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KDOT calls for Transportation Alternatives Program project concepts

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) is letting applicants know that project concepts for the 2022 and 2023 Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program are needed in advance of the application release.

For Federal Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023, project concepts will be required for all proposed TA Program projects before an application will be emailed to project sponsors. This process allows KDOT to provide feedback on project scopes, eligibilities, appropriateness of TA funding and strength of concept prior to communities submitting an application.

KDOT's TA Program provides funding for a variety of alternative transportation projects. These include the construction of pedestrian and bicycle facilities and infrastructure for non-driver access to public transportation, projects that enhance safety and mobility for pedestrians, bicyclists and transit riders, projects that improve scenic or environmental assets in the state, Safe Routes to School projects and more.

An estimated \$14 million in federal funds are anticipated to be available to award for Federal Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023. All selected projects will be required to meet a minimum 20 percent local match and cover all non-participating expenses (e.g. preliminary engineering, right-of-way, utilities, etc.).

Important dates:

• Call for TA project concepts released - June 19.

- Submissions must use the TA Project Concept Form located on the KDOT TA webpage.
- **Informational webinars** 1-3 p.m. June 29, 30 and July 1-3. To register, go to the KDOT TA webpage.
- **Project concepts -** due July 31.
 - o Email to <u>Jenny.Kramer@ks.gov</u>
- Project concepts review and feedback August
- Applications emailed to approved sponsors by Aug. 28.
- Applications due Nov. 6.
- **Application review -** November January 2021.
- Awards announced early 2021.

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