

FREE GUIDE

The Accessible Kansas City Guide

It's the third block of the Plaza when someone in your group quietly says "I think I'll wait on this bench" - and the afternoon shrinks to fit that decision. This guide is how you keep that from happening. Everything you need to do the whole day - without the day doing you in. Step-free routes, parking, and places that fit.

BEFORE YOU GO — THE 2-MINUTE SETUP

The single thing that makes a KC visit easy: don't plan to walk it all. Reserve a mobility scooter or wheelchair, give us the hotel or home address, and we deliver it cleaned, charged, and ready - so the distance is never the thing that decides your day. Same-day available when you order by 2pm CT.

GETTING AROUND, DISTRICT BY DISTRICT

Country Club Plaza

Gorgeous Spanish architecture across ~15 walkable blocks of shopping and dining - beautiful, but a lot of ground. Mostly flat with curb cuts throughout.

Parking: the Seville, Valencia, and Giralda garages have accessible spaces for ordinary shopping days; Plaza Art Fair weekend and Plaza Lights peak nights fill fast, so arrive early or ask us about drop-off timing.

Worth a stop: Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art - among the most accessible major art museums in the country, with courtesy scooter loans of its own. Kemper Museum - a few blocks over. Loose Park's Rose Garden - paved paths throughout (restrooms close seasonally in winter).

Crown Center & Union Station

Connected by the climate-controlled Link skywalk - step-free between the hotels, Science City, the shops, and the trains. Elevators throughout.

Parking: Crown Center's garage is accessible and rarely an issue. Union Station's 1914-era building is fully renovated, though some original hallway widths are narrower than a modern build.

Worth a stop: the WWI Museum - glass-bridge entry over the preserved trenches, elevator to every level. Science City, Sea Life Aquarium & Legoland, and the free Hallmark Visitors Center - all reachable without leaving the skywalk.

Downtown & the Convention District (Bartle Hall)

Big halls, long days, and a spread-out downtown core. The free KC Streetcar runs from the River Market to Union Station and is fully accessible - a great step-free way to cover the main drag.

Parking: Bartle Hall's attached garage covers ordinary days, but its accessible spaces fill during major conventions - nearby overflow lots mean a longer approach, so budget extra time on show mornings.

Worth a stop: T-Mobile Center - scores at the top of our rubric across every category. Power & Light District - great for dinner, though its garage fills on T-Mobile Center event nights. We deliver to the 40+ nearest hotels so your scooter is waiting before the first session.

Sports & arena venues

Accessible seating and entrances are well-marked at every major KC venue, but the concourses are huge and parking is a hike - that distance is the real challenge, and it's the one a scooter solves.

Worth knowing: Arrowhead & Kauffman Stadium - accessible lots fill 2+ hours before kickoff on sold-out games - arrive early. Kauffman's outfield concourse is unusually accessible with a great fountain view. Kansas Speedway - has notably longer lot-to-gate distances than any other KC venue on NASCAR race weekends. CPKC Stadium - (KC Current) opened 2024, purpose-built with modern accessibility throughout - our highest-scoring stadium.

Museums & the arts

Generally step-free with elevators, but lots of ground to cover between galleries. Ride instead of rationing your energy, and you'll actually see it all.

Worth a stop: Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts - scores perfectly across parking, entrances, navigation, restrooms, and seating. Nelson-Atkins & the WWI Museum - both pace well on a scooter - gallery benches are present but sparse enough that riding beats walking on a full visit.

River Market & City Market

The riverfront market district north of downtown - open-air market stalls, shops, and restaurants along mostly flat, paved streets. The KC Streetcar's north end drops you right at the market.

Parking: the adjacent lot is accessible but fills fast during the Saturday-morning farmers market, spilling into street parking of varying quality - a weekday visit is easier if your schedule allows it.

Worth a stop: Arabia Steamboat Museum - a single-level gallery, unusually well-suited to scooter-paced viewing.

18th & Vine Historic District

Kansas City's jazz and Negro Leagues Baseball heritage district. Flat, walkable blocks around a shared district lot.

Worth a stop: the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum and American Jazz Museum - share a building - both fully accessible, with helpful staff. The shared lot tightens up on event nights (Negro Leagues Night at the K, Juneteenth programming, Blue Room live sets), so plan around those dates if you can.

Westport

Kansas City's oldest entertainment district - historic, walkable, and mostly flat. We're honest that this one's uneven: it's 19th-century building stock, so accessibility varies storefront to storefront rather than district-wide. Some older entries have a single-step approach; most restaurants and bars are fine. If you're set on a specific spot, a quick call ahead confirms the entrance before you commit the afternoon to it.

THREE QUICK RULES THAT MAKE IT EFFORTLESS

- **Park once, roll everywhere.**

Use the accessible garage nearest the center of a district and let the scooter cover the rest.

- **Call ahead for dining.**

Most KC restaurants are accessible, but a quick call confirms a step-free entrance and room to roll - no guessing at the door.

- **Let the hotel hold it.**

We deliver to the bell desk under your name, so it's ready at check-in and out of your way the rest of the trip.

When the day comes, we've got the rest.

Reserve a scooter or wheelchair in about two minutes. We deliver, set up, and pick up so you and the people you love can enjoy the whole day. No one gets left behind.

Reserve online at kcmobilityrentals.com/reserve or call 913-775-1098.