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RE-RANKING THE LIST

TOP AREA CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE RANKED BY YEAR FOUNDED

NAME	YEAR
1. Greater Kansas City Chamber	1887
2. Kansas City, Kan., Area Chamber	1898
3. Leavenworth-Lansing Area Chamber	1912
4. Independence Chamber	1920
5. Olathe Chamber	1921
6. Lenexa Chamber	1925
7. Excelsior Springs Area Chamber	1927
8. Raytown Area Chamber	1929
9. South Kansas City Chamber	1931
10. Shawnee Chamber	1946
11. Liberty Area Chamber	1951
12. Lee's Summit Chamber	1954
13. Northeast Johnson County Chamber	1956
14. Blue Springs Chamber	1962
15. Gladstone Chamber	1966
16. Grandview Area Chamber	1967
17. Overland Park Chamber	1967
18. Platte City Area Chamber & EDC	1972
19. Harrisonville Area Chamber	1975
20. Gardner Area Chamber	1977
21. Hispanic Chamber	1977
22. Northland Regional Chamber	1992
23. North Kansas City Business Council	1994
24. Leawood Chamber	1996

NOTES

*Chambers provided information in response to questionnaires. Ties are listed alphabetically.

FUTURE LISTS:

- JULY 7, Construction Projects
- JULY 9, Public Company Director Fees
- JULY 16, Architecture Firms
- JULY 23, Top 150 Private Companies
- JULY 23, Business Telephone Providers

TOP AREA CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

(ranked by number of local members)

Rank 2010	Rank 2009	Chamber	Members	Annual budget	Purpose	Top executive
1	1	Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce 911 Main St., Suite 2600, Kansas City, MO 64105 www.kccchamber.com • 816-221-2424	8,000	not disclosed	advocate & collaborate to develop high-quality jobs & economic growth & make greater Kansas City the best place to live and work	CEO James Heeter
2	2	Olathe Chamber of Commerce 18001 W. 106th St., Suite 160, Olathe, KS 66061 www.olathe.org • 913-764-1050	1,346	\$1,800,000	be the voice of business that advances economic well-being & quality of life in Olathe; activities center on economic development, conventions & tourism, business-to-government advocacy & member services & benefits	President L. Franklin Taylor
3	3	Lee's Summit Chamber of Commerce 220 S.E. Main St., Lee's Summit, MO 64063 www.lschamber.com • 816-524-2424	927	\$815,000	create opportunities for business success through networking, advocacy & business & professional development	President Nancy Bruns
4	4	Overland Park Chamber of Commerce 9001 W. 110th St., Suite 150, Overland Park, KS 66210 www.opchamber.org • 913-491-3600	825	\$1,600,000	enhance the economic environment & quality of life in Overland Park	President Tracey Osborne
5	5	Kansas City, Kan., Area Chamber of Commerce 727 Minnesota Ave., Kansas City, KS 66101 www.kccchamber.com • 913-371-3070	815	\$983,000	create a high-quality community in which to work, live & conduct business	CEO Cindy Cash
6	7	Independence Chamber of Commerce 210 W. Truman Road, Independence, MO 64051 www.independenchamber.org • 816-252-4745	752	\$1,150,000	provide leadership & service to promote the economic growth of Independence	CEO Rick Hemmingsen
7	6	Northland Regional Chamber of Commerce 634 N.W. Englewood Road, Kansas City, MO 64118 www.northlandchamber.com • 816-455-9911	720	not disclosed	enhance the business community, economic growth & quality of life in the Northland	President Sheila Tracy
8	8	Lenexa Chamber of Commerce 11180 Lackman Road, Lenexa, KS 66219 www.lenexa.org • 913-888-1414	685	\$980,000	economic development, government relations, tourism promotion, networking, community development	President Blake Schreck
9	9	Shawnee Chamber of Commerce 15100 W. 67th St., Suite 202, Shawnee, KS 66217 www.shawneeschamber.com • 913-631-6545	658	\$960,000	develop & enhance community through dynamic business leadership	President Linda Leeper
10	11	Leawood Chamber of Commerce 4707 W. 135th St., Suite 270, Leawood, KS 66224 www.leawoodchamber.org • 913-498-1514	460	\$416,000	provide members with a meaningful voice in the community & maximize their opportunities to enjoy business success	President & CEO Kevin Jeffries
11	10	Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Greater Kansas City 1600 Baltimore Ave., Suite 250, Kansas City, MO 64108 www.hccjcc.com • 816-472-6767	450	not disclosed	dedicated to the creation, advancement, promotion & development of economic opportunities within the Hispanic market & business community	CEO Carlos Gomez
12	14	Leavenworth-Lansing Area Chamber of Commerce 518 Shawnee St., Leavenworth, KS 66048 www.llchamber.com • 913-682-4112	450	not disclosed	promote business activity in the greater Leavenworth-Lansing area	Executive Vice President Tim Holverson
13	13	Liberty Area Chamber of Commerce 9 S. Leonard St., Liberty, MO 64068 www.libertychamber.com • 816-781-5200	423	\$250,000	provide leadership & service to promote a healthy economy & enhance quality of life in the Liberty area	President Gayle Potter
14	12	Gladstone Chamber of Commerce 6913 N. Cherry St., Gladstone, MO 64118 www.gladstonechamber.com • 816-436-4523	420	not disclosed	develop community by being voice for small businesses	President Amy Harlin
15	15	Blue Springs Chamber of Commerce 1000 S.W. Main St., Blue Springs, MO 64015 www.bluespringschamber.com • 816-229-8558	401	\$280,000	promote, develop & facilitate a strong economic environment in which the business community can grow and prosper	President Lara Vermillion
16	17	Northeast Johnson County Chamber of Commerce 5800 Foxridge Drive, Mission, KS 66202 www.njccchamber.com • 913-262-2141	325	\$350,000	serve as leading business & community advocate, promoting the economic vitality & quality of life in Northeast Johnson County	CEO Deb Settle
17	16	Belton Chamber of Commerce 323 Main St., Belton, MO 64012 www.beltonchamber.com • 816-331-2420	300	not disclosed	develop & maintain a positive working partnership with business, government & the community; promote the city, assist in business growth	Executive Director Terri McNeary
18	18	Raytown Area Chamber of Commerce 5909 Raytown Trafficway, Raytown, MO 64133 www.raytownchamber.com • 816-353-8500	295	\$201,000	support business community to enhance the quality of life for Raytown citizens	President Vicki Turnbow
19	19	Grandview Area Chamber of Commerce 12500 S. U.S. Highway 71, Suite 100, Grandview, MO 64030 www.grandview.org • 816-761-6505	265	\$230,000	serve the business community with a commitment to promoting a positive business environment & encouraging economic growth, leadership, education & interaction	President Kim Curtis
20	22	Platte City Area Chamber of Commerce & Economic Development Council 620 Third St., P.O. Box 650, Platte City, MO 64079 www.plattcitymo.com • 816-858-5270	256	\$166,500	promote & enhance residential & commercial economic growth, new & existing businesses & the prosperity of the Platte City community	Executive Director Karen Wagoner
21	21	Gardner Area Chamber of Commerce 109 E. Main St., Gardner, KS 66030 www.gardnerchamber.com • 913-856-6464	250	not disclosed	enhance & promote area economy, support new & existing businesses, facilitate cooperation with government entities, positively represent area businesses	President Steve Devore
22	20	North Kansas City Business Council 406 Armour Road, Suite 240, North Kansas City, MO 64116 www.nkcbusinesscouncil.com • 816-472-7700	240	\$135,000	promote & advocate for business & quality of life in North Kansas City	Executive Director Fred Buckley III
23	24	Excelsior Springs Area Chamber of Commerce 461 S. Thompson Ave., Excelsior Springs, MO 64024 www.exspgchamber.com • 816-630-6161	236	not disclosed	encourage, promote & provide resources for tourism & economic growth; support a healthy business environment in Excelsior Springs & surrounding area	Executive Director Terry Smelcer
24	23	Harrisonville Area Chamber of Commerce 2819 Cantrell Road, Harrisonville, MO 64701 www.harrisonvillechamber.com • 816-380-5271	200	\$100,000	create business & community growth; serve as resource & advocate for business; provide programs & services to build businesses' customer bases; serve as information resource regarding the community	Executive Director Cherry Mickelson
25	25	South Kansas City Chamber of Commerce 406 E. Bannister Road, Suite F, Kansas City, MO 64131 www.southkcchamber.com • 816-761-7660	200	\$118,000	provide a unified voice for the community; promote commerce, enhance the quality of life & business environment in south Kansas City	President Vickie Wolgast

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