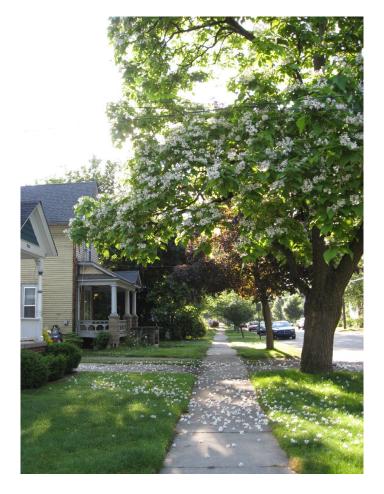


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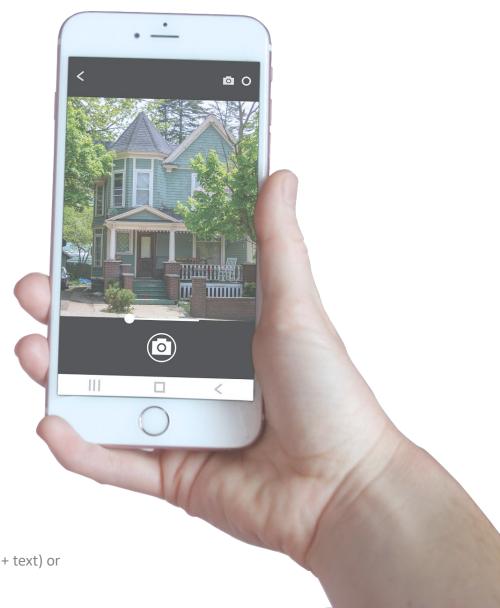
# Goal is to take 3-5 photos of each building and evaluate the condition of sidewalks and street trees





#### EQUIPMENT YOU WILL NEED

- A smartphone that is updated
- A mask to wear because of covid.
- A backpack with a stylus and general info – supplied by CPED
- Hat, gloves, boots, etc. as needed for the weather



#### Pick up your backpack and supplies

- Set up appointment by emailing or calling the Historic Preservation Coordinator
- Materials can be picked up at the CPED office, or dropped off at Neighborhood Associations
- After receiving supplies, choose the neighborhood you want to work in. The Historic Preservation Coordinator can then give you an assignment.



## FIELD INSTRUCTIONS

### Using Survey 123

- In the app store on your device:
  - Look for Survey123 for ArcGIS (ESRI)
  - Download the free app
- OR Google Survey 123 and download from the site



#### Before starting data collection,



- Ready to start?
- Stylus? Backpack? Info about survey for residents?

Take a photo of this QR code

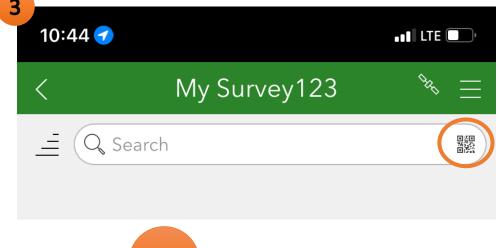
 A card with the QR code can be mailed to you – or there is one in your backpack

#### **Getting Started**

#### First Time Users

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  - a. Open the app
- 2. Click 'Continue Without Signing In' at the bottom of the screen
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  - a. Scan the QR code in figure 3a on the right
- 4. Click 'open in the survey 123 field app' in the new window





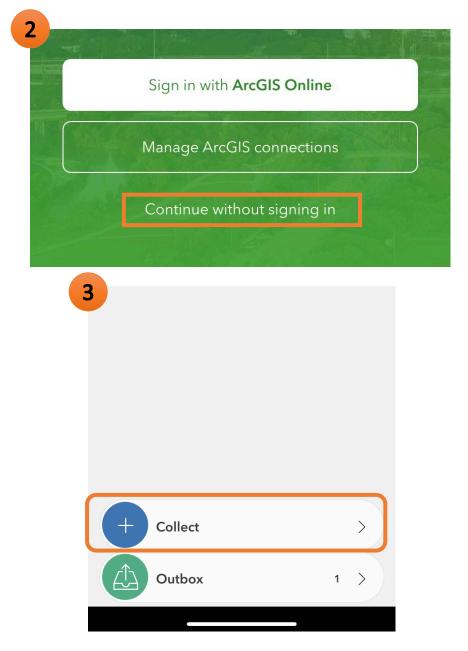
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#### **Getting Started**

#### Returning Users

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- 3. At the bottom of the screen, click the 'collect button'

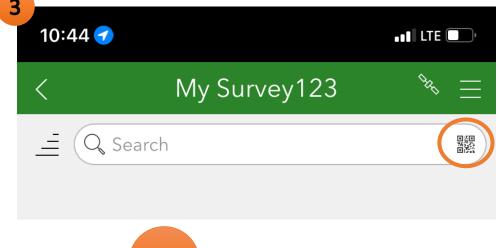


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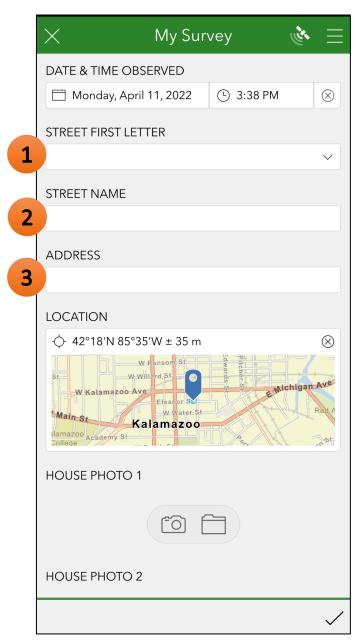
#### Ready to collect

- After opening the survey for the first time, or after clicking the collect button for recurring users, this screen will appear.
- 1. Street first letter (no East, West, North, South)
- 2. Street Name
- 3. Address
  - a. Scroll down until you find the street number of the house

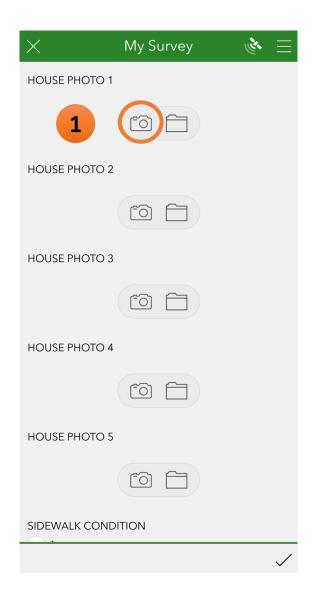


The house has no number?

Look to the adjacent houses that have numbers – this house number should be in between



### Taking Photographs



- 1. Tap the camera icon
- 2. Set up your photo in the new photograph window
- 3. Tap the shutter button icon at the bottom of the screen
- 4. Scroll down to the next photoa. Take up to 5 photos



#### **Photography Tips**

- Pick the best angle to get photos without trees or other visual barriers – on the sidewalk or curb lawn usually works well.
- Remember to stay OFF private property







- Avoid sun flares if possible shoot with the sun to the side or your back.
- Around solar noon can be a really good time because the lighting is overhead and relatively even – between noon and 4pm in Kalamazoo
- Most of the time you will be able to get a shot of the whole house from the sidewalk – phone cameras are pretty wide angled!

#### More Photography Tips



## Take at least **3** photos of buildings

- Center
- Front right
- Front left
  - If there is a garage visible down the driveway on one side, try to get that in one of the corner shots



What if there are two houses on one lot??

- Take two photos of the front house
- At least one shot of the house behind down the side showing the front house
- Zoom in to the best shot you can get of the second house
- COMMENT 2 houses on lot



#### Details – up to 2 more

- Additional photos up to a total of 5
- Photo of primary foundation and the siding above it - if visible – corner shots work well.
- BONUS SHOTS on Corner houses also photo of full side facing street and rear corner/rear
- Outbuildings visible from street garage, shed, gazebo, carriage barn, landscape features like retaining walls and fences
- Any special details close-up (zoom) unusual ornament, stained or leaded glass windows, full porch, side porch, bay window, tower



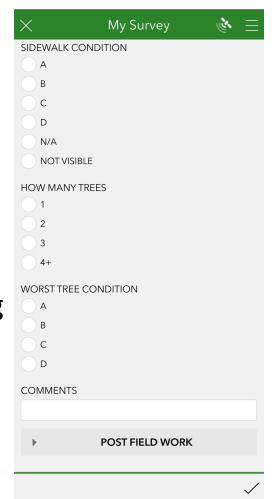


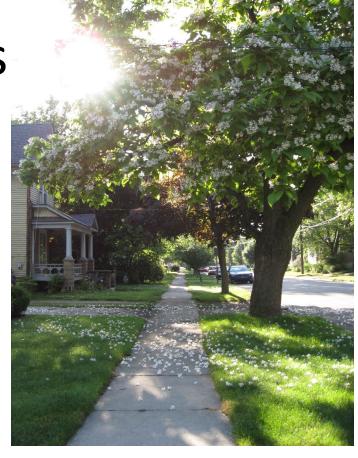


Rating curb lawn trees and sidewalks

- A-D public sidewalk
  - A = new or completely smooth
  - B = minor imperfections a wheelchair would have no problems
  - C = uneven might be a challenge for a wheelchair
  - D = poor condition partly missing

- COMMENTS
- Touch the CHECK and go on to the next screen





**COMMENTS** – Anything you want "no trees"

"street number set in tiles in front sidewalk"

Any reason you skipped taking photos – menacing dog, owner asked for no photos

### Efficiency in Surveying

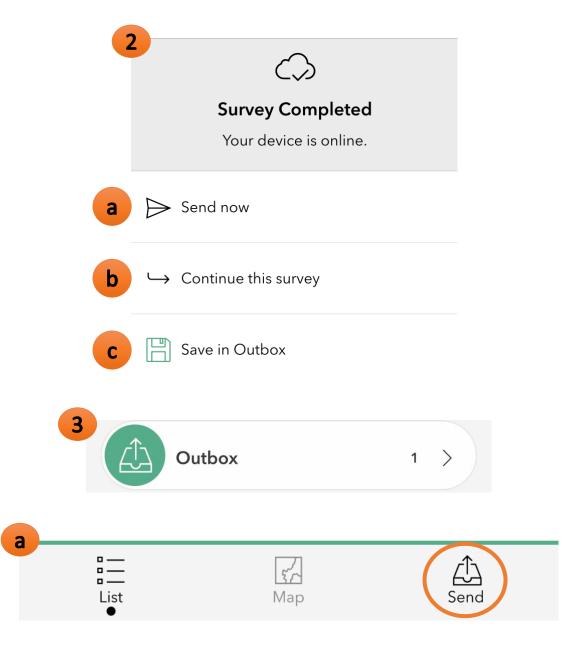
- Start at a corner
- Plan to stay on one side and complete that side before crossing the street and coming back to the corner opposite where you started
- Do NOT leave the sidewalk or go onto private property – even if the owner invites you. Stay on the Public Right of Way.
- If no sidewalk stay within 6' of the edge of the street.



#### **Submitting Data**

#### All Users

- 1. Fill out the fields in the 'My Survey' page
  - a. Do not complete any portions in the 'Post Field Work' section of the screen
- 2. When all the information for one property is done, click the check mark at the bottom of the page
  - a. To send a single response immediately, click 'send now' in the pop-up window
  - b. To edit the most recently created response, click 'continue this survey'
  - c. To save the response to begin another response, click 'save in outbox'
- 3. Click the 'Outbox' button at the bottom of the screen when collection is done.
  - a. Click the 'send' button at the bottom right of the screen to send responses.



#### RULES

- Choose your time to survey it should be full daylight.
- The two hours before and after solar noon are best – here in Kalamazoo that is between EDT noon and 4pm
- Not when raining or snowing or when there is snow obscuring details
- Wear the backpack
- ALWAYS stay on the public right of way
  - Sidewalk or between sidewalk and street – or in street if needed
  - 6' or less from edge of paved road
  - Do NOT go onto private property even if invited by owner!!



#### SAFETY

- Work in pairs
- Suspicious or aggressive activity if you feel unsafe LEAVE. Put a note in the comments bar and send an email LATER
- Dogs if you feel unsafe LEAVE.
- We can go back later in a car



#### Problems?

- Leave a note on the survey app so we can go back – use the COMMENTS section at the bottom
- Report via email tell us the date you had the problem, the address where the problem was and what happened
  - Like "3/26/21 127 Any Street no house, just a sinkhole" or "4/12/21 dog off leash skipped 1317 to 1437 Jimmy Street"



### Residents with questions

- Copies of a letter explaining the survey are in your backpack
- Extra copies to give out to people who ask
- Also my business cards



## Speed Survey!!

- One surveyor on each side of the street each with their own phone or tablet with the app loaded.
- Stay in sight of each other



## TO DO:

- Download SURVEY 123 to your phone or tablet
- CHOOSE your assignments email PenaL@kalamazoocity.org
- Pick a nice day between noon and 4pm
- Get started
- Send an email when you are done
- Maybe? Choose another assignment?

