

Awards Overview

Overall Eligibility:

Only officially enrolled PRIDE communities in Good Standing may receive awards.

Good standing definition:

- Resolution of Government Support has been submitted with local government and recorded in the enrollment database
- That all quarterly reports have been completed

Recognition opportunities

Capital Awards

- The Kansas PRIDE Awards programs are designed to recognize communities for their work in areas of community improvement represented in the Community Capitals Framework. "Excellence in PRIDE" Capital Project Awards will be made annually in the following project categories:
 - Natural, Cultural, Human, Social, Political, Financial & Built Capital.
 - In the Application,
 - Describe the project addressed
 - How the need was identified
 - The impact on the community
 - Provide volunteer hours, partnerships and timeframe
 - All projects nominated must have had work completed in the previous calendar year, and no project may be submitted more than once
 - Applications due **February 15**
 - Award presented locally

Community Partner

- Recognition of an individual, business, organization, elected official, major benefactor, or youth who has made an outstanding contribution to your local PRIDE program. **This is a guaranteed award if you submit a nomination. One nomination per local PRIDE Program is allowed.**
 - Provide a narrative for a nomination
 - Applications due **February 15**
 - Award presented locally

Community of Excellence

- Once a PRIDE Community has become a Community of Action, they are eligible to apply to become designated as a *Community of Excellence*. Recognition as a *COE* is a noteworthy accomplishment for a community PRIDE group. **A community designated with this award should be able to demonstrate that they have created a shared vision and mission and are working in an inclusive, collaborative manner on projects of high importance to the community.**
 - Essay of Application – Follow instructions thoroughly
 - Award presented locally – a sign to display designating status and calendar year awarded

Funding Opportunities

Partners in PRIDE

- The intent is to partner with local Kansas PRIDE programs to provide incentives for community improvement initiatives. These activities **MUST** have the potential of bringing long-term impact to the quality of life of local citizens, and must address issues related to one or more of the Seven Capitals: Built, Social, Human, Financial, Political, Natural and Cultural.
 - \$500-\$2000 grant awarded per project. Applications may be submitted for less than the maximum \$2000 amount.
 - Must be designated as a Community of Excellence in order to apply.
 - Two rounds of funding:
 - Spring: February 15
 - Fall: August 15

Goal Awards

- Awards developed to help communities offset operating costs of participating in the Kansas PRIDE Program—Examples: out-of-pocket expenses, community sign replacement or purchase. Contact our office with any questions (PRIDE@ksu.edu or 785.532.5840).
 - Communities of Growth and Action are eligible to apply
 - Two rounds of funding:
 - Spring: February 15
 - Fall: August 15
- 5 per round
- \$200 awards
- Submit pre/post application description and supporting documentation if applicable.