



KANSAS PRIDE PROGRAM AWARD Information Form

Awards Overview

Kansas PRIDE has competitive awards. The competitive awards are intended to recognize communities who have done excellent work developing community capitals. Local PRIDE programs are encouraged to nominate a high quality project for state-level recognition which reflects their work in a community capital area. Nominations may be submitted in all seven capitals but must be a separate project nomination (different project) for each capital. Capital awards are competitively selected from the nominations received.

Partner Recognition awards allow your community to recognize community partners who have contributed significantly to your PRIDE efforts. Each community is guaranteed one Community Partner award annually if a nomination is submitted. Also available on a non-competitive basis are certificates to recognize youth who have contributed to your PRIDE program.

Eligibility

- Only officially enrolled PRIDE communities in good standing (as outlined on the annual enrollment and has submitted quarterly reports) may receive awards. PRIDE communities that are not in good standing are not eligible to submit award nominations.
- Officially enrolled PRIDE communities that have completed one or more years in the program may submit nominations for competitive awards.
- All projects nominated for awards must have had work completed in the previous calendar year. No projects may be submitted more than once.
- All award nomination forms and supporting documentation must be received by Kansas PRIDE no later than February 15st.

Nomination & Selection Procedure

Subject to the above eligibility restrictions, PRIDE communities may submit nominations in as many categories as desired. However, communities may nominate only **one project per category**.

Nominations may be submitted in electronic or print format. Incomplete nominations will not be considered.

All complete nominations will be reviewed by a committee selected by the Kansas PRIDE, Inc. Board. Kansas PRIDE reserves the right to make more than one award per competitive category. If no nominations are found to display the standard of excellence desired, Kansas PRIDE also reserves the right to *not* make an award in any of the competitive categories.



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20__ AWARDS

Nomination Cover Page

DATE: _____

NAME OF PRIDE COMMUNITY: _____

PRIMARY CONTACT FOR NOMINATIONS: _____

CONTACT DAYTIME PHONE: _____

Our PRIDE program is submitting nominations for the following awards:
(1 project per capital)

EXCELLENCE IN PRIDE: CAPITAL AWARDS

Natural Project Name: _____

Cultural Project Name: _____

Human Project Name: _____

Social Project Name: _____

Political Project Name: _____

Financial Project Name: _____

Built Project Name: _____

OTHER

Community Partner Award

Youth Recognition Certificates

_____ PRIDE gives the Kansas PRIDE program the right to use, in whole or in part, the information and supporting documents related to these nominations for the purposes of publicity, promotion and audiovisual presentations.

Signature:



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Excellence in PRIDE: Capital Awards

Descriptions

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 capital** refers to projects that center on *natural resource preservation or utilization*. Examples would be any project that relates to community beautification, or projects which improve water quality, plants or animals, or natural resources.
- **Cultural capital** includes the history, *celebrations and festivals that help form the unique identity* of the community. Examples of community cultural capital projects might include ethnic festivals, projects that enhance the arts or projects which preserve historical or cultural aspects of a community.
- **Human capital** refers to the skills and abilities of people, as well as efforts that support the physical, mental, or spiritual well-being of people. Investing in human capital means *investing in the capacity development of others*, including; education, leadership, or skill development activities your PRIDE group launches or supports.
- **Social capital** is the aspect of *social involvement and collaboration*. Social capital in a community is the aspect of encouraging people and organizations to “network and connect” effectively. It refers to the “social glue” or relationships that bond a community. Projects that might represent social capital are projects which build community trust, link people to groups, or bring people together around a common cause or project.
- **Political capital** refers to the *ability to influence and create change*. Efforts that increase a community’s political capital would include efforts which give citizens an opportunity for expression and choice (such as youth or persons under-represented). Examples of projects that increase a community political capital include public visioning, public goal setting and priority setting, and projects that give citizens a chance to step forward and create positive community change.
- **Financial capital** refers to *the economic development or collective investment* of a community in itself. Examples of investment in community financial capital would include fundraising efforts to underwrite business development, to support civic or social entrepreneurship, and to accumulate wealth for future development. Grant seeking, and fundraisers to support business or existing organizations, establishing a foundation, or other ways of encouraging public investments are all examples of strengthening local community financial capital.
- **Built capital** is *the investment in built structure and infrastructure* that supports the community, such as telecommunications, industrial parks, streets, water systems, public buildings, etc. Projects that improve the public structure and infrastructure are all investments in built capital.

Local PRIDE programs are encouraged to nominate high quality projects based upon the community capitals which have a direct impact on the long term sustainability of their community.



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Other Award Descriptions

- Community Partner Award (nominations required)**
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.

- Youth Recognition Certificates**
Free upon request from the PRIDE office, these certificates are to support and recognize youth for their involvement in community improvement through PRIDE. Communities are encouraged to present these at an awards ceremony at an annual school event.