

C O M M U N I T Y D E V E L O P M E N T S

The Sedgwick community continues to provide a stable atmosphere for its residents and businesses. Following are highlights of recent developments and positive community indicators:

- The City of Sedgwick received a \$1.8M **Comprehensive Development Program Grant** (CDP) through the Kansas Department of Commerce & Housing. Sedgwick was very progressive in applying for the grant and looking at a comprehensive approach in developing the community. The grant funds are being used to update the water tower system, develop more senior housing and purchase and develop the industrial park on the south side of town.
- **The Hilands** housing addition has seen exciting growth over the past several years. Since 1998, the addition has constructed 34 new homes at an average valuation of \$131,597.
- The city adopted a **Neighborhood Revitalization Plan** to promote the development and improvement of properties. This program will provide an added incentive for development and building rehabilitation in the community.
- **Sundance Apartments**, a 24 unit senior housing project, was constructed on the south side of the town. This community based project has been well received. The apartments offer quality, affordable living in a close community setting.
- The **Lillian Tear Public Library** expanded into a new location at 501 N. Commercial in May of 2000. The Library features more than 9,000 books and video and audio tapes, two computers, a children's play area, and a reading room.
- In 2001, the city received a **Sedgwick County Small Cities Grant**. This will allow for \$5,000 in reimbursements towards a master drainage plan.
- The main **city park** was recently renovated and new playground equipment was added. The **city ball diamond** was upgraded during this process as well.
- The city's **recycling committee** has established an active compost site and burn pile. The product is given back to the citizens.
- In 2000, Sedgwick received a \$15,000 grant from the **Kansas Department of Health & Environment** to purchase a chipper for the compost site.
- Sedgwick's **Tree Board** has planted over 300 trees in the past three years.
- **Sedgwick is conveniently located** within 5-10 minutes of major intersections on Interstate 135 (at the 125th Street exit), Hwy. 50 (via Ridge Road), and Hwy. 96 (via Ridge Road).