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Deb's Desk (a weekly update from CEO Deb Hermann)

Blue bags can help rescue you from right-of-way litter. In many neighborhoods, residents take good care of their own homes and yards, but the public right-of-ways get trashed with litter, thoughtlessly discarded by passing motorists or wayward winds. Left untended, right-of-way litter can spoil all the hard work you spend on maintaining your own property. Periodic neighborhood cleanups provide some relief with neighbors volunteering for the good of the entire neighborhood. Sometimes dumpsters are also on hand to deal with disposal. But what about the sometimes long time spans between those cleanups? And how do you dispose of the litter collected from the public right-of-way without blowing your regular trash bag limits?

The KCMO Public Works Department's "Blue Bag" program and NNI—can help. The large (40" X 48") bright blue bags are specifically designed for collecting right-of-way litter. (You've no doubt seen them lined up along streets that are part of Adopt-A-Street programs.) Residents may place the blue bags at the curb along with their regular trash bags on trash day.

Prohibited uses for blue bags include tires, yard waste and construction debris. Blue bags are available free of charge at NNI, 3015 NE Vivion Road (next to Tires Plus). Simply check at the front desk between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday-Friday.

Congratulations to all who take advantage of the "Blue Bag" program. And thanks for your generous spirit and good citizenship in the ongoing war on litter.

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Looking for a chance to **own your own home?** NNI's Purchase-Rehab program can make your home ownership dream come true. Our homes have received all needed mechanical and structural improvements such as electrical, plumbing, roofs, as well as bath and kitchen upgrades. For information, call Larry Washington at 454-2000.

At **Antioch Mall**, demolition is underway and slated for completion in April. Meanwhile, the 96-unit senior apartment project proposed as part of the mall redevelopment has attracted 50 seniors to the waiting list. If you—or someone you know—is interested in the apartments, they can call Jim Rice at NNI, 454-2000. Putting your name on the list carries no obligation, just the opportunity to have first dibs when the apartments are ready.