



2019 Cameras for Good Program

Purpose

In 2018, 38 cameras were installed on 26 different sites throughout 7 Jackson County Missouri neighborhoods trained in neighborhood and block watch principles to create the foundation of the Cameras for Good program network. In 2019 Cameras for Good will continue to empower residents and neighborhoods in building a safer community, deeper connection between neighbors, and a stronger relationship with the police department. By providing the programming and infrastructure for a neighborhood-based surveillance camera program, Cameras for Good will support neighborhoods in building a network of block watches that utilize cameras in violent crime hotspots and problem areas.

Together, the block watches and camera network will continue to be used to prevent crime, identify perpetrators, and build a case for prosecution (depending on the crime, restorative justice or the threat of prosecution may be also be used). Connecting for Good is the lead coordinating organization and AdHoc Group Against Crime leads the block watch training as this program blends community leadership and technology for the intended goal of reducing violent crime.

Program Enrollment

Building on the successes of the 2018 Cameras for Good launch, the 2019 Cameras for Good Program will begin this April. Previous participants are encouraged to continue with the program for additional trainings, neighborhood networking, and camera support and installations. All neighborhoods—both existing participants and new—which are interested in participating in the 2019 campaign should submit the attached ***Cameras for Good Checklist*** to **Alecia Kates at alecia@canbdev.com by March 22, 2019**. Neighborhoods will be contacted the week of April 1, 2019 with more information about the program timeline.

Neighborhood Role

While Cameras for Good will provide funding for trainings, coordination and camera installations, participating neighborhoods must provide funding for camera hardware through either the Neighborhood Rising Fund grant, or from other sources. **Neighborhoods can expect to spend \$250 per camera, \$200 per network video recorder (only one needed to record and store video footage per site) and \$96 per year for each camera for cloud storage of video footage.** Each surveillance site needs either a network video recorder **or** cloud storage, not both. Cameras for Good will pay for the first year of cloud storage for each camera. Neighborhoods will be responsible for maintaining annual cloud storage costs after the first year. A typical site with two cameras and a network video recorder costs \$700 (\$500 for cameras and \$200 for the network video recorder). A site with two cameras and cloud storage for each camera will cost \$692 (\$500 for cameras and \$192 for cloud storage per year, after the first year). Each site will be assessed to determine the best location for the camera installation and type of storage medium.

Each neighborhood can have up to three houses or businesses serve as surveillance sites with up to two camera installations each per year. Cameras will be owned, monitored, and maintained by the neighborhood association. The neighborhood association must also work to identify hotspots, block captains around those hotspots, conduct outreach to nearby residents, obtain permission of building owners to place cameras, participate in block watch training, be present during the installation, and work with the Kansas City Police Department to share relevant information and footage. **Please contact Alecia Kates at alecia@canbdev.com with questions or if you need further information.**

Cameras for Good Checklist

If you are interested in participating in the 2019 Cameras for Good program, please complete this checklist and send back to Alecia Kates at alecia@canbdev.com. You will also need to include this as an attachment to your grant application if you are applying for a Neighborhoods Rising Fund grant to purchase cameras.

- 1. Contact name and neighborhood organization:**
- 2. Contact phone and email address:**
- 3. Is your neighborhood located in one of COMBAT's crime hotspots (see <http://www.jacksoncountycombat.com/DocumentCenter/View/601>)? Yes or No**
- 4. Are you seeking cameras to specifically address violent crime (Part 1 Crime) and gunfire (as opposed to other nuisance issues or illegal dumping)? Yes or No**
- 5. Please describe the criminal activity that has occurred at this location and the approximate dates and data gathered from reports from KCPD, www.crimereports.com, or <http://maps.jacksongov.org/combat/>. For example: "COMBAT lists our neighborhood and this location as a hotspot area. Neighbors regularly report gunshots from this intersection. We confirmed with KCPD, and there have been 5 reported shots fired in the area over the last two months, though we know more occur here. There have been 6 aggravated assaults and one homicide at this intersection in the last 7 months."**
- 6. Is your neighborhood currently working with a KCPD CIO or anyone from law enforcement? Yes or No**
- 7. Have you identified specific buildings to install cameras? These should be privately owned and not public property. Yes or No**
- 8. Does the building have electricity and Internet service that the camera can connect to? Yes or No**
- 9. Do you have the building owner's permission to attach cameras to their home or building? Yes or No**
- 10. Have you identified a block captain (or a potential block captain) on the block where you wish to install a camera? Yes or No**
- 11. Will your neighborhood association work to recruit a block captain and engage others on the block (and surrounding areas if needed) where a camera is installed? This would entail canvassing and going door to door to talk to neighbors. Yes or No**
- 12. Will your neighborhood association testify in court if footage is used in prosecuting perpetrators captured with your camera? Yes or No**
- 13. Please list any additional people that can act as a project contact.**