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**Kansas PRIDE Awards - Fall**
**Deadline September 1**

It's that time again! Award opportunities are open for Kansas PRIDE Communities!

**What awards specifically? Well, here is a list:**

- Community of Growth
- Community of Action
Community Promotion
Community Emergency Grant
Volunteers Impact PRIDE

Descriptions of these awards can be found on our Funding Page. **CLICK HERE to visit our Funding Page.**

- If you are a Community of Excellence that is renewing their designation, or a Community of Action aspiring to become a Community of Excellence, you can find the application (as well as an example application that you can pattern yours off of if you are new to the process) on Promotions Page. **Visit the Promotions Page for the Community of Excellence Application.**

**DON'T FORGET YOUR FOLIO!!!**

- Folios are required (one per community, not one per award that you are applying for), but all of the education on the folios is not. Good standing is definitely required, but anything after that counts towards points on their applications.
  
  - To clarify that, more weight is given for points towards grant applications than recognition, with Community of Excellence as the exception. **CLICK HERE to go to our Folios Page.**

- If you start your folio and end up learning more, feel free to update and resubmit. If you submitted a folio for the spring awards round, and have not updated your education, just note that when you email us your application, and we will transfer your previous Folio to the new round.

We are excited to see your applications, and if you have questions, don't hesitate to reach out to us at **PRIDE@ksu.edu** to ask or set up a phone call, we are happy to help! - **Jaime Menon, Co-Coordinator of the Kansas PRIDE Program, jmenon@ksu.edu**

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**Survey Tool: Illinois Extension**

Are you looking to create a survey to gauge your community's needs? Illinois Extension has a great survey tool online which allows you to select different questions from a variety of topics. You can also edit questions from their bank of examples or add some of your own. To access this tool, visit:

[https://tools.extension.illinois.edu/communitydevelopment/survey/index.php](https://tools.extension.illinois.edu/communitydevelopment/survey/index.php)

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**PRIDE Community Happenings**
The Friends of Vermillion PRIDE group is pleased to report Memorial Weekend was a three-day success! Car show, corn-hole tournament, picnic and Peterson Brothers Farm show were both family fun and successful Friends’ fundraisers. Additionally, the community Tractor Pull on the Fourth Weekend enjoyed the use of Vermillion’s newly-rocked Park roads, painted Grandstand and newly-cleaned concession stand. The event brought many from neighboring towns to Vermillion for this annual event. Hats off to all the volunteers who made Vermillion proud!

On May 22, Leonardville PRIDE hosted a Picnic in the Park event. Well over 100 attendees enjoyed local live musicians, local craft vendors, and delicious food. Sloppy joes, chips, veggies and dessert were on the menu. Community members provided positive feedback and Leonardville PRIDE plans on hosting the event yearly.

Iola CITF/PRIDE has been working with a graphic designer to create a new map of the Elm Creek Disc Golf course. They’ve planted flowers in the flower pots around the downtown square and are planning on building wooden flowers and Christmas decorations to add during the off-season. The historical signs around town are also getting spruced up.

Norton PRIDE had projects this quarter in the areas of beautification, clean-up, festivals, fitness/wellness, parks, after school, fundraising, and more! The Trees for Tomorrow program with the City organized an Arbor Day event to plant trees at the Pool Park. Norton PRIDE is pleased to say that the program is off and going strong to replace trees in the
Community Highlight: Russell PRIDE

Ever wonder what the Volunteers Impact PRIDE funds are used for? A perfect example was highlighted by the Kansas State Foundation: Russell PRIDE's walking trail!

Read all about it here on the Kansas State Foundation Stories Page.

Interested in the Volunteers Impact PRIDE Grant? If you are a Community of Excellence in Good Standing, check out our Funding Page to learn more! Heads up (or you might have already noted by the article on awards above), the deadline for applications is September 1.

Visit our Funding Page

K-STATE GARDEN HOUR

Fall Series Schedule

*Wednesdays | 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM CST*

- **August 4th** - Organic Gardening
- **August 18th** - Gardening with Beneficial Insects
- **September 1st** - Basics of Growing Berries in Kansas
- **September 15th** - Composting with Worms - Vermicomposting 101

There is no cost, but we do require registration: [ksre-learn.com/KStateGardenHour](http://ksre-learn.com/KStateGardenHour)
Rural Resident Survey
A research team with Kansas State University is seeking help on reaching out to rural residents ages 65 and older in Kansas or Missouri areas.

The purpose of this research is to better understand the correlation between social isolation, loneliness, and depression and how social connection factors influence those associations. This study has received IRB approval No. 10649.

After the brief screening survey, participants may choose:
- An online survey or phone survey — a $10 gift card will be provided by mail — and/or
- Phone or Zoom call interview — a $20 gift card will be provided by mail.

For more information, or to participate, CLICK HERE to view a PDF with the survey information

CONTINUING OPPORTUNITIES SECTION

GRANT WRITING WORKSHOPS ARE BACK!
In 2021, K-State Research and Extension Grant-writing workshops are going online.

The online workshop is designed to be presented to participants in two 3-hour courses and will cost $60. Local Extension agents are the hosts for the workshops, but since workshops are online, you can attend any workshop in the state. There are two ways to participate: go to our website (https://www.ksre.k-state.edu/community/) and under "Events" on the right side you can register at a scheduled workshop or ask your local extension agent to host.

The workshops are based on the same workshop that has been conducted statewide to more than 1,700 participants in 60 local communities. In-person workshop participants who responded to a survey 6-12 months after their grant workshop (36% response), reported writing $48.5 million of grants with $24.8 million of successful grants.

For more information, contact Nancy Daniels nkDaniels@ksu.edu

Grant Writing Workshops

External Funding Opportunities
Want to put your new grant writing skills to use? Here are some opportunities for project funding outside of the Kansas PRIDE grants:
The USA TODAY Network offers grants and crowdfunding opportunities through their Community Thrives Grant program. If your organization serves a community served by a Gannett publication, you may qualify. Visit their website for more details:

https://acomunitythrives.mightycause.com/giving-events/act21/grants

The Rogovy Fund likes crazy ideas. Typically grants in the range of $5,000 to $20,000 are available in the form of the Frontier Grant for projects that focus on the areas of education, civics, and/or the environment. If your crazy idea falls into one of those areas, give their grant page a look to see if you qualify:

http://rogovy.org/frontier-grant/overview/

The Mockingbird Foundation funds projects across three areas of focus: education, music, and children. Grants typically range from $100 to $10,000. Inquiries for Round 27 are currently open and you can find out how here:

https://mbird.org/grants/apply/

Additional Funding Resources

Is your Kansas PRIDE community looking for funding to help with certain projects? Let us know what the project is, how much you're seeking, and what your timeline looks like. We have access to a grants database and likely can give you some links to potential funding sources. Just email us at PRIDE@ksu.edu with your request and project idea. Not a Kansas PRIDE community? This resource is a great reason to join! You can also reach out to your local Extension office which should have access to the database as well. - Jan Steen, Kansas PRIDE Program Co-Coordinator, jmsteen@ksu.edu

For Our Northwest Kansas Communities:

SIGN UP TO PARTICIPATE at danehansenfoundation.org/raise-money.

RAISE MONEY
The Guide to Unapologetic Fundraising for Your Nonprofit

Raise Money is an online course with 20 fun, actionable, easy-to-digest videos, each with a Do One Thing! challenge, to help you raise more money for your nonprofit.

Join us live on Zoom every Thursday in August for group coaching, where we’ll answer your biggest questions and find solutions for your toughest fundraising challenges.

Raise Money - The Guide to Unapologetic Fundraising for Your Nonprofit is a four-part interactive zoom course offered this August by the Dane G. Hansen Foundation. This
course also gives you access to a full library of videos you can turn to when you have questions about development and how to work with donors.

- SIGN UP to participate in the course at [https://danehansenfoundation.org/raise-money/](https://danehansenfoundation.org/raise-money/)
- SHARE this invitation with nonprofit organizations in your area – the Hansen Foundation is making it available to any nonprofit in our 26-counties including hospitals, churches, schools, etc.

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**Up for a Virtual Community Visit? We Are, Too!**

Our offer at the end of each newsletter is to engage your community remotely so we can present an overview of the program, should you be interested in enrolling, or to discuss the program and any of its components or training modules if you’re already participating. We would be more than happy to host a Zoom meeting where your PRIDE group members, city council members, chamber participants, Masonic Lodge, or other groups could individually log in to see the presentation and ask questions. Just e-mail us at [PRIDE@ksu.edu](mailto:PRIDE@ksu.edu) to set up a schedule.

To view pre-recorded webinars giving an introduction to the program, step-by-step instructions on how to enroll or report, fundraising, recruiting volunteers, and more, head over to our Education page for more. - Jan Steen, Kansas PRIDE Program Co-Coordinator, jmsteen@ksu.edu

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We often post items of interest on our Facebook page between newsletters. Grants, volunteer training, project ideas, and even the occasional Live stream will pop up. Click the button below to like and follow the program activity there:

[Like Us On Facebook!](https://www.facebook.com)

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**First Friday e-Calls: Check' em Out!**

K-State Research and Extension offers entrepreneurship webinars every first Friday of the month, and there have already been some great sessions this year. If you missed them, they’ve been recorded and are available to view at your convenience along with the slides and some notes. Visit: [https://www.ksre.k-state.edu/community/business/entrepreneurship/](https://www.ksre.k-state.edu/community/business/entrepreneurship/) for all past sessions. Registration information for upcoming
sessions can be found here: https://www.ksre.k-state.edu/community/events/.

Have a local event going on? Got great places to visit? Eat? Play?

Why not send your ads here and we will place them in our newsletter? You just have to send a high quality photo and the verbiage you want to use and we will place them in our newsletter for one month!

Send Your Ad Here!

EVENTS CALENDAR

Quarterly Report Dates:
- January 15th, April 15th, July 15th, October 15th

Awards Deadlines:
- May 1st, September 1st
2021 Kansas PRIDE Communities

The following communities have enrolled in the Kansas PRIDE Program for the year of 2021.
To enroll your community visit our Enrollment and Reporting page and click on the light blue "Enroll" button to get started.

- Admire
- Alton
- Anthony
- Arlington
- Ashland
- Axtell
- Belleville
- Blue Rapids
- Burden
- Bushton
- Caldwell
- Caney
- Clifton
- Columbus
- Conway Springs
- Council Grove
- Delia
- Dover
- Dwight
- Elk City
- Ellis
- Fort Scott
- Glasco
- Grainfield
- Grinnell
- Harper
- Haysville
- Herndon
- Highland
- Humboldt
- Independence
- Iola
- Kinsley
- La Harpe
- Lakin
- Larned
- Lecompton
- Leon
- Leonardville
- LeRoy
- Lewis
- Lincoln
- Lucas
- Luray
- Macksville
- Marion
- McFarland
- Melvern
- Moran
- Mount Hope
- Newton
- Norton
- Olsburg
- Osawatomie
- Overbrook
- Ozawkie
- Perry
- Potwin
- Quenemo
- Randolph
- Riverton
- Rossville
- Rozel
- Russell
- Saint George
- Savonburg
- Sheridan County
- Stockton
- Toronto
- Vermillion
- Wakefield
- Wichita (South Central)
- Wilson
- Yates Center