



April 25, 2025



## UCPD SPOTLIGHT: Interim Major Fredrick Lemons II Sets a National Example in Law Enforcement Mediation

This week, the City of University City proudly shines a spotlight on one of its own: Interim Major Fredrick Lemons II of the University City Police Department, whose recent publication in the FBI-LEEDA *Insighter* (Winter 2025 edition) is capturing attention across the nation.

Lemons II's featured article, titled "A New Approach to Grievance Mediation in Law Enforcement," presents a forward-thinking exploration of how internal conflict resolution could evolve within law enforcement. Rather than relying solely on traditional disciplinary models, his research highlights the potential benefits of incorporating structured mediation practices that prioritize transparency, inclusivity, and morale.

"Our goal isn't just to resolve complaints—it's to build an environment where employees feel seen, heard, and respected," Lemons II notes. "Grievance mediation isn't just about problem-solving. It's about culture-building."

While not currently implemented within the University City Police Department, Lemons' research suggests that, if adopted appropriately, this model could support officer retention, reduce workplace stress, and contribute to a more unified and effective department.

This recognition follows another major accomplishment for Interim Major Lemons II while continuing to serve the University City community with distinction. His

academic achievements and national publication underscore his dedication to professional development and progressive thinking in public safety.

University City is proud to celebrate Interim Major Lemons II for this prestigious national recognition and his unwavering commitment to service, scholarship, and integrity. His work continues to elevate the standards of law enforcement leadership both locally and beyond.



Photo courtesy of The West St. Louis County Chamber of Commerce

## University City Welcomes 7 Brew Coffee with Ribbon Cutting at Market at Olive

University City is buzzing with excitement as 7 Brew Drive-Thru Coffee officially opened its doors at the Market at Olive development. The city celebrated the grand opening with a ribbon-cutting ceremony this past Monday, marking another milestone in the area's ongoing transformation into a vibrant commercial hub.

Located at the intersection of Olive Boulevard and I-170, the Market at Olive development spans approximately 50 acres and is designed to accommodate a mix of retail, restaurants, apartments, offices, and hospitality. The addition of 7 Brew Coffee brings a unique drive-thru experience to the community, offering a variety of coffee beverages and fostering a lively atmosphere.

Mayor Terry Crow expressed enthusiasm about the new addition, stating, "Adding 7 Brew to our lineup of businesses at Market at Olive enhances our community's appeal and provides more options for residents and visitors alike."

The Market at Olive development continues to attract prominent retailers and restaurants, including Costco, Target, Chick-fil-A, First Watch, Chipotle, Panera, Raising Cane's, Jersey Mike's, and Sport Clips.

The inclusion of 7 Brew Coffee aligns with the city's vision of creating a dynamic and diverse economic landscape.

As University City continues to grow and evolve, the successful launch of 7 Brew Coffee at Market at Olive exemplifies the city's commitment to fostering economic development and enhancing the quality of life for its residents.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the event video via Facebook!

# PLANT SALE

U City In Bloom  
40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Preview Party/Sale

**Friday**

**25th Apr**

5-7 pm



**Saturday**

**26th Apr**

9 am-1 pm

Heman Park Community Center  
975 Pennsylvania Ave.,  
University City, MO, 63130

**Sunday**

**27th Apr**

11-1 pm

## U City In Bloom Celebrates 40 Years with Annual Plant Sale and Preview Party

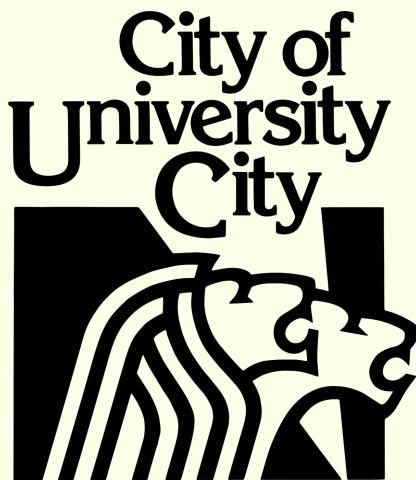
This weekend, U City In Bloom invites the community to dig into spring at their annual Plant Sale, held in celebration of the organization's 40th anniversary. The event will take place at the Heman Park Community Center, 975 Pennsylvania Ave., University City, MO.

Festivities begin with a Preview Party and Sale on Friday, April 25, from 5-7 p.m. —a perfect evening opportunity to get first pick of beautiful plants while enjoying a festive kickoff to the weekend.

The main sale continues Saturday, April 26, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., and wraps up with a final window on Sunday, April 27, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

From succulents and greenery to garden inspiration, there's something for every plant lover. Proceeds support U City In Bloom's mission to beautify public spaces throughout University City.

Don't miss this blooming opportunity to support local green initiatives while adding a little life to your home or garden!



## Waiver Extension Announced to Support Ongoing Storm Recovery

In response to the severe weather, tornadoes, and flooding that began impacting Missouri on March 14, 2025, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources has extended its temporary waiver of certain statutory and regulatory requirements. This action, originally announced in the Director's Notice issued March 20, 2025, was enacted under the authority of Executive Order 25-20 to support public health and safety during the recovery period.

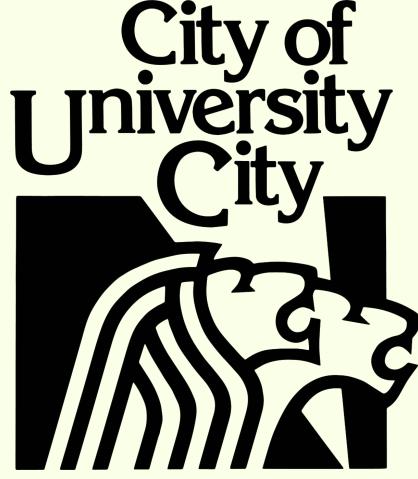
Under Executive Order 25-22, the Department has extended the waiver period through May 14, 2025, unless further amended. The waiver applies to all counties affected by the recent severe weather events or as otherwise deemed appropriate by the Director of the Department of Natural Resources.

This extension ensures continued flexibility for local agencies, businesses, and individuals working to recover and rebuild in the wake of these natural disasters. The Department remains committed to providing timely support and regulatory relief where it is most needed.

For more information or updates regarding this waiver, please visit the Department of Natural Resources website [HERE](#) or contact the department directly.

## We're Hiring: Help Shape the Future of University City!

The City of University City is looking for passionate, dedicated professionals to join our team! The Human Resources



Department is currently accepting applications for two key positions:

**Director of Sanitation** – Lead our efforts in maintaining a clean, safe, and sustainable community by overseeing waste management operations and sanitation services citywide.

**Third Ward Revitalization Coordinator** – Play a vital role in advancing equity and community development in the Third Ward through strategic planning, resident engagement, and neighborhood improvement initiatives.

If you're ready to make an impact and serve the residents of University City, we encourage you to apply today!

Visit [universitycitymo.gov/jobs](http://universitycitymo.gov/jobs) for more details and to submit your application.

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# 2025 Housing Fair and Seminar

## for New and Existing Homeowners

### LOCATION

Refresh Community Church  
829 North Hanley Rd.  
University City MO

### DATE/TIME

SATURDAY APRIL 26  
9 AM -12 PM



### AGENDA

Welcome  
State of Housing  
First time home buyers  
Break  
Estate planning  
Lunch  
Increase Home Value.  
Close



EVENT IS FREE AND LUNCH IS INCLUDED

### DISCOVER BUYING PROGRAMS

Explore on-site prequalifications for financing and meet with lenders to find out what buying programs you are eligible.

### BUILD OR REPAIR CREDIT

Obtain a free credit report (bring your photo ID) and learn how you can build your credit score or how to repair your credit.

### ESTATE PLANNING ASSISTANCE

Talk one-on-one with an attorney to learn how best to leave your property to others and create generational wealth.

### INCREASE YOUR HOME VALUE

Learn about home energy efficiency and repair programs and what improvements provide the best ROI for home value.

### SHED WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE FOLLOWING



Visit [shedstl.org](http://shedstl.org) for a detailed agenda

## Get Ready for the 2025 Housing Fair and Seminar!

Whether you're a first-time homebuyer or a long-time homeowner, don't miss the 2025 Housing Fair and Seminar hosted by SHED, Inc. This free event will be held on Saturday, April 26 from 9 AM to 12 PM at Refresh Community Church, 829 North Hanley Rd., University City, MO.

Enjoy a morning of valuable sessions including topics like estate planning, increasing your home value, and credit repair. Experts will be on-site to help you explore buying programs, answer questions about generational wealth, and offer free credit reports. Plus, lunch is included!

Meet with lenders and real estate pros, and learn how to take your next step in homeownership!

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**Saint Louis  
COUNTY** REDUCE • REUSE • RECYCLE  
**PUBLIC HEALTH** **GO GREEN!**

### Spring Electronic Recycling Event

Saturday, May 10, 2025

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

**Heman Park Community Center Parking Lot,  
975 Pennsylvania Avenue**

Do you have old TVs, computers, routers, cell phones, cords, battery-operated electronics, or any other miscellaneous electronics laying around the house that you need to dispose of? University City will be hosting an electronics recycling drop-off event. This spring, we will only be offering the electronics recycling but stay tuned for a future document shredding event in the fall. The event is free for residents of St. Louis County only. The event is not open to businesses. Recycle up to two (2) monitors/TVs per vehicle at no charge\*.

For other electronics, there are no limits on how many items you can recycle, and most items are free of charge. Visit [ucitymo.org/recycling](http://ucitymo.org/recycling) to see a full list of recyclable materials for this event. Questions? Call 314-505-8516.

\*While funding allows. For more than two monitors or TVs, you will be charged \$30 for tube TVs or monitors; \$10 for flatscreen TVs or monitors.

The event is funded by a grant from Saint Louis County's Department of Public Health utilizing County landfill surcharge funds.



#### **Fitness & Fun Spotlight: Centennial Commons Recreation Center**

Ongoing and upcoming events hosted by  
Centennial Commons Rec Center.



HEMAN PARK POOL

# Admission:

Admission is limited to any individual (age 3+) with a "Summer Fun Pass" or a resident or nonresident recreation ID card. Memberships and ID cards may be purchased at the Centennial Commons Control Desk (Photo ID required) and are available to both residents and non-residents.



Resident	Daily *	1 Month	Summer Fun Pass (May 23 - September 1)
Youth (17 and under)	\$5.00	\$11.00	\$44.00
Adult	\$6.00	\$20.00	\$80.00
Senior (60+)	\$5.00	\$13.00	\$52.00
Senior Couple**		\$21.00	\$84.00
Family		\$34.00	\$136.00

NonResident	Daily *	1 Month	Summer Fun Pass (May 23 - September 1)
Youth (17 and under)	\$7.00	\$17.00	\$68.00
Adult	\$9.00	\$30.00	\$120.00
Senior (60+)	\$7.00	\$21.00	\$84.00
Senior Couple**		\$30.00	\$120.00
Family***		\$40.00	\$160.00

\*Must purchase recreation ID card/Resident - \$5.00; Nonresident - \$7.00 (good one year from purchase);

No daily rate for Senior Couple or Family

\*\*Both individuals must be 60 or older; \*\*\*Limit: 4, Additional: \$25/person - all same household

Registration begins Wednesday, April 23rd  
at Centennial Commons, 7210 Olive Blvd

HEMAN PARK POOL

## 2025 Swim Instruction

### "Water Babies"

ages 6 mos. - 3 yrs.

Intended to develop comfort in and around water. Parent accompanies child in the pool.

Ratio: One Instructor/6 participants

Minimum: 4 Maximum 6 (per time period)

Time: 4:30 - 5:00 pm, 5:00 pm - 5:30, 5:30 - 6:00 pm or 6:00 - 6:30 pm

### "Beginners"

ages 6 yrs. - 11 yrs.

Child learns elementary backstroke, kneeling dive and continue to work on front/back crawl. Sidestroke, Deep Water Bobbing, Breaststroke Kick are introduced as well as work on other strokes

Ratio: One Instructor/6 participants

Minimum: 4 Maximum 6 (per time period)

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm and 5:30 - 6:30 pm

### "Non-Swimmers"

ages 3 yrs. - 8 yrs.

Teaches buoyancy, breath control and introduces basic water skills. Child learns unsupported floating, kicking and beginning swimming skills. Front and back crawl are introduced

Ratio: One Instructor/6 participants

Minimum: 4 Maximum 6 (per time period)

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm and 5:30 - 6:30 pm

### "Adults"

ages 18 yrs. and Above

This is for a variety of levels. Levels of swim knowledge and experience will determine what lesson includes. The goal is to increase proficiency and knowledge of adults in this class

Ratio: One Instructor/6 participants

Minimum: 4 Maximum 6 (per time period)

Time: 4:30 - 5:30 pm and 5:30 - 6:30 pm

**Tuesdays and Thursdays**

**Session I: June 3 - June 26 Session II: July 8 - July 31**

**Make Up Day: Fridays (only due to weather related cancellations)**

**Fee: Resident - \$40/person Nonresident - \$50/person**



# Sip and Paint

Friday, May 9, 2025



6:00 PM - 8:30 PM



Looking for a fun Friday night event to kick off Mother's Day weekend? Grab your friends and put your phones down and brushes up. Sip and paint hosted by Theresa Davis! Come paint, sip wine, and enjoy some music. Participants will be led by Theresa in this instructional class, with canvases pre-drawn before the class meets. Everything, including wine, is provided at this event. Participants are welcome to bring a beverage of their choice if they desire.

Register in person: Centennial Commons, 7210 Olive Blvd.

Mon-Fri: 5:30- AM - 9:00 PM

Sat: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM

SUN: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Registration: Monday March 31 - Friday May 2

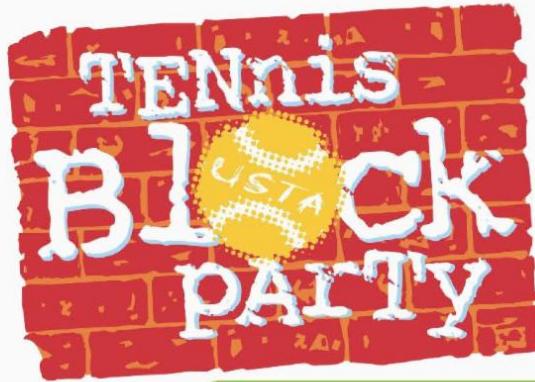
**\$30**  
PER PERSON  
MUST BE 21+

**Min: 15**  
**Max: 25**



More info: 314.505.8613

University City Recreation Division and  
USTA St. Louis invites you to celebrate  
the 15th Annual Kid's To Parks Day and  
National Tennis Month with our FREE



**SATURDAY  
MAY 17  
2025**

**NOON - 2:00 PM**

Tennis Games, Instruction,  
Racquets and Balls  
provided by  
Mark Platt's  
Beginners World Tennis

Food and Drinks will also be  
provided

**HEMAN PARK TENNIS  
PAVILION  
OLIVE BLVD & PENNSYLVANIA**

**FOR AGES 5 & UP  
REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

**TO REGISTER: EMAIL  
NAMES & AGES TO  
MMEEHAN  
@UCITYMO.ORG  
BY MAY 3RD**

For more information please  
contact:  
[mmeehan@ucitymo.org](mailto:mmeehan@ucitymo.org), 314.505.8613



**CENTENNIAL  
COMMONS**  
UNIVERSITY CITY

**USTA**

**MISSOURI VALLEY  
ST. LOUIS**

# VIP Pool Opening Party

## Friday, May 23

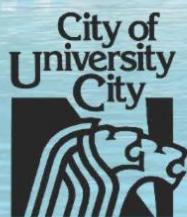
5 P.M. - 8 P.M.

ENTRY FOR SUMMER FUN PASS,  
CURRENT CENTENNIAL COMMONS,  
SILVER SNEAKERS AND  
RENEW ACTIVE MEMBERS  
ONLY



MUSIC . FROZEN TREAT VENDORS  
BALLOON ARTISTS . FACE PAINTING & MORE

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HEMAN PARK POOL

# “Toddler Time”

infant/toddler open swim . ages 5 and under



FEE:

**\$55**

first toddler  
\$25 additional  
toddler  
no charge for parent/guardian

**splash pad and baby pool access only**

Diapers are not allowed in splash pad or baby pool . swim diapers required

**Monday and Wednesday mornings**  
**June 2 – July 30**

**10:00 am – 11:45 am**

**Min: 8 (toddlers/parents)**

**Max: 30 (toddlers/parents)**

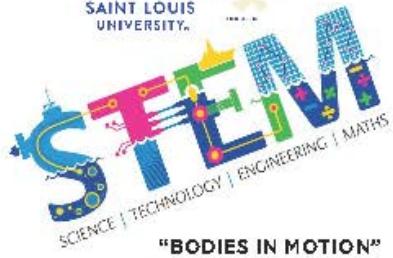
**Registration: April 23 – June 1**

**For more information, call 314.505.8625**





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HORTICULTURE



AROUND THE  
WORLD



2025

## SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

REGISTRATION EXTENDED TO  
SATURDAY, APRIL 26TH



LIFE SKILLS



SWIMMING



GOLF



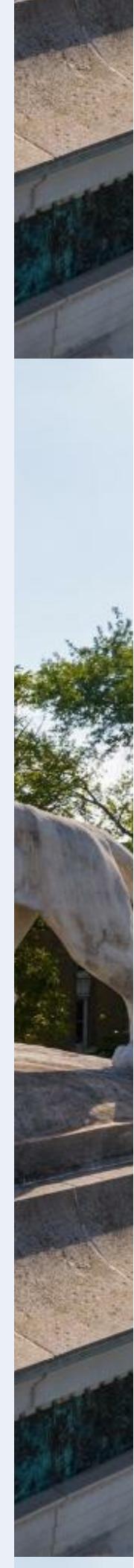
FIELD TRIPS



"GAMES WITH BOARDS"



"MUNICI-PALS"





UNIVERSITY CITY RESIDENT YOUTH WHO HAVE COMPLETED KINDERGARTEN-5TH GRADE CAN HAVE "EXPAND THEIR KNOWLEDGE THROUGH PLAY" IN OUR 2025 CENTCOM UNIVERSITY - SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM HELD FROM 9AM - 3PM, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY.

\*PROGRAM DATES: MONDAY, JUNE 9 - FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

PROGRAM LOCATION: HEMAN PARK CENTENNIAL COMMONS, 7210 OLIVE BLVD.  
(\*NO PROGRAM 6/19, 7/4)

OUR SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM ACTIVITIES INCLUDE (BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO): RECREATIONAL SWIMMING, SPORTS, "GAMES WITH BOARDS", S.T.E.M, HORTICULTURE, GOLF, "BODIES IN MOTION", CREATIVE/FINE ARTS, LIFE SKILLS, SPECIAL EVENTS AND MUCH MORE!

FIELD TRIPS ARE ALSO PART OF THE PROGRAM AND PARTICIPANTS WILL TAKE SEVERAL AGE-APPROPRIATE TRIPS BY BUS AND BOTH THE FIELD TRIP FEE AND PROGRAM T-SHIRT ARE INCLUDED IN YOUR REGISTRATION.

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**FEE: \$700/CHILD  
(MAX. 50 PARTICIPANTS)**

**REGISTER AT CENTENNIAL COMMONS  
7210 OLIVE BLVD**

**REGISTRATION EXTENDED TO SATURDAY, APRIL 26TH**

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**THIS PROGRAM IS OPEN TO UNIVERSITY CITY RESIDENTS ONLY  
AND ALL OF THE FOLLOWING MUST BE PRESENTED AT  
REGISTRATION:**

- ORIGINAL COPY OF CHILD'S BIRTH CERTIFICATE
- PHOTO ID OF PARENT/GUARDIAN (GUARDIAN MUST PRESENT PROOF OF GUARDIANSHIP IF NOT CUSTODIAL PARENT)
- COPY OF UNIVERSITY CITY OCCUPANCY PERMIT (WITH CHILD LISTED)

**QUESTIONS:**

**CONTACT RECREATION SUPERVISOR, MERRIC MEEHAN 314.505.8613**

## For Summer 2025

Come Play Competitive Summer League  
Baseball/Softball for Middle/High School  
youth ages 14-18

New to the "U" and We Want You!



### The Cardinals Nike RBI League

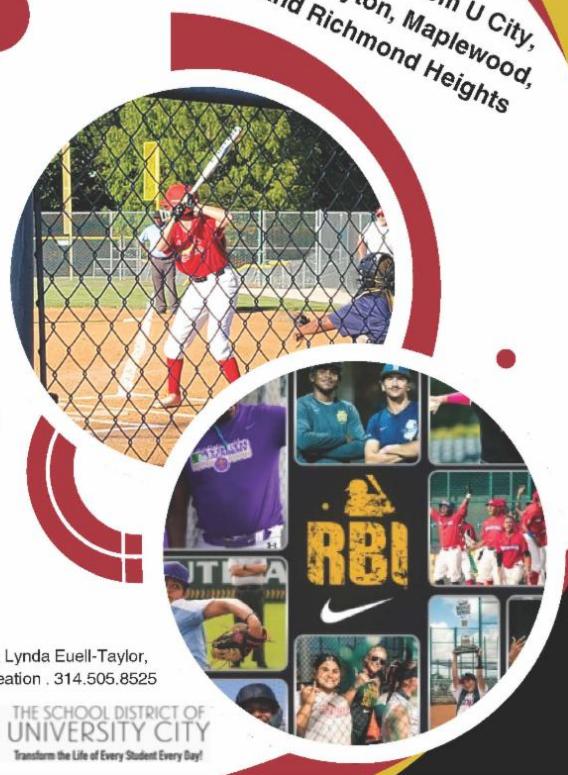
- ✓ FREE Baseball/Softball program for teens aged 14-18 interested in playing at a competitive level over June & July 2 teams 14-15U & 16-18U
- ✓ Will develop players who exemplify teamwork, sportsmanship and work hard while having fun
- ✓ Each team will play up to **sixteen (16)** games (including two (2) local tournaments (weather permitting)
- ✓ Use of indoor practice facility for pre-season training, conditioning, instruction, & player evaluations
- ✓ **FREE** Nike home & away uniform jerseys, Nike pro style pants, matching belt and hat

Register Now - March 29  
[cardinals.com/rbi](http://cardinals.com/rbi)

Contact Information  
Centennial Commons, Lynda Euell-Taylor,  
Deputy Director, Recreation . 314.505.8525



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QR code: A square QR code for signing up to CodeRED.

### How to Sign Up

- Visit the City of University City's website.
- Click the Emergency Notifications

### UPCOMING EVENTS



#### City Council Study Session-Green Practices

Mon., Apr 28 @ 5:30 p.m.

#### City Council Meeting

Mon., Apr 28 @ 6:30 p.m.

[View the full listing of U City events here](#)

button to access CodeRED enrollment information.

- Fill in your contact details and select your notification preferences.
- Download the CodeRED app for enhanced location-based notifications.

Emergencies can happen at any time, and staying informed can save lives. By enrolling in CodeRED, you'll receive real-time alerts to help protect you, your loved ones, and your property.

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