

## Board of Directors

**Michelle Williams**, Chair of the Board  
Mission of Hope Clinic

**Jeff Hirst**, Chair Elect  
Adam's Mark Hotel & Conference Cntr

**Rene Purtee**, Secretary/Treasurer  
Arvest Bank

**Mark Smith**, Past Chair  
Associate Member

## At Large Members

**Paula Cannon**  
Blue Ridge Bank and Trust Co.

## Board Members

**Kaylie Baker**  
Rok'it Advertising

**Melissa Beall**  
Longview Funeral Home & Cemetery

**Pam Clark**  
Clark's Appliances

**Kris Peters**  
Raytown Emergency Assistance Program

**Charlotte Melson**  
Bickford Assisted Living

**Madeline Romious**  
AT&T

**Chiki Thompson**  
Raytown Water Co.

**Derek Ward**  
KCP&L

**Tamara Wheeler**  
United Consumers Credit Union

**City Admin.**, Liaison  
City of Raytown

**Dr. Allan Markley**, Liaison  
Raytown Quality Schools

**Steve Guenther**, Liaison  
Raytown Main Street Assoc.

## Staff

**Vicki Turnbow**, President

**Kyle Phillips**, Operations Manager



Wow, 2016 has gone by very quickly! I am proud of what we have all accomplished this year by working together & supporting each other in our for-profit & non-profit businesses & organizations. One of my favorite aspects of this year as Chair was to meet

so many new people & engage in the local & regional community in a brand new way. I hope that as members you too had the opportunity to make many new contacts throughout the year.

Chamber offered many events to participate in; monthly luncheons, A.M. Connections, & Raytown Night at the Royals. We had a wide array of speakers for our luncheons this year & I hope you all would agree that each & every one brought a great presentation. We had great attendance at the Royals game as well as at the Mavericks & the Chamber/Rotary Golf Tournament turnout.

It looks like 2017 will be a pivotal year for Raytown city proper & the Chamber as we anticipate work beginning on the Trails portion of the Rock Island Rails & Trails plan. The Chamber is perfectly positioned, both literally & figuratively, to take full advantage of the Rails & Trails. Our building is situated right on the line & our Chamber President is active with many planning teams concerning the future impact of this great initiative on the City of Raytown.

I would be remiss if I did not take a moment to thank those who truly made this a fantastic year. A big thank you to the Chamber membership; you recognize the strength that comes from commitment, community, & cohesiveness. Thank you to the most wonderful Board a Chair could want & need. Thank you to all who serve on Committees, Task Forces, planning committees, etc. I must take a moment to recognize Steve Mock here as well. His support & encouragement are missed by all of us; he truly embodied the spirit of commitment & community to Raytown.

My final thank you goes to those who make being Chair not only fun but rewarding. Thank you to Vicki, for being part mom, part cheerleader, part school principle, & part counselor/advisor. Congratulations as well, on 10 absolutely amazing years as Chamber President. Thank you to Kyle, for the great support you give to everyone on committees, to the Board, to Vicki, & to the community at large. I hope all of you have a wonderful 2017!

**Michelle Williams**, Mission of Hope Clinic

## NUMBER OF MEMBERS:

<b>Total</b>	<b>254</b>
Businesses	198
Not for profit	35
Individuals/Associates	14
Lifetime	7
Additional reps	130
<b>Total Employees</b>	<b>12,412</b>

## INCOME: As of 12/31/16

Administration	3%	
Membership	63%	\$175,366.00
Events/Programs	34%	

## EXPENSE: As of 12/31/16

Administration	64%	
Membership	13%	\$177,246.00
Events/Programs	23%	

## CHAMBER IS A MEMBER OF:

Missouri Chamber of Commerce & Industry  
Missouri Chamber Federation  
Chamber of Commerce Executives of Missouri  
Better Business Bureau of Greater KC  
Missouri Economic Development Council

## COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

### **Membership Services Committee**

- Jeff Hirst, Adams Mark Hotel
- Rene Purtee, Arvest Bank

### **Government Relations Committee**

- Madeline Romious, AT&T
- Carol Baker, KCP&L

### **Raytown Night at the Royals**

- Jason Hanson, City of Raytown

### **Chamber/Rotary Club Golf Tournament**

- Terry Landers, Raytown Quality School Board

### **Raytown Young Professionals**

- Kaylie Baker, Rok'it Advertising
- Holly Grimwood, REAP



## CHAMBER STAFF & BOARD HAS PARTICIPATED IN:

- Board of Alderman Meetings
- Chamber Board Meetings
- City of Raytown Marketing Committee
- Committee Meetings
- Community for All Ages Coalition Cmte.
- Eastern Jackson County Betterment Council
- Eastern Jackson County Public Policy Council
- Kansas City Steering Committee /Blue Ridge Area Plan
- Lunch & Learns
- Monthly Luncheons
- Morning Coffee Networking
- New Member Meet & Greet
- REAP Board of Directors
- Raytown Educational Foundation
- Raytown Historical Society
- Raytown Main Street Association (Eggstravaganza & Holiday Lighting)
- Raytown Police Dept. CERT Member
- Raytown Police Dept. Safety Fair
- RQS Business & Marketing Meeting and Raytown Success Academy Mock Interview Process
- RQS Citizen's Advisory Council
- RQS Hall of Fame Weekend
- Ribbon Cuttings
- Steering Committee for the Deron Cherry Celebrity Golf Tour. (proceeds benefit Score One for Health & Camp Quality)



## COMMUNITY & PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT:

**January:** Chamber Celebration  
Ribbon Cutting - Raytown Wellness Center  
KC Sourcelink Traveling Office

**February:** State of the City Address

**March:** Raytown Night with the Missouri Mavericks  
Raytown Young Professionals: Un-Professionals Trivia Night  
Breakfast Briefing  
Ribbon Cutting - Lady's Sports Bar

**April:** Eastern Jackson County Business Expo

**May:** Senior Expo, Mayor's Prayer Breakfast  
Ribbon Cutting - The Barber Shop  
Raytown Night at the Royals  
Raytown Chamber/Raytown Rotary Golf Tournament

**June:** River of Refuge Grand Opening

**July:** Candidate Forum  
Raytown Summer Lunch Program

**August:** Ribbon Cutting - Longview Funeral Home & Cemetery  
Raytown Young Professionals Networking at Crane Brewing Co.  
Raytown Arts & Music Festival

**September:** Ribbon Cutting - Walmart  
& Morgana's Gluten Free Bakery  
Raytown's Senior Celebration - LUAU

**October:** RQS Hall of Fame  
Ribbon Cutting - Downtown Streetscape  
12<sup>th</sup> Annual Mega Office Party  
Chair's Round Table Discussions

**November:** Ribbon Cutting - The Taproom at Crane Brewing Co.  
Global Entrepreneur Week Coffee at Morgana's Bakery

**December:** RMSA - Holiday Lighting, Chamber Meet & Greet at Crane Brewing Co.

