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KDOT's Cost Share Program applications being accepted

The Kansas Department of Transportation is now accepting applications for the fall 2023 round of the agency's Cost Share Program. More than \$125 million has been given to Kansas communities since the Cost Share Program's began in 2019.

The Cost Share Program provides financial assistance to local entities for construction projects that improve safety, leverage state funds to increase total transportation investment and help both rural and urban areas of the state improve the transportation system. This is the seventh round of projects to receive funding.

"The continuation of the Cost Share Program shows KDOT's ongoing commitment to improving transportation and creating economic growth and job opportunities across Kansas," said Michelle Needham, Economic Development Programs Manager. "Past Cost Share participants have proven this program to be the financial boost that many small and large communities needed to achieve their project goals."

An informational webinar on the program will take place on Thursday, Aug. 24, at 10 a.m. The application process will be discussed, and attendees can ask questions. To register for the webinar, go to: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_2ATGmQZnRMy6q-BissOfKQ#/registration

All transportation projects are eligible, including roadway (on and off the state system), rail, airport, bicycle/pedestrian and public transit. Candidate projects should include investments that provide transportation benefits and are not eligible for other KDOT programs. This round of grant funding has an overall budget of \$11 million, with a maximum awarded amount of \$1.5 million per project.

The deadline to submit applications is Sept. 21. More information and the application link are on KDOT's website at <http://www.ksdot.org/CostShare/CostShareProgram.asp>. All applications will be completed online, and a sample PDF application will be available for preview.

Please contact Needham, michelle.d.needham@ks.gov, with any questions.

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