



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
The Economic Development application can be found at the following link:
www.ksdot.org/tworks/ecodevo/downloads/edapp2014.pdf
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