ROZ Waitlist FAQ

Q: When does the county determine its budget?
A: Counties usually handle their budgeting processes in the summer.

Q: When will my payments start if the county increases its budget?
A: Your payments will start in the next annual payment process (October – December).

Q: How often do I receive payments?
A: We issue payments on an annual basis in late fall.

Q: How does the State determine which applicants receive payments?
A: The Kansas Department of Commerce approves applicants on a first come, first served basis.

Q: Is it true that an employer can sponsor me as a ROZ participant and that if they do, the applicant does not have to wait as they do for county funds?
A: Yes. An employer can directly sponsor an applicant. If approved, a sponsored applicant would start receiving payments according the schedule above and after the employer submits a sponsorship application.

Q: How would my employer sponsor me if they are interested?
A: Please refer them to our website http://www.kansascommerce.com/index.aspx?NID=697 . Your employer may submit an application using the provided URL.

Q: Do other counties have a waitlist?
A: Yes. Several counties have had waitlists. The number of counties with waitlists varies each month according to demand, when they increase their budget, and sponsorships.

Q: What have other counties done to fund their waitlist?
A: Counties have been very creative in their efforts. Many have increased their budget on an annual basis, some have partnered with city governments for funding, and others have partnered with foundations and employers to fund the waitlist. Some counties have had success raising private donated funds.

Q: If I am on a waitlist, can I move to a different ROZ county and remain eligible?
A: Yes. You can move to a different ROZ county if you are currently on a waitlist. If you start receiving payments, you cannot transfer your eligibility.

Q: What do I do if I change addresses within the county?
A: Please notify Commerce to update your address.