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KCPT brings together the community for a citizen summit on crime

KANSAS CITY, Missouri – January 14, 2016 While fears of mass shootings and Muslim terrorism top the headlines, Kansas City has come to accept a level of violence in its own community with fewer raised eyebrows. The 109 murders recorded on Kansas City streets last year is a massive jump on the number of homicides reported the year before.

KCPT is inviting the public to gather for a citizen summit on crime **Tuesday, January 19 at 5:30pm at the Paseo Academy Auditorium**. Plus, be the first to see extended excerpts from the new KCPT documentary ***Our Divided City*** (kcpt.org/ourdividedcity).

More than a year in the making, the film tracks the high rate of violent crime in the segregated black community east of Troost and asks whether enough is being done to make its neighborhoods safe?

Host Nick Haines picks up on the questions raised in the provocative documentary, lets citizens weigh in with their perspectives and pushes for practical solutions from faith, political and law enforcement leaders.

Light refreshments will be served at this event. Please **RSVP** for this **FREE** event to ensure your spot at ***The Crime Caucus*** which will be filmed by KCPT for broadcast, Friday January 29 at 8pm.

Tickets available at kcpt.org/events.

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