



## The Kansas Department of Transportation's ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

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**OBJECTIVE:** **To create new jobs and encourage capital investment in Kansas** by helping fund transportation improvements to recruit new businesses and encourage growth of existing businesses.

**ANNUAL FUNDING:** **\$10 million** reimbursement program.

**ELIGIBLE PROJECTS:** **Any transportation improvement that can be shown to support job growth and capital investment in the State.** All transportation modes are eligible, including roadway (on and off the state system), rail, airport and public transit. Typical projects include access roads, turning lanes, and rail spurs.

**ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:** Local Governments, often in partnership with a private business.

**LOCAL MATCH:** **A 25% minimum local match** is preferred, although this is negotiable.

**REQUIREMENTS:** **Improvement projects must address a transportation problem**, such as promoting safety, improving access or mobility, or relieving congestion.  
**The new or expanding business must be non-speculative**, this program is not intended to fund improvements for future business recruitment of businesses.  
**Other basic infrastructure must be in place or eminent**, such as water and other utilities.  
**Improvement projects must create new jobs and capital investment in Kansas**, not just transfer business from one part of the state to another.  
**The project must have the support of local leaders**, such as elected officials and the chamber of commerce.

**APPROVAL PROCESS:** If a project's approval is critical to recruit a new business to the State, a decision will be made **within 30 days**. Projects that are not time-sensitive will be pooled and selected annually as funding is available.

**HOW TO APPLY:** If you are new to the program, KDOT recommends that you begin with the General Local Opportunities Application, available at the following link:  
[www.ksdot.org/tworks/ecodevo/downloads/genapp2013.docx](http://www.ksdot.org/tworks/ecodevo/downloads/genapp2013.docx)  
The Economic Development application can be found at the following link:  
[www.ksdot.org/tworks/ecodevo/downloads/edapp2014.pdf](http://www.ksdot.org/tworks/ecodevo/downloads/edapp2014.pdf)

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