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Cities to receive funding for road improvement projects

Forty-six projects that will improve intersections and road deficiencies in Kansas cities have been selected for funding through two Kansas Department of Transportation programs.

Seventeen cities will receive a combined total of approximately \$9 million in state funding under the Geometric Improvement (GI) program. And, 29 cities will receive a combined total of about \$5.4 million under the City Connecting Links (KLINK) program, which funds improvements to state highways that extend through cities.

Under the GI program, a city contributes up to 25 percent of the project cost based on its population. Cities under 2,500 in population aren't required to provide a match. GI projects typically improve drainage, capacity and intersections, add turning lanes and more.

KLINK projects involve maintenance work such as resurfacing and are funded up to \$200,000.

"These programs are very popular with Kansas cities, and every year we receive many more requests for projects than we can fund," said Kansas Transportation Secretary Mike King.

"As a result, funding for the GI program next year will be increased by \$2 million, for a total annual commitment of \$8 million. And, to catch up with inflation, the maximum

state contribution per project under the KLINK program next year will go up 50 percent to \$300,000."

The maximum state contribution for a GI project will be increased to \$1 million. Cities selected for the **GI program** and the maximum state contribution include:

Seneca, \$400,000; Silver Lake, \$125,000; Clifton, \$700,000; Grandview Plaza, \$650,000; Russell, \$650,000; Hoxie, \$700,000; Sharon Springs, \$50,000; Baxter Springs, \$650,000; Ottawa, \$400,000; Hutchinson, \$65,000; Wellington, \$725,000; Dodge City, \$600,000; Elkhart, \$500,000; Leavenworth, \$750,000; Osborne, \$700,000; Brownell, \$700,000; Independence, \$650,000.

Cities selected for the **KLINK program** and the amounts awarded include:

Emporia, \$200,000; Alma, \$180,106; Oskaloosa, \$144,407; Atchison, \$200,000; Lawrence, \$200,000; Concordia, \$200,000; McPherson, \$151,148; Clay Center, \$200,000; Junction City, \$200,000; Moundridge, \$200,000; Abilene, \$200,000. Coffevville, \$149,999; Pittsburg, \$167,592; Independence, \$185,184; Parsons, \$200,000; Hoisington, \$146,081; Lyons, \$200,000; Larned, \$200,000; Pratt, \$160,800; Great Bend, \$169,418; Hutchinson, \$170,277; Sterling, \$200,000; Wichita, \$200,000; Winfield, \$200,000; Caldwell, \$200,000; Wellington, \$200,000; El Dorado, \$200,000; Garden City, \$173,931; Ness City, \$200,000.

Visit the KDOT website for more information about the GI selections and the KLINK selections.

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