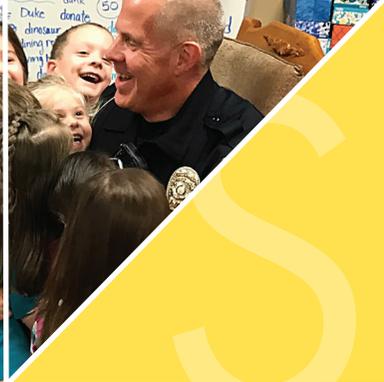


2017 YEAR IN REVIEW  
**progress.**



## HELP US SHAPE LENEXA'S FUTURE

As we celebrate Lenexa's extraordinary progress, we recognize the momentum was borne out of Vision 2020 and Vision 2030. These citizen-led strategic planning processes began two decades ago and engaged residents in planning our community's future. As you will see through this review of 2017, the vision they laid out is becoming a reality. We explore these accomplishments through the six goals established by our elected officials.

Now it is time again for us to look to the future. If you are interested participating in the Vision 2040 planning process and having a voice in Lenexa's future, please fill out the interest form at [Lenexa.com/Vision2040](http://Lenexa.com/Vision2040) or stop by City Hall to pick up an application.

## 2018 LENEXA GOVERNING BODY



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Mayor



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**Joe Karlin**  
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# GOAL: FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

Provide exceptional value for community-provided resources and strive for long-term financial balance in the city's operational and capital activities.

Lenexa has a strong financial position, with projected revenues equal to or exceeding projected expenditures for the next five years, as well as appropriate reserve levels.

The city's top-quality **triple-A ratings from credit rating agencies** help save thousands of dollars in interest when selling bonds to finance capital projects.

## Tax supports quality of life

The city's 3/8-cent sales tax generates additional funds to help maintain roads, improve existing park facilities and provide new recreational opportunities. Lenexa residents approved the tax in 2008 for a 20-year period.

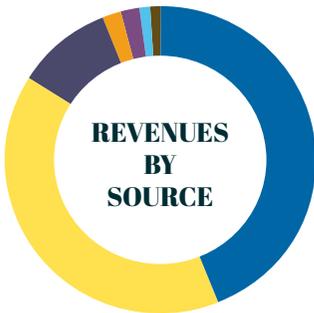


### HOW MONEY WAS USED IN 2017:

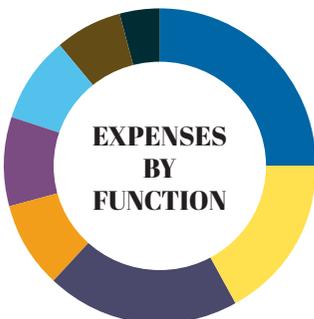
Pavement Management Program	\$4.9 M*
Bond and interest payment for civic campus	\$2.8 M

\* of \$8.1 million spent on roadway maintenance

## City of Lenexa 2017 Total Budget = \$104,857,875



Sales and Other Taxes	44%
Property, Special Assessment, Delinquent Taxes	40%
Charges for Services	10%
Licenses and Permits	2%
Transfers in/Use of Reserve Balance Funds	2%
Fines and Forfeitures	1%
Miscellaneous	1%



Public Safety	25%
Debt Service	20%
Community Infrastructure	17%
General Administration	9%
Economic Development	9%
Parks & Recreation	9%
Transfers to Capital Improvement Projects	7%
Transfers for Equipment Replacement and Facilities Maintenance	4%

## GOAL: CITY SERVICES

Ensure that city services assist in creating a superior quality of life and a safe atmosphere where people desire to live, work and play.



### Lenexa civic campus

The city opened its civic campus in July 2017, creating a place for residents to gather, play and shop. Residents can participate in fitness, sports and aquatic activities year-round at the **Lenexa Rec Center** and support local entrepreneurs at the **Lenexa Public Market**.

The civic campus features an outdoor area perfect for concerts, events and the future **Lenexa Farmers Market**. Inside **City Hall**, residents can conduct business, apply for permits and visit the art gallery.

The campus includes a **Park University** Campus Center and is the future home of the Lenexa City Center branch of the **Johnson County Library**.



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### Fire Department reaccredited

The Lenexa Fire Department **earned its accreditation** from the Commission on Fire Accreditation International for the fourth consecutive time in 2017, placing it among the **nation's most elite fire departments**. Accreditation ensures the department is following current best practices and leads to more efficient and effective emergency services for Lenexa residents and businesses.

### Capital projects from 2017

The Capital Improvement Program (CIP) helps the city plan for major projects and improvements to public facilities. Funds allocated to CIP projects in 2017 included:

Streets and bridges	\$48,747,007
Public buildings	\$22,510,000*
Stormwater projects	\$5,650,543
Parks	\$4,866,178
Traffic improvements	\$2,400,000
Major capital equipment	\$2,038,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$86,211,728</b>

\* Includes civic campus new construction

City-sponsored **Dumpster Days** events collected and diverted these materials from local landfills during 2017:



**17.13 TONS**  
scrap metal recycled



**8.98 TONS**  
electronics recycled

## Clear Creek project

The **Clear Creek Regional Wetland** opened southeast of **86th Terrace and Clare Road** to protect the natural and developed environment while providing public education, involvement and other opportunities. It is on 130 acres of city property and includes two large wetland areas in addition to walking paths and natural vegetation.



## Taking care of roads in 2017

Road maintenance is a top priority for residents. The Pavement Management Program is the city's largest annual capital improvement project.

UBAS surface treatments applied to residential roadways	140.7 lane mi.
Mill and overlay on thoroughfares	39,943 sq. yd.
Sidewalks replaced	8,734 linear ft.
Curbs replaced	37,127 linear ft.
Trails installed/replaced	3,875 linear ft.
Accessible curb ramps installed	428

## Mobile-friendly website launched

The city **launched a new website** in March 2017, making it easier for mobile users to access information on the go. Since launch, the website has had more than 2.4 million page views, with 52% of those visits from mobile devices. Check it out at [Lenexa.com](http://Lenexa.com)!



Protecting Lenexa is the central mission of the Police Department. High standards are adopted in all areas of the LPD's operation. In 2017, the city **invested in technology and safety equipment** to help officers keep Lenexa as safe as possible.

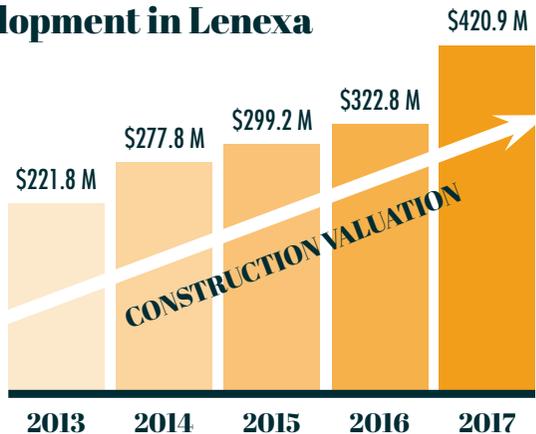
Across the nation, recruiting police officers is a challenge. Only the best candidates are selected to be Lenexa officers and LPD **continues to seek out excellent candidates** and place an emphasis on training for all officers.

# GOAL: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Promote and stimulate quality development to enhance the city's diverse economic base.

## Record year for development in Lenexa

Lenexa has seen five years of steady growth in building permit activity, which means businesses and residents are investing in the city. 2017 was a record year. Development results in more living options, jobs, and places to dine and shop. And it provides the city with more resources to keep the community safe and maintain a high quality of life. **From 2013–2017, the total valuation of construction topped \$1.6 billion.**



### Single-family housing

Home construction and sales remain strong in Lenexa. The city issued 242 permits for new single-family homes in 2017, the highest number issued since 2006.

Additionally, the average sales price of homes in Lenexa is now \$315,468, which is an increase of 20.7 percent since 2012. In the last year of available data, Lenexa has the highest sales price percentage increase of neighboring cities.

### HOME SALES PRICE PERCENT INCREASE IN THE LAST YEAR

Lenexa	6.37%
Olathe	5.6%
Overland Park	5.06%
Mission	4.58%
Shawnee	4.03%
Merriam	2.99%

Source: Johnson County Appraiser's Office



### Large-scale projects in 2017

The District at City Center <i>(office, retail, residential)</i>	\$53.8 M
Sonoma Hill <i>(multifamily residential)</i>	\$45 M
UPS expansion	\$39.2 M
Lenexa Hills Elementary School	\$18 M
Waterside Residences <i>(Phase 2)</i>	\$13.1 M
Minimally Invasive Surgery Hospital	\$10.4 M
Sprint expansion	\$9 M
Corbion <i>(business)</i>	\$7.5 M
Grundfos regional headquarters	\$6.5 M
Zhongcheng Packaging	\$6 M
Oakview Storage/CubeSmart	\$5.8 M
Canyon Farms golf clubhouse	\$5 M

## GOAL: REINVESTMENT

Promote and support efforts to redevelop retail sites and improve neighborhoods to continue the city's reputation as a safe and friendly community.



### Quivira corridor study

The city is studying the Quivira corridor from 79th to 99th streets to evaluate ways to encourage reinvestment and improve traffic flow and pedestrian access in the future. Several public meetings were held, and a **final plan of recommendations** for this important north-south arterial road will be released later in 2018.

### Sar-Ko-Par Trails Park improvements nearly done

▶▶▶ The heart of Lenexa's most popular park was abuzz with construction in 2017. The centerpiece of the improvements is a **200-seat pavilion**, which opens in May (reservations can be made now). Other projects include replacement of the central restroom and Lions Memorial Shelter, new parking and trails, and stormwater site work. These improvements were a top priority identified by residents in the city's Park Master Plan.

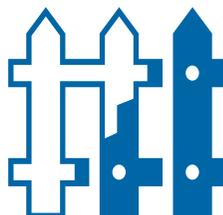


The city began to assess the services and amenities provided at the **Community Center and Senior Center in Old Town Lenexa**. The city is using federal dollars to study these facilities and make recommendations for their future use.

### Grants help residents keep properties maintained and beautiful

Lenexa has two programs to help residents reinvest in their properties: the Exterior Grant program (open to residents in the Neighborhood Revitalization District) and the Minor Home Repair Grant program (open to low-to-moderate income residents).

In 2017, the city helped 18 households by providing \$48,000 in funding to assist with home repairs, including replacement of roofs, front porches and garage doors, wood rot repair, exterior paint, and new windows and doors.



# GOAL: CITY CENTER

Partner in the development of a premier destination point that serves as a community gathering place integrating a variety of uses.



- A** Lenexa Hills Elementary School (Shawnee Mission School District)
- B** Canyon Farms Golf Course clubhouse
- C** North Reserve Park single-family smart homes subdivision
- D** West End at City Center (residential)
- E** GOK mixed-use retail building
- F** SMSD competitive aquatics facility
- G** Central Green MXD (office/restaurant)
- H** Penrose Place (Springhill Suites, OrangeTheory Fitness). Phase 2 planned
- I** Lenexa Rec Center
- J** Fairways Villas at City Center
- K** Lenexa City Hall (includes Park University and Lenexa Public Market)
- L** Lenexa City Center branch of Johnson County Library
- M** Domain City Center (residential)
- N** RideKC route 495 transit stop
- O** The District at City Center (residential, office, retail)
- P** City Center block A and E (restaurant/office)
- Q** Renner89 (Saints Pub + Patio, Massage Heights, Subway, office)
- R** Lexmark office building (future home of Kiewit Power)
- S** LifeTime Fitness
- T** WaterCrest and EdgeWater (residential)
- U** Ignite Wood Fire Grill
- V** AMN Healthcare building (offices, Grand Street Cafe)
- W** Hyatt Place/Lenexa Conference Center

# GOAL: SENSE OF COMMUNITY

Celebrate Lenexa's heritage and history to enhance the sense of community, pride and quality of life for residents.



With the help of the community, the city built a giant **I Like Lenexa sign out of Legos** during September to Remember. The sign hangs in the Lenexa Rec Center.

## Festivals & events

The city held more festivals and events in 2017 than ever before, drawing thousands of visitors and residents to our parks and facilities. Most events are free and offer great activities for families throughout the year. See a list of upcoming events at [Lenexa.com/Festivals](http://Lenexa.com/Festivals).

## City Hall Art Gallery

With City Hall moving in 2017, the art gallery space is now more accessible than ever. The **gallery is open to the public throughout the week** and features local 2-D and 3-D artists' work in the lobby and second floors.



Hundreds of volunteers donated time and talent to provide support to the city in 2017—a value of \$293,276.86\*



**12,149**  
VOLUNTEER  
HOURS



\*Source: [www.independentsector.org](http://www.independentsector.org)

## Lenexa Community Orchestra

Musicians in Lenexa now have the opportunity to play with their neighbors in the Lenexa Community Orchestra, which formed in 2017. Featuring 86 volunteer musicians and a variety of instruments, the **orchestra provides free concerts for the community** during the summer.

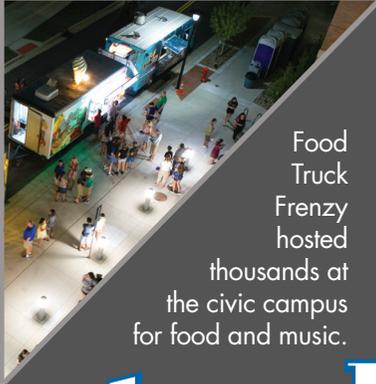
## Videos highlight Lenexa's past

The new civic campus gave the city the opportunity to bridge the future with the past through a centralized history marker



on the Commons. With the help of the Lenexa Historical Society, the city **created more than 15 videos** highlighting the people, places and things that shaped Lenexa's past and contributed to its future. You can view these videos on the city's website, [Lenexa.com/History](http://Lenexa.com/History).

LenEXPO let families explore the different services the city offers.



Food Truck Frenzy hosted thousands at the civic campus for food and music.



# September to Remember



The I Like Lenexa wall art was created with the help of Lenexa residents!

The civic campus has plenty of spaces to hang out, making it a unique place in Lenexa.

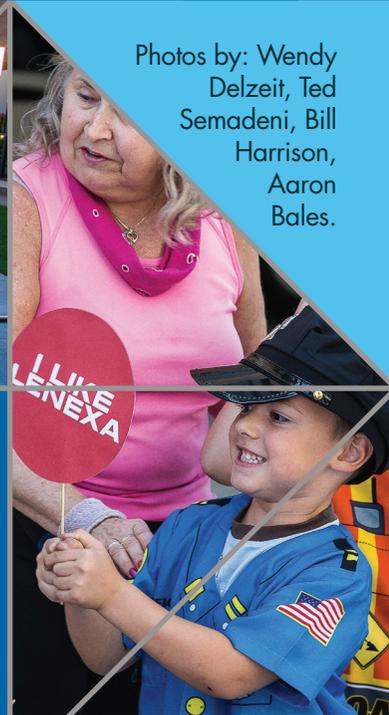


*Thank you for celebrating the opening of our civic campus with us by attending the events and activities of September to Remember. While this campus is a critical step in making progress toward creating a vibrant City Center, the next few years will bring more development to our city's new downtown.*

The city had families in mind when designing the new civic campus outdoor spaces.



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