Nomination procedure for Project Excellence Awards:

To be considered for this award, provide the following information by February 15:

- Cover Page (one per packet)
- Narrative (no more than 3 pages)
- Supporting documentation

Nomination narrative: (no more than 3 pages)

Please detail the following:

- The need(s) the project addressed and how the need was identified
- The goals of the project, and how you know that the project met your goals.
- The timeframe of the project (date planning started to date of completion);
- Project collaborative partners, including how they were involved (contributions);
- Hours of volunteer service to complete the project;
- How this project impacted the community and the value it provided to the community.

Supporting Documentation should include:

- Plan of work for the project
- Project budget and funding sources
- A minimum of two but not more than 5 high resolution photos; preferably attached digitally
- Copies of flyers, advertising and news articles
- A 100 word summary of the project

*Note: Applications with narratives longer than 3 pages will not be considered.
KANSAS PRIDE PROGRAM
Project Excellence Award
Information & Nomination Forms

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. Project Excellence awards are competitively selected from the nominations received.

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 15th.

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. Please provide a short narrative describing your project and the impact that it has had on your community.

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.
Date: ______________________________________
Name of Community: __________________________________________________
Primary Contact for Nominations: __________________________________________
Contact daytime phone: ___________________________________________________

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

PROJECT EXCELLENCE: CAPITAL CATEGORIES

☐ Natural  Project Name: _______________________________

☐ Cultural  Project Name: _______________________________

☐ Human  Project Name: _______________________________

☐ Social  Project Name: _______________________________

☐ Political  Project Name: _______________________________

☐ Financial  Project Name: _______________________________

☐ Built  Project Name: _______________________________

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: _____________________________________________
KANSAS PRIDE PROGRAM
Project Excellence Awards: Capital 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.*