

THE HEALTHY COMMUNITY CORRIDOR

This map represents the potential for Wyandotte County to prioritize #HealthEquity in its parks for the residents of Kansas City, KS.

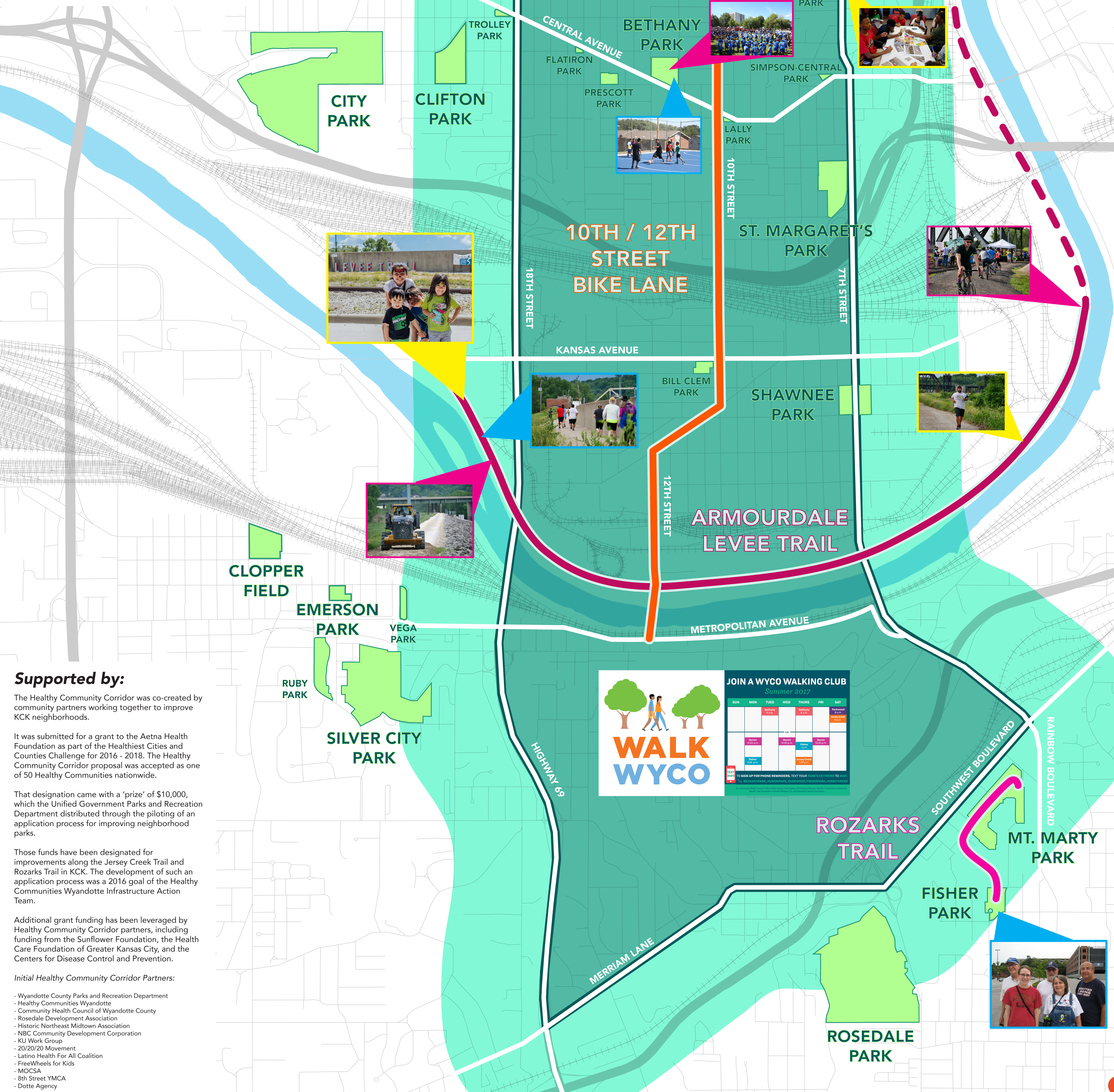
The Healthy Community Corridor was drawn to focus on areas that could access the new bike lane along 10th and 12th streets, with an additional half-mile buffer to indicate the walking distance from that area.

Within the Healthy Community Corridor area lives over **85,000 residents**, which is more than half of the population of Wyandotte County.

The area they live in is only **12% of the total area of Wyandotte County**. In that same area exists 33 urban parks, many without adequate walking trails, lighting, or public seating.

In response, communities have partnered to work together to **engage residents, promote activities, and make parks more accessible** — both to and within our parks. Much of the desired improvements still require substantial neighborhood reinvestments.

The goal of the Healthy Community Corridor is to continue to promote **greater access to health for all residents**, especially those living in neighborhoods with the least access.



Supported by:

The Healthy Community Corridor was co-created by community partners working together to improve KCK neighborhoods.

It was submitted for a grant to the Aetna Health Foundation as part of the Healthiest Cities and Counties Challenge for 2016 - 2018. The Healthy Community Corridor proposal was accepted as one of 50 Healthy Communities nationwide.

That designation came with a 'prize' of \$10,000, which the Unified Government Parks and Recreation Department distributed through the piloting of an application process for improving neighborhood parks.

Those funds have been designated for improvements along the Jersey Creek Trail and Rozarks Trail in KCK. The development of such an application process was a 2016 goal of the Healthy Communities Wyandotte Infrastructure Action Team.

Additional grant funding has been leveraged by Healthy Community Corridor partners, including funding from the Sunflower Foundation, the Health Care Foundation of Greater Kansas City, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Initial Healthy Community Corridor Partners:

- Wyandotte County Parks and Recreation Department
- Healthy Communities Wyandotte
- Community Health Council of Wyandotte County
- Rosedale Development Association
- Historic Northeast Midtown Association
- NBC Community Development Corporation
- KU Work Group
- 20/20/20 Movement
- Latino Health For All Coalition
- FreeWheels for Kids
- MOCSA
- 8th Street YMCA
- Dotte Agency