

A FIELD GUIDE

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Program Name	Bridge Replacement & Rehabilitation
Description	Funding to rehabilitate or replace deficient bridges. Bridges must be either functionally obsolete or structurally deficient as determined by inspection complying with the National Bridge Inspection Program. Bridges meeting one of these two categories and having a sufficiency rating between 50 and 80 are eligible for rehabilitation; those with a rating below 50 are eligible for either replacement or rehabilitation.
Main	 Substandard bridges are those in a deteriorated condition or with deficiencies in load-carrying capacity, width or traffic service Funding for counties is distributed in proportion to the square footage of deficient bridge
Points	• Annual city funding estimates (by population): Under 5,000 → \$1.3M*; 5,000 − 15,000 → \$1.3M; 15,000 − 50,000 → \$2.4M; Topeka → \$896,000; Lawrence → \$502,000; WAMPO → \$1.2M; MARC → \$1.6M
	Under 5,000 can apply independent of county 5-year plan
How to Apply?	Programmed as part of the LPAs five-year plan for construction using federal aid and in cooperation with local planning authority. Annual submittal of five-year plan and project requests.
Match	80% Fed / 20% Local – Construction & Inspection phases 100% Local – Design, Right-of-way Acquisition & Utility Relocation
Likelihood of Funding	County, city or MPO determines priority status. *New fund available for <5,000 pop.
Source	Federal
Program Contact	Sondra Clark, Program Manager Bur. of Local Projects, 785-296-3861 sondrac@ksdot.org
Website Help Updated	http://www.ksdot.org/burlocalproj/funding/CoFundCat.asp http://www.ksdot.org/burlocalproj/funding/CityFundCat.asp January 22, 2008

Program Name	Surface Transportation Program (STP)
Description	Funding for road or bridge construction on federal-aid eligible routes. For purposes of the local program, federal-aid routes are defined as local jurisdiction-controlled roads classified as major collector or above based on FHWA's functional classification system.
Main Points	 County Fund includes major collector routes (RS designated routes) (about 21,000 mi.) and Cities with <5,000 pop. City fund includes Collectors & Arterials within urban boundaries Funding levels: Counties → \$17.6M; 5,000 – 15,000 → \$1.5M; 15,000 – 50,000 → \$2.9M; Lawrence → \$609,000; Topeka → \$1.1M; WAMPO → \$7.9M; MARC → \$10.6M.
How to Apply?	Programmed as part of the LPAs five-year plan for construction using federal aid and in cooperation with local planning authority. Annual submittal of five-year plan and project requests. 80% Fed / 20% Local – Construction & Inspection phases.
Likelihood of Funding	100% Local – Design, Right-of-way Acquisition & Utility Relocation. Counties: Funding available annually. Cities: Funding availability varies according to the five-year plan. Small urban funding (5,000 – 200,000 except Topeka & Lawrence) is made available on a rotation basis.
Source	Federal
Program Contact	Sondra Clark, Program Manager Bur. of Local Projects, 785-296-3861 sondrac@ksdot.org
Website Help Updated	www.ksdot.org/burlocalproj/funding/CoFundCat.asp www.ksdot.org/burlocalproj/funding/CityFundCat.asp January 22, 2008

Program Name	Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)
Description	Parts of the Federal Highway Bill (SAFETEA-LU) funds are reserved for safety improvements on Federal-aid eligible routes (except Interstates).
Main Points	 Counties are given 10% of these funds Urban > 5,000 pop.: CE & Constr. only Transportation Management Area (TMA): Suballocated to MPO, CE & Constr.
How to Apply?	Call contact listed for various local government classifications.
Match	90% Fed (maximum) / 10% (minimum) Local
Likelihood of Funding	Slim – Very competitive
Source	Federal
Program Contact	Local: Lynn Berges, Traffic Safety Engineer Bur. of Local Projects, 785-296-0410 lberges@ksdot.org Urban > 5,000 population: Brian Gower, State Traffic Engineer Bur. of Traffic Engineering, 785-296-3618 gower@ksdot.org
Website Help	
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Program Name	STP – Safety Railroad
Description	Parts of the Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds are reserved for protective device installation and hazard elimination at rail/highway grade crossings on public roads. Improvements are generally flashing lights with gates and constant warning time detection circuitry.
Main Points	 Protective device installation Hazard elimination
How to Apply?	Call contact. Uses Priority Formula Hazard Index.
Match	Varies.
Likelihood of Funding	High. If crossing is not eligible for federal funds, a small state funded program works for most other crossings.
Source	Federal
Program Contact	William "Mitch" Sothers, Coordinating Engineer Bureau of Design, 785-296-3529 mitchs@ksdot.org
Website Help	www.ksdot.org/burdesign/coorsect/Sectndefault.asp
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Program Name	Congestion Mitigation / Air Quality (CMAQ)
Description	A funding category available for projects that provide air quality benefits in metro areas. Examples include transit projects, intersection improvements, collectors and arterial expansions.
Main Points	 Used in Transportation Management Area (TMA) >200,000 pop. Suballocated to KC & Wichita Annual funds: Wichita Area Metro Planning Org → \$3.1M; Mid-America Regional Council → \$4.1M
How to Apply?	Priorities set by CMAQ Committee.
Match	80% Federal / 20% Local
Likelihood of Funding	Good
Source	Federal
Program Contact	Sondra Clark, Program Manager Bur. of Local Projects, 785-296-3861 sondrac@ksdot.org
Website Help	www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/cmaqpgs/
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Program Name	402 Safety Program
Description	Funds available to cities and counties for safety-related activities such as traffic studies and safety training. KDOT has two consultants on retainer to perform studies as needed. Safety training is provided by KU and KSU professors plus KDOT personnel.
Main Points	 Traffic Engineering Assistance Program (TEAP) Traffic Assistance Services for Kansas (TASK) Small Cities/Low Volume Roads (LVR) handbooks (hardcopy or CD-ROM)
How to	Call or email contact.
Apply?	
Match	None. 100% Federal. TASK courses are \$5/session.
Likelihood of Funding	Currently spending all of \$150,000 each year. TEAP funding is competitive with about 2/3 of applicants receiving funds.
Source	Federal
Program Contact	Lynn Berges, Traffic Safety Engineer Bur. of Local Projects, 785-296-0410 lberges@ksdot.org
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Program Name	Technology Transfer #1
Description	Provides cities and counties with the opportunity to obtain technology and related training through the KU Transportation Center (KUTC).
Main Points	 Local Transportation Assistance Program (LTAP) Kansas County Road Scholar Program Newsletters, Lending Library, etc.
How to Apply?	Contacts listed below.
Match	Registration, travel, etc. expenses.
Likelihood of Funding	Good.
Source	Federal
Program Contact	Ron Seitz, Bureau Chief, Bur. of Local Projects Bur. of Local Projects 785-296-3861 seitz@ksdot.org Kristin Kelly, LTAP Training & Technical Assistance Coordinator KUTC 785-864-2594 kbkelly@ku.edu
Website Help	http://www.kutc.ku.edu/cgiwrap/kutc/index.php
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Program Name	Transportation Enhancement (TE)
Description	A reimbursement program for pedestrian and bicycle paths, streetscapes, landscaping, safety and education for pedestrians and bicyclists, tourist and welcome center facilities, restoration of historic transportation facilities, control and removal of outdoor advertising, environmental mitigation and wildlife habitat connectivity, transportation museums and other transportation related enhancement activities.
Main Points	Must relate to surface transportation and qualify for at least one of the 12 federally defined TE activities that fall into these three main categories: • Historic • Pedestrian & Bicycle Facilities • Scenic & Environmental
How to Apply?	Applications must be sponsored by and submitted through a local unit of government (city/county) however any public entity, private, nonprofit, or civic organization may promote and assist with the project application and project. Application workshops are held and applications are solicited, annually. The next round of applications is yet to be determined.
Match	80% Federal / 20% Local (20% minimum). Locals also pay 100% of design costs.
Likelihood of Funding Source	Fairly competitive. Usually award 20 to 25% of applications submitted. Needs strong commitment from locals plus good planning of the project. Federal
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Program Contact	Kaye Jordan-Cain, TE Program Coordinator Bureau of Program & Project Mgmt., 785-296-0280 kaye@ksdot.org
Website Help	www.ksdot.org/burProgProjMgmt/Local/TEwebpg5-2-07/TEwebpgNEWRev5-2-07_files/frame.htm
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Program Name	Geometric Improvements (a Local Partnership Program)
Descriptio n	Helps cities fund improvements to City Connecting Links (city streets that carry a state highway designation). This is in addition to payments made directly to municipalities for general maintenance of the City Connecting Links.
Main Points	 Maximum state \$ and local match varies according to population Approximately \$6M in state funds annually
How to Apply?	Application process (sent out in late May with a deadline of Aug 1). Recommended by the Highway Advisory Commission (can negotiate and offer different than requested) & approved by the Secretary.
Match	Minimum local match $0-25\%$, depending on the size of the city. Maximum state share ranges from \$700,000 - \$950,000.
Likelihood of Funding	Annual competition. Generally 20% of applications receive funding.
Source	State
Program Contact	Melinda Desch, Program Management Engineer Bur. of Program & Project Mgmt., 785-296-3476 melinda@ksdot.org
Website Help	www.ksdot.org/bureaus/burProgProjMgmt/Local/GeomtricImprovement07.
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Program Name	KLINK 1R Resurfacing (a Local Partnership Program)
Description	Helps cities fund resurfacing projects on City Connecting Links (city streets that carry a state highway designation). This is in addition to payments made directly to municipalities for general maintenance of the City Connecting Links.
Main Points	 Part of Comprehensive Transportation Program (CTP) Major Modifications Pays for surface repairs, replacements only City responsible for project design, letting, inspection, etc.
How to Apply?	Application process.
Match	50% State/50% Local for >10,000 population 75% State/25% Local for <10,000 population Maximum state share \$200,000.
Likelihood of Funding	Good
Source	State
Program Contact	Melinda Desch, Program Management Engineer Bur. of Program & Project Mgmt., 785-296-3476 melinda@ksdot.org
Website Help	www.ksdot.org/bureaus/burProgProjMgmt/Local/KLINKResurfacing07.pdf
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Program Name	Economic Development (a Local Partnership Program)
Description	Road and bridge projects intended to help cities and counties enhance the economic development of the State of Kansas. The project does not have to generate new jobs but can help in keeping existing business or industry. Strong support must be shown for economic benefit.
Main Points	 Anywhere in the state (does not need to be on SHS) Approximately \$7 Million state funds annually
How to Apply?	Application process (sent out in late May with a deadline of Aug 1). Recommended by the Highway Advisory Commission (can negotiate and offer different than requested) & approved by the Secretary.
Match	Minimum local match 25%. Maximum state share is \$2M.
Likelihood of Funding	Annual competition. Generally 20% of applications receive funding.
Source	State
Program Contact	Melinda Desch, Program Management Engineer Bur. of Program & Project Mgmt., 785-296-3476 melinda@ksdot.org
Website Help	www.ksdot.org/bureaus/burProgProjMgmt/Local/ED07.pdf
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Program Name	Transportation Revolving Fund
Description	A flexible, low-cost loan made to cities and counties for road, street, highway, culvert, and bridge projects. About half of the applications are for matching funds for KDOT projects but most of the money is for local projects. The interest rate changes every Monday morning. This interest rate in late-January 2008 was 3.51% plus the 0.25% service fee for a total effective rate of 3.76%.
Main Points	 Project must be consistent with the State Highway System – now or in the future Does not have to be on the SHS nor must they be on a five-year plan Can be used for planning, design, ROW, acquisition, construction engineering, and construction. Utility relocate considered A local project remains a local project. KDOT will not inspect or monitor projects that are 100% local Local projects must be designed by a licensed PE and inspected by a certified inspector Can be used for match on Federal program Doesn't count toward borrowed funds ceiling
How to Apply?	Application on the web. Send application to Evelyn Fitzpatrick for processing (about 45 to 60 days).
Match	Each borrower limited to \$6M maximum each state fiscal year.
Likelihood	Good. No application has been denied yet. However, an applicant must
of Funding	show proof that they can pay the loan back.
Source	State
Program Contact	Evelyn Fitzpatrick, Program Manager Bur. of Fiscal Services, 785-296-4782 evelynf@ksdot.org
Website Help	www.ksdot.org/burfiscal/TRF/default.asp
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Program Name	Rural Highway/RR Crossing Surfacing
Description	Highway/railroad crossings surfacing improvements on rural state highways, including those on City Connecting Links in cities up to 2,500 population.
Main Points	 Installation of high type crossing surfaces and approaches Lump sum KDOT payment of \$410/foot of crossing surface (width of roadway at crossing + about 2' on each side) Approximately \$500,000 state funds annually
How to Apply?	Projects selected based on need as reported on annual evaluation.
Match	50% State / 50% RR. No audit retainage.
Likelihood of Funding	High. Contact the coordinating section if you have a candidate crossing.
Source	State
Program Contact	William "Mitch" Sothers, Coordinating Engineer Bureau of Design, 785-296-3529 mitchs@ksdot.org
Website Help	www.ksdot.org/burdesign/coorsect/Sectndefault.asp
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Program Name	Local Partnership Grade Separation Program (LPGS)
Description	Program for highway/RR crossings not eligible for the Railroad Grade Separation Program. Route can't be on National Highway System (NHS) and must be classified as a rural major collector or an urban minor arterial or higher to be eligible.
Main Points	 All funds through the life of the CTP have been obligated KDOT received legislative authority to spend state highway funds off of the SHS
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How to Apply?	Application process.
Match	90% State / 10% Local or 80% / 20%. Match is sliding depending on population.
Likelihood of Funding	Unlikely until a new state program is approved.
Source	State
Program Contact	William "Mitch" Sothers, Coordinating Engineer Bureau of Design, 785-296-3529 mitchs@ksdot.org
Website Help	www.ksdot.org/burdesign/coorsect/Sectndefault.asp
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Program Name	Special City/County Highway Funds
Description	Distribution of motor fuels tax by formula. Collected by the Kansas Department of Revenue and dispersed by Kansas State Treasurer.
Main Points	 State gets 60% of fuels tax, Cities & Counties 40% Cities receive 43% of the 40% Counties receive 57% of the 40% \$5,000 to each county – paid quarterly Remainder distributed based on vehicle registrations, ADVMT, and total road miles Special cases in some counties: large cities get part of county \$
How to Apply?	N/A
Match Likelihood of Funding	N/A Good
Source	State
Program Contact	Ron Seitz, Bureau Chief, Bur. of Local Projects Bur. of Local Projects 785-296-3861 seitz@ksdot.org
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Program Name	City Connecting Link Maintenance Payment
Description	Payment for maintenance of City Connecting Links by lane miles when maintenance is performed by the city. A committee is working on a rewrite of the agreement. They will be updated with local communities incrementally over the next few years (approximately 50 per year). 371 communities in Kansas have at least one CCL.
Main Points	\$3,000 per lane mile.
How to Apply?	N/A
Match	N/A
Likelihood of Funding	Varies.
Source	State. Distributed by the Kansas State Treasurer.
Program Contact	Fred Holthaus, Assist. Cartography Manager Bureau of Transportation Planning, 785-296-4866 <u>fredh@ksdot.org</u>
Website Help	http://www.ksdot.org/IDMWS/kdot/12/resolutions/cclresolution.asp
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Program Name	Corridor Management
Description	Program for designated protected corridors identified in the District Corridor Management Plan. Besides providing technical services, funding is available to study and prepare preliminary engineering for these corridors.
Main Points	 Typical Access Layouts Access Criteria Each District has a plan
How to Apply?	Application process.
Match	33% or 50%. 33% match and KDOT maximum of \$250,000 for project category funds. 50% match and KDOT maximum of \$200,000 for contingency funds.
Likelihood of Funding	
Source	State
Program Contact	Thomas Dow, State Transportation Planner Bur. of Transportation Planning, 785-296-3754 tdow@ksdot.org
Website Help	www.ksdot.org/burTrafficEng/CMPWorking/Index.asp
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Program Name	ITS Set-Aside (Intelligent Transportation System)
Description	ITS is the application of advanced sensor, computer, electronics, and communications technologies and management strategies – in an integrated manner – providing traveler information – to increase the safety and efficiency of the surface transportation system.
Main Points	 Anywhere in state (rural and urban) Technology applications, developments, studies, and research Targets specific transportation problems such as safety, inefficiency, or reduced mobility Reimbursement program
How to Apply?	KDOT Application process. Letters or email communications go out in March/April to cities, counties, and KDOT. The project application process and timeline are included in the mailing.
Match Likelihood of Funding	Not required but helps with scoring. It reflects commitment by the local. Typically, 16 to 22 proposals are received with funding requests totaling twice what is available. The program is competitive.
Source	State.
Program Contact	Karen Gilbertson, ITS Engineer Bur. of Transportation Planning, 785-296-3387 kareng@ksdot.org
Website Help	www.ksdot.org/burTransPlan/burovr/inttrans.asp
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Program Name	Kansas Airport Improvement Program
Description	Program for improvements to all public-use airports except those classified as Primary airports. Program focuses on airfield pavements, lighting, weather systems and navigational aids.
Main Points	 Maximum state participation on a new primary runway project is \$1 million; \$500,000 for other projects Funds cannot be used as sponsor's match for a federal project Planning projects may qualify
How to Apply?	Applications are solicited annually and are due by Sept. 30 but are accepted any time during the year prior to that date. A simple one page application form is used (available on our web site).
Match	Depends on population: • <3,000 → 90% State / 10% Local; • 3,000 - 10,000 → 75% / 25%; • >10,000 → 50% / 50%
Likelihood of Funding	Good. Projects selected by a project evaluation team using a priority rating system.
Source	State
Program Contact	Ed Young, Director Division of Aviation, 785-296-2553 KDOTAviation@ksdot.org
Website Help	www.ksdot.org then click on Aviation under Other Transport Modes
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Program Name	Technical Transfer #2
Description	Provides cities and counties with the opportunity to obtain technology and related training through KDOT-hosted NHI courses and LTAP hosted courses. Can also provide research help through the KDOT Library. Publishes K-TRAN and research project reports administered through KU and KSU. Counties can submit ideas for research through the Bureau of Local Projects.
Main Points	 KDOT Main Library and Electronic Library KDOT Training Classes National Highway Institute (NHI) courses. K-TRAN and Research Reports New Product Reviews
How to Apply?	Contact listed below.
Match	Registration, travel, etc. expenses.
Likelihood of Funding	Good.
Source	State
Program Contact	Susan Barker, Technology Transfer Engineer Bureau of Materials & Research, 785-291-3847 susanb@ksdot.org
Website Help	www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov/ NHI Course Web site library@ksdot.org email contact for the KDOT Library
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Program Name	Emergency Relief Program
Description	Program to supplement resources of states, cities and counties to help pay for unusually heavy expenses resulting from (1) natural disasters or (2) catastrophic failures from an external cause. Examples of natural disasters include floods, tornadoes, or severe storms. A catastrophic failure could be the collapse of a bridge as a result of being struck by a barge.
Main Points	 Funds are only available when the total statewide damage for a given event is \$700,000 or more. Minimum repair cost per site is \$5,000. Reimbursement is 100% for repair work within 180 days of event, 80% thereafter. Only repair in-kind is eligible. May only be used on federal-aid eligible roads.
How to	Call or e-mail contact.
Apply? Match	None for eligible repairs within 180 days of event; 20% match thereafter.
Likelihood of Funding	Good, if eligibility requirements are met.
Source	Federal
Program Contact	Local: Rod Lacy, Bureau of Local Projects, 785-296-3861, rlacy@ksdot.org State Highway: Mark Krentz, Bur. of Construction & Maintenance, 785-296-3576, krentz@ksdot.org
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Program Name	Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS)
Description	A reimbursement program for the planning and implementation of projects or activities that enable and encourage children, including those with disabilities, to walk and bicycle to school safely.
Main Points	SRTS is a phased reimbursement program. Phase 1 is the creation of a SRTS plan. Phase 2 is for implementation of the plan. Eligible uses of Phase 2 funds fall under the following five categories: • Engineering – crossings, walkways, bikeways • Education – transportation choices, safety campaigns • Enforcement – crossing guards, law enforcement • Encouragement – events, activities • Evaluation – documenting outcomes
How to Apply?	Application. Phase 1 by USD (+ local govt.); Phase 2 by USD or local govt. (non-infrastructure) or by local govt. for infrastructure projects.
Match	100% reimbursement for eligible costs. Not eligible: Design costs, right-of-way acquisition, utility adjustments.
Likelihood of Funding	Fairly competitive application process.
Source	Federal
Program Contact	Becky Pepper, Kansas SRTS Coordinator Bureau of Traffic Planning, 785-296-8593 rpepper@ksdot.org
Website Help	http://www.ksdot.org/bureaus/burTrafficEng/sztoolbox/default.asp January 31, 2008
Program Contact Website	Becky Pepper, Kansas SRTS Coordinator Bureau of Traffic Planning, 785-296-8593 rpepper@ksdot.org