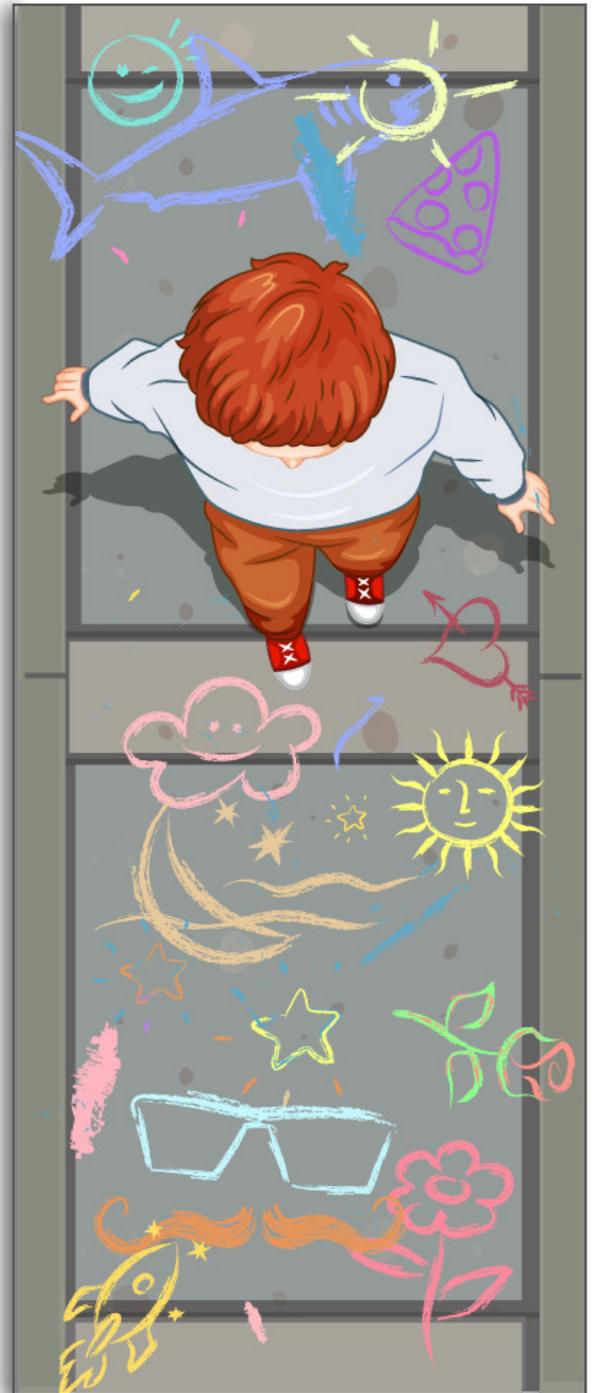
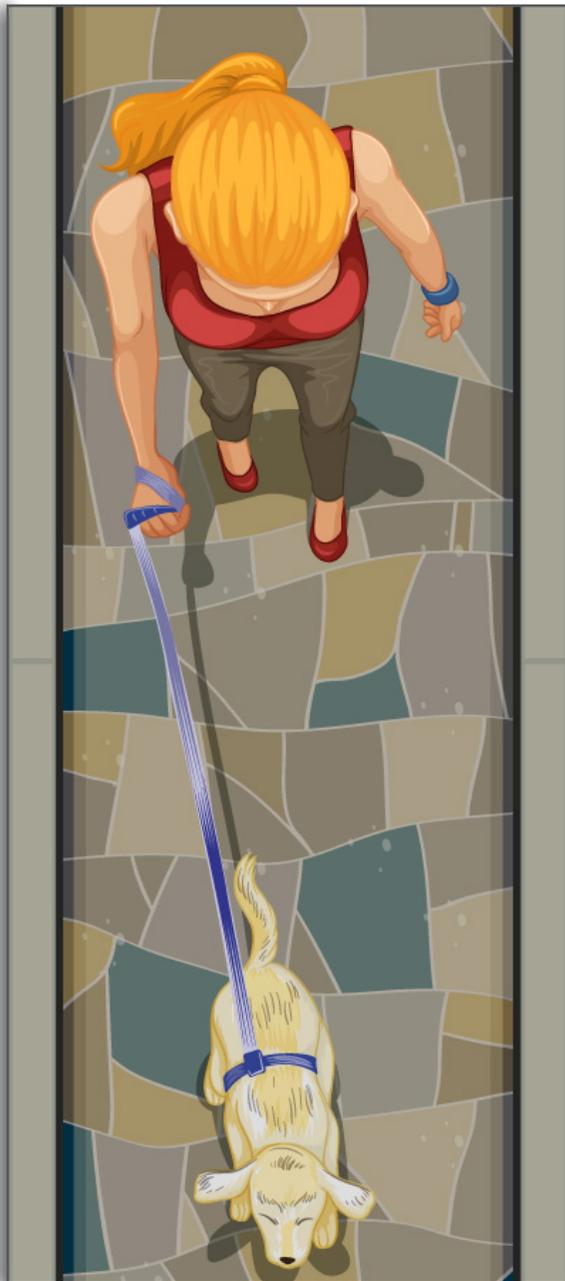


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SIDEWALK ASSESSMENTS



How does HSTCC determine sidewalk criteria?

Condition	Criteria
Good	Sidewalk is free from cracking, buckling, gravel, or other significant flaws. Includes compliance to earlier standards of ADA compliance in that curb cuts and ramps exist, but may not adhere to slope standards, etc. See Figure 1.
Fair	Sidewalk is passable, but contains cracking, minor buckling, or other features which may limitedly impact pedestrian traffic. This may include minor vegetative growth, the use of stairs or steps as transitions, crumbling sections of sidewalk, etc. See Figure 2.
Poor	Sidewalk exists, but may include instances of deep cracking or buckling, missing sections, crushed sections, or significant vegetative overgrowth. Pedestrian traffic along such sidewalks would be significantly impeded due to condition. See Figure 3.

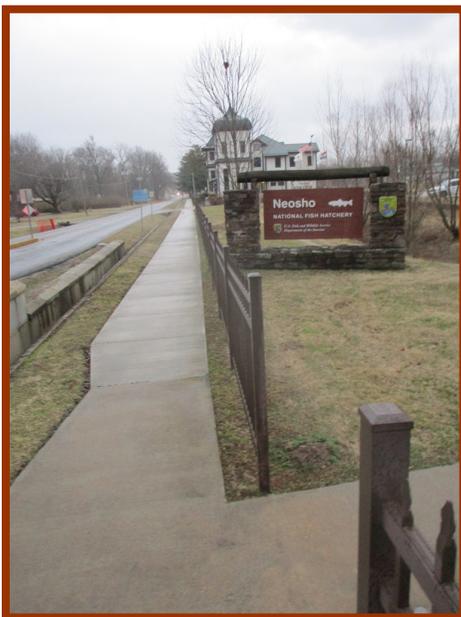


Figure 1. Neosho, MO



Figure 2. Cartersville, MO



Figure 3. Oronogo, MO

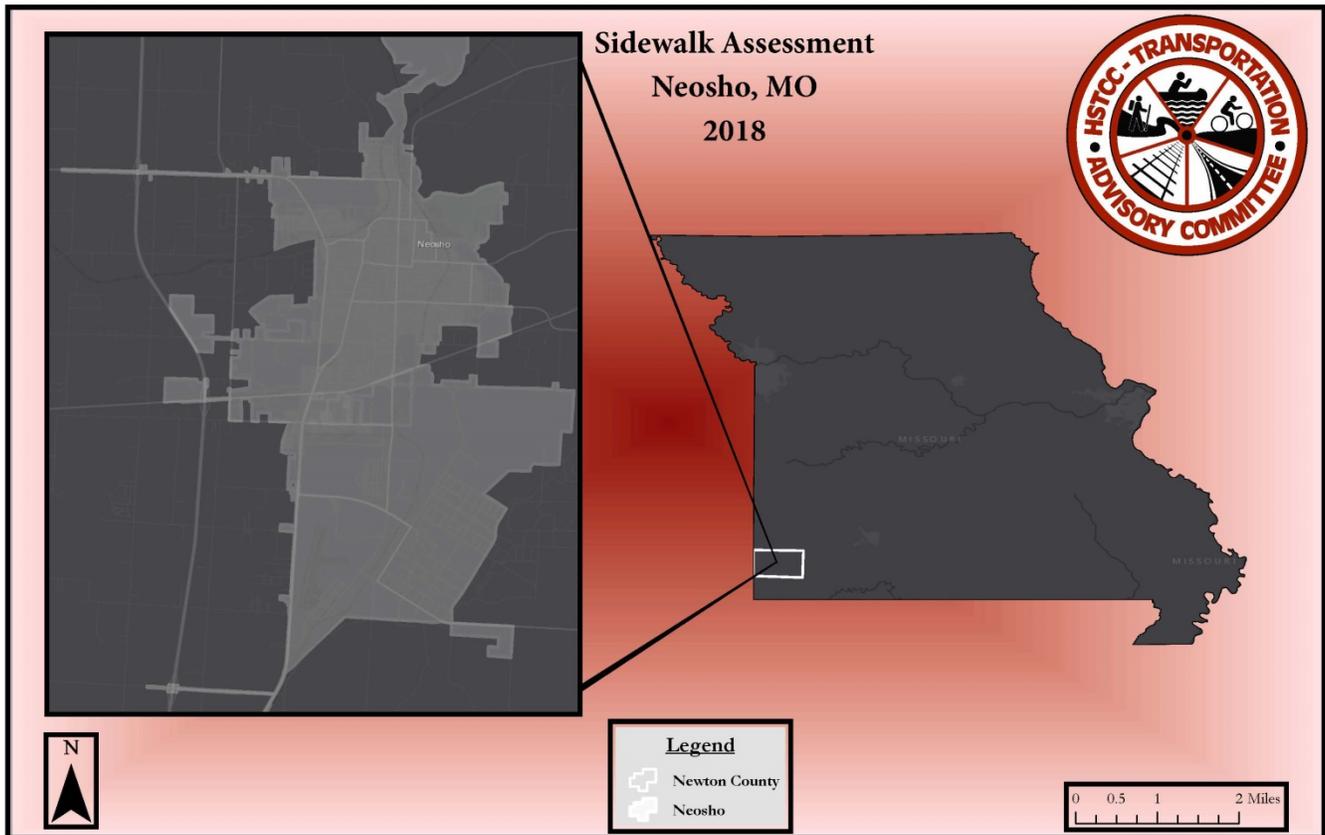


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Neosho, a county seat town of 12,157, is located in Newton County on the western edge of the Missouri Ozarks. The name, Ne-o-zho or Ne-u-zhu, is of Indian derivation meaning "clear or abundant water." The nine springs within the city limits played an important part in the early development of Neosho.

The area was first settled in the early 19th century, with Neosho being named the county seat of Newton County in 1839. Missouri entered the Union as a slave state under the Missouri Compromise. During the Civil War, Neosho residents were divided in their loyalties though leaned pro-Southern. Missouri Governor Claiborne Jackson, who was Pro-Southern, was forced to evacuate the State Capitol by federal troops. Following battlefield victories at Carthage and Wilson's Creek (outside of Springfield and near present-day Republic) by the Missouri State Guard and Confederate forces, Jackson convened a special meeting of the elected legislature in the Masonic Hall in Neosho. This meeting was short of a quorum, so the legislature met again three days later in Cassville and voted to secede from the Union. Although no major battles were fought in Neosho, much of the downtown area was burned in 1863.



The Scotch-Irish community was joined by immigrants from Germany, France, and Switzerland. Neosho houses the nation's oldest operating federal fish hatchery established in 1888. The city's most famous spring is the Big Spring, located in downtown Neosho in Big Spring Park. By 1920, the population of Neosho was 3,700 and growing. During World War II, Camp Crowder was built to train members of the U.S. Army Signal Corps. Camp Crowder was deactivated in 1958.

Neosho is known as the "Flower Box City" and that theme is carried throughout the business and residential areas. Colorful blooms abound in flower boxes in front of many business firms and on top of trash containers. Big Spring Park is a favorite of townspeople and tourists, with its many varieties of roses, flowers, plants and trees. The picturesque footbridge over the clear spring waterfall, the floral clock, picnic tables, and benches provide a natural gathering place for family reunion, or a restful spot just to sit and enjoy the surroundings. In 1957, Neosho was one of 11 cities in the nation to receive the

National Municipal League and Look Magazine All-America City award for outstanding civic effort. The incorporated community of Neosho, MO is included in the 2018 assessment. The sidewalks in the City of Neosho were assessed on their current conditions in February 2018 by staff at the Harry S Truman Coordinating Council and a student intern from Missouri Southern State University. The data collected by the student intern was reviewed by HSTCC staff. The chart below depicts the overall condition of sidewalks in the city:

Conditions in Linear Feet					
	Good	Fair	Poor	No Sidewalk	Total Sidewalk
Neosho, MO	16,154 feet	N/A	N/A	568,188 feet	16,154 feet



Criteria

The following criteria were used in assessing conditions. These assessment criteria are being used for assessments by all Regional Planning agencies across Missouri.

Good: Unlikely to hinder mobility of the average pedestrian. The sidewalk is free from significant cracking, buckling, gravel surfaces, or other debris which would impede pedestrian traffic.

Map key: Green

Fair: Uneven and distressed surface that hinders mobility of the average pedestrian. The sidewalk contains surface cracks, vegetation overgrowth, or debris.

Map key: Yellow

Poor: Impassable to mobility impaired pedestrian; hinders mobility of average pedestrian. The sidewalk has deep cracking or buckling, significant vegetative overgrowth, poor drainage, bulging surface (due to tree roots) and / or debris such that pedestrian travel would be impeded.

Map key: Red

Gap: No sidewalk is present.

Map Key: Gray

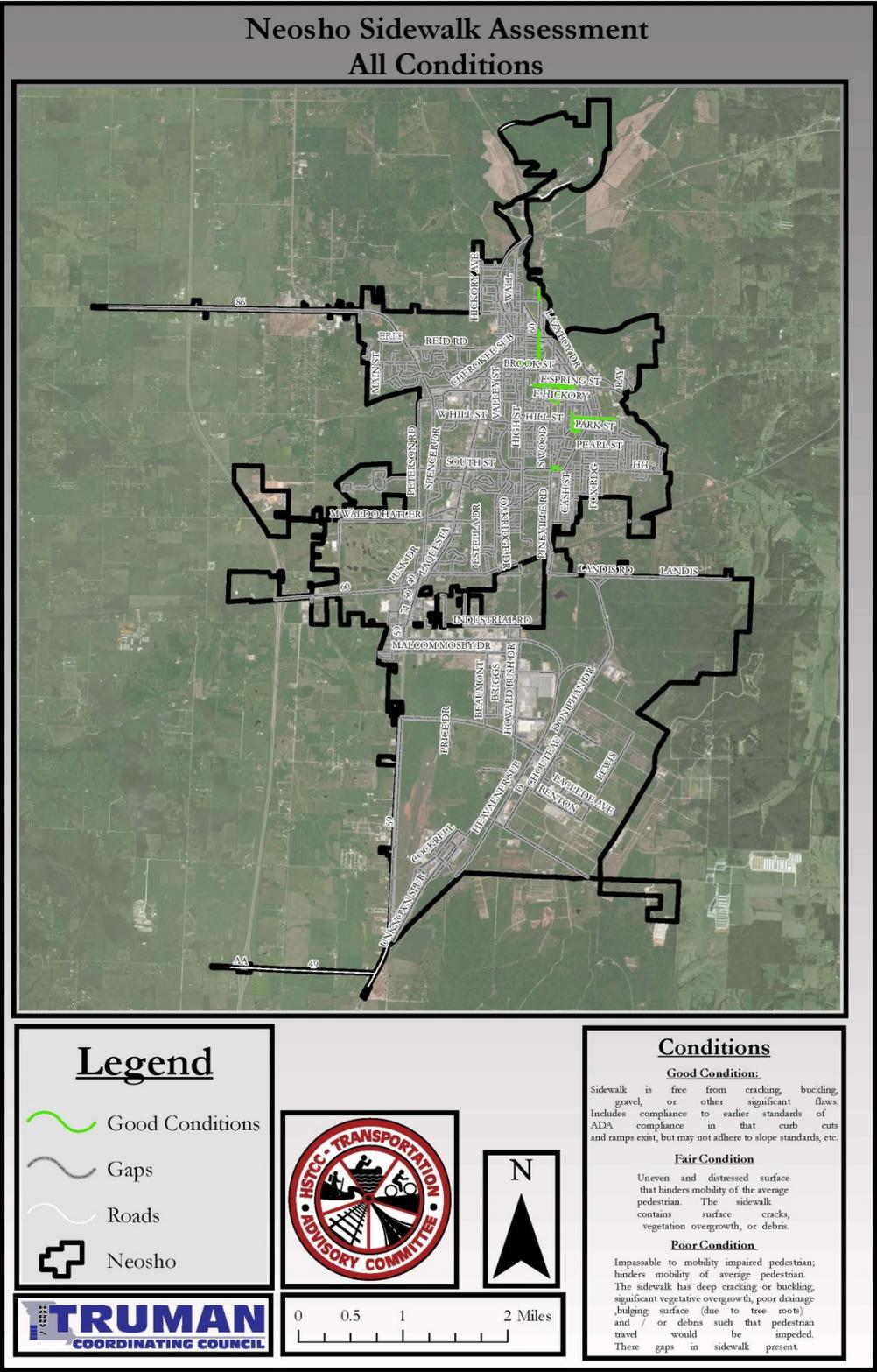
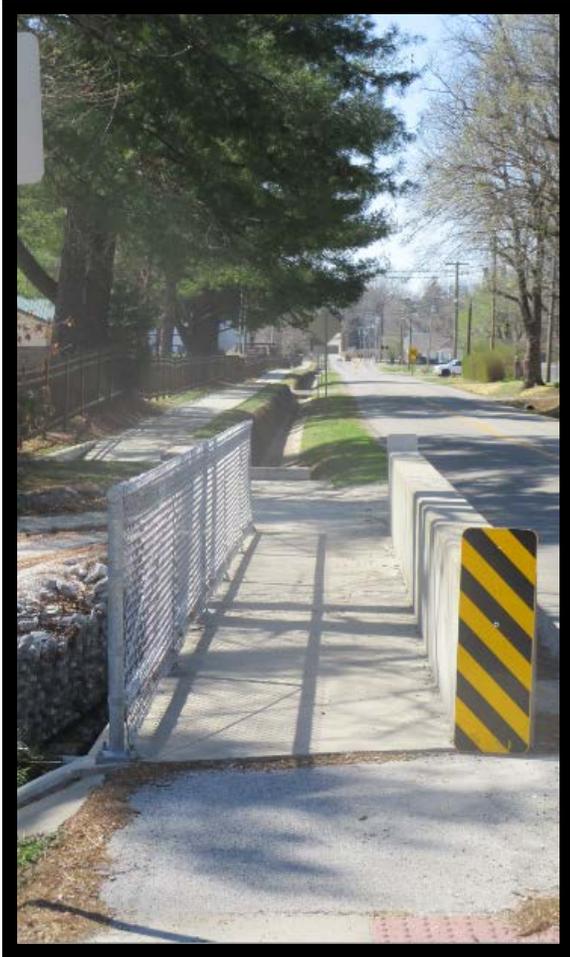
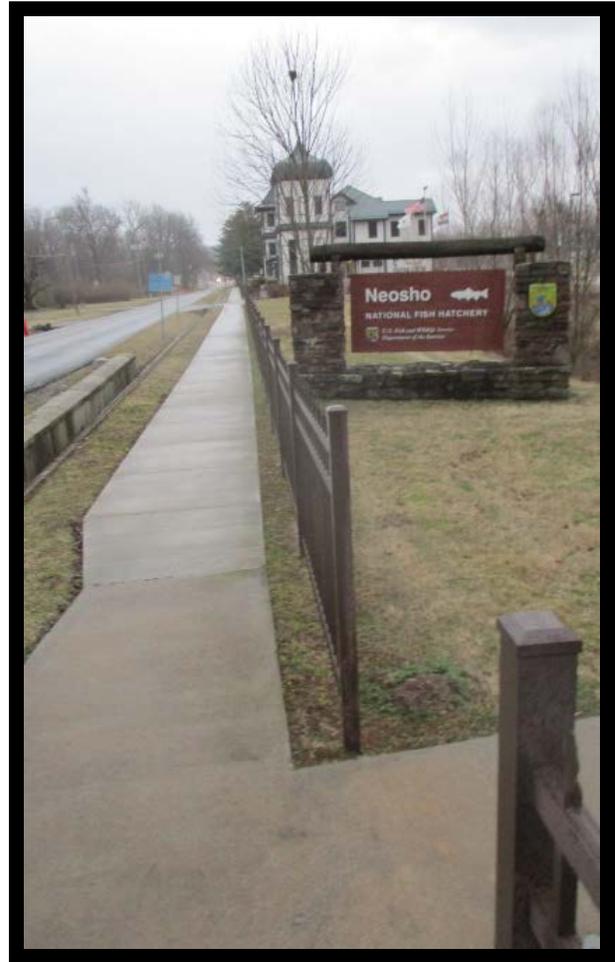


Figure 1 represents all conditions in the City of Neosho





McKinney St facing west. Good conditions



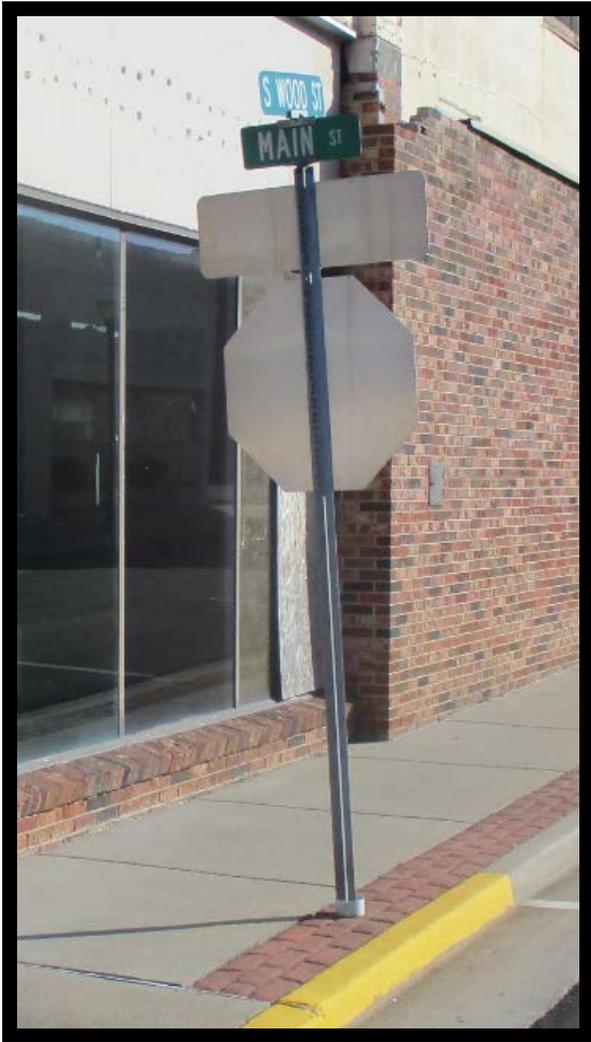
McKinney St. facing east. Good conditions.



Corner of Main St. and S. Jefferson St.



Main St. facing east towards downtown town square. Good conditions.



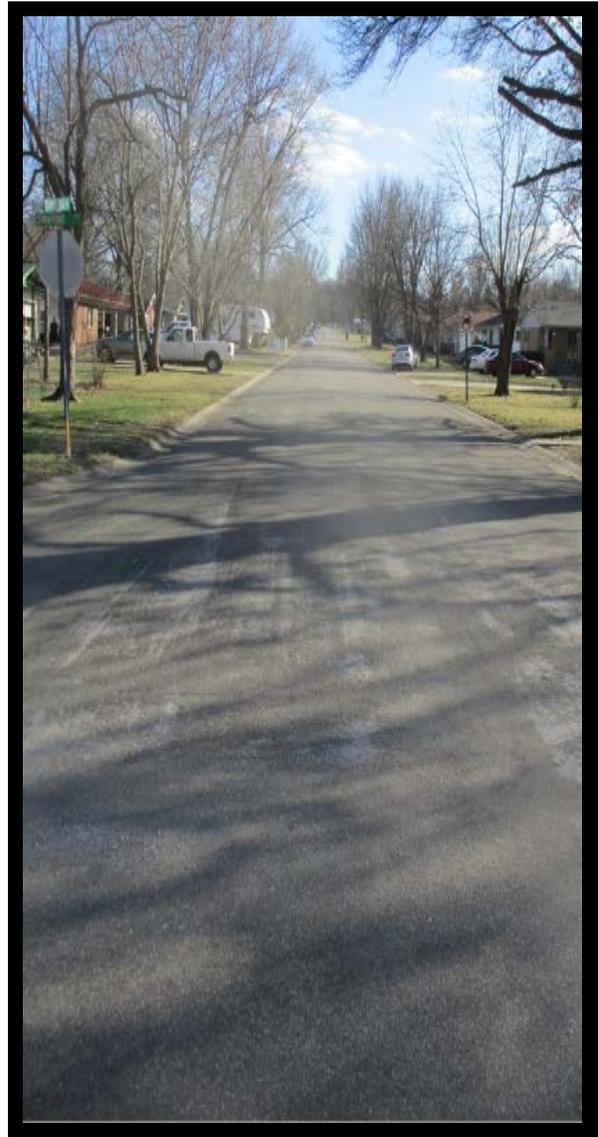
Corner of S Wood St. and Main St.



S Wood St. facing south. Good conditions.



Corner of Flower Box Ln. and Strafford



Flower Box Ln. facing south. No sidewalk



Corner of Nelson St. and 2nd St.



2nd St. facing north. No sidewalk



Sidewalk Survey

All communities in the Harry S Truman Coordinating Council Region were sent a survey to understand current conditions and future needs concerning sidewalks. Copies of those surveys that were returned are included in this section. In compiling information received from surveys and by individual inspection of sidewalks in each community the following general overview of condition was created.

Survey Feedback	General Inspection
Of the 21 survey responses, 79% of respondents express that there are an insufficient amount of sidewalks in Neosho. Approximately 61% of respondents state that existing sidewalks are in poor condition, while approximately 33% state existing sidewalks are in fair condition. Approximately 9% of respondents believed existing sidewalks were in good condition.	Neosho contains just over 110 miles of road within its city limits. Of that 16,154 feet of existing sidewalks are in good condition. Neosho has capacity to maintain the existing sidewalks, whether it is from their Public Works Department or attaining funding to maintain the sidewalks.



HSTCC Sidewalk Inventory Project Neosho, MO January 19th, 2018

When most village, town, and city councils think about transportation, the focus lies heavily on streets, highways, and interstates. Increasingly, multi-modal transportation is coming to the forefront of the minds of citizens and government agencies. Multi-modal transportation includes ports, airports, and transit, but also includes sidewalks and trails. In an effort to enhance multi-modal transportation specifically concerning pedestrians and bicyclists, the Harry S Truman Coordinating Council is conducting a study of local offerings by jurisdiction in an effort to:

- Gauge needs and desires of local communities for sidewalks, trails, and other forms of pedestrian/cyclist-friendly infrastructure.
- Provide information to MoDOT concerning the existence of sidewalks, trails, etc. on state routes.
- Compile information for potential grant opportunities related to multi-modal infrastructure which could benefit Southwest Missouri.

Each jurisdiction is asked to complete the online survey. (If your jurisdiction does not currently have sidewalks, please indicate such on the survey.) Please enlist the help of your city officials, city managers, local roads supervisors/workers, and anyone else who may have information concerning local, existing sidewalks/trails. **We ask that you have completed the online survey by April 1st.**

Your help is greatly appreciated in this information gathering. If you have any questions or need any assistance in completing this survey, please do not hesitate to contact me at 417-649-6400 or by email at nhill@hstcc.org

Sincerely,

Nikki Hill
Regional Transportation Planner/GIS

Sidewalk Survey Link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/neoshoswa>



12. If expansion is being considered, what areas of your jurisdiction are being targeted for sidewalk expansion/improvements?

13. If expansion is being considered, which of the following reasons best describes the city/village's motive?

Health/wellness

Beautification

Accessibility

Reducing environmental impact

Other: _____



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