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Paseo Industrial Park in North Kansas City is 3rd Largest Multi-tenant Industrial Park in KC Area

Many people don't realize the industrial park immediately northeast of the Bond Bridge accessed by the Bedford and Levee Rd exits is part of North Kansas City. Most folks call it "The PID" for Paseo Industrial District, recognizing its proximity to the Paseo Bridge which was replaced by the Bond Bridge.

According to the Kansas City Business Journal, this is the third largest multi-tenant industrial park in the Kansas City metro area. Major commercial real estate firms who own and lease buildings there are: Karbank Real Estate Co; CBRE, Inc.; and Block Real Estate Services. Some of the largest tenants include **Wagner Logistics**, Metro Park Warehouses and PBI Gordon.

Also on the list, **Hunt Midwest**, the developer for Northgate Village's single-family residences, has a huge presence on the list of largest multi-tenant industrial parks, led by #2 underground Sub-Tropolis east of North Kansas City and #12 Hunt Midwest Business Center in the surface area above the Sub-Tropolis near Worlds of Fun.

- Holland 1916, located at 1300 Burlington, was listed among the best small businesses (51-100 local employees) to work in a recent survey published by the Kansas City Business Journal.
- **Garney**, located at 1700 Swift, was listed among the best medium businesses (101-250 local employees).
- **Edward Jones,** which is represented in North Kansas City by Tim Dolan's office at 1907 Swift, Suite 200, was listed among the large employers.

Last Call to Register for Fall Session of Frontline Leader Development Training

Any type of business that has potential or new Frontline Leaders can benefit from the 4-part training series offered by Missouri Enterprise and the North Kansas City Business Council this Fall. It is urgent to register soon to be included. The first session is Thursday, September 11.

The Frontline Leader Development workshop is training designed to develop workers into leaders. Leadership is a continual journey. Each session builds on the previous session. Four 4-hour sessions on Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the conveniently located SEi training room at 1225 Swift. Thank you to Security Equipment, Inc. (SEi) for donating this space.

- Sep 11: Foundation of Communication, helping leaders recognize the role of emotional intelligence, engaging the 'head' and the 'heart' to build and retain your work force
- Oct 9: Coaching in the moment to be able to approach most any situation
- Nov 13: Resolve Conflict in a way to minimize potential damage
- Dec 11: Setting Goals and Reviewing Results with SMART goals for a positive outcome for you and your employees.

North Kansas City Business Council member rate: \$265 per person/session, \$1,060 total (\$120 discount)

Non-member rate: \$295 per person/session, \$1,180 total

Visit nkcbusinesscouncil.com > Calendar > Sept 10 for more information and/or to register and pay.

Contact Doug Schmitz at <u>816-705-7373</u> or <u>dschmitz@missourienterprise.org</u> if you have questions.

Last Call to sign up a team for *Game Day*: A Smashing Beginning to Autumn: Team Charity Event at Chicken N Pickle

Smash, Serve, and Celebrate at our Fall Team-Building "Game Day" Bash at Chicken N Pickle! Tuesday, September 9, 3:00–6:00 p.m.

Benefiting the **North Kansas City Police Department Foundation**, the Presenting Sponsor is **Harrah's Hotel & Casino**. Supporting Sponsors are Express Employment Professionals and Chicken N Pickle.

Looking for a fresh way to build stronger teams and spark some friendly competition? Join the North Kansas City Business Council for an afternoon of high-energy games, great food, and community connection at Chicken N Pickle!

This action-packed event features:

- 🏅 Team-building games like pickleball, Paddle Smash, cornhole, and Jenga
- Tasty bites and optional drink tickets
- 🎁 Raffles, prizes, and giveaways
- 🤝 Casual networking in a relaxed, social setting

Whether you're rallying coworkers or coming solo, you'll leave with laughs, connections, and maybe even bragging rights.

Space is limited to 80 players (20 teams).

Visit nkcbusinesscouncil.com > Calendar > Sept 9 to register and pay.

Alert: Possible Lawsuits About Your Website

Several Missouri businesses have recently been targeted by website accessibility lawsuits filed by a Kansas City area attorney and his visually impaired client citing inadequate provisions to satisfy the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Many of these cases involve small businesses—from nonprofits and theaters to restaurants and retail outlets—accused of having websites inaccessible to people using screen readers or other assistive technologies.

The lawsuits often follow a "sue-and-settle" pattern, with settlements typically ranging from \$5,000 to \$40,000. Since 2024, roughly 90 lawsuits have been filed in Missouri by this same attorney and plaintiff.

We encourage you to take this seriously and review your website's accessibility as soon as possible, contacting your webmaster or IT provider if necessary.

We hope to have more information or guidance soon and will share that once we receive it.

Volunteer

FIFA World Cup 26™ volunteers will be the heartbeat of the tournament, venues and events across our Host City. Here in Kansas City, our community has an opportunity to leave a lasting impression in the summer of 2026 and even after the conclusion of the games. The FIFA volunteer journey is a memorable experience, and Kansas City will need many qualified individuals to make this a safe and seamless event for our region.

For the 2026 FIFA World Cup in Kansas City, volunteer duties will include greeting and guiding fans, providing directions, supporting media, and ensuring safety and security at various venues. Volunteers will also assist with match operations, referee services, spectator services, and sustainability efforts.

The FIFA volunteer process includes applying, interviews, attending a group recruitment event, accepting your role, confirming shifts, completing your training, receiving your accreditation and uniform, and lastly, being part of delivering a world-class event.

You can't wait until next year to volunteer. You need to sign up by September 15. Go to this link to volunteer: www.kansascityfwc26.com/volunteer

Register your business

Get ready to put your business in play for FIFA World Cup 2026™! KC Game Plan is a new regional initiative designed to help small businesses prepare for and participate in the economic opportunities created by the tournament. From visitor information and event calendars to readiness assessment tools and training, they are building a program to help businesses shine on the world stage.

The Board of Directors of KC2026 has established a Procurement Policy to promote the efficient operation of KC2026 by establishing guidelines and procedures for the acquisition of products and services by KC2026.

KC2026 is committed to providing opportunities for small, local business communities to support official Host City events and regional activations. If your business is interested in supporting the numerous events planned across the metro area, you can find the Business Interest Form at www.nkcbusinesscouncil.com/world-cup-2026-in-kc

Opportunity for Fall Newsletter Inserts

Many businesses have found inserts in the North Kansas City Business Council Spring and Fall newsletters to be a good way to reach the 900 businesses in North Kansas City. If you wish to have an insert in the Fall 2025 printed newsletter please contact Rich Groves at richard@nkcbusinesscouncil.com by September 5. The cost is \$200, plus you provide 1,000 copies (either print them yourself or pay ProPrint Digital to do it). Inserts will need to be provided at ProPrint Digital for distribution by September 19.

Additionally, or alternatively, you can also apply to be a sponsor for Kevin Worley's twice-weekly Weekly Reminder emails at a cost of \$200/month. These enewsletters go to a distribution of over 1,500 people in North Kansas City.

Contact kevin@nkcbusinesscouncil.com

North Kansas City Business Council Events

- Northland Coffee Connect, Wednesday, September 3 The Builders Training Center, 165 W 12th Ave
- Game Day at Chicken N Pickle, Tuesday, September 9 Chicken N Pickle
- Northland Coffee Connect, Wednesday, September 10 Northland CAPS, 6800 Sobbie Rd, Pleasant Valley
- Northland Coffee Connect, Wednesday, September 17 NKC Health, Barry Rm, Pavilion 1st Floor
- Northland Coffee Connect, Wednesday, September 24 KC SourceLink at Life Unlimited, 320 Armour
- Monthly Membership Luncheon, Thursday, September 25 Investing in North Kansas City 2025 program at The Pavilion at iWerx, 1520 Clay

Friday in the Park, September 5

The Beach Nuts will bring family favorites to Friday in the Park at North Kansas City's Festival Pavilion in Macken Park from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM. on Friday, September 5. All concerts are free and open to the public, and every event features a drawing for prizes donated by local businesses.

Note: <u>Only North Kansas City Business Council member businesses</u> will be featured in these enewsletters, although the distribution goes to ALL businesses to get more attention for the featured businesses. Whenever any member business is mentioned, I will also include the website address of that business so readers can inquire further about your business if they are interested.



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