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Welcome to the Kansas City Research Data Center (KCRDC)

Congratulations on obtaining approval to undertake research in the Kansas City Research Data Center operated by the U.S. Census Bureau.

The KCRDC is located at the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City (FRBKC), which is located at 1 Memorial Drive, Kansas City, MO 64198. This packet contains the following information:

- (1) Information about the process of obtaining regular access to the Federal Reserve Bank building,
- (2) Rules pertaining to your access to and time spent inside the Federal Reserve Bank building, and
- (3) Local information about parking, hotels, and restaurants.

If you have any questions as you review the attached information, please do not hesitate to email Jason Brown, Executive Director of the KCRDC (jason.brown@kc.frb.org).

Access to the Federal Reserve Building

In addition to your Census badge, which you must have to gain access to the RDC physical space, you will also need a Federal Reserve badge which will grant you access to the FRBKC building 24/7. All researchers have access to the RDC when the building is open to the public (Monday through Friday 9:30 – 4:00). If you need access beyond those hours, please let us know. This all should be able to take place on your first visit to the RDC.

The Kansas City Research Data Center (KCRDC) is located on the 1st floor of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City building.

A NOTE ABOUT BANK SECURITY PROCEDURES

All visitors must pass through a metal detector and have any bags, purses, or briefcases examined by x-ray machine when entering either the front or rear lobby. Bags or purses may be searched by hand at the discretion of the law enforcement officers on duty. No firearms or cameras are allowed inside the building. Taking photographs inside the bank is strictly prohibited. Cell phones are permitted, but they may not be used to capture still or video photographic images.

Wireless Access while at the Fed

There are workstations outside of the secure space where researchers can use their laptop computers to access the internet and do other work. There are no PCs set up for use; anyone wanting to do work outside the secure space is expected to bring their own laptop.

The guest wireless network at the Fed is called "Edwin." You will receive an email with your guest WiFi credentials. If you don't receive this, please tell the RDC Administrator on your first visit.

Rules and Regulations

1. Identification Badges: Occupants are required to wear and display Fed issued photo identification badge at all times while in the building.
2. Recommended Attire: To be somewhat consistent with the Federal Reserve Bank's dress code, we encourage researchers to dress business casual when working in the RDC. Denim is acceptable. Shorts are not.
3. Sound Devices: Occupants are not permitted to operate any musical or sound producing instrument or device inside or outside the KCRDC which may be heard outside the RDC, or operate any electrical device from which may emanate electrical waves which may interfere with or impair radio or television broadcasting or reception from or in the building or elsewhere.
4. Intoxication: The Fed reserves the right to exclude or expel from the KCRDC or the building any person who, in the judgment of Fed Law Enforcement, is intoxicated or under the influence of liquor or other drugs, or who shall in any manner do any act in violation of any of the rules and regulations. Except in approved areas designated by the Fed, no open liquor is permitted in or about the building.
5. Smoking: Smoking is not permitted anywhere in the building.
6. Emergency Drills: The Fed may, from time to time, conduct emergency drills, such as emergency fire drills. All occupants at the time of the drill shall cooperate with Fed Law Enforcement and participate in any emergency drills conducted.
7. Non-Public Areas: Tenant shall not go into any non-public areas of the building.
8. Publicity and Photography: Occupants shall not use the name, pictures, or drawings of the building in advertising or other publicity. No photography is permitted in the building.
9. No one is permitted to bring weapons, explosives, illegal or hazardous substances or chemical or biological agents into the building or onto the property. The Fed's Law Enforcement personnel may decide in their sole discretion whether any items fit this description or may otherwise be prohibited from the building.
10. Food preparation: Occupants shall not cook or otherwise prepare any food in the KCRDC, including the use of coffee pots or microwaves. Occupants have full access to the Fed cafeteria (which has microwaves) located on the 2nd floor of the building.
11. Once Law Enforcement clears your security status, access to the FRBKC will be available for an indefinite amount of time, but can be revoked at any time.

**Directions to the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas
City
1 Memorial Drive, Kansas City, MO 64198**

From the North

Take I-35 South toward Kansas City. Keep left to take the US-71 S exit via Exit 3 toward I-70 E. Merge onto I-35 South toward Wichita. Take the 27th Street Exit (#1B) on the left toward Broadway. (Ramp becomes Penn Valley Drive.) Take your first left onto W. 29th Street (This turn will not be at a stop light. Turn is just before a curve for oncoming traffic. Use caution when turning onto 29th Street.) Turn left onto Wyandotte Street. The Bank will be on your right.

From the South

Take I-35 North toward Kansas City. Take the US-169 Exit (#234) toward 7th Street Trafficway/Rainbow Blvd. Turn Right onto US 169/S 7th Street Trafficway. Turn left onto Southwest Blvd. (crossing into Missouri). Turn right onto 31st Street. Turn left onto Main Street, turn left onto Memorial Drive. The Bank will be on your left.

From the East

Take I-70 West toward Kansas City. Merge onto I-35 South toward Wichita. Take the 27th Street Exit (#1B) on the left toward Broadway. (Ramp becomes Penn Valley Drive.) Take your first left onto W. 29th Street (This turn will not be at a stop light. Turn is just before a curve for oncoming traffic. Use caution when turning onto 29th Street.) Turn left onto Wyandotte Street. The visitor lot will be immediately on your right, off Wyandotte Street.

From the West

Take I-70 East toward Kansas City. Keep left to take I-670/I-70 Alt. E (crossing into Missouri). Merge onto I-35 South toward Wichita. Take the 27th Street Exit (#1B) on the left toward Broadway. (Ramp becomes Penn Valley Drive.) Turn left onto W. 29th Street (This turn will not be at a stop light. Turn is just before a curve for oncoming traffic. Use caution when turning onto 29th Street.) Turn left onto Wyandotte Street. The visitor lot will be immediately on your right, off Wyandotte Street.

Parking

Visitor Lot – This lot is nearest to the front entrance of the Bank. To access the lot, turn south off of Memorial Drive onto Wyandotte Street. The entrance to the lot will be on your left.

Overflow Lot – Should the visitor lot be full, the overflow lot is located just across Wyandotte Street from the visitor lot. The entrance to the overflow lot is located off of Memorial Drive. For your safety, please use the pedestrian walkway to cross Wyandotte Street.

Street parking is available along Kessler Road which runs along the west side of the Liberty Memorial; parking is also available on Main Street but please read the signs for time restrictions.

****Please *refrain*** from parking in the Liberty Memorial circle drive. Parking in this area is reserved for Liberty Memorial Museum events and your car may be ticketed.

Hotels and Restaurants in Downtown

The following hotels, listed alphabetically, are in closest proximity to the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City.

[Loews Kansas City Hotel](#)

1515 Wyandotte Street, Kansas City, MO 64108

Phone: (816) 897-7070,

Located approximately one mile from the Bank building close to the street car and Power & Light district.

[Sheraton Kansas City Hotel at Crown Center](#)

2345 McGee Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64108, United States

Phone: (816) 841-1000, Fax: (816) 398-4610

Located approximately one-half mile from the Bank building

[Westin Crown Center](#)

1 East Pershing Road, Kansas City, Missouri 64108, United States

Phone: (816) 474-4400, Fax: (816) 391-4438

Located approximately one-half mile from the Bank building and provides complimentary shuttle service to the Bank upon request

For a full list of Kansas City Hotels, please go to VisitKC.com. A helpful link for hotel options (also see map below for the close options):

DINING:

Kansas City Barbecue

- [Gates Bar-B-Q](#) - (816) 753-0828 located approximately .5 miles from the Bank
- [Q39](#) - (816) 255-3753 located approximately 2 miles from the Bank
- [Arthur Bryant's](#) - (816) 231-1123 located approximately 2.5 miles from the Bank
- [Joe's Kansas City](#) - (913) 722-3366 located approximately 5.5 miles from the Bank

Freight House District

- [Grunauer](#) - (816) 283-3234 authentic Austrian and Continental European cuisine, approximately 1 mile from the Bank
- [Jack Stack](#) - (816) 472-7427 Kansas City barbecue with classic hickory-smoked meat and distinctive sauces, approximately 1 mile from the Bank
- [Lydia's](#) - (816) 221-2742 Italian restaurant featuring a daily tasting of three fresh, homeade pastas, approximately 1 mile from the Bank

Kansas City Power and Light District

- [Power and Light](#) - An 8-block district with more than 45 retail outlets, restaurants, bars, and entertainment venues located approximately 1.5 miles north of the Bank

Kansas City Country Club Plaza

- [The Plaza](#) - A 15-block district with more than 150 shops and dozens of fine restaurants located approximately 2.5 miles south of the Bank

SHOPPING:

[Crown Center](#)

Located approximately .5 miles north of the Bank

Crown Center offers more than 60 shops and restaurants, three live theaters, family exhibits, events, outdoor movies, concerts, festivals and seasonal outdoor ice skating.

(816) 274-8444

[Kansas City Country Club Plaza](#)

Located approximately 2.5 miles south of the Bank

A 15-block district with more than 150 shops and dozens of fine restaurants.

(816) 753-0100