



RIVER BLUFF GATEWAY PROJECT GRANT AWARDED

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The Missouri Department of Economic Development has awarded the City of St. Joseph a \$2.5 million dollar Community Revitalization grant that will be used to initiate the River Bluff Gateway Project. The project is a targeted, strategic community revitalization project that focuses on four areas of the city: Southside (centered on King Hill Avenue), the 6th St. Corridor, Downtown, and Northside (centered on St. Joseph Avenue). The proposed community revitalization will include structural rehabilitation, green and open space improvements, and streetscape improvements. All of which will contribute to improving the historic corridor that serves our newest and emerging community amenities.

The grant also provides funding to address emerging homelessness issues.

The city appreciates the work of Historic Preservation Planner Kim Schutte and Community Alliance Director Tama Wagner to develop the grant proposal, submit the extensive application, and provide continuing information through the review process. Their efforts, together with several other supporting city staff members' efforts, contributed to the \$2.5 million dollar award.

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