GRANTS GUIDE

Transforming communities in every region of Kansas



























Fellow Kansans,

The Kansas Department of Commerce is one of the strongest economic development agencies in the country. That's because our amazing team is focused on a single goal: growing Kansas.

We do this in different ways, from recruiting new businesses and helping existing businesses grow, to supporting our state's workforce and bolstering the quality of life all across the state.

By supporting each city and county in Kansas, we're transforming the places Kansans call home and building a more resilient economy statewide.



Our goal is to foster strong urban, suburban and rural communities, but we know there is no "one-size-fits-all" approach that will get us there.

In recognition of this, Commerce offers a wide array of grants, programs and services to meet the needs of every region in Kansas — in a way that fits <u>their</u> vision and goals for growth.

This guide provides a list of financial support we offer to cities and counties throughout the state. We want this guide to serve as a resource local leaders can use in their local development efforts.

As you read about our available grants and programs, I encourage you to reach out to our team with any questions you have about putting these resources to work for the future economic success of your communities — and Kansas.

Anchored by our exceptional economic strength, strong partnerships and commitment to innovation — we will continue our historic rise to new heights all across Kansas. And we'll continue to usher in a bright future for everyone who calls the Sunflower State "home."

Ad Astra Per Aspera,

Jam G. THank

David C. Toland

Secretary of Commerce & Lieutenant Governor













TABLE OF CONTENTS

Grants at a Glance Calendar	4
Barn Adaptation & Restoration Needs Grant (BARN)	8
Broadband Acceleration Grant (BAG)	9
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	
ADA Improvements	10
Commercial Rehabilitation	11
Community Centers, Senior Centers, Storm Shelters, Parks & Libraries	12
Economic Development	13
Housing Rehabilitation & Demolition or Neighborhood Development	14
Non-Profit Childcare & Early Education Facilities	15
Regional Water Implementation	16
Sidewalks & Trails	17
Urgent Need for Disasters	18
Water & Sewer Infrastructure	19
Youth Job Training	20
Community Service Tax Credit Program (CSP)	21
Historic Economic Asset Lifeline Grant (HEAL)	22
Emergency Historic Economic Asset Lifeline Grant (E-HEAL)	23
Kansas Angel Investor Tax Credit Program	24
Kansas Apprenticeship Tax & Grant Act	25
Kansas Apprenticeship Project Grant	26
Kansas Arts Commission	
Arts Everywhere	
Arts in Education	27
Innovative Partnerships	28
Organizational Development - Capacity Building	29
Organizational Development - Salary Assistance	30
Specific Arts & Culture Projects	31
General Operating Support Program	32
Public Art & Mural Program	33
Visiting Artists Program	34
Visiting Touring Roster Artists Program	35
Proof of Concept Fund	36
Rural Champions Grant	37
Rural Murals Grant	38
Small Business R&D Acceleration Grant	39
Strategic Economic Expansion & Development Grant (SEED)	40
Tourism Attraction Development Grant	41
Tourism Marketing Grant	42

COMMERCE GRANTS AT A GLANCE

Barn Adaptation & Restoration Needs Grant (BARN)

Funds to help revitalize old barns for use as agritourism venues

Broadband Acceleration Grant (BAG)

Infrastructure buildout in economically distressed counties

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

Competitive Round: community facilities, public service, infrastructure

Rolling Round: housing, commercial rehabilitation, economic development, urgent need, regional water systems

Community Service Tax Credit Program (CSP)

Amplify fundraising efforts for non-profit organizations

Historic Economic Asset Lifeline Grant (HEAL)

Rehabilitate downtown buildings for new businesses or organizations in rural communities

Emergency Historic Economic Asset Lifeline Grant (E-HEAL)

Rehabilitate downtown buildings from likely demolition or collapse

Kansas Angel Investor Tax Credit Program

Bring together accredited angel investors with qualified companies seeking early-stage investment

Kansas Apprenticeship Tax & Grant Act

Expand/promote apprenticeships within businesses, non-profits, healthcare and education

Kansas Office of Apprenticeship Project Grant

Support needs related to technical instruction for registered apprenticeship

Kansas Arts Commission Arts Everywhere Program

Arts in Education

Support the role arts play in all levels of education, community service and workforce development

Innovative Partnerships

Assistance for arts-centered programs that address community needs

Organizational Development - Capacity Building

Fund projects that increase administrative or artistic capacity

Organizational Development - Salary Assistance

Support for one or more positions at rural and/or SEDI art organizations

Specific Arts & Culture Projects

Support for the arts in Kansas through funding for cultural projects and programs

Kansas Arts Commission General Operating Support Program

Strengthen the state's cultural infrastructure

Kansas Arts Commission Public Art & Mural Program

Support permanent or semi-permanent installations, murals and other public art projects

Kansas Arts Commission Visiting Artists Program

Engage and deepen impact of arts on local and underserved audiences

AMOUNT Maximum	MATCH	FUN Innounced	DING TIME! Application	LINE Awarded	CONTACT
\$25,000	50%	Jan.	Jan Mar.	July	Kelsey.Wendling@ks.gov
\$1,000,000	50%	May	May - July	Sept.	Joseph.Le@ks.gov
\$800,000 \$1,000,000	25% 25%	Jan. Jan.	Jan Sept. Rolling	Dec. Rolling	Andrew.Hayman@ks.gov Andrew.Hayman@ks.gov
\$200,000 tax credit	0%	Jan.	Mar Apr.	June	Sara.Bloom@ks.gov
\$100,000	100%	May	June - Aug.	Oct.	Trisha.Purdon@ks.gov
\$100,000	100%	July	Rolling	Within 15 days of application submission	Trisha.Purdon@ks.gov
Varies by project	N/A	N/A	All Year	Rolling	Rachell.Rowand@ks.gov
\$2,750 per apprentice	0%	N/A	Jan. May	Feb. June	Shonda.Anderson@ks.gov
\$200,000	100%	N/A	June - Aug·	Sept.	Shonda.Anderson@ks.gov
\$10,000	100%	Sept.	Dec Jan.	Apr.	Curtis.Young@ks.gov
\$20,000	100%	Sept.	Dec Jan.	Apr.	Curtis.Young@ks.gov
\$5,000	100%	Sept.	Dec Jan.	Apr.	Curtis.Young@ks.gov
\$20,000	100%	Sept.	Dec Jan.	Apr.	Curtis.Young@ks.gov
\$10,000	100%	Sept.	Dec Jan.	Apr.	Curtis.Young@ks.gov
\$25,000	100%	Sept.	Dec Jan.	Apr.	Curtis.Young@ks.gov
\$10,000	100%	Sept.	Dec Jan.	Apr.	Curtis.Young@ks.gov
\$7,500	100%	Sept.	Dec Jan.	Apr.	Curtis.Young@ks.gov

COMMERCE GRANTS AT A GLANCE

Kansas Arts Commission Visiting Touring Roster Artists Program

Encourage the integration of visiting artists into a variety of community settings

Proof of Concept Fund

Funds to help develop a project/product to the point where an entity can raise external capital

Rural Champions

Provides stipend to hire a Champion to fill a gap in community capacity to complete a needed project

Rural Murals

Support new murals in rural communities

Small Business R&D Acceleration Grant

Assistance for small businesses in advancing a product or service to commercialization

Strategic Economic Expansion & Development Grant (SEED)

Support small projects in communities under 5,000 population

Tourism Attraction Development Grant - Spring/Fall Round

Assist the development of new tourism attractions or enhance existing attractions

Tourism Marketing Grant

Assist in new or first-time innovative tourism advertising and marketing efforts

AMOUNT Maximum	MATCH	FUNI Announced	DING TIMEL Application	LINE Awarded	CONTACT
\$8,500	100%	N/A	Rolling	Rolling	Curtis.Young@ks.gov
\$25,000	100%	N/A	Rolling	Quarterly	Rachell.Rowand@ks.gov
\$20,800	25%	Apr.	Apr June	July	Trisha.Purdon@ks.gov
\$7,500	25%	Feb.	Feb May	May	Trisha.Purdon@ks.gov
\$25,000	100%	N/A	Rolling	Quarterly	Rachell.Rowand@ks.gov
\$25,000	10%	Aug.	Aug Oct.	Dec.	Rachel.Willis@ks.gov
\$200,000 per round	60%	Feb. Aug.	Feb Apr. Aug Oct.	May Nov.	Bridgette.Jobe@ks.gov
\$20,000	60%	June	June - Aug.	Sept.	Bridgette.Jobe@ks.gov

BARN ADAPTATION & RESTORATION NEEDS GRANT

The Barn Adaptation & Restoration Needs (BARN) grant program was created to support and expand agritourism businesses across Kansas through converting underutilized or vacant historic barns into new venues.

In order to be eligible for a BARN grant, you must be an owner of a Kansas barn older than 50 years, originally used for livestock or farm equipment, and registered as agritourism. The barns must show signs of needed repair for reuse or revitalization.

There will be \$100,000 available each year. Eligible recipients can expect to receive up to \$25,000 in funding assistance. A match funding of 50% is required. Funding can be used for a wide range of stabilization and repair of barns with priority given to preserving their historic character.



This grant is designed to rescue iconic barns from likely demolition or collapse and rehabilitate them into spaces conducive for new or expanding agritourism businesses.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	BARN
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	\$100,000 annually. State funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$100,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$25,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	50%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Owners of 50+ year old barns in Kansas originally used for livestock or farm equipment, and registered as agrotourism that are in need of repair for reuse or revitalization
ELIGIBLE USES	Wide variety of stabilization and repair of barns, priority will go to preserving historic character
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	May
APPLICATION PERIOD	May-July
DEADLINE	July
NOTIFICATION	September
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Kelsey.Wendling@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.travelks.com/travel-industry/programs-and-resources/grants/barn/

BROADBAND ACCELERATION GRANT



The Broadband Acceleration Grant (BAG) program is critical in our plan to address broadband gaps statewide. Funds will be targeted to areas that are unlikely to receive broadband service without state or federal funding support.

Launched in 2020, the program is poised to invest \$85 million over 10 years toward bridging the digital divide in Kansas, thanks to broadband modernization funding provided through the Kansas Department of Transportation's Eisenhower Legacy Transportation Program (IKE).

Fiber installation in Harper County to aid remote work availability.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	BAG
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	\$85,000,000 annually over 10 years starting in FY21. State funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$10,000,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$1,000,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	50%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Political subdivisions or entities of political subdivisions, corporations, limited liability companies, partnerships or other business entities, non-profit organizations, any other entity authorized by state law to provide broadband services
ELIGIBLE USES	Eligible broadband project expenses are terrestrial capital expenses directly related to the construction of a qualified broadband project, including permitting, materials, supplies, equipment and construction of "last-mile" infrastructure expenses
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	January
APPLICATION PERIOD	January-March
DEADLINE	March
NOTIFICATION	July
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Joseph.Le@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/officeofbroadbanddevelopment/

ADA Improvements

This program funds the removal of architectural barriers that restrict the accessibility or mobility of elderly or severely disabled adults to increase access in downtown or main street districts or other non-residential buildings. Eligible expenses include:

- Installation of eligible improvements which could include automatic doors, ramps and chair lifts.
- Architectural design for projects.
- Administration costs for grant funds.



ADA improvement to ensure accessible entry.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	CDBG
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development. Federal funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$500,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$200,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	25%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Cities or counties in Kansas that do not receive entitlements from HUD (Entitlement areas: Johnson County, Kansas City, Lawrence, Leavenworth, Manhattan, Overland Park, Shawnee, Topeka, Wichita)
ELIGIBLE USES	Improvement to buildings in downtowns, main street districts or other non-residential community buildings to increase accessibly for disabled residents
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	January
APPLICATION PERIOD	January-September
DEADLINE	September
NOTIFICATION	December
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Andrew.Hayman@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/removal-of-architectural-barriers/



Commercial Rehabilitation

This program funds projects assisting private property owners in the rehabilitation of downtown structures resulting in a commercial business. Eligible expenses include:

- Construction costs for building rehabilitation to correct code violations, historic preservation or for job creation.
- Improvements to the exterior of the building, abatement of asbestos hazards and lead-based paint hazards evaluation and reduction.
- Rehabilitation of a property designated as being located in a slum or blighted area.

Commercial rehabilitation project in El Dorado.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	CDBG
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development. Federal funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$2,000,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$300,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	25%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Cities or counties in Kansas that do not receive entitlements from HUD (Entitlement areas: Johnson County, Kansas City, Lawrence, Leavenworth, Manhattan, Overland Park, Shawnee, Topeka, Wichita)
ELIGIBLE USES	Improvements and rehabilitation to commercial buildings
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	January
APPLICATION PERIOD	Rolling
DEADLINE	Rolling
NOTIFICATION	Rolling
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Andrew.Hayman@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/commercial-district-rehabilitation/

Community Centers, Senior Centers, Storm Shelters, Parks & Libraries

Increasing opportunities for community engagement, health, connectedness and vibrancy, this program provides funding to help in the construction or renovation of:

- New or existing community centers, senior centers, storm shelters, libraries or parks.
- Installation of benches, playground equipment, splash pads, restrooms, picnic areas or renovations to existing swimming pools.
- Engineering and architectural costs and fees.
- Administration costs for grant funds.



Library in Carbondale funded in part by CDBG.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	CDBG
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development. Federal funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$4,200,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$800,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	25%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Cities or counties in Kansas that do not receive entitlements from HUD (Entitlement areas: Johnson County, Kansas City, Lawrence, Leavenworth, Manhattan, Overland Park, Shawnee, Topeka, Wichita)
ELIGIBLE USES	Projects to increase community engagement, health, connectedness and vibrancy in communities. Examples are: construction or renovation of community centers, libraries, parks and other installations like benches, playground equipment, picnic areas, etc.
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	law.em.
ANNOUNCEMENT	January
APPLICATION PERIOD	January-September
	•
APPLICATION PERIOD	January-September
APPLICATION PERIOD DEADLINE	January-September September
APPLICATION PERIOD DEADLINE NOTIFICATION	January-September September December



Economic Development

This program funds projects assisting for-profit businesses or agricultural cooperatives with infrastructure improvements, land acquisition, site preparation, building construction or renovation, machinery, equipment, lease payments, inventory, payroll and other working capital items. Eligible expenses include:

- Infrastructure improvements including roads, sidewalks, water lines, sewer lines, etc.
- Business financing for a new or existing business expanding in a Kansas community.

Building restoration for packaging facility in Emporia.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	CDBG
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development. Federal funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$2,000,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$750,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	50%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	For-profit businesses or agricultural cooperatives in cities or counties in Kansas that do not receive entitlements from HUD (Entitlement areas: Johnson County, Kansas City, Lawrence, Leavenworth, Manhattan, Overland Park, Shawnee, Topeka, Wichita)
ELIGIBLE USES	Infrastructure improvements including roads, sidewalks, water lines, sewer lines, etc. Business financing for a new business locating in, or an existing business expanding in, a community in Kansas
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	January
APPLICATION PERIOD	Rolling
DEADLINE	Rolling
NOTIFICATION	Rolling
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Andrew.Hayman@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/economic-development/

Housing Rehabilitation & Demolition or Neighborhood Development

This program provides funding to improve housing to benefit low- to moderate-income households in areas of slum and blight. Funds are targeted for housing rehabilitation/demolition or neighborhood development. Eligible expenses include:

- Single-family/owner-occupied or rental housing rehabilitation, upper-story housing or renovation of a building to create housing.
- Demolition of housing units and outbuildings on the same property.
- Neighborhood development for housing rehabilitation or demolition, plus public facility improvements including street, drainage, curbs and public sidewalks.
- Up to 20% of rehabilitation funds may be used in emergencies.



Housing rehabilitation project in McPherson.

PROGRAM A	ABBREVIATION	CDBG
FUNDING A	VAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development. Federal funds.
2024 FUNDS	S AVAILABLE	\$1,500,000
MAXIMUM	AWARD AMOUNT	\$500,000
MATCH REG	QUIREMENT	Pay for environmental review
ELIGIBLE EI	NTITIES	Cities or counties in Kansas that do not receive entitlements from HUD (Entitlement areas: Johnson County, Kansas City, Lawrence, Leavenworth, Manhattan, Overland Park, Shawnee, Topeka, Wichita)
ELIGIBLE U	SES	Housing improvement projects to benefit low- to-moderate income households in a target area. Projects include housing rehabilitation, demolition and facility improvements
FUNDING T	IMELINE	
AN	INOUNCEMENT	January
АР	PLICATION PERIOD	Rolling
DE	ADLINE	Rolling
NO	TIFICATION	Rolling
NOTES		N/A
CONTACT		Andrew.Hayman@ks.gov
MORE INFO	RMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/housing-rehabilitation-demolition-or-neighborhood-development/



Grow and Learn Childcare Center ribbon cutting in Leoti.

Non-profit Childcare & Early Education Facilities

To address the childcare shortage in communities, these grants provide funding for the construction or renovation of buildings, including design and planning costs. Eligible expenses include:

- Construction of a new building or renovations of an existing building to be utilized to house non-profit childcare and education facilities.
- Acquisition of properties based on the Uniform Relocation Act (URA) and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act.
- Engineering and architectural fees.
- Administration costs for grant funds.
- Does not fund operation costs.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	CDBG
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development. Federal funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$1,500,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$800,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	25%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Cities or counties in Kansas that do not receive entitlements from HUD (Entitlement areas: Johnson County, Kansas City, Lawrence, Leavenworth, Manhattan, Overland Park, Shawnee, Topeka, Wichita)
ELIGIBLE USES	Construction or renovation of buildings to be used as non-profit childcare and education facilities
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	January
APPLICATION PERIOD	January-September
DEADLINE	September
NOTIFICATION	December
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Andrew.Hayman@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/non-profit-child-care-early-education-facilities/

Regional Water Implementation

To promote collaboration and cooperation between water systems throughout the state of Kansas, this program provides funding for consolidation of two or more water systems. Eligible expenses include:

- Projects that will result in system consolidation where two or more systems merge, resulting in one public water supply system with a single governing body.
- Projects that result in the creation or expansion of a Public Wholesale Water Supply District.
- Projects that benefit a minimum of two public water supply systems.



Strong City wastewater improvement progress.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	CDBG
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development. Federal funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$2,000,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$1,000,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	50%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Cities or counties in Kansas that do not receive entitlements from HUD (Entitlement areas: Johnson County, Kansas City, Lawrence, Leavenworth, Manhattan, Overland Park, Shawnee, Topeka, Wichita)
ELIGIBLE USES	Projects that will result in system consolidation where two or more systems merge, resulting in one public water supply system with a single governing body; the creation or expansion of a Public Wholesale Water Supply District; or projects that benefit a minimum of two public water supply systems and must be primary systems not currently connected
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	January
APPLICATION PERIOD	Rolling
DEADLINE	Rolling
NOTIFICATION	Rolling
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Andrew.Hayman@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/water-sewer-regional-planning-grants/



A sidewalk connecting citizens to vital services in Galena.

Sidewalks & Trails

Increasing opportunities for community engagement, health, connectedness and vibrancy, this program provides funding to aid in the development of sidewalks and trails. Eligible expenses include:

- Construction of new sidewalks and trails.
 Specifically, activities that connect residents to services, community centers, schools and recreational areas.
- Installation of benches and resting areas along the walkway.
- Engineering and architectural costs and fees.
- Administration costs for grant funds.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	CDBG
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development. Federal funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$1,000,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$800,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	25%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Cities or counties in Kansas that do not receive entitlements from HUD (Entitlement areas: Johnson County, Kansas City, Lawrence, Leavenworth, Manhattan, Overland Park, Shawnee, Topeka, Wichita)
ELIGIBLE USES	Construction of new sidewalks and trails that connect residents to services, community centers, schools and recreation areas
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	January
APPLICATION PERIOD	January-September
DEADLINE	September
NOTIFICATION	December
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Andrew.Hayman@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/sidewalks-trails/

Urgent Need for Disasters

This program helps communities address an urgent need resulting from a sudden and severe natural or other disaster where no other financial resources are available. Eligible expenses include:

- Activities designed to meet urgent health and welfare needs for which no other financial resources are available to meet such needs.
- Activities on the approved list of eligible expenditures adopted from Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.



Roxbury Lift Station, McPherson County. A severe winter weather event damaged the previous station, causing an urgent need for the community.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	CDBG
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development. Federal funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$100,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$100,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	N/A
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Cities or counties in Kansas that do not receive entitlements from HUD (Entitlement areas: Johnson County, Kansas City, Lawrence, Leavenworth, Manhattan, Overland Park, Shawnee, Topeka, Wichita)
ELIGIBLE USES	Activities to meet the urgent health and welfare needs of residents after a sudden and severe natural or other disaster
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	January
APPLICATION PERIOD	Rolling
DEADLINE	Rolling
NOTIFICATION	Rolling
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Andrew.Hayman@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/urgent-need-for-disasters/



Palco water treatment facility.

Water & Sewer Infrastructure

This program provides funding to assist with water and sewer infrastructure projects, with an emphasis on developing regional facilities wherever possible. Eligible expenses include:

- Improvement to water and sewer infrastructure.
- Construction or rehabilitation of water towers, water wells, treatment plants and sewer lagoons.
- Installation of water or sewer lines.
- Purchase of easements and property using the Uniform Relocation Act (URA).
- Engineering costs related to these projects.
- Administration costs for grant funds.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	CDBG
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development. Federal funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$1,000,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$800,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	25%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Cities or counties in Kansas that do not receive entitlements from HUD (Entitlement areas: Johnson County, Kansas City, Lawrence, Leavenworth, Manhattan, Overland Park, Shawnee, Topeka, Wichita)
ELIGIBLE USES	Improvements to water and sewer infrastructure, engineering costs related to these projects and administration costs for grant funds
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	January
APPLICATION PERIOD	January-September
DEADLINE	September
NOTIFICATION	December
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Andrew.Hayman@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/water-sewer-infrastructure-consent-orders/

Youth Job Training

This program addresses the need to support youth (ages 12-19) in workforce training and engagement.

Funding provides youth with training and skill development, encouraging self-sufficiency and independence and aims to address the shortage of skilled trade workers in Kansas.



Construction students practice on heavy equipment simulators at Southeastern Technical Academy for Rural Students in Pleasanton.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	CDBG
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development. Federal funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$500,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$100,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	10%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Cities or counties in Kansas that do not receive entitlements from HUD (Entitlement areas: Johnson County, Kansas City, Lawrence, Leavenworth, Manhattan, Overland Park, Shawnee, Topeka, Wichita)
ELIGIBLE USES	Expenses related to support youth ages 12-19 in workforce training and engagement. These include training, software, instructional materials and staff salaries
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	January
APPLICATION PERIOD	January-September
DEADLINE	September
NOTIFICATION	December
NOTES	
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	N/A Andrew.Hayman@ks.gov

COMMUNITY SERVICE TAX CREDIT PROGRAM



At the Russell Child Development Center in Garden City, CSP funds were used for construction of a healthcare facility.

The Community Service Tax Credit Program (CSP) helps non-profit organizations and public healthcare entities fund important projects related to community improvements, children and family services, crime prevention, youth apprenticeship or training, and healthcare.

Under this program, awarded non-profits are authorized to offer tax credits to donors supporting approved projects. Organizations in rural areas (<15,000 population) can get a 70% credit, while those in urban areas (>15,000 population) get a 50% credit.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	CSP
PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	CSF
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	\$4,100,000 annually in state tax credits.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$4,100,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$200,000 tax credit
MATCH REQUIREMENT	0%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Kansas non-profit corporations and foundations
ELIGIBLE USES	For building purchases and renovations, equipment, educational materials and tools related to one of the following: community support services including housing, food, playgrounds, children and family services, etc.; non-governmental crime prevention; youth apprenticeship or training; and healthcare
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	January
APPLICATION PERIOD	March-April
DEADLINE	April
NOTIFICATION	June
NOTES	\$250 application fee
CONTACT	Sara.Bloom@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/community-programs/csp/

HISTORIC ECONOMIC ASSET LIFELINE GRANT

Realizing the need to rehabilitate downtown buildings with funding that can be disbursed quickly and efficiently, the Kansas Department of Commerce created the Historic Economic Asset Lifeline (HEAL) program. HEAL focuses on projects that show potential as economic drivers in Kansas communities. The HEAL program is designed to bring downtown buildings back into productive use as spaces for:

- New or expanding businesses.
- Housing.
- Arts and culture.
- Childcare.
- Entrepreneurship.



Farmer and Florist HEAL project located in downtown Marysville.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	HEAL
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	\$1,500,000 annually
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$1,500,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$100,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	100%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Designated Kansas Main Street programs, economic development corporations or chambers of commerce, cities, counties, schools, 501(c)3 or 501(c)6 organizations, local community foundations, tribal nations
ELIGIBLE USES	Improvements to buildings that will become new or expanding businesses or be used for housing, arts and culture, civic engagement, childcare or allow for entrepreneurship
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	May
APPLICATION PERIOD	June-August
DEADLINE	August
NOTIFICATION	October
NOTES	Application materials available year-round
NOTES CONTACT	Application materials available year-round Trisha.Purdon@ks.gov

EMERGENCY HISTORIC ECONOMIC ASSET LIFELINE GRANT



McDonald Hall located in downtown Fort Scott.

Emergency Historic Economic Asset Lifeline (E-HEAL) grants are intended to bring rural downtown buildings back from imminent demolition or collapse and rehabilitate them into productive use as spaces for:

- New or expanding businesses.
- Childcare.
- Housing.
- Arts and culture.
- Entrepreneurship.

Eligible projects include:

- Buildings at risk of imminent loss.
- Buildings causing damage to surrounding downtown buildings.
- Buildings with significant damage due to fire, storms, wind, etc.

A maximum of \$100,000 will be awarded per community.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	E-HEAL
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	\$500,000 annually. State funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$500,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$100,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	100%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Designated Kansas Main Street programs, economic development corporations or chambers of commerce, cities, counties, schools, 501(c)3 or 501(c)6 organizations, local community foundations, tribal nations
ELIGIBLE USES	Improvements to damaged buildings
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	July
APPLICATION PERIOD	Rolling
DEADLINE	Rolling
NOTIFICATION	Within 15 days after application submission
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Trisha.Purdon@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/community-development/emergency-heal/

KANSAS ANGEL INVESTOR TAX CREDIT PROGRAM

This program is designed to bring together accredited angel investors with qualified Kansas companies seeking early-stage investment.

Eligible businesses must be headquartered with majority of its efforts operating in Kansas, with less than \$5,000,000 in revenue and less than five years of operation, with the exception of biosciences which must operate for less than 10 years.

Investors that are eligible for tax credits are individuals, partners and groups or S corporations that are registered with the state. Business and investor recipients are eligible to receive up to \$100,000 in tax credits per investor. Eligible investors are required to have a 50% funding match.



Greenfield Robotics in Cheney was supported by the Kansas Angel Investor Tax Credit Program.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	KAITC
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	N/A
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	N/A
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	Varies by project
MATCH REQUIREMENT	N/A
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Businesses: Innovative companies headquatered and majority operated in Kansas, with less than \$5,000,000 in revenue and less than 5 years in operation (10 for bioscience businesses). Investors: Individuals, partners, groups or S corporations, registered with the state, with the sole purpose of making invesments into other qualified Kansas business entities
ELIGIBLE USES	50% tax credit for qualified investments in registered Kansas start-up businesses
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	All year
APPLICATION PERIOD	Rolling
DEADLINE	Rolling
NOTIFICATION	Roliing
NOTES	Application fees apply, please see website for details
CONTACT	Rachell.Rowand@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/taxes-and-financing/angels/

KANSAS APPRENTICESHIP TAX & GRANT ACT



Apprentices at work for Topeka Electrical Joint Apprenticeship and Training Committee.

The Kansas Apprenticeship Tax & Grant Act provides an incentive fund for employers hiring registered apprentices. It is separated into three specific areas including \$7.5 million in tax credits available to for-profit businesses, \$2.5 million in grants available for non-profits and healthcare, and \$3 million in grants available for K-12 teachers.

The business tax credit for an eligible employer is up to \$2,500 until December 31, 2025 when it goes up to \$2,750 for each employed apprentice, not to exceed 20 such credits in any taxable year per eligible employer and up to four years per apprentice. The non-profit and Kansas educator grants for the eligible employer are up to \$2,750 for each employed apprentice, not to exceed 20 such grants in any taxable year per eligible employer and up to four years per apprentice.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	N/A
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	\$13,000,000 annually. State funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$7,500,000 - Kansas For-Profits Business Tax Credits \$2,500,000 - Kansas Non-Profit Apprenticeship Grant \$3,000,000 - Kansas Educator Registered Apprenticeship Grant
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$2,500 tax credit per employed apprentice \$2,750 non-profit apprenticeship grant per employed apprentice \$2,750 Kansas Educator Registered Apprenticeship Grant per employed apprentice
MATCH REQUIREMENT	0%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Non-profits with employed registered apprentices are eligible for grant dollars. For-profit, Kansas tax-paying organizations that employ registered apprentices are eligible for tax credits.
ELIGIBLE USES	Reimbursements for hiring registered apprentices
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	N/A
APPLICATION PERIOD	Funding window 1: January 1-31, Funding window 2: May 1-31
DEADLINE	Funding window 1: January 31, Funding window 2: May 31
NOTIFICATION	Funding window 1: February, Funding window 2: June
NOTES	For-profit organizations should apply before they submit their KS Tax Return
CONTACT	Shonda.Anderson@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://ksapprenticeship.org/resource-page/kansas-apprenticeship-tax-and-grant-act/

KANSAS APPRENTICESHIP PROJECT GRANT

This grant program is for eligible state educational institutions (as defined by K.S.A 76-711), businesses, non-profits or workforce boards with an established registered apprenticeship program for projects that will attract and retain employees and build the state workforce through registered apprenticeship.



Apprenticeship members gaining hands-on experience with Wheatland Electric Cooperative.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	N/A
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Up to \$500,000 annually. State funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	Up to \$500,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$200,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	100%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Eligible state educational institutions, businesses, non-profits or workforce boards
ELIGIBLE USES	Grant funds may be used for project needs related to technical instruction for the registered apprenticeship including tuition and material costs, marketing and other programmatic costs
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	N/A
APPLICATION PERIOD	June-August
DEADLINE	August
NOTIFICATION	September
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Shonda.Anderson@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/workforce/kansasregisteredapprenticeship/registered-apprenticeship-guidelines-application/



Kansas Touring Roster artists Laughing Matters perform at the Hays Public Library.

Arts Everywhere - Arts in Education

The Arts Everywhere grant program provides funding for cultural projects, programs, exhibitions, series, arts education projects and other arts programming.

This category funds projects that support the role the arts play in all levels of education, community service and workforce development. This program provides funding for educational institutions, arts organizations and community service non-profits to use the arts to increase student success, foster creative thinking, develop critical job skills and enhance community development.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	AEAE
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually through a partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	Up to \$250,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$10,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	100%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Kansas-based non-profit organizations, units of local governments (including schools, universities, libraries, arts agencies, etc.), federally recognized tribal communities
ELIGIBLE USES	Projects to promote arts and culture in education
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	September
APPLICATION PERIOD	December-January
DEADLINE	February
NOTIFICATION	April
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Curtis.Young@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/kcaic/arts-everywhere-program/

Arts Everywhere - Innovative Partnerships

The Arts Everywhere grant program provides funding for cultural projects, programs, exhibitions, series, arts education projects and other arts programming.

This category supports innovative programming between Kansas arts organizations and Kansas non-arts organizations to impact a variety of community and/or economic development goals. The grantee will be one of the partner organizations.



Mural "Cloudy With A Chance of Boba" by Emmi Murao, Muna Murao and Chikara Hibino at FMart Asian Market in Lawrence.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	AEIP
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually through a partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	Up to \$250,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$20,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	100%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Kansas-based non-profit organizations, units of local governments (including schools, universities, libraries, arts agencies, etc.), federally recognized tribal communities
ELIGIBLE USES	Partnership projects between community arts, cultural organizations and non-arts based organizations
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	September
ANNOUNCEMENT	September
APPLICATION PERIOD	December-January
	· ·
APPLICATION PERIOD	December-January
APPLICATION PERIOD DEADLINE	December-January February
APPLICATION PERIOD DEADLINE NOTIFICATION	December-January February April



Harvester Arts Artist in Residence Wayne White with John Brown and Cattle Herd puppets at Riverfest in Wichita.

Arts Everywhere Organizational Development - Capacity Building

The Arts Everywhere grant program provides funding for cultural projects, programs, exhibitions, series, arts education projects and other arts programming.

This category provides funds for projects that increase administrative or artistic capacity. Eligible projects include, but are not limited to:

- Staff/volunteer exchange.
- Professional development opportunities such as attendance at seminars and workshops.
- Planning for development opportunities such as fundraising marketing.
- Equipment/technology needs.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	AECB
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually through a partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	Up to \$250,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$5,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	100%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Kansas-based non-profit arts organizations, units of local governments (including schools, universities, libraries, arts agencies, etc.), federally recognized tribal communities
ELIGIBLE USES	Projects that increase administrative or artistic capacity for community arts organizations
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	September
APPLICATION PERIOD	December-January
DEADLINE	February
NOTIFICATION	April
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Curtis.Young@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/kcaic/arts-everywhere-program/

Arts Everywhere Organizational Development - Salary Assistance

The Arts Everywhere grant program provides funding for cultural projects, programs, exhibitions, series, arts education projects, and other arts programming.

This category can be used for the full or partial salary support for one or more positions. The positions must be critical to the mission of the organization, the organization's annual operating budget must be \$150,000 or less, and the organization must be a SEDI organization and/or located in a Rural Opportunity Zone. Organizations can only receive this grant for up to three consecutive years.



Newton Mid-Kansas Symphony Orchestra rehearsal.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATI	DN AESA
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually through a partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	Up to \$250,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMO	UNT \$20,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	100%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Kansas-based rural and/or SEDI non-profit arts organizations, federally recognized tribal communities
ELIGIBLE USES	Full or partial salary support for one or more positions
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEME	NT September
APPLICATION F	PERIOD December-January
DEADLINE	February
NOTIFICATION	April
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Curtis.Young@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/kcaic/arts-everywhere-program/



Arts Everywhere - Specific Arts & Culture Projects

The Arts Everywhere grant program provides funding for cultural projects, programs, exhibitions, series, arts education projects and other arts programming.

This category is designed to fund a single cultural project, program, exhibition or series. The grant activities must support the mission of the applicant organization, which may or may not be an arts and culture organization.

Ballet Folklorico de Topeka performs in Lyons as part of the 200th Anniversary of the Santa Fe Trail Celebration.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	SACP
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually through a partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	Up to \$250,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$10,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	100%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Kansas-based non-profit organizations, units of local governments (including schools, universities, libraries, arts agencies, etc.), federally recognized tribal communities
ELIGIBLE USES	Single cultural projects, programs, exhibitions or series
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	September
APPLICATION PERIOD	December-January
DEADLINE	February
NOTIFICATION	April
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Curtis.Young@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/kcaic/arts-everywhere-program/

General Operating Support

The General Operating Support grant program provides funding for Kansas public and private non-profit arts and cultural organizations, including museums, local arts councils and commissions, statewide arts and cultural service organizations, and organizations that have cultural program activities in any of the art and cultural disciplines.

The organization's mission must directly support arts and cultural programming.



Reception at ArtsConnect in Topeka.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	GOS
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually through a partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	Up to \$500,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$25,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	100%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Kansas-based non-profit arts organizations, units of local governments (including schools, universities, libraries, arts agencies, etc.), federally recognized tribal communities
ELIGIBLE USES	Support for general program activities of an arts organization
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	September
APPLICATION PERIOD	December-January
DEADLINE	February
NOTIFICATION	April
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Curtis.Young@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/kcaic/general-operating-support/



Public Art & Murals

The Kansas Arts Commission supports public art programs across all Kansas communities. This program is designed to utilize artists and arts organizations to increase community vibrancy and provide space for artistic expression and public engagement that in turn supports the local and state economies.

Mural by Connie Fiorella-Fitzpatrick, Javy Ortiz and Sydney Ruiz Krehbiel at La Estrella Tienda Mexicana in Lawrence.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	PAM
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually through a partnership with the National
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Endowment for the Arts.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	Up to \$175,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$10,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	100%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Kansas-based non-profit arts organizations, units of local governments (including schools, universities, libraries, arts agencies, etc.), federally recognized tribal communities
ELIGIBLE USES	Public art projects to utilize artists and arts organizations to increase community vibrancy and provide space for artistic expression and public engagement
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	September
APPLICATION PERIOD	December-January
DEADLINE	February
NOTIFICATION	April
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Curtis.Young@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/kcaic/public-art-murals-grant/

Visiting Artists

Visiting Artists provides funding for eligible organizations to engage and deepen the impact of arts programming for local and underserved audiences through exposure to and interaction with professional visiting artists. Presenters may book artists in any discipline, not just in performing arts. Projects should strive to integrate an arts discipline into non-arts content areas; help interpret an exhibition, performance or presentation; and support community development goals and objectives.



Ballet Wichita performs Tom Sawyer at Naftzger Park in Wichita.

PROGR	AM ABBREVIATION	VAP
FUNDIN	IG AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually through a partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts.
2024 FU	JNDS AVAILABLE	Up to \$75,000
MAXIM	UM AWARD AMOUNT	\$7,500
МАТСН	REQUIREMENT	100%
ELIGIBI	LE ENTITIES	Kansas-based non-profit arts organizations, units of local governments (including schools, universities, libraries, arts agencies, etc.), federally recognized tribal communities
ELIGIBI	LE USES	Bringing arts in any discipline to local Kansas communities
FUNDIN	IG TIMELINE	
	ANNOUNCEMENT	September
	APPLICATION PERIOD	December-January
	DEADLINE	February
	NOTIFICATION	April
NOTES		N/A
CONTA	СТ	Curtis.Young@ks.gov
MORE I	NFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/kcaic/visiting-artists/



Hays Arts Council hosts Roster Artist Jim Cosgrove at area schools.

Visiting Touring Roster Artists

The Kansas Arts Commission maintains an approved Touring Roster of Kansas-based touring companies and artists. Touring artists offer public performances as well as optional services that may include workshops, master classes, lecture demonstrations, arts education components, residencies or short performances.

Communities and organizations can apply for Kansas Arts Commission funding to engage and deepen the impact of arts programming on local and under-served audiences through exposure to and interaction with professional visiting artists.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	TRP
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funding amount determined annually through a partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	Up to \$75,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$8,500
MATCH REQUIREMENT	100%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Kansas-based non-profit arts organizations, units of local governments (including schools, universities, libraries, arts agencies, etc.), federally recognized tribal communities
ELIGIBLE USES	Bringing Kansas Touring Roster artists in any discipline to local Kansas communities
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	N/A
APPLICATION PERIOD	Rolling
DEADLINE	60 days prior to event
NOTIFICATION	Rolling
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Curtis.Young@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/kcaic/kansas-touring-roster/

PROOF OF CONCEPT FUND

The purpose of the Proof of Concept fund is to enable promising technology, advance its ability to attract licensees, seed investments or generate revenue.

The funding is designed to fill the need for support where typical funding mechanisms are not available.

Eligible applicants must be a Kansas registered business or a higher education institution. There will be up to \$100,000 in funding available for each quarter.

The maximum grant award amounts a recipient can receive is up to \$25,000 in funding.



The Proof of Concept fund targets the funding gap that impedes the progression of technology from research to the marketplace.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	POC
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Up to \$100,000 quarterly
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$400,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$25,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	N/A
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Kansas registered businesses or Kansas higher education institutions
ELIGIBLE USES	Technical validation, advanced testing, prototype development, commercial assessment and other technology-focused activities
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	All year
APPLICATION PERIOD	Rolling
DEADLINE	Quarterly
NOTIFICATION	Quarterly
NOTES	If the product is sucessfully licensed there is a grant repayment obligation
CONTACT	Rachell.Rowand@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/taxes-and-financing/proof-of-concept-fund/

RURAL CHAMPIONS



The Rural Champions program is designed to create a network of grassroots individuals with the necessary tools to resolve critical community needs in a quick and effective manner. These Rural Champions will receive strategic training and compensation, and are paired with resources to assist them.

Developed in collaboration with the Kansas Sampler Foundation (KSF) and the Patterson Family Foundation, this program addresses critical public needs in rural communities and helps build capacity moving forward.

Rural Champions training day at the Capitol.

DDOCD AM ADDDEWATION	
PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	N/A
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	\$610,000 annually, \$250,000 for Rural Champion Stipends, \$360,000 for projects. State funds and Patterson Family Foundation funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$610,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$20,800
MATCH REQUIREMENT	25%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	City, county, community or economic development entity, designated Kansas Main Street program, chamber of commerce, local community foundation, federally recognized tribal nations or organizations, 501(c)3 or 501(c)6 organizations
ELIGIBLE USES	Eligible projects include, but are not limited to, community challenges such as childcare, housing, trails, health, placemaking, beautification, entrepreneurship, community and economic development
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	April
APPLICATION PERIOD	April-June
DEADLINE	June
NOTIFICATION	July
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Trisha.Purdon@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/orp/ruralchampions/

RURAL MURALS

The Office of Rural Prosperity Rural Mural and public art grant is intended to utilize the arts to help bring together community members to celebrate the history and culture of the community.

This program provides funding for communities with populations of 15,000 or less to reinvigorate spaces by creating new murals or public art that incorporate the community's history, culture, heritage, tourism or other community-led art piece.



"Welcome to Blue Rapids" Rural Mural completed by Liberty Hollis-Sutter.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	N/A
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	\$75,000 annually. State Funds.
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$75,000 annually. State Funds.
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$7,500
MATCH REQUIREMENT	25%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Communities with a population of 15,000 or less, units of local government, economic/community development and tourism non-profits (501c3 or 501c6), federally recognized tribes, main street organizations, non-profit organizations (501c3)
ELIGIBLE USES	Permanent mural or public art projects
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	February
APPLICATION PERIOD	February-May
DEADLINE	May
NOTIFICATION	May
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Trisha.Purdon@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/orp/kansas-rural-mural/

SMALL BUSINESS R&D ACCELERATION GRANT



Crain Co. 3D is turning new ideas into reality by creating new cement mixes for 3D printers.

This grant is designed to assist small Kansas businesses with advancing a product or service to commercialization or modifying a product or service.

Eligible applicants must be a registered business with 50 or fewer full-time employees with 60% or more of the workforce located in Kansas, including contracted staff.

There will be up to \$250,000 in funding available each quarter. Recipients can receive up to \$25,000 in funding and will require a 100% funding match.

A small business in Kansas may receive one award per state fiscal year. Prospective recipients who work in public higher education are eligible for a 50/50 match grant up to \$25,000 to conduct research and development at the public institution.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	R&D
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Up to \$250,000 per quarter
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$1,000,000
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$25,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	100%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Kansas registered businesses headquartered in Kansas with 50 or fewer full-time employees with at least 60% of its workforce in Kansas
ELIGIBLE USES	Prototype development, testing, validation, supply chain analysis, market analysis, regulatory approval testing, manufacturing molds, materials related to research, and development activity.
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	All year
APPLICATION PERIOD	Rolling
DEADLINE	Quarterly
NOTIFICATION	Quarterly
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Rachell.Rowand@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/rdaccelerationgrants/

STRATEGIC ECONOMIC EXPANSION & DEVELOPMENT GRANT

The purpose of SEED grants is to support the economic revitalization of Kansas communities under 5,000 population through investments in quality-of-life initiatives including community vibrancy projects, childcare and senior programming, libraries and food retail.

SEED grants are funded under the Technology-Enabled Fiduciary Financial Institutions Development and Expansion Act (KS Stat § 9-2324 [2021]), which was enacted in 2021 to promote and facilitate the development and growth of trust banks in Kansas; regulate fiduciary financial activities and custodial services and Kansas; and to locate trust bank office space in economic growth zones in rural Kansas.



La Dow's Market in Lebanon, which received a Food Retail SEED Grant to rehabilitate a historic downtown building into a local grocery store.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	SEED
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	Funded through the Technology-Enabled Fiduciary Financial Institutions Development and Expansion Act of 2021
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	Variable
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$25,000
MATCH REQUIREMENT	10%
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	County or municipal governments, economic development organizations, local chamber of commerce, and non-profit organizations in communities under 5,000 population
ELIGIBLE USES	Community vibrancy projects, childcare and senior programming, libraries, food retail
FUNDING TIMELINE	
ANNOUNCEMENT	August
APPLICATION PERIOD	August-November
DEADLINE	November
NOTIFICATION	December
NOTES	N/A
CONTACT	Rachel.Willis@ks.gov
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.kansascommerce.gov/seedgrants/

TOURISM ATTRACTION DEVELOPMENT GRANT



OZ Museum in Wamego.

The Attraction Development Grant program is designed to assist in developing sustainable, market-driven travel experiences within the state that will influence destination travel decisions by identifying travel customers and creating economic impact resulting from the creation of jobs, capital investment, revenue and visitation in Kansas.

Eligible projects include:

- New attraction construction.
- Enhancements to an existing attraction.
- New or enhanced attraction exhibits to improve a visitor experience.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	N/A			
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	\$1,000,000 annually. State funds.			
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$1,000,000			
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$200,000			
MATCH REQUIREMENT	60%			
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Non-profits, government agencies, for-profit businesses, federally recognized tribes, institutions of higher education			
ELIGIBLE USES	New attraction construction, enhancement to an existing attraction, new or enhanced exhibits			
FUNDING TIMELINE				
ANNOUNCEMENT	Spring Round: February, Fall Round: August			
APPLICATION PERIOD	Spring Round: February-April , Fall Round: August-October			
DEADLINE	Spring Round: April, Fall Round: October			
NOTIFICATION	Spring Round: May, Fall Round: November			
NOTES	N/A			
CONTACT	Bridgette.Jobe@ks.gov			
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.travelks.com/travel-industry/programs-and-resources/grants/attraction-development-grants/			

TOURISM MARKETING GRANT

The Tourism Marketing Grant program was developed as an ongoing grant program designed to assist organizations in new, innovative and dedicated tourism advertising and marketing.

Eligible projects include:

- A wide variety of marketing endeavors including digital and physical marketing materials.
- Marketing planning activities such as strategic marketing plans or market research.



Tanganyika Wildlife Park in Goddard.

PROGRAM ABBREVIATION	N/A		
FUNDING AVAILABILITY	\$100,000 annually. State funds.		
2024 FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$100,000		
MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT	\$20,000		
MATCH REQUIREMENT	60%		
ELIGIBLE ENTITIES	Non-profits, for-profit organizations, government agencies, federally recognized tribes		
ELIGIBLE USES	Wide variety of marketing activities		
FUNDING TIMELINE			
ANNOUNCEMENT	June		
APPLICATION PERIOD	June-August		
DEADLINE	August		
NOTIFICATION	September		
NOTES	N/A		
CONTACT	Bridgette.Jobe@ks.gov		
MORE INFORMATION	https://www.travelks.com/travel-industry/programs-and-resources/grants/marketing-grants/		



























KANSAS
COMMERCE
PUBLISHED JUNE 2024