

# PROJECT BRIEF



**Project Name: Clay Center Housing and Industrial Infrastructure**

**Grant Program: BASE 2.0**

**Project Date: August 2023 - June 2025**

## Project Summary

Clay Center received BASE grant funds to address housing shortages that affected economic development and to support the expansion of a local employer's operations. The project included improvements to street and utility infrastructure across four project sites. Additionally, BASE grant funds enabled the Clay Center to add middle-income, move-in-ready homes to its housing inventory, attracting and retaining workers in the community.

## Goals and Objectives

**Goal:** Expand housing options for middle-income families.

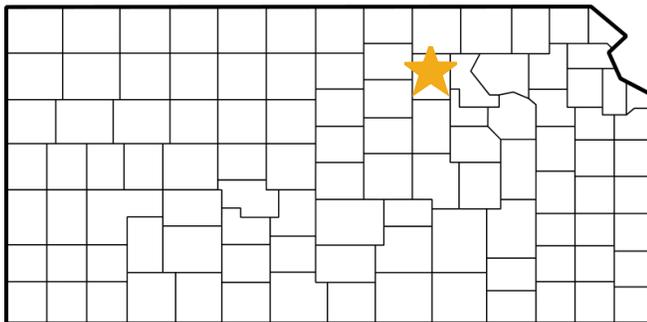
**Objective:** To pave roads in a 30-lot subdivision and upgrade utility and road infrastructure to support a 44-lot manufactured home site.

**Goal 2:** To create 20 additional positions in the local manufacturing workforce.

**Objective 2:** To upgrade electrical utilities, thereby enabling expanded operational capacity.

## Location

Clay Center, Kansas



## Budget Overview

- BASE amount: \$592,420.00
- Matching amount: \$197,474.00
- Total project budget: \$789,894.00\*

Expense categories:

- Paving: \$393,476.91
- Electrical upgrades: \$301,535.96
- Other utility upgrades: \$94,881.13

\*Note: Project scope exceeds BASE and match amounts

## Grantee Information

Clay Center is a community of nearly 4,500 residents with small-town charm that provides big-city amenities and is steadily attracting new residents and businesses. Clay Center has a strategic focus on developing middle-income, move-in-ready housing to meet the growing demand for its quality of life.

## Target Population

The target population for this project includes local industries seeking to fill positions and potential workforce participants in need of housing. This project will help the Clay Center attract and retain workers.

## Sustainability

The project will contribute to the City's tax base and increase tax revenues, including property taxes and utility fees. It will also encourage additional private development by expanding utility service areas.

## Activities and Timeline

**2023 Q3:** Paving and electrical upgrades at 12<sup>th</sup> Street Estates

**2024 Q2:** Utility upgrades at Double and 12<sup>th</sup> Street Estates; paving at Ryan Addition

**2024 Q3:** Paving at Ryan Addition

**2024 Q4:** Utility upgrades at Rural Development Group

**2025 Q1 - Q2:** Utility upgrades and paving at 12<sup>th</sup> Street Estates

## Outcomes

- Revitalizing underused and blighted properties into attractive neighborhoods.
- Full-time and part-time positions available in fabrication, powder coating, and ceramic coating with benefits.

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