

PROJECT BRIEF



Project Name: COF Training Services

Grant Program: DRAW

Project Date: June 2022 - May 2025

Project Summary

As COF Training Services (COFTS) reaches full capacity, the agency is acquiring and renovating a new building in Ottawa to expand training services. The building will be updated to comply with safety and medical standards for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities (IDD). The project is estimated to cost \$4 million.

Programs like COFTS' are vital as they provide clients with economic and social stability, along with purchasing power. They allow individuals to access training, workforce development, and day program activities while staying in their homes.

Goals and Objectives

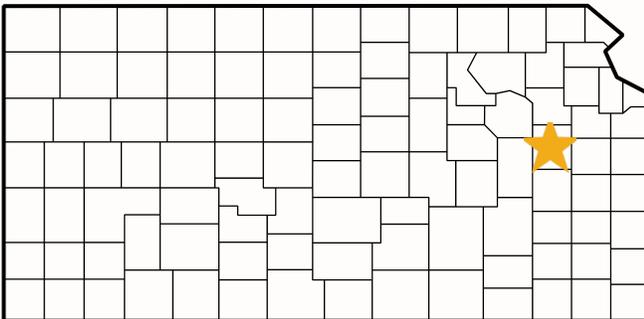
Goal: Increase access to workforce development and jobs for individuals who are intellectually or developmentally disabled.

Goal 2: Increase access to services for individuals who are intellectually or developmentally disabled.

Objective: Purchase building in Ottawa, KS to expand training services to IDD individuals.

Location

Osage, Kansas



Target Population

The target population for this project includes individuals who are intellectually or developmentally disabled.

Budget Overview

- Grant: \$243,600
- Match: \$81,200
- Total Budget: \$324,800

Expense categories:

- Land Acquisition: \$324,800

Note: This project was part of a larger \$4 million dollar project.

Activities and Timeline

- Q4 2024:
 - Osage City Building purchase complete.

Sustainability

COF will use funds from the Wallace Foundation, Capitol Federal Foundation, Mabee Foundation, and other private donors and grants to complete the project and provide on-going maintenance.

Outcomes

COF has successfully procured the building housing their ThrifTopia store, along with the adjoining facility. This acquisition results in a monthly savings of \$10,000 in rent and generates passive income from the adjacent property.

The project has made the organization more economically stable allowing them to expand their services and geographical footprint.

Grantee Information

COF Training Services (COFTS) has been providing programs, services, and workforce opportunities through a person-centered model of care for people who are intellectually or developmentally disabled (IDD) for more than 55 years. Its mission is to develop, coordinate, and implement services that support individuals with disabilities in achieving their chosen lifestyles. COFTS serves more than 400 IDD people in Coffey, Osage, and Franklin counties in Kansas. COFTS supports residential and workforce opportunities in Ottawa, Burlington, and Osage City.

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