

AGENDA
CULTURAL RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD
THURSDAY, September 8, 2011 – 7:00 PM
Dodge City Public Library

CALL TO ORDER by Greta
Robert, Greta, Oliver, Marilyn, Elva, Debra
mo Jane

APPROVAL OF MINUTES of July 14, 2011 meeting *Marilyn moved
Oliver Bland*

OLD BUSINESS

1. Status of CDBG Grant .

2. Update on Recreation Focus Group *Schedule meeting in October 19th*

Send after school program

3. Discussion of next Neighborhood Cleanup Project – Oct. 22nd.

Ask Faye about

NEW BUSINESS

1. Information presented on Neighborhood Revitalization Program *need more
clarification on program.*

2. Ford County Emergency Notification System *- was sign up in Spanish*

3. Ideas for Newspaper Article to bridge interaction between cultures.

Emily on 19th

4. Discussion of Dodge City/Garden City Hispanic American
statistics.

5. Invitation to Garden City Diversity Breakfast

Marilyn, Elva, Oliver, Greta, Robert

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

ADJOURNMENT

Oliver reported on Thurrow Park. Elva expressed excitement for project

*Deb Robert
moved*

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Jesse 506 Ave E (Eva's Aunt)

MINUTES
CULTURAL RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD
Thursday, July 14, 2011 – 7:00 pm
Dodge City Public Library – 1001 N. Second Ave.

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairperson Debra Muylaert. Board members present: Debra Muylaert, Sara Mora, Oliver Bland, Elva Dominguez, Nicole Frank, Marilyn Treto, Robert Vinton. Reported absent: Chamber Rep., Greta Clark. Staff representative Jane Longmeyer. Guest Mo Abdurahman.

On a motion by Sara, seconded by Oliver, the minutes of the June 9th meeting were approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Distribution of t-shirts.** Deb distributed the Cultural Relations Advisory Board t-shirts to be worn at community events that we participate in as a group. A shirt will be ordered for new USD Representative Robert Vinton.
2. **Discussion of Neighborhood Cleanup Project of June 11th:** Members participating felt it was a success. Residents brought out water, tree trimming good response, beef plants working that day so residents not available, noted landlord absence. Members suggested posting sanitation rules in the newspaper, calendar on web site when special pickups are scheduled.
3. **Status of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).** Jane reported that the federal government has approved the funding and that Dodge City can proceed with facilitating the \$266,000 grant project. The Board would like to review the details of the grant at the next meeting.
4. **Report on Downtown Main Street Festival of June 12.** Those attending thought there was good representation of cultures and the event was well attended for the first year.
5. **Update on Recreation Focus Group –** The comments from the first meeting were distributed. Deb will contact the youth pastors as a possible focus group to be interviewed. The next meeting is July 27th.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Discussion of Next Neighborhood Cleanup Date:** Date chosen is October 22, Make a Difference Day.
2. **Additional agenda item:** Chamber request for volunteers to work Dodge City Days events. Discussion was held about volunteering as a group to work the Fiesta Event selling pins. Members were not available this year.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS: A request for information on the Neighborhood Revitalization Program be presented at the next meeting.

Next meeting will be Thursday, August 11th.

On a motion by Sara, seconded by Marilyn, the meeting adjourned.

Q&A

What type of property is eligible?

All types of residential properties are eligible except accessory structures such as swimming pools and gazebos. Garages are eligible if included with the principle structure in the building permit.

What types of improvements qualify?

New construction and improvements such as rehabilitation, alterations, and additions.

What areas does the NRP cover?

The NRP area will cover any housing development located south of Comanche Street in Dodge City. (See map)

Can I apply for the rebate more than once?

An applicant is entitled to apply anytime there is a building permit for a *separate* project that meets the minimum investment. You may apply only once for any one project.

Are there application fees?

Yes. There is a \$15 fee for owner-occupied homes. All other projects are \$200 per application. Fees are subject to change. Checks only.

What is the difference between appraised and assessed value?

The percentage of appraised value of taxable property based on the constitutional classification of the property, which is the figure at which the property is entered on the assessment roll.

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Assessed value differs from market value in Kansas due to the fraction assessment laws. The assessed value is the basis upon which the property tax levy is allocated among the property owners in a jurisdiction with taxing powers.

How is the amount of tax rebate determined?

After the project is determined eligible, property owners will receive a 95% rebate on the eligible increase in their taxes the next time they pay their taxes in full.

How does this rebate affect my current property taxes?

It does not affect your current property taxes. You're still required to pay all property taxes, but you will be rebated a percentage of the increase that is due to the improvement if the project meets all requirements.

What criteria must the property improvements meet?

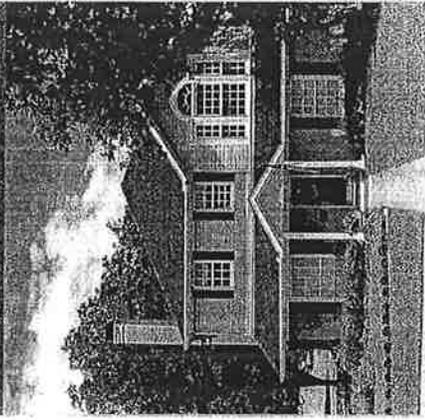
Improvements must be valued at \$15,000 or more and the assessed valuation of the property must increase by at least 5%.

Improvements must conform with the City of Dodge City codes and building permit requirements, as well as be in compliance for all 5 years of the rebate.

The property must remain current on property taxes, applicable special assessments, and utility billings. The project also must be complete before the rebate can be applied.

The property must be zoned appropriately for proposed use. For zoning questions, please call Development Services at (620) 225-8105.

Dodge City Housing Incentives



Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP)

Applications can be obtained at

City of Dodge City
Development Services
806 N. Second Avenue
PO Box 880
Dodge City, KS 67801
620-225-8100



Rebate, Map & Process

Process

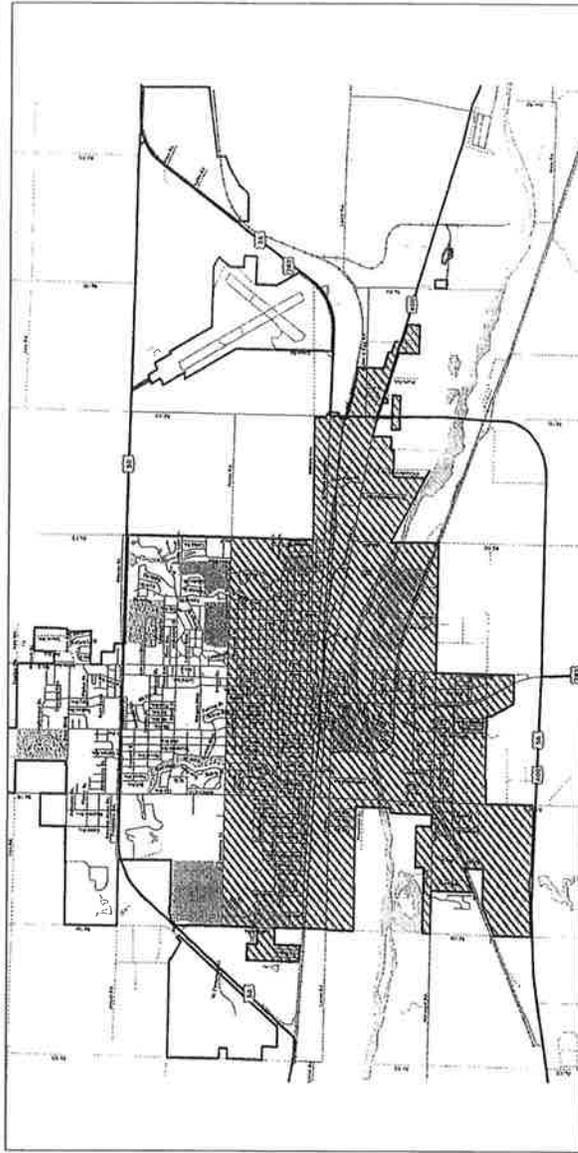
This program is designed to give property owners in the designated NRP area the chance to receive a five-year tax rebate. The incremental rebate is applied to the additional property taxes that might be incurred as a result of rehabilitating homes or constructing new housing.

In order to qualify, a building permit must be obtained from Development Services, City Hall located at 806 N. Second Avenue, Dodge City, Kansas. The permit must have a minimum value of \$15,000 in improvements or costs, as well as an increase to the assessed value by 5% to be eligible for this project. The property must be zoned appropriately for the proposed use.

To begin the process complete Part I of the application and submit it to Development Services at City Hall. This must be done within 60 days of receiving the building permit in order to be eligible. Part II must be submitted to the Development Services Office, 806 N. Second Avenue, Dodge City, Kansas by December 1st of the year the construction is complete.

When the project is complete, the County Appraiser conducts a new appraisal and determines the new valuation. The reappraisal process is effective at the beginning of each year. If the project meets all of the criteria, the County Treasurer will be notified to begin the rebate. Upon full payment of property taxes and submittal of the receipt to Development Services, the rebate will be made within 60 days.

For a complete list of housing incentives and information contact the Dodge City/Ford County Development Corporation at (620) 227-9501.



Investment
5% of Assessed Value & \$15,000 investment

Rebate %
95%

Years
5

Dodge City
Neighborhood Revitalization
Application
PART 1

Project # _____
To be assigned by Development Services

SUBMIT WITHIN 60 DAYS of the building permit being issued, to:
Development Services, City Hall, 806 2nd Avenue, Dodge City, Kansas
620-225-8100

Applicant Name: _____ Day Phone No. _____

Address of Property: _____ School Dist #. USD 443

Applicant's Mailing Address: _____

Owner on Record: _____

Owner's Mailing Address: _____

Owner's Day Phone: _____

Legal Description of Property: _____

Parcel Identification Number: _____
(Available on tax statement or call County Appraiser's Office)

Is this a Historically Designated Property? Yes No

Improvement Costs \$ _____ Building Permit # _____
(Amount from Building Permit)

Date Building Permit Issued _____

Estimated or Actual Starting Date: _____
(Day/Month/Year)

Estimated Completion Date: _____
(Month/Year)

Description of Project:

Age of Principal Building(s): _____

Occupancy Status during last 5 years Vacant Owner Occupied Rental Unit(s)

Existing Property Use Residential Commercial Industrial

Proposed Property Use

Under the correct use, please check a box for each number.

- RESIDENTIAL: 1) New Rehabilitation Demolition
- 2) Rental Owner-Occupied
- 3) Single Family Multi-Family (___ # of Units)

Application fees: \$15 Owner-Occupied Units \$200 Other
(Fees subject to change)

I have read and do hereby agree to follow all application procedures and criteria. I further understand that this application will be void one year from the date below if improvements or construction have not been completed. I also understand that any taxing entity may terminate this agreement with 30 days notice at any time.

Signature of Applicant or Owner

Please be legible

Date

FORD COUNTY APPRAISER'S USE ONLY

Based upon the above listed improvements and associated costs supplied by the applicant, the improvement will meet the terms for a tax rebate:

YES NO POSSIBLY

The appraised value of this property is \$ _____

The appraised value of the land is \$ _____

The appraised value of the structure is \$ _____

By _____ Date _____
(Ford County Appraiser's Office) (Year)

Dodge City
Neighborhood Revitalization Plan
Application
PART 2

PROJECT COMPLETE

Project # _____
To be assigned by Development Services

SUBMIT BEFORE DECEMBER 1 OF THE YEAR THE PROJECT IS COMPLETE to:
City of Dodge City, Development Services Department, PO Box 880, Dodge City, Kansas 67801
620-225-8100

Applicant's Name _____ Day Phone No. _____

Owner's Name of Record: _____ Day Phone No. _____

Address of Revitalized Property: _____

Start Date: _____ Completion Date: _____
(Month/Year) (Month/Year)

Improvement Costs \$ _____
(Amount from Building Permit)

Building Permit # _____

Date Building Permit Issued _____

Signature of Applicant or Owner _____
Please be legible

_____ Date
Day/Month/Year)

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

REVIEW:

County Appraiser Starting Value _____ Ending Value _____ % Increase _____
 Proceed (Required increase in value is met) Do not Proceed (Required increase is NOT met)

Sign _____

County Clerk/Treasurer Tax Status PAID - Proceed NOT PAID- Do NOT Proceed

Special Assessment Status _____

Sign _____

Finance Director Utility Billing Status PAID - Proceed NOT PAID- Do NOT Proceed

Sign _____

Director of Development Services Proceed Do not Proceed: Explanation _____

Sign _____

Housing Incentive Committee Proceed Do not Proceed: Explanation _____

FORD COUNTY RESIDENTS...

SIGN UP TODAY FOR THE NEW

Ford County emergency notification system is designed to instantly reach cell phones and other mobile devices when an urgent situation needs to be communicated.

In the event of an emergency or severe weather conditions, an alert will be sent to the phone number provided by text and/or email.



**Register today at
www.fordcounty.net**

You must register to take advantage of this important notification service.

Ford County Notification System Frequently Asked Questions

How do I register?

Ford County residents can register by going to www.fordcounty.net and entering your phone number and/or email address. You will receive a message confirming that you have opted to receive emergency notifications.

What type of alerts will I receive?

You will only receive emergency notifications for Ford County. If you choose, you may also receive weather advisories.

I don't use text messages. Can I receive notifications by email?

Yes.

Does Ford County Notification system cost anything to use?

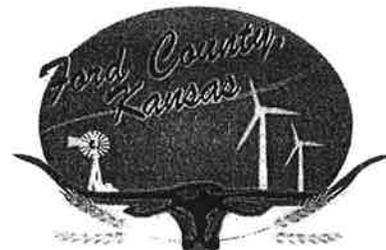
There is no cost for an individual who has registered for the alerts; however, your cell phone carrier might charge you to receive text messages, so please check your plan.

Will I receive ads or SPAM on my phone?

No.

Who do I contact if I have any further questions?

The Ford County Administrative Services office (620) 227-4670



RESIDENTES DEL CONDADO DE FORD...

INSCRIBETE HOY PARA EL NUEVO

Sistema de notificación de emergencia del Condado de Ford esta diseñado para alcanzar instantáneamente teléfonos celulares y otros dispositivos móviles cuando una situación urgente deba ser comunicada.

En caso de una emergencia o condiciones severas del clima, una alerta será enviada al número de teléfono proporcionado por mensaje de texto, y/o correo electrónico.



**Regístrate Hoy en
www.fordcounty.net**

tu debes registrarte para aprovechar este servicio **Importante** de notificación

Sistema de Notificación del Condado de Ford Preguntas Frecuentes

Cómo me Registro?

Los residents del Condado de Ford se pueden registrar yendo a www.fordcounty.net ingresar su número de teléfono y/o la dirección de correo electrónico. Usted recibirá un mensaje para confirmar que usted ha optado recibir notificaciones de emergencia.

Que tipo de alertas voy a recibir?

Usted solo recibirá notificaciones de emergencia del Condado de Ford. Si decide también puede recibir alertas del tiempo.

No uso mensaje de texto. Puedo recibir notificaciones por correo electrónico?

Si.

El sistema de notificación del Condado de Ford tiene algún costo al utilizarlo?

No hay costo alguno para el individuo que se haya registrado para recibir alertas; sin embargo su portador de teléfono celular quizás le pueda cobrar cargos adicionales por recibir mensajes de texto, por favor verifica tu plan.

Recibiré anuncios o SPAM en mi teléfono?

No.

A quien debo contactar si tengo preguntas?

A la oficina administrativa de Servicios del Condado de Ford al (620) 227-4670



HISPANIC AMERICANS

2010 STATISTICAL PROFILE FOR DODGE CITY

PEOPLE AND FAMILIES

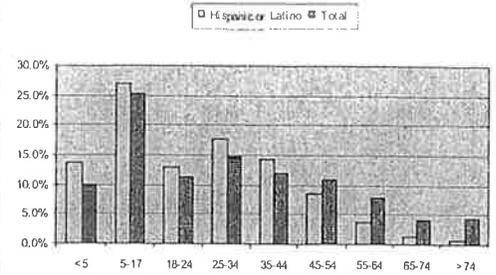
15,710

The Hispanic population of Dodge City as of April 1, 2010. This is 57.5% of the city's population. Hispanic Americans account for 10.5% of the total Kansas population.

14,267

There are 14,267 more Hispanic Americans in Dodge City today than in 1980. That is a 975% increase, compared to a 19.3% increase in the total number of Kansans during that period.

Percent of Population in Age Groups



59.5%

Percentage of Hispanic Americans in Dodge City who own their home.

30.1%

Percentage of Hispanic children in Dodge City under 18 years who live in poverty, compared to 26.2% of all children in Dodge City.

137

The number of Hispanic-owned firms in Dodge City, with total receipts of \$18,203,000.

40.7%

The percent of the Hispanic population under age 18, compared to 24.9% of the general Kansas population.

23.0

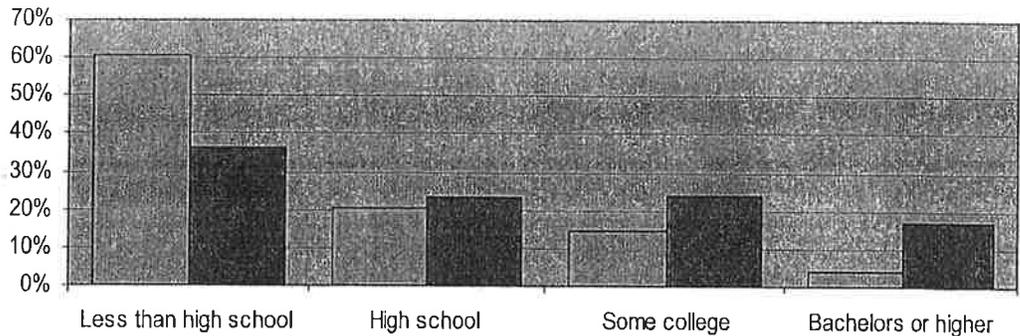
The median age of Hispanic persons in Dodge City. 35.9 years is the median age for all Kansans, and 36.8 for the United States.

350

The number of Hispanic Kansans over 65 years of age, 51.1% of whom are women.

Educational Attainment Percent Population Over 25

Hispanic or Latino Total Population



CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

3.8%

Percentage of Hispanic Americans in Dodge City who hold a bachelor's degree or higher.

84.8%

The graduation rate for Hispanic high school students in Dodge City for 2008-9 school year.

62.4%

Percentage of students enrolled in Dodge City K-12 schools who are Hispanic American during the 2009-10 school year.

2.6%

Percentage of Hispanic Americans in Dodge City who are enrolled in college or graduate school, compared to 3.3% for all of Dodge City.

HISPANIC AMERICANS

2010 STATISTICAL PROFILE FOR GARDEN CITY

DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC

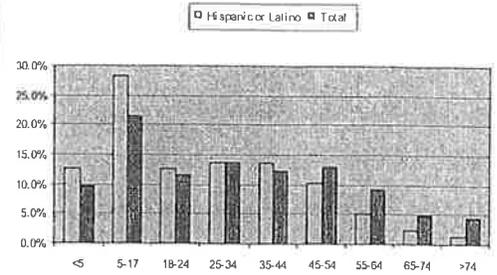
12,916

The Hispanic population of Garden City as of April 1, 2010. This is 48.6% of the city's population. Hispanic Americans account for 10.5% of the total Kansas population.

9,978

There are 9,978 more Hispanic Americans in Garden City today than in 1980. That is a 336.2% increase, compared to a 19.3% increase in the total number of Kansans during that period.

Percent of Population in Age Groups



65.9%

Percentage of Hispanic Americans in Garden City who own their home.

21.4%

Percentage of Hispanic children in Garden City under 18 years who live in poverty, compared to 19.8% of all children in Garden City.

311

The estimated number of Hispanic-owned firms in Garden City, with receipts of \$39,966,000.

37.6%

The percent of the Hispanic population under age 18, compared to 24.9% of the general Kansas population.

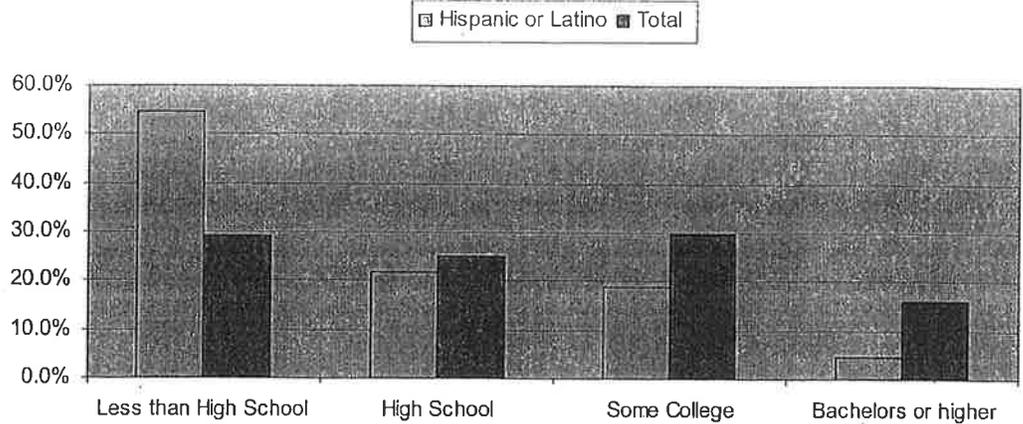
22.8

The median age of Hispanic persons in Garden City. 35.9 years is the median age for all Kansans, and 36.8 for the United States.

249

The number of Hispanic Kansans in Garden City 65 years of age or over, 50.4% are women.

Educational Attainment Percent Population Over 25



EDUCATION

4.7%

Percentage of Hispanic Americans in Garden City who hold a bachelor's degree or higher.

78.5%

The graduation rate for Hispanic high school students in Garden City for 2008-9 school year.

67.3%

Percentage of students enrolled in Garden City K-12 schools who are Hispanic American during the 2009-10 school year.

4.5%

Percentage of Hispanic Americans in Garden City who are enrolled in college or graduate school, compared to 0.7% for all of Garden City.



2011 Diversity Breakfast

When: Thursday, October 13, 2011

Time: 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Where: Fiesta Courtyard, 1810 Buffalo Jones Ave.

Cost: \$9.00 per person

\$70.00 per table (8)

Speakers: Mary Rogers & Lisa Smith, M.D.

The City of Garden City is recognized as a leader in cultural diversity and acceptance. This year's theme is a celebration of the Polynesian culture. Attendees are encouraged to decorate their tables to reflect and celebrate their cultural heritage. Your attendance reflects your contribution to celebrating cultural diversity in Garden City.

To sign up, call 276-1175. You may mail your reservation and check to
City of Garden City Diversity Breakfast, Attention Claudia Saenz, P.O. Box 998,
Garden City, KS 67846.

Name of Business/Organization: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Number of Individual Reservations: _____ Number of Tables of 8: _____

Names of those attending: _____

Please RSVP to Claudia Saenz by September 30, 2011.