating in a RBHA Committee?

Yes No

If no, why not?

If yes, how would you like to help?

- Board of Directors Islands/Markers Committee
- Welcome Committee Social Events Committee
- Homeowners Committee Block/Area Captain
- Other (please specify/explain)

What are your special skills, interests, and hobbies? Please check all that apply.

Construction/carpentry Cooking Landscaping/gardening

Photographer Scrapbooking Party planning

Writer Attorney/Paralegal Sports

Pets Computer programming

Other:

Please share any additional thoughts on the Red Bridge Homes Association:

Please return this survey by Tuesday, November 4, 2008 to one of these drop-off locations:

Barbara Robertson, 103 E. 113 St. (64114)

Mid-Continent Public Library, Red Bridge Branch (Look for special survey box)

Annual Meeting, Thursday, October 23, 2008, 7 PM at the Red Bridge Theatre

Movie Night, Saturday, November 1, 2008, 7 PM at the Red Bridge Theatre

Thank you for sharing your opinions! Survey results will be shared via e-alerts and in future newsletters.

The Board can always use volunteers for special projects ~ distribute flyers, garage sale signs, write articles for the newsletter, set-up/clean-up for special events, etc. If you are willing to be "on-call" for special projects, please print your name, phone and email below:

To sign up for E-Alerts, please opt-in by sending an email to redbridgehomes@yahoo.com

Website: www.haccd.org Click on "Missouri Associations, Red Bridge"