MEDIA ADVISORY FOR PLANNING PURPOSES

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OVERLAND PARK, KS – The American Civil Liberties Union of Kansas will host a community forum on Municipal ID on Monday, October 30, at 6:00 PM at Grandview Park Presbyterian Church in Kansas City, Kansas.

Up to 30,000 residents of Wyandotte County may lack government-issued photo ID due to the inaccessibility of their birth certificate or other documentation necessary to obtain a driver's license. As a result, these individuals face significant barriers to performing common errands, experience exclusion from their community, and are unable to fully participate in the local economy.

The establishment of a Municipal ID program in Wyandotte County would enable these individuals to better integrate into the community and would create a safer and more welcoming environment for everyone.

Last month, a coalition of 15 organizations serving the residents of Wyandotte County sent a letter to the Commissioners of the Unified Government urging them to establish a Municipal ID program. The community forum will serve as an opportunity for community members to ask questions about the program, learn about the success of other Municipal ID programs across the country, and hear from people who have experienced the struggle to secure government-issued ID firsthand.

> **WHAT:** Community Forum on Municipal ID
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> **WHO:** ACLU Staff and concerned community members
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> **WHEN:** October 30, 6:00-7:00 pm
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> **WHERE:** Grandview Park Presbyterian Church
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> 1613 Wilson Blvd, Kansas City, KS 66102

Members of the public who wish to RSVP for the event should RSVP at: https://go.peoplepower.org/event/action_attend/10702

Members of the media who wish to attend the event should RSVP to Amie Young at ayoung@aclukansas.org or 913-490-4105

More information on Municipal ID, including the coalition's letter to the Unified Government, is available here: www.WyCoID.org