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City	Lee's Summit
State	MO
Zip	64064
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Which district do you live?	District 3
Years as a resident?	Four on March 1st, 2019
High School Attended	Merkel High School, Merkel Texas
College Attended	The University of Texas at Austin
Current Employment	Self
Position Held	Pianist/Composer/Songwriter
Interest Response	Ever since we moved to Lee's Summit to be near our two grandsons, I've wanted to contribute in some way to the arts experience in this city, but I just wasn't sure how I could. This appears to be a great opportunity to support and up-level cultural arts experiences, and I've been looking for a way to become more of a part of the community. Two of my personal strengths are "communication" and "connectedness" which I feel are important aspects in any endeavor. Also, the fact that I'm a lifelong musician - I began playing piano by ear at age 6, spent many years playing clarinet in Junior High, High School (made the Texas All-State band my

senior year), and the UT Longhorn Band; I've also been a church organist and was a member on keyboard of the music team at my church for the last 23 years I lived in Houston, TX. For many years I was a subscriber of the Houston Symphony and the Houston Grand Opera, and my wife and I currently support the Kansas City Symphony and the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art. I've always had a strong belief that the arts are an essential part of Life. They can inspire, heal, entertain, help us relax and reduce stress, focus attention on important elements of life, and generally greatly enhance a person's experience of living.

Other activities?	I provide piano entertainment for approximately 15 retirement centers in the Kansas City area.
Interest in Serving On?	Arts Council
Other Interests (Please Specify)	Helping to create opportunities for children to express their essence in whatever area of art that speaks to them, i.e., music, art, dance.

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