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## **KDOT Awards \$18 Million in Transportation Alternatives Projects**

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) has selected 34 projects for inclusion in its Transportation Alternatives (TA) program for Federal Fiscal Years 2018 and 2019.

Eligible projects under this federal program include facilities for pedestrians and bicycles; scenic or historical highway programs; landscaping and scenic beautification; historic preservation of transportation facilities; conversion of abandoned railway corridors to trails; control or removal of outdoor advertising; archaeological planning and research related to transportation; and the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program.

KDOT received 39 applications from eligible project sponsors requesting just over \$29 million in federal funds. The applications for Federal Fiscal Years 2018 and 2019 projects were received during an open application period from May 8, 2017 through July 7, 2017.

“We were thrilled to see so many quality applications for projects that will improve transportation networks throughout the state. There was a lot of public support illustrated in the project applications, which means these are projects that the people of Kansas find valuable within their communities and want to have access to,” said Matt Messina, coordinator of the Transportation Alternatives Program for KDOT. “Investments made through our TA Program help us make transportation connections no matter how people choose to travel. It’s all about providing people with multimodal transportation options,” said Messina.

KDOT evaluated each application and made selections based on criteria developed using input from various departments and external partners, such as safety and network improvements, cost estimates, project readiness, public support, and other factors. The total estimated costs for the 34 selected projects is \$24 million. Each project sponsor must commit to providing at least 20% of the cost of the project as a local cash match.

A full list of TA projects that are selected to receive an award is shown in the table below:

<b>Project Sponsor</b>	<b>Project Title/Description</b>	<b>Federal request</b>	<b>Local match</b>	<b>Total cost</b>
Atchison	2 <sup>nd</sup> Street Corridor Project	525,000	136,041	661,041
Atchison	SRTS Phase 2: Infrastructure	400,000	153,418	553,418
Beloit	SRTS Phase 2: Infrastructure	400,000	163,900	563,900
Coffeyville	SRTS Phase 2: Infrastructure	400,000	162,300	562,300
El Dorado	Bike Path Phase 3	417,200	152,020	569,220
Goodland	Historic Brick Street Rehabilitation	537,660	229,510	767,170
Haven	SRTS Phase 2: Infrastructure	148,183	37,045	185,229
Herington	SRTS Phase 1: Planning	12,000	3,000	15,000
Hiawatha	Brick Street Restoration	785,000	294,600	1,079,600
Hillsboro	Hospital Trail	628,057	157,014	785,071
Hutchinson	Washington Street Bicycle Blvd	362,915	90,728	453,643
Junction City	West 8 <sup>th</sup> St & Eisenhower Dr. Trail Connections	365,903	91,475	457,379
KDWPT	Flint Hills Nature Trail	3,684,098	921,024	4,605,122
Lawrence	19 <sup>th</sup> & Iowa Pedestrian and Bicycle Underpass	1,597,175	696,469	2,293,644
Lawrence	SRTS Phase 2: Infrastructure	394,128	98,532	492,660
Manhattan	Juliette Ave Brick Rehab Phase 3	908,640	227,160	1,135,800
Manhattan	SRTS Phase 2: Infrastructure	400,000	115,800	515,800
Manhattan-Ogden USD 383	Bicycle Safety and Awareness Program	17,956	7,855	25,811
McPherson	SRTS Phase 2: Infrastructure	372,253	93,063	465,316
Moundridge	SRTS Phase 1: Planning	12,000	3,000	15,000
North Newton	Kidron-Bethel Loop Project	400,000	102,676	502,676
Ogden	SRTS Phase 2: Infrastructure	161,180	40,295	201,475
Pottawatomie County	Green Valley Rd Multi-Use Trail	625,048	156,262	781,310
Reno County	RCAT Fixed-Route Bus Shelters	76,620	19,130	95,750
Sabetha	Sabetha Community Connections Trail	299,760	271,200	570,960
Seneca	Main Street Brick Rehab	556,000	139,000	695,000
Shawnee County	Deer Creek Trail Extension	1,748,288	685,360	2,433,648
Smith Center	SRTS Phase 1: Planning	12,000	8,200	20,200
St. John	SRTS Phase 1: Planning	12,000	3,000	15,000
Topeka Metro Bikes	Bikeshare Infrastructure Expansion	75,768	18,942	94,710
Topeka Metro Transit Authority	City of Topeka Bus Stop Integration	614,344	153,586	767,930
Topeka	Bikeways Phase 3	803,820	469,828	1,273,648
Topeka	SRTS Phase 2: Infrastructure (Quincy Elementary)	280,000	70,000	350,000
USD 495-Larned	SRTS Phase 1: Planning	12,000	3,000	15,000

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