

This Week at Second Chance...



"A public safety program of the Kansas City Metropolitan Crime Commission"

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Second Chance Mission: "To provide a crime prevention strategy for Metropolitan Kansas City through research, advocacy and the funding of programs that improves opportunities for ex-offenders to lead productive lives."

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The Second Chance Program focuses on metro-wide reentry efforts through Research and special projects, Advocacy through the Reentry Coalition, and Fundraising to support local organizations providing direct services to the offender population.

In an effort to keep you more informed on what's happening in the Second Chance community, we will send out this e-newsletter periodically with the latest and greatest news and information!

Thanks for your support of the Second Chance Program!

Coming Soon

**Second Chance
Advisory Board
Meeting (for board**

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Defendant Offender Workforce Development Conference 2010

DALLAS, TEXAS – This week the Kansas City Metropolitan Crime Commission Second Chance Program was among 1,100 attendees at the Defendant Offender Workforce Development Conference in Dallas, Texas. The conference includes people all over the nation, from public and private organizations, who are concerned with issues related to prisoner reentry and workforce solutions. Many of our local partners were in attendance, including Missouri Workforce, U.S. Courts of Western Missouri and Eastern Kansas, and Connections to Success.

Barry Mayer and Lora McDonald presented to a packed room about the Second Chance strategy for Building a Successful Community Collaboration. The presentation was about our board development, the Gaps Analysis with UMKC, and Coalition activities. The presentation was received with great enthusiasm and those in attendance learned how they can use our model to advance reentry work within their community.

As was noted in our previous newsletter, our Second Chance Advisory Board Chair, Mr. William Dunn, Sr. of J.E. Dunn Construction, received the DOWD National Outstanding Business Partnership of the Year Award. William Dunn, Jr., came to accept

members and by invitation) April 20th
3PM 3100
Broadway, Rm 132

Kansas City Metropolitan Reentry Coalition
Tuesday, April 27th,
3-4PM (networking before and after meeting) Pioneer Campus of MCC,
2700 E. 18th St, K.C. Mo., Auditorium

Landlord Forums:
Kansas April 20,
2010 6:00-7:30PM
Donnelly College,
KCKS
Hosted by Carol Marinovich

Missouri May 11th,
2010 6:00-7:30PM
Community Christian Church,
KCMO Hosted by Alvin Brooks

Employment Symposium:
April 27th
8:00-9:30AM
Pioneer Auditorium

the award on behalf of his company. J.E. Dunn has employed people with criminal histories, provided funding in excess of one million dollars to area reentry programs, and offered leadership to the Crime Commission's development of a metro-wide reentry strategy. We are proud to have the support of J.E. Dunn and believe the Dunn commitment to reentry is truly unparalleled in our nation.



Landlord Forums in Kansas and Missouri Promote Safer Communities

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The Housing Committee of the Reentry Coalition is providing an opportunity for landlords to learn more about responsible renting to people with criminal histories. Managers and property owners can attend these forums and learn more about screening, parole/supervision, resources available to tenants, and policies that protect the owner from liability.

We hope you will come to the Housing Forums and invite any property owners you know who may want to attend. We are still in need of volunteers for the events. If you have questions, you can email Ron Peckham, Housing Com. Chair, at ronpeckham@yahoo.com

**Kansas Property Owners:
Donnelly College
608 N 18th St / Kansas City, KS
Main Building "The Meeting Room"
April 20th 6:00-7:30PM
<http://www.donnelly.edu>
Honorary Hostess: Carol Marinovich, KCMCC Board Chair**

**Missouri Property Owners:
Community Christian Church
4601 Main Street
Kansas City, MO
May 11th 6:00-7:30PM
<http://www.community-christian.org/>
Honorary Host: Alvin Brooks, KCMCC Board Member**

Learn more about these events on Kansas City Metropolitan Reentry Coalition's cause page on facebook.

Employment Symposium: A Smart Solution for Small Businesses

Employers, particularly small businesses, please save the date of Tuesday, April 27, to attend a free symposium that can be life changing for your community and your business.

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**“A Smart Choice for Business Owners:
Hiring Ex-Offenders under Today’s Government Incentives”**

8 a.m. – 9:15 a.m., Tuesday, April 27

Auditorium, Pioneer Campus of MCC

2700 E. 18th St.

Kansas City, Mo.

Event starts at 7:45 a.m. with a continental breakfast.

There is no better time than now in the current reentry environment to change a life, a family and a community, AND add the most dedicated employees to your work force.

“If you give somebody a second chance when nobody else will give them a chance, they are going to be the most loyal and hardworking employee you have,” says

Plant Manager Anthony Taylor at Royal Metal where ex-offenders make up a significant percentage of the workforce at this Olathe, Kansas metals plant.

The symposium will feature government officials who will talk about the advantages concerning tax credits and federal bonding, and first-hand experiences from business owners who have ex-offenders on their payroll.

Registration for employers is not necessary to attend but you are encouraged to email Mark Smith, Employment Committee Member and program director at Helping Hand of GoodWill, if you would like to RSVP. His email is msmith@mokangoodwill.org Reentry Coalition members are expected to bring at least one potential employer to the event if they plan to attend.

Meet our KC Metropolitan Reentry Coalition Member:

Metropolitan Community College-Business & Technology Campus

The Metropolitan Community College Business and Technology Campus began attending the Kansas City Metropolitan Reentry

Coalition nearly a year ago when Ian Jennings, College Relations and Outreach Coordinator, met another Coalition Partner, Shirley Cliff, of the Missouri Career Centers, who encouraged him to become a part of our work.

The mission of the MCC BTC is advancing economic growth and workforce development by providing quality education, training and consulting services that improve performance of our students and customers. MCC-BTC can offer clients a career in technical education. BTC believes that education is one of the starting points to getting lives back on track. The coalition members can then ensure that any educational inquiries they receive are sent to Ian Jennings for consideration. A person can contact enrollment services or Ian directly to inquire about the college and or to schedule a visit. As for costs, the enrollment fee is around \$82 a credit hour.

Ian Jennings

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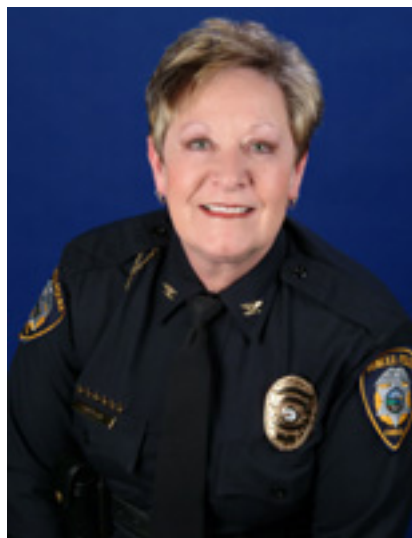
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Meet our Second Chance Advisory Board



Chief Ellen T. Hanson, Member of the Board

Chief Hanson has been with the Lenexa Police Department for 33 years. She began her career as a patrol officer and was later transferred to the Investigations Division where she served as a detective and later as the commander of that unit for 12 years. Before being named Chief of Police in 1991, she served as commander of the Patrol Division and Deputy Chief.

Chief Hanson has been a member of the Kansas City Metropolitan Major Case Squad since 1978 and has served as Chairman of the Metro Squad Board of Directors.

She is a 1980 graduate of the FBI National Academy and past president of the Johnson County Chiefs and Sheriffs Association and Metropolitan Chiefs and Sheriff's Association. She currently serves on the International Association of Chiefs of Police Executive Board and the Patrol and Tactical Committee. She also is a member of the Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training and Governor Sebelius's Re-Entry Policy Steering Committee.

Chief Hanson has an undergraduate degree in Political Science from Kansas University and a Masters Degree in Management Science from Baker University. She was named the Clarence M. Kelley Law Enforcement Administrator of the Year in 1996 and the Outstanding Graduate Student in the School of Liberal Arts at Baker University in 1990. In 2006 she was the recipient of the Police Executive Research Forum Leadership Award.