

**Efforts in Missouri**  
2/11/05

- Working with charter leaders in Kansas City to create a statewide association
- Working with Kaufman Foundation to assess the landscape of charter school facilities
- Working with key legislators (Cunningham, McIntosh, R. Schad, Ted Hoskins, Kinder to improve charter law (authorizer funding, additional authorizers, facilities assistance
- Traveling to MO in mid March to do strategic planning for new association and to meet with key legislators, including minority democrats
- AV spoke at Learning Exchange forum last summer, on charter school achievement (in conjunction with release of evaluation of Kansas City charter schools; also did an editorial board meeting with Kansas City Star
- CER responded to State Auditor's report on charter schools
  - University authorizers are doing a better job than district authorizers
  - Charter schools in KC are outpacing the gains made by traditional schools