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Announcement about Regional Workshops: Important!



AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING REGIONAL WORKSHOPS:

The workshops to be held in Grainfield on April 19 and Kinsley on April 26 have been cancelled due to lack of registrations. If you have registered or were hoping to attend we apologize for the inconvenience.

The workshops in Haysville, Iola and Rossville are currently still a go. Thank you for your time and if

you will be attending the workshops we look forward giving you all some great information on our grants and volunteer recruitment and retention!

If you have questions, contact us at PRIDE@ksu.edu.

Thank you for all that you do and see some of you soon! – **Jaime Menon, Kansas PRIDE Co-Coordinator, K-State Research and Extension, jmenon@ksu.edu**

Photo Contest – Time to Vote!



There was a great response to the Kansas PRIDE Program Annual Review photo contest! We have 15 photos online now for everyone to choose from. Head over to https://kstate.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3141J1Vbu291Qhf to vote for your favorites. The photo with the highest votes will be on the cover of the 2017-2018 Kansas PRIDE Program Annual Review.

You can vote for as many photos as you like by clicking on them. Pictures you choose will be highlighted in purple. We ask, however, that you only vote for your selections one time. Voting closes at 11:59 PM on Sunday, April 15. The winner will be announced after that date. Questions? Contact us at PRIDE@ksu.edu.

– *Jan Steen, Kansas PRIDE Co-Coordinator, K-State Research and Extension* jmsteen@ksu.edu

Columbus PRIDE and Cherokee County K-State Research and Extension Collaboration Featured in the News!

It was brought to our attention that Columbus PRIDE and their collaboration with Cherokee County K-State Research and Extension, was featured on the news detailing their Planter Box Program. The Planter Box Program creates accessible resources to grow fresh vegetables at their own home! Way to go Columbus PRIDE and Cherokee County K-State Research and Extension! Click on the image below to view the video online!



Has your community been featured in any media? Let me know and we can highlight your great works!

Thank you for all that you do! – *Jaime Menon, Kansas PRIDE Co-Coordinator, K-State Research and Extension*, jmenon@ksu.edu

More Volunteer Recruitment Ideas

In previous months we've highlighted ways to recruit more volunteers: Engaging the "One-and-

Done" volunteers, and press releases. In this month's issue, we'll take a look at some other ways that might help you get more people involved in your local PRIDE program.

- **Fliers/Surveys at Events:** Does your local PRIDE group host a fall festival, Independence Day celebration, or other community event? Have fliers and pencils at different locations during your event, or hand them out as people arrive. The flier explains what your community's PRIDE program is, and that the event they are attending is put on by the PRIDE group. It can also list some of the other events, services, and amenities the local PRIDE group is responsible for in town. Don't forget to put your meeting time and location, as well as website, Facebook page, email address and/or phone number in case they have questions. The bottom of the flier can be a short survey, asking people what they like about the community, what they think could be better, if they were aware of the local PRIDE program before the event, and if they would like to assist with future events and projects. A few lines for their contact information will allow you to follow up with them later. Put a space to share ideas on the form, then make sure there are a few well marked areas at your events where they can turn completed surveys in.
- **Meeting Locations:** Mix it up a bit. Instead of having all your meetings in the same place each month, have one or two meetings out in more visible areas – the library, city hall, a restaurant. If you're all wearing matching local PRIDE shirts, or hats, you'll be even more visible and recognized by those who've seen you doing work in the community.
- **Participate in the First Impressions Program:** Has your community already had a First

Impressions program visit and presentation? If not, this free program from K-State Research and Extension gives you a view of your community through the eyes of potential residents, tourists, and business owners. It also gives you a connection to others within your community. The public community presentation to go over visit results will attract citizens interested in their community. Your local PRIDE group can be highlighted as a group that can assist in meeting any challenges mentioned in the report, and that you're already active in community improvement projects. This may connect new volunteers with your group, especially if local PRIDE program handouts are available at the meeting. You can find out more about the First Impression program here: <https://www.ksre.k-state.edu/community/civic-engagement/first-impressions/index.html>

– Jan Steen, Kansas PRIDE Co-Coordinator, K-State Research and Extension jmsteen@ksu.edu

Outside Funding Opportunities



Looking for funding? Click on the \$ to view our Outside Funding and Other Useful Funding Resources Page.

K-State Research and Extension has Grant Writing Workshops. Contact PRIDE@ksu.edu or your local Extension Office, to find out if one will be provided near you in 2018.

Up for a Community Visit?

Would your PRIDE organization like to be brought up to speed on available opportunities? Have you had a leadership change and would like to make sure you're on the right track? Let us know and we'll work on scheduling a time to meet with you. Send us an email at PRIDE@ksu.edu. – *Jan Steen, Kansas PRIDE Co-Coordinator, K-State Research and Extension* jmsteen@ksu.edu

Events Calendar

Week of PRIDE – May 21-28, 2018

Quarterly Report Dates:

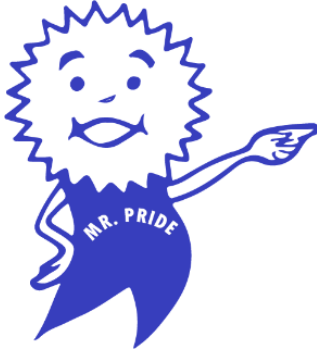
April 15 th	July 15 th
October 15 th	January 15 th



Opportunity Dates:

August 15, 2018 – Award Applications Due
February 15, 2019 – Award Applications Due

**Communities Currently Enrolled in the Kansas PRIDE Program
 (See next Page)**



These communities have enrolled in the Kansas PRIDE Program this year. If you're meeting as a local PRIDE group and don't see your community name here, it's not too late to enroll! Go to: <http://kansasprideprogram.k-state.edu/enrollment-reporting/index.html>

Click on the blue "Enroll" button to continue.

- Admire
- Agra
- Alden
- Alton
- Ashland
- Basehor
- Burlingame
- Bushton
- Columbus
- Delia
- Dover
- Elk City
- Ellis
- Glasco
- Grainfield
- Grinnell
- Haysville
- Herndon
- Highland
- Humbolt
- Independence
- Iola
- Kinsley
- La Harpe
- Lakin
- Larned
- Lenora
- Leonardville
- LeRoy
- Lincoln
- Linn Valley
- Lucas
- Luray
- Macksville
- Marion
- McFarland
- Melvern
- Moran
- Mount Hope
- Norton
- Olsburg
- Ozawie
- Park City
- Perry
- Potwin
- Randolph
- Riley
- Rossville
- Rozel
- Russell
- Savonburg
- Tampa
- Wakefield
- Wilson