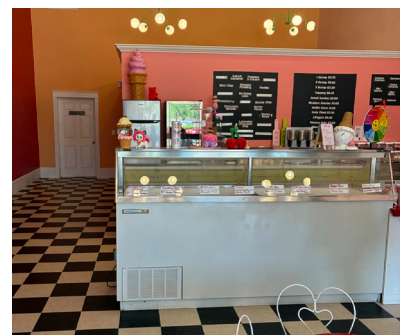


# GRANTS GUIDE

Transforming communities in every region of Kansas

2026



**KANSAS**  
COMMERCE

Fellow Kansans,

The Kansas Department of Commerce approaches economic development from a holistic perspective, because we know the state's continued prosperity depends on a variety of factors. Creating new jobs for Kansans by attracting new companies and helping existing businesses expand is just one part of the process. Equally important is ensuring we have enough workers for these positions and that our communities are appealing to live in.

Our aim is to bolster the quality of life on all fronts for all people who live here. Future generations are depending on us to take this charge seriously.

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.

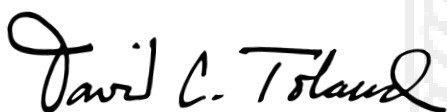
In recognition of this, Commerce offers a wide array of grants, programs and services to meet the needs of every region in Kansas – in a way that fits their vision and goals for growth.

This guide provides a list of financial support we offer to cities, counties and non-profits 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,



David C. Toland  
Lieutenant Governor & Secretary of Commerce





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# COMMERCE GRANTS AT A GLANCE

## **ACCEL-KS Proof of Concept**

Funds to support the commercialization of groundbreaking ideas and products

## **ACCEL-KS SBIR/STTR Matching Program**

Funding for early stage researchers to compete for and leverage federal SBIR/STTR awards

## **Broadband Acceleration Grant (BAG)**

Funding to support broadband infrastructure build-out

## **CDBG | Blueprint to Build**

Funds construction for new community centers that support local needs

## **CDBG | Commercial Rehabilitation**

Revitalize commercial buildings to spur downtown activity and business growth

## **CDBG | Community Facilities: Large Grants**

Support major public facility improvements serving whole communities

## **CDBG | Community Facilities: Small Grants**

Support public facility improvements serving whole communities

## **CDBG | Economic Development**

Support projects that create and retain jobs in local communities

## **CDBG | Housing Rehabilitation and Demolition**

Fund housing rehab, reconstruction, or development for Low-to Moderate-Income (LMI) residents

## **CDBG | Regional Water Implementation**

Expand water access and quality through regional partnerships

## **CDBG | Urgent Need for Disasters**

Address emergencies that threaten public health or safety

## **CDBG | Water and Sewer Infrastructure**

Funding to improve essential water and sewer systems

## **CDBG | Youth Job Training**

Support job training programs that prepare youth for careers and local workforce needs

## **Community Service Program Tax Credits**

Amplify fundraising efforts for non-profit organizations

## **Historic Economic Asset Lifeline Grant (HEAL)**

Rehabilitate downtown buildings for new businesses or organizations in rural communities

## **KAC | Micro Arts Grant**

Expedited funding for short-term projects for arts organizations with small budgets

## **KAC | Arts Everywhere**

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

| Amount<br>Maximum | Match  | Funding Timeline |             |           | Contact                |
|-------------------|--------|------------------|-------------|-----------|------------------------|
|                   |        | Announced        | Application | Awarded   |                        |
| \$200,000         | 25%    | Mar.             | Mar - Apr.  | May       | Brandon.Hutton@ks.gov  |
| \$250,000         | Varies | Oct.             | Rolling     | Rolling   | Brandon.Hutton@ks.gov  |
| \$2,000,000       | 50%    | Feb.             | Feb. - Mar. | May       | Bill.Abston@ks.gov     |
| \$4,000,000       | Varies | Jan.             | Jan. - Oct. | Rolling   | Ginny.M.Eardley@ks.gov |
| \$300,000         | 25%    | Jan.             | Mar. - Oct. | Rolling   | Tim.Parks@ks.gov       |
| \$1,500,000       | 20%    | Jan.             | Mar. - Oct. | Rolling   | Ginny.M.Eardley@ks.gov |
| \$210,000         | 10%    | Jan.             | Mar. - Oct. | Rolling   | Jason.D.Teal@ks.gov    |
| \$750,000         | 50%    | Jan.             | Mar. - Oct. | Rolling   | Tim.Parks@ks.gov       |
| \$300,000         | Varies | Jan.             | Mar. - Oct. | Rolling   | Tim.Parks@ks.gov       |
| \$2,000,000       | 50%    | Jan.             | Mar. - Oct. | Rolling   | Ginny.M.Eardley@ks.gov |
| \$100,000         | Varies | Jan.             | Mar. - Oct. | Rolling   | Tim.Parks@ks.gov       |
| \$800,000         | 25%    | Jan.             | Mar. - Oct. | Rolling   | Ginny.M.Eardley@ks.gov |
| \$100,000         | 10%    | Jan.             | Mar. - Oct. | Rolling   | Jason.D.Teal@ks.gov    |
| \$200,000         | 0%     | Feb.             | Mar. - Apr. | Jun.      | Kerri.Falletti@ks.gov  |
| \$100,000         | 100%   | Sept.            | Oct. - Dec. | Mar.      | Trisha.Purdon@ks.gov   |
| \$2,000           | 100%   | Dec.             | Mar.; Oct.  | May; Dec. | Curtis.Young@ks.gov    |
| \$20,000          | 100%   | Dec.             | Feb.        | May       | Curtis.Young@ks.gov    |

# COMMERCE GRANTS AT A GLANCE

## **KAC | General Operating Support**

Strengthen the state's culture infrastructure

## **KAC | Kansas Touring Roster Visiting Artists**

Engage and deepen impact of arts on local and underserved audiences

## **KAC | Public Art & Murals**

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

## **Kansas Global Business Expansion Grant (K-GLOBE)**

Assist Kansas businesses looking to increase exports

## **Kansas Office of Registered Apprenticeship | Apprenticeship to Educator (A2E) Grant**

Supporting the next generation of educators through registered apprenticeships

## **Kansas Office of Registered Apprenticeship | Kansas Nonprofit Apprenticeship Grant Program**

Expanding non-profit and healthcare registered apprenticeships

## **Kansas Office of Registered Apprenticeship | Apprenticeship Tax Credit for For-Profit Organizations**

Expanding apprenticeship opportunities in the state

## **Residential Opportunities on Main Street (ROOMS)**

Funds to support new upper-floor housing in Designated Kansas Main Street Communities

## **Rural Champions Grant**

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

## **Rural Opportunity Zone Program**

Funds to recruit new rural Kansas residents

## **Supporting Innovative Growth through New Signage (SIGNS)**

Funds to improve the attractiveness of downtown retail and commercial business storefront signs

## **Strategic Economic Expansion and Development Grant (SEED)**

Support small projects in communities under 5,000 population

## **Tourism Attraction Development Grant**

Assist the development of new tourism attraction or enhance existing attractions

## **Tourism Marketing Grant**

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

## **Towns Grant**

Support small projects in communities that have not received KDC funding

| AMOUNT<br>Maximum | MATCH  | FUNDING TIMELINE |              |         | CONTACT                |
|-------------------|--------|------------------|--------------|---------|------------------------|
|                   |        | Announced        | Application  | Awarded |                        |
| \$25,000          | 100%   | Dec.             | Feb.         | May     | Curtis.Young@ks.gov    |
| \$8,500           | 100%   | Jan.             | Rolling      | Rolling | Curtis.Young@ks.gov    |
| \$10,000          | 100%   | Dec.             | Feb.         | May     | Curtis.Young@ks.gov    |
| \$5,000           | 50%    | Jan.             | Rolling      | Rolling | April.Chiang@ks.gov    |
| \$2,750           | 0%     | Jan.             | Rolling      | Rolling | Taylor.Spangler@ks.gov |
| \$25,000          | 0%     | Jan.             | Rolling      | Rolling | Taylor.Spangler@ks.gov |
| \$25,000          | 0%     | Jan.             | Rolling      | Rolling | Taylor.Spangler@ks.gov |
| \$50,000          | 100%   | Sept.            | Oct.         | Dec.    | Andrew.Simpson@ks.gov  |
| \$20,800          | 25%    | Dec.             | Dec. - Feb.  | Mar.    | Kelli.Hansen@ks.gov    |
| \$15,000          | 100%   | Jan.             | Jan. - Sept. | Dec.    | Sheena.Thomas@ks.gov   |
| \$50,000          | Varies | Dec.             | Jan. - Feb.  | Apr.    | Sara.Bloom@ks.gov      |
| \$25,000          | 10%    | Aug.             | Aug. - Oct.  | Dec.    | Trisha.Purdon@ks.gov   |
| \$1,000,000       | 60%    | Oct.             | Oct.-Jan.    | Feb.    | Babette.Dixon1@ks.gov  |
| \$10,000          | 60%    | July             | July - Aug.  | Oct.    | Babette.Dixon1@ks.gov  |
| \$10,000          | 10%    | Mar.             | Apr - May    | Jul.    | Trisha.Purdon@ks.gov   |
|                   |        |                  |              |         |                        |

# ACCEL-KS PROOF OF CONCEPT FUND

ACCEL-KS is a statewide initiative aimed at supporting and accelerating the commercialization of groundbreaking ideas and products, transforming them into market-ready solutions. By prioritizing Proof-of-Concept (PoC) and Research & Development (R&D) efforts, ACCEL-KS activates Kansas’ innovation ecosystem to deliver critical financial and wrap-around support systems to fast-track high-potential projects toward commercial success.



A lab worker at KU Innovation Park, one of the two ACCEL-KS 2025 awardees.

## GRANT DETAILS

|                      |                                                                                                                               |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | N/A                                                                                                                           |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | \$200,000 annually (state funds)                                                                                              |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | \$200,000                                                                                                                     |
| MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT | \$200,000                                                                                                                     |
| MATCH REQUIREMENT    | 25%                                                                                                                           |
| ELIGIBLE ENTITIES    | Kansas-based incubators and innovation hubs                                                                                   |
| ELIGIBLE USES        | Equipment and facility use, grant funding distribution, professional services, travel, marketing, communications and training |
| FUNDING TIMELINE     |                                                                                                                               |
| ANNOUNCEMENT         | March 2026                                                                                                                    |
| APPLICATION PERIOD   | March - April                                                                                                                 |
| DEADLINE             | April                                                                                                                         |
| NOTIFICATION         | May                                                                                                                           |
| NOTES                | N/A                                                                                                                           |
| CONTACT              | Brandon.Hutton@ks.gov                                                                                                         |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/accel-ks/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/accel-ks/</a>                               |

# ACCEL-KS SBIR/STTR MATCHING PROGRAM (PHASES 0 & 1)



The SBIR/STTR Matching Program helps Kansas innovators, entrepreneurs and researchers compete and win in the national innovation arena.

This program provides early-stage funding and technical support to help Kansas-based businesses, innovators, entrepreneurs, and researchers compete for and leverage federal SBIR/STTR awards.

Funding is available through two tracks:

- Phase 0 – Proposal development assistance for Phase I SBIR/STTR submissions.
- Phase I – State matching funds for businesses awarded a federal SBIR/STTR Phase I grant.

The goal is to increase the number, quality and success rate of SBIR/STTR proposals from Kansas, accelerate the commercialization of innovative technologies, and strengthen the state's position in the national innovation economy.

## GRANT DETAILS

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|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>PROGRAM ABBREVIATION</b> | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>FUNDING AVAILABILITY</b> | \$250,000 annually (state funds)                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>      | \$250,000                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT</b> | Phase 0: up to \$3,000; Phase 1: up to \$25,000 per applicant                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>MATCH REQUIREMENT</b>    | Phase 0: 50% ; Phase 1: Proof of SBIR/STTR award                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>ELIGIBLE ENTITIES</b>    | For-profit small businesses headquartered in and operating at least 51% in Kansas                                                                                                                        |
| <b>ELIGIBLE USES</b>        | Phase 0: Professional services related to preparing a Phase 1 SBIR/STTR proposal.<br>Phase 1: Salaries/wages, materials/supplies, equipment and facility use, professional services, and travel expenses |
| <b>FUNDING TIMELINE</b>     |                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>ANNOUNCEMENT</b>         | October                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>APPLICATION PERIOD</b>   | Phase 0: Rolling<br>Phase 1: Round 1: October-November 2025<br>Round 2: April-May 2026                                                                                                                   |
| <b>DEADLINE</b>             | Phase 0: May 2026 or until funds are depleted<br>Phase 1: November; May                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>NOTIFICATION</b>         | Within two months of application                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>NOTES</b>                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>CONTACT</b>              | Brandon.Hutton@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>MORE INFORMATION</b>     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/accel-ks/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/accel-ks/</a>                                                                                                          |

# 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).



KOBD staff reviews broadband infrastructure during a site visit for a BAG 2.0 project in Harper County that was awarded to SC Telcom.

## GRANT DETAILS

|                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | BAG                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | \$85,000,000 annually over 10 years starting in FY21 (state funds)                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | \$16,300,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT | \$2,000,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 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,” “middle-mile,” and “line-extension” infrastructure expenses |
| FUNDING TIMELINE     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| ANNOUNCEMENT         | February                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| APPLICATION PERIOD   | February - March                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| DEADLINE             | March                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| NOTIFICATION         | May                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| NOTES                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| CONTACT              | Bill.Abston@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/officeofbroadbanddevelopment/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/officeofbroadbanddevelopment/</a>                                                                                                                                                       |

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT



Rendering of a medium Blueprint to Build Community Center.

## Blueprint to Build

The Blueprint to Build grant program is designed to make it easier and more affordable for small communities to build new public community centers. By offering pre-designed, modern and energy-efficient blueprints — already paid for with CDBG funds — cities can skip most of the costly design work and long planning timelines.

While some flexibility exists for additional features, major modifications are not allowed. Minor modifications to the approved design are permitted but must be funded by the applicant and approved by Commerce on a case-by-case basis.

Applicants can select from three different sizes, with optional features for a gym(s) and/or a pool.

## GRANT DETAILS

|                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>PROGRAM ABBREVIATION</b> | CDBG: B2B                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>FUNDING AVAILABILITY</b> | Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development (federal funds)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>      | \$12,700,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT</b> | \$4,000,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>MATCH REQUIREMENT</b>    | Remaining project cost after CDBG award                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>ELIGIBLE ENTITIES</b>    | 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). CDBG awards must comply with federal requirements to primarily benefit low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons                            |
| <b>ELIGIBLE USES</b>        | New construction of one of the three community center designs, with multi-purpose room with overhead doors and patio access; serving kitchen with fixed equipment; fitness center and telemedicine office; lobby with small gathering area and restrooms; storm shelter for safety; and durable, customizable interior and exterior finishes |
| <b>FUNDING TIMELINE</b>     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>ANNOUNCEMENT</b>         | January                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>APPLICATION PERIOD</b>   | January - October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>DEADLINE</b>             | October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>NOTIFICATION</b>         | Rolling - Monthly Notification                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>NOTES</b>                | Blueprint specifications are available online                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>CONTACT</b>              | Ginny.M.Eardley@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>MORE INFORMATION</b>     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/blueprint-to-build">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/blueprint-to-build</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

## 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 that either create or retain jobs
- Construction costs for only exterior improvements and eliminating conditions that are detrimental to public health and safety on a Blight Spot Basis
- Improvements to the exterior of the building and abatement of asbestos hazards
- Rehabilitation of a property designated as blight in a downtown commercial district



Three Rings Brewery commercial rehabilitation project in McPherson.

## GRANT DETAILS

|                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>PROGRAM ABBREVIATION</b> | CDBG: CR                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>FUNDING AVAILABILITY</b> | Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development (federal funds)                                                                                                                |
| <b>FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>      | \$1,200,000                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT</b> | \$300,000                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>MATCH REQUIREMENT</b>    | 25%                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>ELIGIBLE ENTITIES</b>    | 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) |
| <b>ELIGIBLE USES</b>        | Improvements to and rehabilitation of commercial buildings                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>FUNDING TIMELINE</b>     |                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>ANNOUNCEMENT</b>         | January                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>APPLICATION PERIOD</b>   | March - October                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>DEADLINE</b>             | October                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>NOTIFICATION</b>         | Rolling - Monthly Notifications                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>NOTES</b>                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>CONTACT</b>              | Tim.Parks@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>MORE INFORMATION</b>     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/commercial-rehab/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/commercial-rehab/</a>                                                                          |

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT



An unused church building in Hillsboro was renovated to make a new childcare center.

## Community Facilities: Large Grants

The Community Facilities: Large Grants Program allows cities and counties to propose any CDBG-eligible facility project — such as libraries, childcare centers, large parks, and public infrastructure in order to support impactful, long-term improvements to community services and quality of life.

Eligible uses include large-scale projects that enhance community engagement, safety and health, such as renovations to public facilities, construction of nonprofit childcare centers, park and infrastructure upgrades, public safety enhancements, and associated professional services.

## GRANT DETAILS

|                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | CDBG: CF:Large                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development (federal funds)                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | \$7,600,000 between Community Facilities: Large Grants and Small Grants                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT | \$1,500,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| MATCH REQUIREMENT    | 20%                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 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). CDBG awards must comply with federal requirements to primarily benefit low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons |
| ELIGIBLE USES        | Community and public facilities; non-profit childcare centers; parks and infrastructure; public safety; and professional services such as administrative, engineering, and architectural costs and fees                                                                                                           |
| FUNDING TIMELINE     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| ANNOUNCEMENT         | January                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| APPLICATION PERIOD   | March - October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| DEADLINE             | October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| NOTIFICATION         | Rolling - Monthly Notifications                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| NOTES                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| CONTACT              | Ginny.M.Eardley@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/large-grants">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/large-grants</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

## Community Facilities: Small Grants

This program offers cities and counties the flexibility to propose any CDBG-eligible facility project, with a focus on smaller-scale improvements that make a meaningful and lasting impact.

Eligible uses include cost-effective upgrades such as facility modernization, ADA improvements, public safety features, emergency sirens, and park enhancements that help foster community engagement, accessibility and vibrancy.



Concordia used CDBG funds to purchase a new firetruck.

## GRANT DETAILS

|                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | CDBG: CF:Small                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development (federal funds)                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | \$7,600,000 between Community Facilities: Large Grants and Small Grants                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT | \$210,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 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). CDBG awards must comply with federal requirements to primarily benefit low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons |
| ELIGIBLE USES        | General facility modernization; community center upgrades; public safety enhancements; accessibility and ADA compliance; and parks and recreation improvements                                                                                                                                                    |
| FUNDING TIMELINE     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| ANNOUNCEMENT         | January                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| APPLICATION PERIOD   | March - October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| DEADLINE             | October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| NOTIFICATION         | Rolling - Monthly Notification                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| NOTES                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| CONTACT              | Jason.D.Teal@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/small-grants">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/small-grants</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT



The city of Neodesha used Economic Development funds to repair street infrastructure necessary to retain jobs at Cobalt Boats.

## Economic Development

This program funds projects that assist for-profit businesses with needed infrastructure improvements to support businesses.

Infrastructure improvements must be owned by a public entity, a regulated utility, or a common carrier. Eligible expenses include:

- Public works facilities and improvements
- Roads, sidewalks, water lines, sewer, drainage, and railroad spurs

## GRANT DETAILS

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| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | CDBG: ED                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development (federal funds)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | \$750,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT | \$750,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 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). A for-profit business or agricultural cooperative can partner with a city or county using a subrecipient agreement. CDBG awards must comply with federal requirements to primarily benefit low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons |
| ELIGIBLE USES        | Infrastructure improvements including roads, sidewalks, water lines, sewer lines, etc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| FUNDING TIMELINE     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| ANNOUNCEMENT         | January                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| APPLICATION PERIOD   | March - October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| DEADLINE             | October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| NOTIFICATION         | Rolling - Monthly Notification                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| NOTES                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| CONTACT              | Tim.Parks@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/economic-development/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/economic-development/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

## Housing Rehabilitation & Demolition

This program provides funding to improve housing to benefit Low- to Moderate-Income (LMI) households within city limits. LMI eligibility is based on the owner's household income or the tenant's family income for rental units assisted. Funds are for housing rehabilitation and demolition within a city. Eligible expenses include:

- Single-family/owner-occupied, upper-story, or rental housing rehabilitation
- Demolition of vacant housing units and outbuildings on the same property
- For rental housing, the landlord must contribute a percentage of the rehabilitation cost of their unit(s) only. If the landlord's household is LMI, they must contribute 15%; if non-LMI, the landlord must contribute 25%
- More rehabilitation projects must be completed than demolitions. Demolition-only activities are not permitted.



A single-home housing project in Linn County.

## GRANT DETAILS

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| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | CDBG: HR                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development (federal funds)                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | \$1,000,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT | \$300,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| MATCH REQUIREMENT    | Cost of environmental review. For rental housing, the landlord must provide funds.                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| ELIGIBLE ENTITIES    | Cities in Kansas that do not receive entitlements from HUD (Entitlement areas: Kansas City, Lawrence, Leavenworth, Manhattan, Overland Park, Shawnee, Topeka, Wichita). CDBG awards must comply with federal requirements to primarily benefit low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons |
| ELIGIBLE USES        | Single-family/owner-occupied or rental housing rehabilitation, upper-story housing, demolition of housing units and outbuildings on the same property to prevent or eliminate blight                                                                                                  |
| FUNDING TIMELINE     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| ANNOUNCEMENT         | January                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| APPLICATION PERIOD   | March - October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| DEADLINE             | October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| NOTIFICATION         | Rolling - Monthly Notification                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| NOTES                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| CONTACT              | Tim.Parks@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/housing">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/housing</a>                                                                                                                                                                                 |

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT



CDBG funding will be used to provide improved water access in Coffeyville and Caney caused by low water levels in the Little Caney River.

## 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

## GRANT DETAILS

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| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | CDBG: RW                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development (federal funds)                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | \$2,000,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT | \$2,000,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 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). CDBG awards must comply with federal requirements to primarily benefit low and moderate-income (LMI) persons |
| ELIGIBLE USES        | Consolidation of two or more water systems under a single governing body.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

### FUNDING TIMELINE

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|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| ANNOUNCEMENT       | January                        |
| APPLICATION PERIOD | March - October                |
| DEADLINE           | October                        |
| NOTIFICATION       | Rolling - Monthly Notification |

**NOTES** Regional Water has been revised to operate as a three-year program.

**CONTACT** Ginny.M.Eardley@ks.gov

**MORE INFORMATION** <https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/regional-water>

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

## 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
- The scope of the urgent need project must focus only on the immediate threat

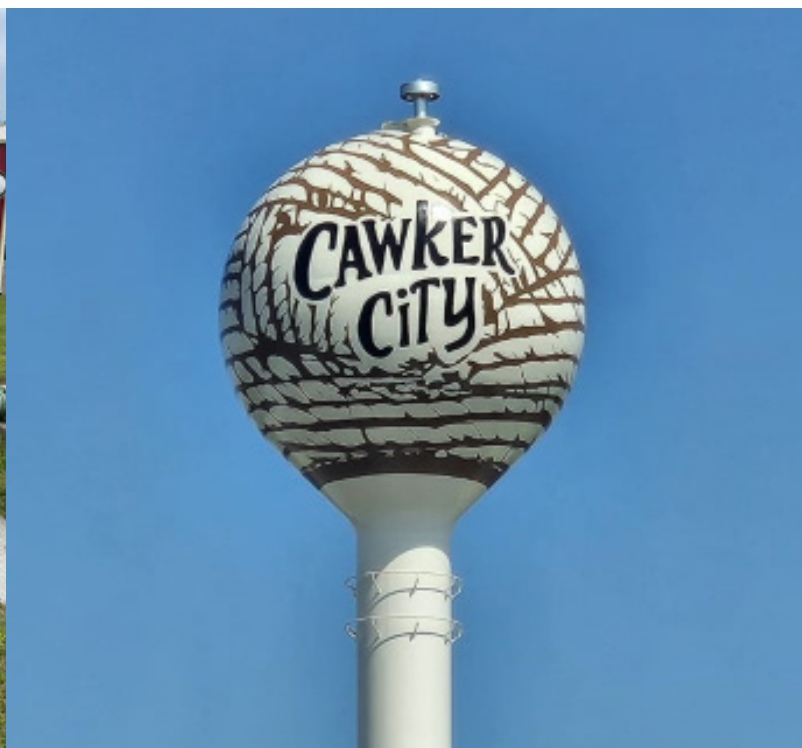


The city of Herington used an Urgent Need grant for the immediate replacement of failed aeration blowers at its wastewater treatment plant.

## GRANT DETAILS

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| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | CDBG: UN                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development (federal funds)                                                                                                                 |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | \$200,000                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT | \$100,000                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| MATCH REQUIREMENT    | Cost of environmental review                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 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   | March - October                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| DEADLINE             | October                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| NOTIFICATION         | Rolling - Monthly Notification                                                                                                                                                                      |
| NOTES                |                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/urgent-need">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/urgent-need</a>                                                                                       |

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT



A new water tower completed in Cawker City, painted to look like their famous ball of twine.

## 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

## GRANT DETAILS

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| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | CDBG: WS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development (federal funds)                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 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). CDBG awards must comply with federal requirements to primarily benefit low and moderate-income (LMI) persons |
| ELIGIBLE USES        | Construction or renovation of existing water/sewer lines, water towers, water treatment plants, wastewater treatment plants, sewer lagoons, water meter replacement, and other water and sewer related infrastructure as deemed necessary; engineering design and fees; and administration                       |
| FUNDING TIMELINE     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| ANNOUNCEMENT         | January                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| APPLICATION PERIOD   | March - October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| DEADLINE             | October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| NOTIFICATION         | Rolling - Monthly Notification                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| NOTES                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| CONTACT              | Ginny.M.Eardley@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/water-sewer">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/water-sewer</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

## 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. Depending on the grant assistance provided, self-certification of participants or income verification may be required.

An organization or educational institution can partner with the city or county using a subrecipient agreement.



Labette County High School partnered with the city of Bartlett to build a house.

## GRANT DETAILS

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| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | CDBG: YJT                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | Funding amount determined annually by Housing and Urban Development (federal funds)                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 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). CDBG awards must comply with federal requirements to primarily benefit low- and moderate-income (LMI) persons |
| 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   | March - October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| DEADLINE             | October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| NOTIFICATION         | Rolling - Monthly Notification                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| NOTES                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| CONTACT              | Jason.D.Teal@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/youth-job-training/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/cdbg/youth-job-training/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                     |

# COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM TAX CREDIT



The “No Need Unmet” campaign constructed a new, state-of-the-art, customized pediatric therapy center in Manhattan.

The Community Service Program (CSP) Tax Credit 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.

## GRANT DETAILS

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>PROGRAM ABBREVIATION</b> | CSP                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>FUNDING AVAILABILITY</b> | \$4,130,000 annually in state tax credits                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>      | \$4,130,000                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT</b> | \$200,000 tax credit                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>MATCH REQUIREMENT</b>    | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>ELIGIBLE ENTITIES</b>    | Kansas non-profit corporations and foundations                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>ELIGIBLE USES</b>        | For building purchases and renovations, equipment, educational materials and tools related to one of the following: community support services including housing, food, playgrounds, and children and family services |
| <b>FUNDING TIMELINE</b>     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>ANNOUNCEMENT</b>         | February                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>APPLICATION PERIOD</b>   | March - April                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>DEADLINE</b>             | April                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>NOTIFICATION</b>         | June                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>NOTES</b>                | \$250 application fee                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>CONTACT</b>              | Kerri.Falletti@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>MORE INFORMATION</b>     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/qpd/csp/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/qpd/csp/</a>                                                                                                                         |

# 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



The Marysville HEAL 1.0 project revitalized a building that now is home to a beautiful flower shop.

## GRANT DETAILS

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| <b>PROGRAM ABBREVIATION</b> | HEAL                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>FUNDING AVAILABILITY</b> | \$1,500,000 annually (state funds)                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>      | \$1,500,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT</b> | \$100,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>MATCH REQUIREMENT</b>    | 100%                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>ELIGIBLE ENTITIES</b>    | Designated Kansas Main Street programs, economic development corporations or chambers of commerce, and cities, counties, schools, 501(c)3 or 501(c)6 organizations, local community foundations, federally recognized tribes |
| <b>ELIGIBLE USES</b>        | 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                                                   |
| <b>FUNDING TIMELINE</b>     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>ANNOUNCEMENT</b>         | September                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>APPLICATION PERIOD</b>   | October - December                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>DEADLINE</b>             | December                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>NOTIFICATION</b>         | March                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>NOTES</b>                | Application materials available year-round                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>CONTACT</b>              | Trisha.Purdon@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>MORE INFORMATION</b>     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/community-development/heal/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/community-development/heal/</a>                                                                                          |

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Blacksmithing demonstration at the Lovegrass Music Festival.

## Micro Arts Grant

The Micro Arts Program grant provides expedited funding for short-term projects for arts organizations with small budgets that are new to KAC programs. Eligible uses of the funds include cultural projects, programs, exhibitions, series, arts education projects, and other arts programming, including general operations of arts organizations.

## GRANT DETAILS

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|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | Funding amount determined annually through a partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts                                                                                                                                             |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | Funding allocations determined by the National Endowment for the Arts annually                                                                                                                                                                |
| MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT | \$2,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| MATCH REQUIREMENT    | 100%                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| ELIGIBLE ENTITIES    | Kansas-based non-profit organizations, units of local governments (including schools, universities, libraries, arts agencies, etc.), and federally recognized tribes                                                                          |
| ELIGIBLE USES        | Projects to promote arts and culture in education                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| FUNDING TIMELINE     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| ANNOUNCEMENT         | December                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| APPLICATION PERIOD   | March; October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| DEADLINE             | March; October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| NOTIFICATION         | May; December                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| NOTES                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| CONTACT              | Curtis.Young@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/kansas-creative-arts-and-industries-commission-kcaic/micro-arts-program/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/kansas-creative-arts-and-industries-commission-kcaic/micro-arts-program/</a> |

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## Arts Everywhere

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

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, enhance community development, and increase participation in the arts across Kansas.



A percussion camp at Washburn University.

## GRANT DETAILS

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|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>PROGRAM ABBREVIATION</b> | AE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>FUNDING AVAILABILITY</b> | Funding amount determined annually through a partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>      | Funding allocations determined by the National Endowment for the Arts annually                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT</b> | \$20,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>MATCH REQUIREMENT</b>    | 100%                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>ELIGIBLE ENTITIES</b>    | Kansas-based non-profit organizations, units of local governments (including schools, universities, libraries, arts agencies, etc.), and federally recognized tribes                                                                                    |
| <b>ELIGIBLE USES</b>        | Cultural projects, programs, exhibitions, series, arts education projects, and other arts programming                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>FUNDING TIMELINE</b>     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>ANNOUNCEMENT</b>         | December                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>APPLICATION PERIOD</b>   | February                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>DEADLINE</b>             | February                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>NOTIFICATION</b>         | May                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>NOTES</b>                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>CONTACT</b>              | Curtis.Young@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>MORE INFORMATION</b>     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/kansas-creative-arts-and-industries-commission-kcaic/arts-everywhere-program/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/kansas-creative-arts-and-industries-commission-kcaic/arts-everywhere-program/</a> |

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*Opus 76 Quartet performing at Johnson County Community College*

## General Operating Support

The General Operating Support (GOS) 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 other organizations with arts-based missions.

## GRANT DETAILS

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| <b>PROGRAM ABBREVIATION</b> | GOS                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>FUNDING AVAILABILITY</b> | Funding amount determined annually through a partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts                                                                         |
| <b>FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>      | Funding allocations determined by the National Endowment for the Arts annually                                                                                            |
| <b>MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT</b> | \$25,000                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>MATCH REQUIREMENT</b>    | 100%                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>ELIGIBLE ENTITIES</b>    | Kansas-based non-profit arts organizations, units of local governments (including schools, universities, libraries, arts agencies, etc.), and federally recognized tribes |
| <b>ELIGIBLE USES</b>        | Projects that increase administrative or artistic capacity for community arts organizations                                                                               |
| <b>FUNDING TIMELINE</b>     |                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>ANNOUNCEMENT</b>         | December                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>APPLICATION PERIOD</b>   | January-February                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>DEADLINE</b>             | February                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>NOTIFICATION</b>         | May                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>NOTES</b>                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>CONTACT</b>              | Curtis.Young@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>MORE INFORMATION</b>     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/general-operating-support/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/general-operating-support/</a>                         |

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## Kansas Touring and Visiting Artists Roster

This program provides funding for eligible organizations to deepen the impact of arts programming on local and underserved audiences through exposure to and interaction with professional visiting arts.

Projects must include an educational activity that features artist interaction with students or a community activity that features artist interaction with members of the community.



Ballet Wichita – *Tom Sawyer* performance, *Ballet in the Park*.

## GRANT DETAILS

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|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | Funding amount determined annually through a partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts                                                                                                                                                   |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | \$62,500                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT | \$8,500                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| MATCH REQUIREMENT    | 100%                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| ELIGIBLE ENTITIES    | Kansas-based non-profit organizations, units of local governments (including schools, universities, libraries, arts agencies, etc.), and federally recognized tribes                                                                                |
| ELIGIBLE USES        | Single cultural projects, programs, exhibitions or series                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| FUNDING TIMELINE     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| ANNOUNCEMENT         | February                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| APPLICATION PERIOD   | Rolling                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| DEADLINE             | Rolling                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| NOTIFICATION         | Rolling                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| NOTES                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| CONTACT              | Curtis.Young@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/kansas-creative-arts-and-industries-commission-kcaic/kansas-touring-roster/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/kansas-creative-arts-and-industries-commission-kcaic/kansas-touring-roster/</a> |

# KANSAS ARTS COMMISSION



Salina Arts & Humanities – Mural by Eric Montoy.

## Public Art and Murals

This program provides funding for communities to activate publicly accessible spaces for the purposes of artistic use and programming. The program is designed to utilize permanent arts installations to increase community vibrancy and provide space for artistic expression and engagement.

### GRANT DETAILS

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| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | PM                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | Funding amount determined annually through a partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts                                                                                                           |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | Funding allocations determined by the National Endowment for the Arts annually                                                                                                                              |
| 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.), and federally recognized tribes                                   |
| 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         | December                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| APPLICATION PERIOD   | February                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| DEADLINE             | February                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| NOTIFICATION         | May                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| NOTES                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| CONTACT              | Curtis.Young@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/resource/2024-2025-kcaic-public-art-and-mural-grant-guidelines/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/resource/2024-2025-kcaic-public-art-and-mural-grant-guidelines/</a> |

# KANSAS GLOBAL BUSINESS EXPANSION GRANT (K-GLOBE)

The K-GLOBE program helps Kansas companies expand their export business by exhibiting products at international trade shows and conducting export-related marketing activities.

Eligible expenses include:

- Trade show and booth space expenses
- Translation fees for business literature at trade shows
- Visas for those attending the trade show on behalf of the company
- Up to 50% of travel costs
- Market research



Kansas-based BG Products showcased at a business trade show in Indonesia, where booth space expenses and materials were partially paid for with K-GLOBE funds.

## GRANT DETAILS

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| <b>PROGRAM ABBREVIATION</b> | K-GLOBE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>FUNDING AVAILABILITY</b> | \$50,000 annually (state funds)                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>      | \$50,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT</b> | \$5,000 per application / \$10,000 per year, per company                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>MATCH REQUIREMENT</b>    | 50%                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>ELIGIBLE ENTITIES</b>    | Eligible companies are those with headquarters in Kansas, have been in business for at least one year, and businesses whose products or services underwent substantial value-added processing in Kansas                                           |
| <b>ELIGIBLE USES</b>        | Implement export marketing activities that will help increase export sales or expand into new export markets                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>FUNDING TIMELINE</b>     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>ANNOUNCEMENT</b>         | July                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>APPLICATION PERIOD</b>   | Rolling                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>DEADLINE</b>             | Rolling                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>NOTIFICATION</b>         | Within 30 days of application submission                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>NOTES</b>                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>CONTACT</b>              | April.Chiang@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>MORE INFORMATION</b>     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/business-incentives-and-services/kansas-global-business-expansion-program/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/business-incentives-and-services/kansas-global-business-expansion-program/</a> |

# KANSAS OFFICE OF REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP

## Apprenticeship to Educator Grant

Educators at all levels play a critical role in preparing the next generation of Kansans for gainful employment and success in life. The Kansas Legislature authorized the Kansas Department of Commerce to develop grant programs that support eligible Teacher Educator Apprentices in their hands-on training to fill critical and in-demand teaching jobs in our state.

A total of \$3 million will be awarded to registered teaching apprentices in programs across Kansas.



Registered Youth Apprenticeship students from Topeka are earning and learning their way to a Teaching Certificate.

## GRANT DETAILS

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| <b>PROGRAM ABBREVIATION</b> | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>FUNDING AVAILABILITY</b> | \$3,000,000 annually (state funds)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>      | Up to \$3,000,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT</b> | \$2,750 per apprentice / 20 apprentices per employer                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>MATCH REQUIREMENT</b>    | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>ELIGIBLE ENTITIES</b>    | K-12 Employers                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>ELIGIBLE USES</b>        | 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                                                                         |
| <b>FUNDING TIMELINE</b>     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>ANNOUNCEMENT</b>         | January                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>APPLICATION PERIOD</b>   | Rolling                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>DEADLINE</b>             | December                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>NOTIFICATION</b>         | Within 30 days of application submission                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>NOTES</b>                | See K.S.A 74-50,231 for details                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>CONTACT</b>              | Taylor.Spangler@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>MORE INFORMATION</b>     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/workforce/kansasregisteredapprenticeship/registered-apprenticeship-guidelines-application/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/workforce/kansasregisteredapprenticeship/registered-apprenticeship-guidelines-application/</a> |

# KANSAS OFFICE OF REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP

## Kansas Non-Profit Apprenticeship Grant Program

This grant program is open to eligible non-profit employers having 501(c)3 status and non-profit healthcare employers that employ an apprentice pursuant to a registered apprenticeship agreement. The amount of the grant is 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.



The Kansas Office of Apprenticeship and non-profit partner HCA Midwest Health celebrating Kansas' first registered nurse apprenticeship program.

## GRANT DETAILS

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| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | N/A                                                                                                                                                                 |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | \$2,500,000 annually (state funds)                                                                                                                                  |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | \$2,500,000                                                                                                                                                         |
| MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT | \$25,000                                                                                                                                                            |
| MATCH REQUIREMENT    | None                                                                                                                                                                |
| ELIGIBLE ENTITIES    | Eligible non-profit employers having 501(c)3 status and non-profit healthcare employers that employ an apprentice pursuant to a registered apprenticeship agreement |
| ELIGIBLE USES        | Any cost toward registered apprenticeship management                                                                                                                |
| FUNDING TIMELINE     |                                                                                                                                                                     |
| ANNOUNCEMENT         | January                                                                                                                                                             |
| APPLICATION PERIOD   | Round 1 January; Round 2 May; Round 3 October                                                                                                                       |
| DEADLINE             | Round 1 January; Round 2 May; Round 3 October                                                                                                                       |
| NOTIFICATION         | Within 30 days of application submission                                                                                                                            |
| NOTES                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                 |
| CONTACT              | Taylor.Spangler@ks.gov                                                                                                                                              |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://ksapprenticeship.org/katag-nonprofit-healthcare/">https://ksapprenticeship.org/katag-nonprofit-healthcare/</a>                                     |

# KANSAS OFFICE OF REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP



The National Apprenticeship Week celebration showcases apprenticeship programs from across Kansas.

## Apprenticeship Tax Credit for For-Profit Organizations

The Kansas Apprenticeship Tax Act Grant authorizes the Kansas Department of Revenue to award tax credits up to \$2,750 (\$2,500 for each employed apprentice, not to exceed 20 such credits in any taxable year per eligible employer and up to four years per apprentice) to for-profit employers.

The tax credit is to be claimed by an eligible employer for the taxable year in which the apprentice completed the probationary period or the taxable year succeeding the calendar year in which the apprentice completed the probationary period while employed by the eligible employer.

### GRANT DETAILS

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| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | Up to \$7,500,000 annually (state funds)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | Up to \$7,500,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT | \$25,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| MATCH REQUIREMENT    | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| ELIGIBLE ENTITIES    | The tax credit is to be claimed by an eligible employer for the taxable year in which the apprentice completed the probationary period or the taxable year succeeding the calendar year in which the apprentice completed the probationary period while employed by the eligible employer |
| ELIGIBLE USES        | Any cost toward registered apprenticeship management                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| FUNDING TIMELINE     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| ANNOUNCEMENT         | January                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| APPLICATION PERIOD   | Rolling                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| DEADLINE             | December                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| NOTIFICATION         | Within 30 days of application submission                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| NOTES                | K.S.A 74-50,231.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| CONTACT              | Taylor.Spangler@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://ksapprenticeship.org/katag-for-profit/">https://ksapprenticeship.org/katag-for-profit/</a>                                                                                                                                                                               |

# RESIDENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES ON MAIN STREET

The Residential Opportunities on Main Street (ROOMS) grant is designed to support new upper-floor housing in commercial buildings in Designated Kansas Main Street communities. The goal of this grant program is to encourage renovation and improvements in the upper floors of commercial buildings in local Main Street districts consistent with proven Main Street practices, including those that retain unique historic elements and use materials that lower operating costs by conserving energy. The expected outcome of this program is to create new housing opportunities in downtown commercial districts; rehabilitate or preserve properties; and create a stronger tax base.



The historic Shay Building in Sterling is a ROOMS grant project. This project will offer four apartments in the downtown district once completed.

## GRANT DETAILS

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| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | ROOMS                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | Up to \$250,000 annually (state funds)                                                                                                                                                  |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | Up to \$250,000                                                                                                                                                                         |
| MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT | \$50,000                                                                                                                                                                                |
| MATCH REQUIREMENT    | 100%                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| ELIGIBLE ENTITIES    | Designated Kansas Main Street Communities                                                                                                                                               |
| ELIGIBLE USES        | Rehabilitation of properties in connection with private reinvestment in a designated downtown area with the specific intent of creating and/or improving upper-floor space for housing. |
| FUNDING TIMELINE     |                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| ANNOUNCEMENT         | September                                                                                                                                                                               |
| APPLICATION PERIOD   | October                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| DEADLINE             | October                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| NOTIFICATION         | December                                                                                                                                                                                |
| NOTES                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| CONTACT              | Andrew.Simpson@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                   |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/community-programs/main-street/rooms/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/community-programs/main-street/rooms/</a>                 |

# RURAL CHAMPIONS



Rural Champions received their implementation grant awards to support their projects.

The Rural Champions program is designed to create a network of grassroots individuals who possess the necessary tools to resolve critical community needs in a quick and effective manner.

These Rural Champions will receive strategic training, compensation, and be connected with resources to assist them in implementing a community project.

## GRANT DETAILS

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| <b>PROGRAM ABBREVIATION</b> | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>FUNDING AVAILABILITY</b> | \$549,000 annually (state funds)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>      | \$316,150                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT</b> | \$20,800 wages stipend grant; \$25,000 implementation grants                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>MATCH REQUIREMENT</b>    | 25% cash & in-kind (\$5,200)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>ELIGIBLE ENTITIES</b>    | Divisions of local government, economic/community development organizations; community foundation; local chambers of commerce or tourism; Main Street organizations or other local non-profits (501(c)3 or 601(c)6), Unified School Districts, federally recognized tribes |
| <b>ELIGIBLE USES</b>        | Community identified need; examples include: rural grocery/food access, childcare, placemaking/beautification/art, trails/recreation, entrepreneurship, co-working/maker space, health/wellness, housing, broadband, and regional talent recruitment                       |
| <b>FUNDING TIMELINE</b>     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>ANNOUNCEMENT</b>         | December                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>APPLICATION PERIOD</b>   | December - February                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>DEADLINE</b>             | February                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>NOTIFICATION</b>         | March                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>NOTES</b>                | The application requires having a Rural Champion identified at time of submission                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>CONTACT</b>              | Kelli.Hansen@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>MORE INFORMATION</b>     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/orp/ruralchampions/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/orp/ruralchampions/</a>                                                                                                                                                        |

# KANSAS RURAL OPPORTUNITY ZONES

The state of Kansas has designated 95 counties as “Rural Opportunity Zones,” which means moving there comes with significant added benefits. Designated counties offer the following financial incentives for new full-time residents, including a 100% State Income Tax Credit. Additionally, 72 of those counties offer Student Loan Repayment Assistance.



Example marketing material for a community to recruit healthcare employers as ROZ sponsors.

| GRANT DETAILS        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | ROZ                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | \$1,000,000 annually (state funds)                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | \$1,000,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT | \$15,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| MATCH REQUIREMENT    | 100% local match                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| ELIGIBLE ENTITIES    | Individuals with a degree and student loan debt that are relocating to an eligible county. Eligible sponsors are counties, cities, employers, and foundations/non-profits. Counties of 15,000 population or less are eligible to participate |
| ELIGIBLE USES        | Pay down student loan debt                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| FUNDING TIMELINE     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| ANNOUNCEMENT         | January                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| APPLICATION PERIOD   | January-September                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| DEADLINE             | September                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| NOTIFICATION         | December                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| NOTES                | Current sunset of July 1, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| CONTACT              | Sheena.Thomas@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/taxes-and-financing/rural-opportunity-zones-roz/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/program/taxes-and-financing/rural-opportunity-zones-roz/</a>                                                |

# SUPPORTING INNOVATIVE GROWTH THROUGH NEW SIGNAGE (SIGNS)



High Road Coffee Roasters in Independence used SIGNS funds for beautiful new signage.

The SIGNS Grant strengthens rural downtown commercial districts by helping businesses upgrade storefront signage that improves visibility, attracts customers, and drives revenue.

The grant encourages property owners and business tenants to collaborate with skilled designers and local artists to develop creative, distinctive signs that enhance business identity while respecting standard guidelines and the historic character of Kansas downtowns.

Through matching funding and design support, the program elevates the visual appeal and competitiveness of locally owned businesses, contributing to stronger commercial districts and more vibrant, economically resilient communities.

## GRANT DETAILS

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| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | SIGNS                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | \$115,000 (state funds)                                                                                                                                                                 |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | \$115,000                                                                                                                                                                               |
| MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT | \$50,000 per community                                                                                                                                                                  |
| MATCH REQUIREMENT    | 50% - if the population is less than 50,000<br>25% - if the population is less than 2,500                                                                                               |
| ELIGIBLE ENTITIES    | Cities, foundations, Chambers of Commerce, Main Street organizations, economic development organizations or other non-profit community-based entities                                   |
| ELIGIBLE USES        | Eligible costs include design, purchase, lighting electrical, and installation of the sign                                                                                              |
| FUNDING TIMELINE     |                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| ANNOUNCEMENT         | December                                                                                                                                                                                |
| APPLICATION PERIOD   | December - January                                                                                                                                                                      |
| DEADLINE             | February                                                                                                                                                                                |
| NOTIFICATION         | April                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| NOTES                | Applicants need to identify a minimum of three, and a maximum of five businesses needing new signage in the application. The need for new signage needs to be shown in the application. |
| CONTACT              | Sara.Bloom@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                       |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/qpd/signs/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/qpd/signs/</a>                                                                                       |

# STRATEGIC ECONOMIC EXPANSION & DEVELOPMENT GRANT



Oberlin leveraged part of its SEED 3.0 grant to install new vinyl banners downtown for their community vibrancy project.

## GRANT DETAILS

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| <b>PROGRAM ABBREVIATION</b> | SEED                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>FUNDING AVAILABILITY</b> | Funded through the Technology-Enabled Fiduciary Financial Institutions Development and Expansion Act of 2021 Variable upon (TEFFI) revenue (state funds)                                                                               |
| <b>FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>      | \$341,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT</b> | \$25,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>MATCH REQUIREMENT</b>    | 10%                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>ELIGIBLE ENTITIES</b>    | County or municipal governments, economic development organizations, local chambers of commerce, 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(6) non-profit organizations, and tribal organizations, in communities with populations less than 5,000 people    |
| <b>ELIGIBLE USES</b>        | Projects must be focused on economic development and revitalization efforts through one of the following quality-of-life categories: childcare and senior programming, community vibrancy, food retail and distribution, and libraries |
| <b>FUNDING TIMELINE</b>     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>ANNOUNCEMENT</b>         | August                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>APPLICATION PERIOD</b>   | August-October                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>DEADLINE</b>             | October                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>NOTIFICATION</b>         | December                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>NOTES</b>                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>CONTACT</b>              | Trisha.Purdon@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>MORE INFORMATION</b>     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/seedgrants/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/seedgrants/</a>                                                                                                                                    |

SEED grants 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]), Enacted in 2021, the act promotes and facilitates the development and growth of trust banks in Kansas, regulates fiduciary financial activities and custodial services, and locates trust bank office space in economic growth zones in rural Kansas.

# TOURISM ATTRACTION DEVELOPMENT GRANT

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 visitor experience



The World’s Largest Salt Shaker in Lyons, received an Attraction Development Grant in 2023.

## GRANT DETAILS

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| PROGRAM ABBREVIATION | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| FUNDING AVAILABILITY | \$1,000,000 annually (state funds)                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| FUNDS AVAILABLE      | \$1,000,000                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT | \$1,000,000                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| MATCH REQUIREMENT    | 60%                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| ELIGIBLE ENTITIES    | Non-profits, government agencies, for-profit businesses, federally recognized tribes, and institutions of higher education                                                                                                |
| ELIGIBLE USES        | New attraction construction, enhancement to an existing attraction, and new or enhanced attraction exhibits to improve a visitor experience                                                                               |
| FUNDING TIMELINE     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| ANNOUNCEMENT         | October                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| APPLICATION PERIOD   | October-January                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| DEADLINE             | January                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| NOTIFICATION         | February                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| NOTES                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| CONTACT              | Babette.Dixon1@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| MORE INFORMATION     | <a href="https://www.travelks.com/travel-industry/programs-and-resources/grants/attraction-development-grants/">https://www.travelks.com/travel-industry/programs-and-resources/grants/attraction-development-grants/</a> |

# TOURISM MARKETING GRANT



Boot Hill Museum created 15- and 30-second broadcast/digital marketing videos using a Tourism Marketing Grant in 2025.

The Tourism Marketing Grant program is 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

## GRANT DETAILS

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| <b>PROGRAM ABBREVIATION</b> | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>FUNDING AVAILABILITY</b> | \$100,000 annually (state funds)                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>      | \$100,000                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT</b> | \$10,000                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>MATCH REQUIREMENT</b>    | 60%                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>ELIGIBLE ENTITIES</b>    | Non-profits, government agencies, for-profit businesses, federally recognized tribes, and institutions of higher education                                                                      |
| <b>ELIGIBLE USES</b>        | Variety of new tourism marketing ventures such as travel passports, travel brochures, video advertising, radio advertisement, and social media advertising                                      |
| <b>FUNDING TIMELINE</b>     |                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>ANNOUNCEMENT</b>         | July                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>APPLICATION PERIOD</b>   | July-August                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>DEADLINE</b>             | August                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>NOTIFICATION</b>         | November                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>NOTES</b>                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>CONTACT</b>              | Babette.Dixon1@ks.gov                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>MORE INFORMATION</b>     | <a href="https://www.travelks.com/travel-industry/programs-and-resources/grants/marketing-grants/">https://www.travelks.com/travel-industry/programs-and-resources/grants/marketing-grants/</a> |

# TOWNS GRANT

Recognizing the value that rural communities add to the culture of our state, Commerce launched this new grant program to support small-scale quality of place projects that create quick, meaningful results in rural communities under 5,000 residents, that have not received Commerce funding since 2019.

Projects may range from park upgrades and downtown beautification to murals, signage, and small infrastructure improvements. Communities have used funding for playground equipment, benches and public seating, new sidewalks and walking trails, welcome and wayfinding signs, fresh paint on downtown buildings, landscaping, bike racks, and even emergency helicopter pads.



North Newton leveraged Commerce funding to help with trail maps and signage on their local trail system.

## GRANT DETAILS

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| <b>PROGRAM ABBREVIATION</b> | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>FUNDING AVAILABILITY</b> | \$150,000 annually (state funds)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>      | \$150,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT</b> | \$10,000                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>MATCH REQUIREMENT</b>    | 10%                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>ELIGIBLE ENTITIES</b>    | Towns with a population of 5,000 or below that have not received Kansas Commerce funding through grants and programs since 2019. Applicants can be county or municipal governments, community or economic development organizations, local chambers of commerce, community foundations or nonprofits such as 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(6) organizations, and federally recognized tribes |
| <b>ELIGIBLE USES</b>        | Funds must be used for tangible projects that improve community placemaking improvements such as signage, benches, pocket parks, permanent public art or murals, downtown window cleanup, or small downtown infrastructure needs                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>FUNDING TIMELINE</b>     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>ANNOUNCEMENT</b>         | March                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>APPLICATION PERIOD</b>   | April - May                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>DEADLINE</b>             | May                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>NOTIFICATION</b>         | July                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>NOTES</b>                | N/A                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| <b>MORE INFORMATION</b>     | <a href="https://www.kansascommerce.gov/towns/">https://www.kansascommerce.gov/towns/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

