

Our History

The doors of Bethel first opened on April 1, 1911. The primary mission was to serve immigrants from Eastern Europe who were living near or working in the meat packing plants of the West Bottoms of Kansas City.

The neighborhood has gone through many changes over the last 100+ years but our mission remains the same.

Bethel is committed to educate, help, empower, and strengthen the lives of those living in our community.



Our Mission

“To offer a renewed sense of hope, through the sharing of material, educational, health, social, and spiritual resources.”

Bethel Neighborhood Center is a 501(C)(3) nonprofit organization affiliated with the following organizations:



Bethel Neighborhood Center

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Regular Business Hours

Monday - Friday

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Neighborhood Center
Kansas City, Kansas



“Love your neighbor as yourself.” *Matt. 19:19*

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renewed sense
of hope since 1911

Our Programs and Services

AFTER SCHOOL & SUMMER PROGRAMS

Programs for youth are offered in a safe and caring environment for them to learn and grow. 1st -12th grade students can participate in our after school and summer programs. We help with homework, reading, social skills, healthy lifestyles, play games, go on fun and educational field trips, and much more!



Monday & Tuesday (1st – 5th)
Wednesday & Thursday (6th – 8th)
Friday (9th – 12th)

SUMMER YOUTH ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

Our 9-10 weeks summer program at Bethel is a safe and fun way for your child to enjoy the summer (June – August).

SENIOR PROGRAM

Residents of Wyandotte County who are 60 years and better can join us for a great program and lunch provided by Area Agency on Aging.



Our seniors socialize; participate in games, music, arts and crafts, health and exercise classes, bingo, and field trips.

Monday-Friday (9:00 – 11:30 a.m.)

FOOD PANTRY

Open to all Wyandotte County residents. A photo ID and a current proof of residence (e.g. BPU Bill) are necessary to receive food, diapers, and baby food.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:
9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Wednesdays: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

Our Parish Nurse and staff teach classes for the seniors and youth on how to live a healthier life. This program focuses on education, prevention, and early intervention to prevent obesity, diabetes and chronic disease.



Our nurse is also available for consultations and questions.

REFUGEE ASSISTANCE

We work closely with various refugee groups to help make their transition and assimilation easier. We offer translation, advocacy, transportation and other needs.



ESL/CITIZENSHIP CLASS

Our English as a Second Language and Citizenship classes are open to the public. Classes are offered free of charge. Call for more information and updated class times.

COMMUNITY MEAL & WORSHIP

Please join us for a community meal and worship service every Friday night. Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. followed by an informal worship service. All are welcome.

COMMUNITY GARDEN

Our garden helps to strengthen community bonds, provide food, and create recreational and therapeutic opportunities for our neighborhood. Bethel is also available to help you start your own garden at home.

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For more information, please feel free to contact Rev. Kapzamang “Mang” Sonna, Executive Director and Pastor at 913-371-8218 or email at msonna@bethelcenter.org



Visit our website at:
www.bethelcenter.org

“Bethel is like a second home to me and many others.”

Louise, a senior participant.