What is the African American Heritage Trail?
It will be a virtual or web based trail that the public can go to explore the history and significance of the African American experience in Kansas City. It will include listed historic sites, like 18th & Vine, but will also include lesser known sites, like the Dunbar Neighborhood.

What is a "virtual trail?"
A website that is mobile friendly will be created to map the sites. Each site will be plotted on a map with information on the significance of the site. The sites will also be grouped into themes, such as civil rights or jazz, which will allow the public to visit sites that they have a particular interest.

Will there be a mobile app?
Not at this time. The City will produce a mobile friendly website during this first phase.

Will the trail be walkable?
Parts of the trail will be walkable, but we have significant sites throughout the city, so many will require driving or biking.

Why isn't this a regional project?
The City of Kansas City received a grant from the State Historic Preservation Office for the project, so this initial phase is limited to the KCMO city limits, but we recognize that there is a regional history and we hope to partner with other cities and organizations to look a regional approach.

How can I get my property on the map?
If you have a property or know of a property that is significant to KC's African American History, please contact use. We are still gather information on sites. Even if we don't include a site at the initial launch, we plan to continue adding site as more information becomes available.

When is the project expected to be done?
The web page should be available to the public this summer (2019.) Because the Trail's page is dependent on the launch of the city's new website, this expected date may change.

How can I get involved?
Let us know how you want to get involved. You can call us at 816-513-2902 or email the city at kchp@kcmo.org.