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BROADBAND UPDATES
Kansas Office of Broadband Development

KOBD Goals

- Connect all Kansans
  - Lacking 100/20 Mbps
- Digital Opportunities
  - Adoption
  - Devices
  - Skills

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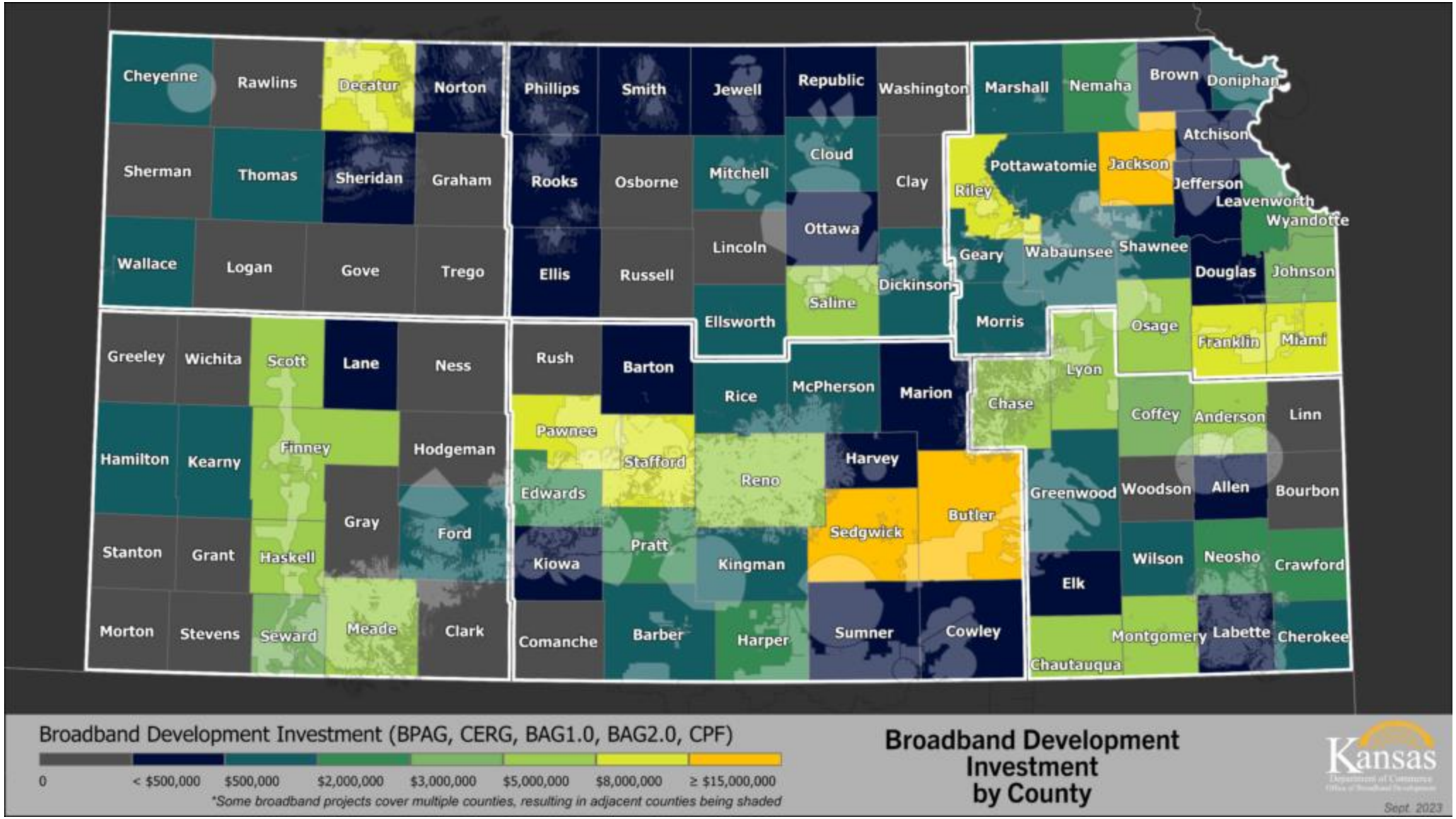
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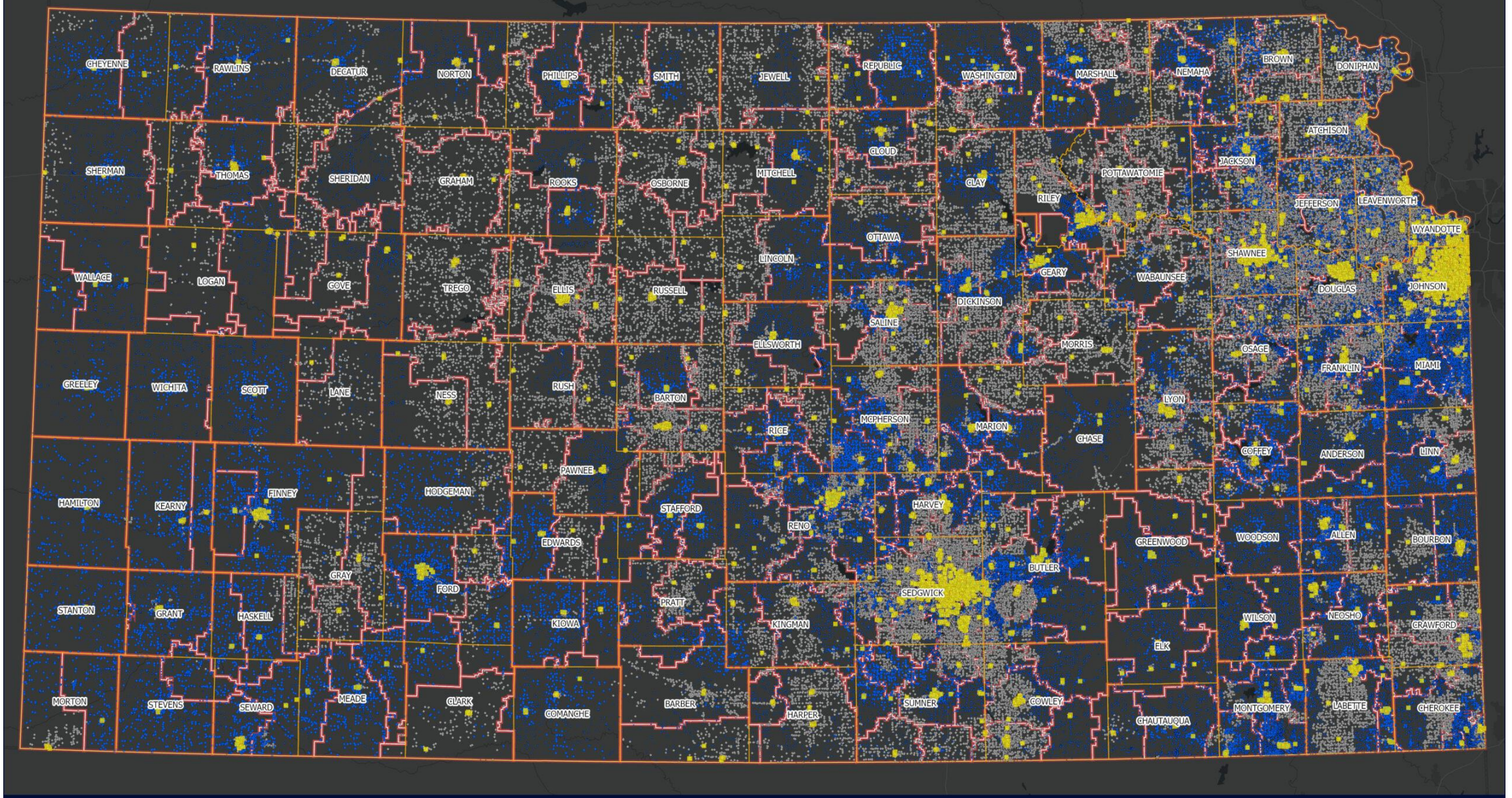
Broadband Development Investment (BPAG, CERG, BAG1.0, BAG2.0, CPF)
0
< $500,000
$500,000
$2,000,000
$3,000,000
$5,000,000
$8,000,000
≥ $15,000,000
*Some broadband projects cover multiple counties, resulting in adjacent counties being shaded
Broadband Development Investment by County
Kansas
Department of Commerce
Office of Broadband Development
Sept. 2023



Regional Outreach Planning - Served & Unserved Locations

Fixed Broadband (Fiber, Cable, Copper, Fixed Wireless)

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- Eligible for BEAD
  Less than 100/20 mbps
- Ineligible for BEAD
  100/20 mbps or greater
- County
- Unified School District
- Community Anchor Institution

Funding Opportunities-Round 2

Advancing Digital Opportunities to Promote Technology (ADOPT)

- Public Wi-fi CAI's*
  - Max award $1 million
  - 10% Match
- Device Distribution
  - Max award $500k
- Summer/Fall 2024
- $4.4 million potentially available

CAI: Community Anchor Institution, i.e. Hospital, School, Library, Local Government Building

Digital Opportunities Connecting Kansans (DOCK)

- Digital Skills Training
- Focusing on the growth of digital skills, education, and knowledge
- Max award $250k
- 5 % Match
- Summer/Fall 2024
- $1.1 million potentially available

Funding Opportunities

- **Digital Equity Capacity Grants**
  - Allocated $8.2 million
  - Complete Strategic Plan
  - Expect funding Fall 2024
  - Plan objectives
    - *Availability*: Improve availability of broadband across Kansas
    - *Affordability:* Increase access to and adoption of affordable broadband service
    - *Digital Literacy Skills:* Focus on the growth of digital literacy skills, education, and knowledge
    - *Cybersecurity:* Increase awareness of and proficiency in dealing with online privacy and cybersecurity issues
    - *Devices:* Expand access to affordable devices with accommodating technical support
    - *Public Services:* Promote the online accessibility and inclusivity of public resources and services

Funding Opportunities

State Program: Broadband Acceleration Grant

- $85M over 10 years,
  - **$5M 2020-2023**
  - **$10M 2024-2030**
- Eligible areas lack 100/20 service
- 50/50 public private match
- January 2025

Broadband Grants – Areas of Impact

Community Support

Efficient Use of Dollars

Community Match (Co-Investment)

Co-Investment

1. ADOPT –
   - 10% Public Wi-Fi and 0% Devices
2. BAG Require – 50%
3. BEAD – 25%
   - Left over ARPA dollars from the community is an option
4. DOCK – 5%

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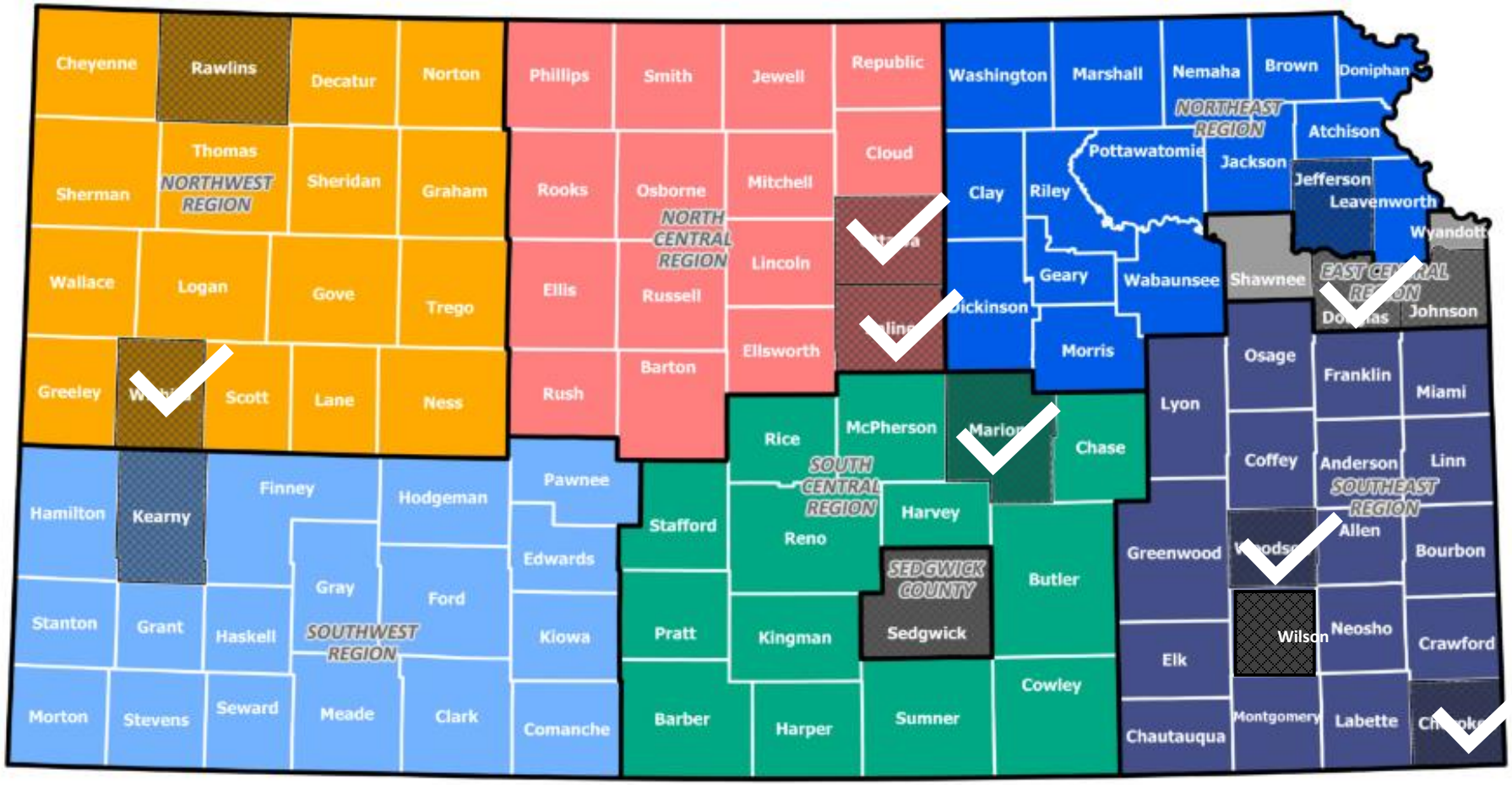

Date	County	Community
April 15	Douglas County	Lawrence
April 16	Jefferson County	Oskaloosa

Attracting Providers

Invite	• Providers to Partner with Your Community
Offer	• Matching Funds or In-Kind Matches
Help	• Drive Broadband Adoption
Simplify	• Permitting and Rights-of-Way, Where Possible

KANSAS BROADBAND READY COMMUNITIES EST. 2024

- Single Point of Contact
- No Fee Beyond K.S.A. 17-1902
- Applications Responded to Within 30 Days
- Moving Towards Electronic Filing System
- Nondiscriminatory Permit Procedure

KOBD Resources

Broadband Breakdown Series

- Micro Learning Video Sessions
- Available Any Time on KOBD's Website
- Making Regional Workshop Content Accessible

BEAD Broadband Playbook

- Compiled Resources to Help Communities Make the Most of BEAD
- To be Posted to KOBD's Website
- Printable Version will be Available

Kansas Broadband Ready Communities

- Optional Program
- Preparation for Grant Funding Opportunities

KOBD Community Office Hours

- Scheduled with Video Series
- Watch the Session, Come with Questions
- Time for Specialized Attention for Communities
- Recorded and Posted to KOBD's Website

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Scan to sign up for Broadband Newsletter

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