



Kansas Department of Transportation  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM  
2021-2022

**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:** \$20 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 private business.

**LOCAL MATCH:** A 25% minimum local match is preferred.

**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 for improvements for future business recruitment.

**Other basic infrastructure must be in place or imminent** such as water and other utilities.

**Improvement projects must create new jobs and capital investment in Kansas,** not transferring business from one part of the state to another.

**The project must have the support of local leaders,** such as elected officials and/or a 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:** Please contact Michelle Needham, Economic Development Programs Manager, for an application at:

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