

City of Douglass

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Douglass, KS 67039

City Launches New Website; Social Media Presence

The City website has undergone a makeover and is now active—take a moment to visit www.cityofdouglassks.com for community happenings, information on City services; links to other community resources and answers to frequently asked questions. Help build the website by submitting a photo to be considered as a header photo—contest guidelines are located on the website home page!

Check out the City of Douglass on Facebook (City of Douglass, Kansas) and Twitter (@CityofDouglass) too!

Questions? E-mail socialmedia@cityofdouglassks.com.

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City of Douglass Receives Community Development Block Grant Funding

The City of Douglass was recently notified by letter that a 2015 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Community Improvement grant had been awarded to the City. A local contribution of \$500,000 secured from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment's State Revolving Loan Fund makes the total estimated project funding available \$999,931. The grant application and award process is extremely competitive and the matching funds were crucial in the scoring rubric used to obtain an overall application score and rank.

This project will allow for replacement of approximately 7,150 lineal feet of 8-inch vitrified clay sanitary sewer pipe and should greatly increase the viability and longevity of the City's sewer infrastructure.

The grant application process began in January, 2014 with the authorization from the Mayor and Council to proceed with applying for CDBG funding, and to partner with the South Central Kansas Economic Development District to complete the application. The first phase of the application process included community surveying to demonstrate economic need. City staff and council members completed this process, and the state recently certified the results as accurate and complete.

Young and Associates, a civil and environmental engineering firm based in Derby, Kansas, also assisted in the grant writing process and will design the project, which should be completed within the next 12 to 18 months. More information will be forthcoming as the details and timeline of the project are finalized.

In the meantime, please call City Hall at 316-747-2109 with any questions.

City-Wide Clean Up Day—

Saturday, May 9, 2015 8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

**Location: City Disposal—1400 S. Maple
(half mile south of town on Maple)**

City-Wide Clean Up Day is an annual event sponsored by the Douglass City Council. This is for the convenience of city residents within the city limits to allow convenient disposal of residential household items that cannot be disposed of with normal trash and recycle services. A copy of a city utility billing will serve as proof of residency and will be your admission ticket to the disposal area. This event is not for business and commercial use so no commercial vehicles will be allowed. Passenger vehicles, pickups and trailers are allowed. If your load requires the use of shovels, brooms or a trash can to unload with, then please bring your own. City employees are there to assist you with the unloading, but if your load requires a lot of time to unload, you may be asked to move aside so the traffic flow can keep moving.

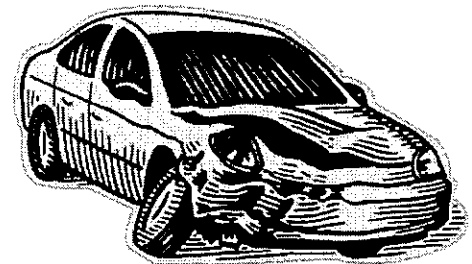
What will be accepted: Items such as reasonable quantities of building materials, auto parts, yard equipment, furniture, appliances. Tires (15-inch) will be accepted for a fee of \$.50 off the rim.

What will not be accepted: Normal household waste including items such as cardboard boxes, trash and small household items. Tree limbs and yard waste are accepted at a separate site that is open any time so these items do not need to be mixed in with your load. Wet paint, pesticides, batteries, motor oil, or other hazardous materials will not be accepted. Tires on the rim or tires that are any size other than 15 inch will not be accepted.

Spring means... it's time to clean up! As spring arrives, everyone spends more time outdoors. It's a good time to remember that Douglass does have and will enforce public health regulations..... City-wide Clean Up Day is a great opportunity to take care of items that have piled up over the winter and to avoid the possibility of future citations.

Inoperable Vehicles:

As a reminder, it is a violation of city ordinance to have on private property for more than 30 days a vehicle that is not currently tagged or registered; parked in violation of city ordinance; incapable of moving under its own power; or in a junked, wrecked or inoperable condition. This reminder is to allow owners of such vehicles the opportunity to correct the situation before citations are issued by the City.



CLEAN UP DAY ASSISTANCE—

Call City Hall to sign up for help!

The Ministerial Alliance, led by the Methodist Church, will be providing complimentary support for City Wide Clean Up Day on May 9th.

What can they do to help you with Cleanup Day?

- Move large furniture and appliances on Cleanup Day
- Haul loads of other items on Cleanup Day
- General clean up assistance for Cleanup Day

It is important that you call City Hall at 747-2109 to sign up for assistance prior to Cleanup Day so the work can be planned accordingly!

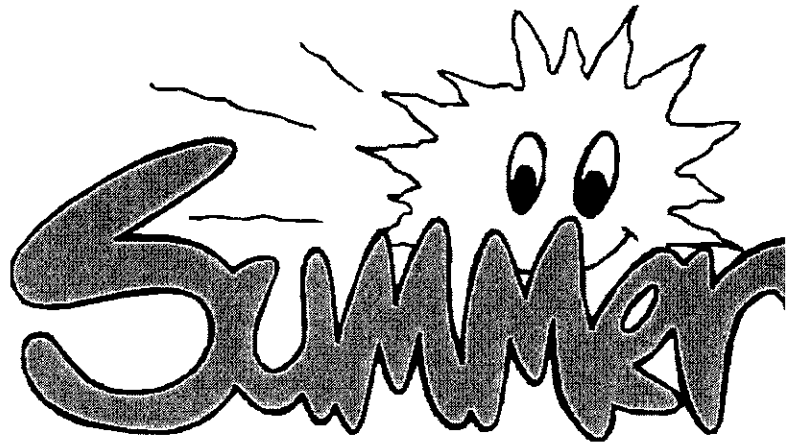
Important Dates for 2015 current 4/1/15

Event	Date Scheduled
Friends of Library Plant Sale	Thursday and Friday, April 23 and 24
City Wide Clean Up Day	Saturday, May 9 (Rain Date – Saturday, May 16)
City Pool Opens/Closes	Saturday, May 23
Douglass Farmers' Market	Thursday, June 4
City Wide Garage Sale	Saturday, June 13
Rock River Rapids	Saturday, July 25
National Night Out	Tuesday, August 4
City Pool Closes	Sunday, August 16
Trunk or Treat	Saturday, October 24
A Frontier Christmas	Saturday, November 21

For Senior Center Information, check the insert in this newsletter or go to www.cityofdouglassks.com.

**Douglass Pool –
2015 Season
May 23 through August 16th**

Hours: Open Daily: 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Family Swim – Sunday evenings starting June 14;
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.



Admission Pricing:

Daily: \$2.00

Punchcards: \$17.50 for 10 admissions

Season Passes: Family passes - \$125.00 or Individual pass - \$60.00

Swim Lessons will be given to children ages 3 and up.

Fee is \$30.00 per child

1st session: June 15th – June 26nd

2nd session: July 13th – July 24th

Class levels taught from 9:00 a.m. though 1:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday

Register at the pool after May 23rd

Water Aerobics every Monday and Wednesday

6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

June 14th though August 12th

\$1.00 admission or free for 65 years of age or older

Pool Parties: Evening Pool Rental from 7:00 – 9:00 pm; 2 hours \$125.00

Questions? Call Douglass City Hall at 747-2109 or visit www.cityofdouglassks.com

2014 Consumer Confidence Report

The 2014 Consumer Confidence Report provides a snapshot of the quality of water provided in 2014. This report is available as a PDF by visiting www.cityofdouglassks.com and clicking on the home page link "2014 Consumer Confidence Report—Water".

If internet access is not available, contact KaLyn Nethercot, City Clerk/Administrator, at 316-747-2109 or stop by City Hall, 322 S. Forrest, Douglass, Kansas 67039 to obtain a printed copy of the report.

Friends of the Library Plant Sale

Douglass Community Building
206 S. Forrest

Thursday, April 23: 8:00 am 8:00 pm

Friday, April 24: 8:00 am to 6:00 pm

Proceeds benefit friends of the Library and
DHS Class of 2015

Thursday, April 23rd Special Plant Sale Events

5:00-7:00 Hamburgers and Hotdogs for sale/Class of 2015

5:00—7:00 Selling Pies by the Slice/Methodist Church

All Day: Book Sale hosted by Friends of the Library

All Day: Jam and Bake Sale/PEO

Summer Reading at the Douglass Public Library

Every Hero Has A Story! Join us in June and July as we celebrate many types of heroes. Mrs. Karen Demel will be our summer activity director. Sign up at the library at 319 S. Forrest starting on May 18th. Call 746-2600 for more information. More detailed information will be sent home with students towards the end of the school year.



Farmers Market 2015

The **Douglass Farmers Market** sponsored by the Friends of the Library is set to begin June 4th at 4:00 pm. There is always a great selection of produce and home-made goods to choose from. The market will be held in front of the Douglass Public Library. Stop by the library at 319 South Forest or call 746-2600 for more information.

Come See the Library's Improvements!

Wonderful things have been happening at the library! If you have not been in recently stop by to see our new windows and paint. Friends of the Library donated money to purchase new shades for several windows. We have also purchased an activity cube for the children's area, soap, paper towel, and toilet roll dispensers for the bathrooms, and a new portable swinging sign, all thanks to a generous donation from Friends of the Library.

Douglass Senior Center Menu Calendar

April 2015

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<p>Meals are \$4.00, Dine in, Carry out or Delivered. Please call 316-746-3227 by 9:00 AM to reserve your meal. Lunch Only! Menus are subject to change...</p>						
5		6 Sloppy Joes Tatar Tots Toss Salad Fruit Cookies	7 Pork Loin Dressing/Gravy Veggi Salad Fruit & Cookies	1 Chicken Alfredo Green Beans Org. Jello Salad w/ Cottage Cheese Rolls Cookies	2 Ham Potatoes/Gravy Green Bean Cass. Deviled Eggs Strawberry Salad, Rolls & Cake	3 Leftover Buffet	4
12	13 Chicken Noodles Potatoes Pickled Beets Salad Peach Cobbler	6 Sloppy Joes Tatar Tots Toss Salad Fruit Cookies	7 Pork Loin Dressing/Gravy Veggi Salad Fruit & Cookies	8 Ham & Beans Oven Potato Corn, Bread Stewed Tomatoes Cookies	9 Fried Chicken Potatoes/Gravy Veggie Salad, Rolls Dessert	10 Leftover Buffet	11
19	20 Ham Salad Sandwich Baked Beans Chips Coleslaw	14 Pork Cutlet Potatoes & Gravy Peas Salad Dessert	15 Hot Beef Sand Hominy Salad Fruit Cocktail Cake Ice Cream	16 Fried Chicken Potatoes/Gravy Veggie Salad, Bread Dessert	17 Leftover Buffet	18 Breakfast 7:30-9:30	
26	27 BBQ Pork Twice Bake Potato Corn Cass. Apple Salad Dessert	21 Beef Stroganoff Mix Veggies Toss Salad Hot Rolls Dump Cake	22 Goulash Corn Toss Salad Peach Crisp	23 Fried Chicken Potatoes/Gravy Veggie Salad, Bread Dessert	24 Leftover Buffet	25	
26		28 Lasagna Peas Salad Cobbler	29 Chef Salad Strawberry Short Cake Breadsticks	30 Meatloaf Cheesy Potatoes Veggie Salad Rolls Dessert			