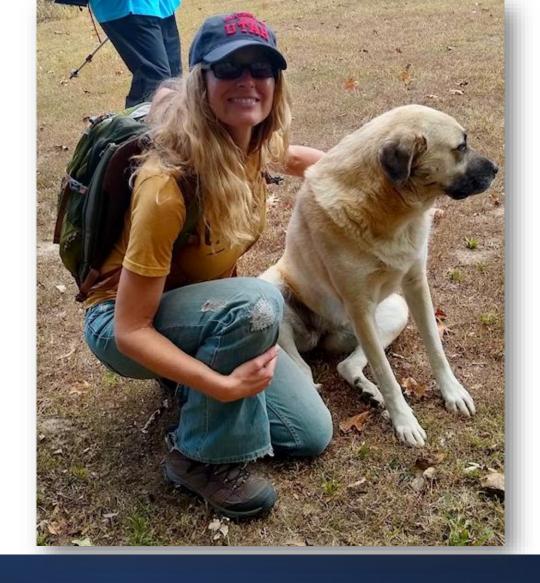
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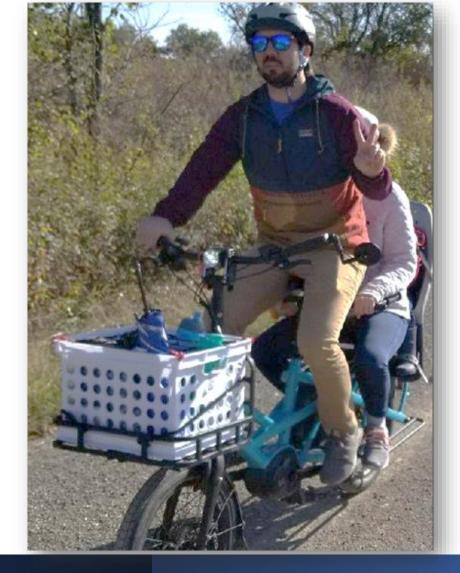
TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES



2024 Call for Projects

For Projects to be Bid Federal Fiscal Years 2025 and 2026





KDOT TA Support Staff: Jenny Kramer, Active Transportation Manager Matt Messina, Chief of Multimodal Transportation





https://www.ksdot.org/

https://www.ksdot.org/burRail/bike/default.asp



Goals are focused on:

Safety

Equity

Mobility

Community Health

and Vibrancy

Culture Shift and

Education

System Longevity

KDOT Active Transportation Key Links

Kansas Active Transportation Plan

Active Transportation Plan and Policy Registry and Map

2023-2025 Kansas Bicycle Map and online Map Request Portal

Transportation Alternatives Program

Kansas Safe Routes to School Program

US Bicycle Routes (USBR) through Kansas

2020-24 Kansas Strategic Highway Safety Plan - Pedestrian and Cyclists







2024 Call for Projects NOW OPEN!

Attend one of 3 webinars focused on construction projects and/or one of 3 webinars focused on Safe Routes to School (SRTS) non-construction projects.

Construction projects, including Safe Routes to School construction projects:

Online Concept Paper

Word copy of Concept Paper

IMPORTANT The online submission portal does not save work in progress and submissions must be completed within a single session. The Word document is provided to prepare responses prior to your online submission.

*Please note, the full application is basically the same as the Concept Paper except for a few additional questions and required accompanying documents such as Letters of Support and a Resolution of Support.

<u>TA Program Guide</u> focused on construction projects - This guide is focused on the application for construction projects; use as a complement to webinar slides available below.

Informational Webinars for Construction Projects:

2/5 - 10-11am. Register here.

2/8 - 2:30-3:30pm. Register here.

2/9 - 11am-12pm. Register here

Slides are available here.

Recording will be available the week of February 12th.

TA Construction Scoring Sheets for Ped/Bike Category

Comprehensive

Categorical

- Available on the webpage:
 - Concept Paper links and Word versions
 - Program Guides
 - Slides
 - Scoring sheets
 - More!

https://www.ksdot.gov/bureaus/burtransplan/TransAlt.asp

Webpage



- Slides and Webinar recording will be available on the TA webpage
- Slides already available
- Recording will be available after the Feb. 9th webinar

Webinars: Feb. 5, 8, 9, 2024

Introductions and Active Transportation News



New Staff!



Kansas Active Transportation Enhancement (KATE)



Road Safety Audit Trainings



Kansas Active Transportation Plan



Continuing

- Non-urbanized areas of <u>WAMPO</u> and <u>MARC</u> eligible to apply. Lists on another slide.
- Concept Papers still required and are due by March 1. Full Application due May 17, 2024
- Flint Hills, Topeka Metro, Lawrence, and St. Joseph (MO) MPOs are eligible applicants

NEW!

- On-line application hard copies and flash drives with digital docs no longer accepted
- Limited engineering technical assistance available during the Concept Paper and application phases



NEW!

The <u>Kansas Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment</u> (VRUSA) was published at the end of 2023 complete with recommendations and the identification of high risk and high injury networks.

In response, the Bureau of Transportation Safety has committed \$3M per year of Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds to support <u>up to</u> 20% match on ped/bike/SRTS TA projects that meet certain criteria.

Projects will be scored based on the following criteria:

- Project is in community with populations under 5,000.
- Project is identified a disadvantaged based on the Climate and Economic Justice Screening <u>Tool</u>.
- Project is on a corridor prioritized in the VRUSA
- Project includes safety countermeasures identified in the <u>VRUSA</u> and FHWA <u>STEP Guide</u>



NEW!

- Preliminary Engineering (PE) will be included as a participating expense on construction projects at 80:20 pro rata and eligible for match support up to 20% using HSIP funds
 - PE Consultant selection will need to follow the KDOT Bureau of Local Projects
 quality-based selection process using KDOT's <u>Consultant Selection Guide</u>
- Safe Routes to School <u>non-construction</u> projects changes:
 - Fund at 100% using KATE funds for required 20% match
 - No max on Master Plan development
 - PE removed as stand-alone option
 - Continued: max on education and programming at \$50,000







PURPOSE OF TRAINING

Join us for an all-day training on conducting a local Road Safety Assessments focused on concerns specific to pedestrians and bicyclists exploring safety, accessibility, comfort, and convenience.

This training is designed for city and county representatives, transportation professionals, advocates, and community members.



TRAINING LOCATIONS

- Topeka 3/13/24
- Kansas City 3/19/24
- Hutchison 3/28/24
- Garden City 4/2/24
- Wichita/Sedgwick Co 4/10/24
- Salina 4/25/24
- Pittsburg 5/1/24
- Hays 5/7/24



Registration is FREE. Lunch will be provided. For more information and to register, visit:

Register Today!











Program Timeline

Date	Activity
February 1,	Call for Projects, Concept Forms available and Press
2024	Release issued.
March 1, 2024	Project Concept Forms due. Concept forms must be
	submitted on <u>Qualtrics</u> .
March	Project Concept technical assistance and feedback
	period.
End of March 2024	Application link will be emailed to local sponsors who
	completed the Project Concept Form and met eligibility
	requirements.
May 17, 2024	Applications must be submitted on Qualtrics On-Line Application Portal
May 20 to June 30, 2024	Application review period.
Summer 2024	Project selections and public announcement of awards.



Qualtrics On-Line Concept Paper

- Components of application:
 - Primary, secondary and co-sponsor information
 - Project category: Ped/Bike, Historic, Scenic and Environmental, or Safe Routes to School
 - Countermeasures that will be applied, e.g. speed management, road diet, crosswalks, etc.
 - Project attributes, e.g. identified in a planning document, overcomes major barriers, addresses equity, etc.



Qualtrics On-Line Concept Paper, cont.

- Components of application:
 - Project title
 - Project scope and description
 - Design guidance used, if applicable
 - Significance and need
 - Benefits of project
 - Project location/address
 - Cost estimates

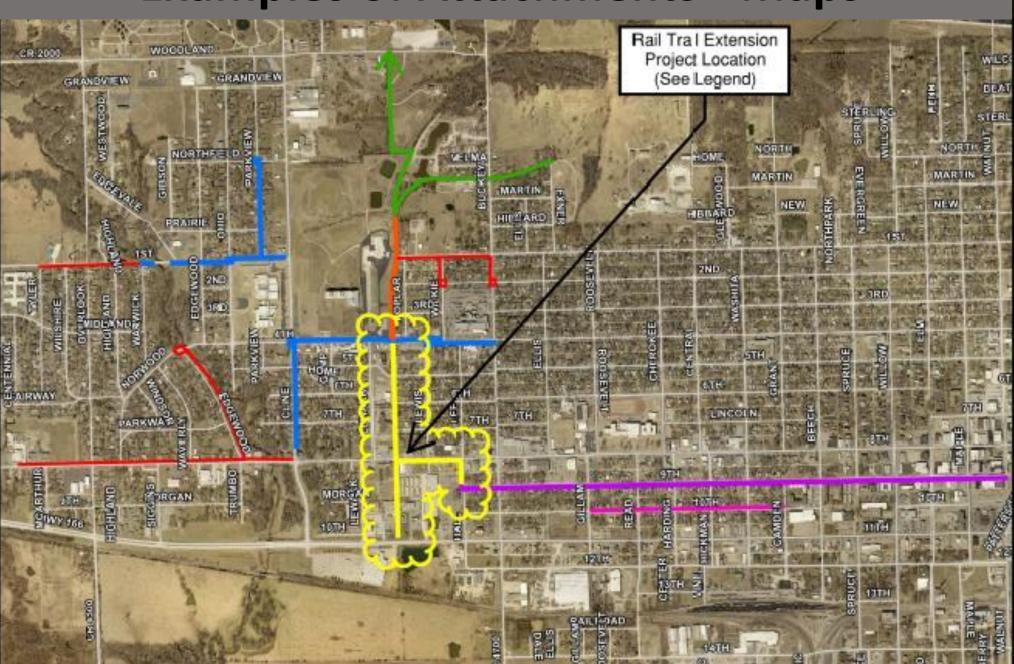


Qualtrics On-Line Concept Paper, cont.

- Components of application-attachments:
 - Location map
 - Completed sketches or designs if applicable
 - Photos



Examples of Attachments - Maps



Engineering Department 102 W 7th COFFEYVILLE, KS 67337 VOICE: 620-252-6100 FAX: 620-252-6175 www.coffe/ville.com

1 in = 1,000 ft

City of Coffeyville Sidewalk Grant Projects

10th St CDBG Sidewalk App.

9th St CDBG/AARP Grant

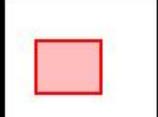
2014 EPA Brownfields Trail

2021 KDOT TA App.

Future Bike/Ped Trails

2019 Safe Route to School

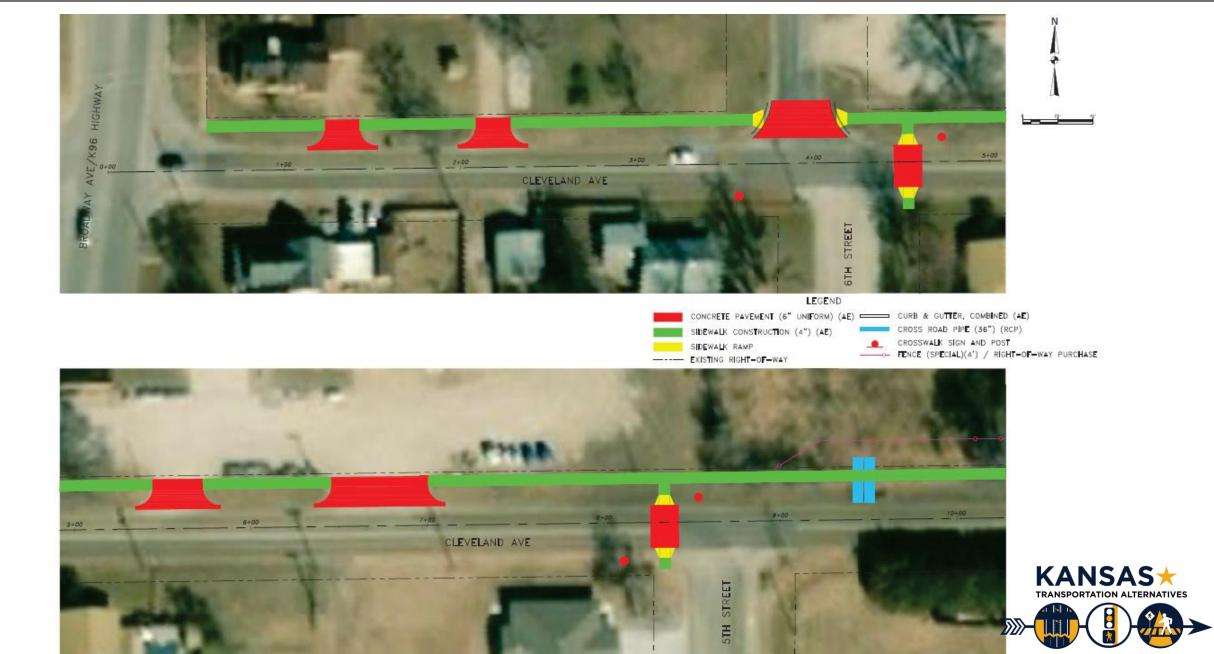
2021 Safe Route to School App.



Examples of Attachments - Photos



Examples of Attachments – Design plans



Review Process

- Project Concept Forms are required and will be due 3/1/24
- Feedback and Application Packets will be given to all applicants, no later than March 31, 2024
 - Project Concepts will be reviewed as they are received, and application links emailed once initial review of each project is complete
- Applications are due May 17, 2024
- Review period to go through end of June
- Awards expected to be announced in Summer



TA Program Overview



Eligibilities

Eligible Applicants*

- Local governments
- Transit Agencies
- Natural resource/public land agencies
- School districts, local education agencies, schools (SRTS-nonconstruction projects)
- Tribal governments
- Small MPOs
- Non-urbanized members of MARC and WAMPO
- Non-profit entities
- *A Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is required to accept federal funds

Ineligible Applicants

- KDOT
- Urbanized Areas of MARC MPO and WAMPO



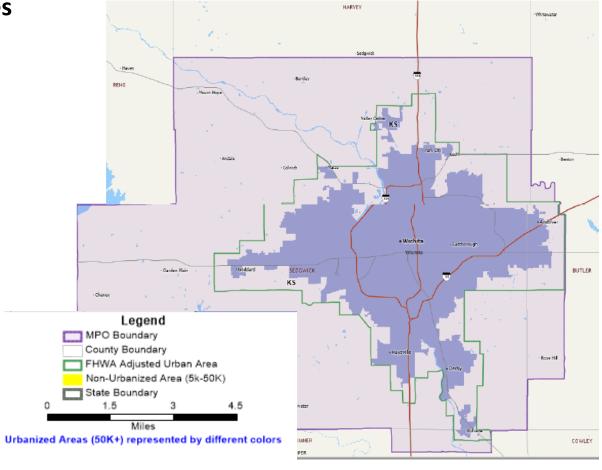


Eligibilities

WAMPO FHWA Adjusted MPO and

Urbanized Boundaries

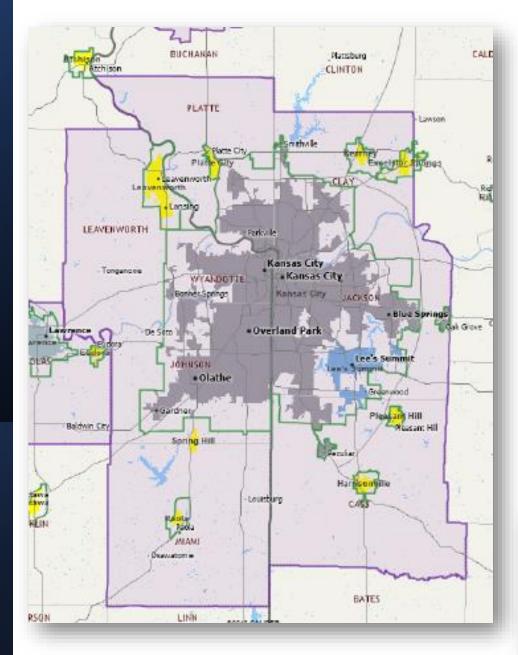
- Clearwater
- Rose Hill
- Cheney
- Garden Plain
- Viola
- Andale
- Colwich
- Mount Hope
- Bentley



 Note: Eligible communities are those within the MPO boundary but outside the FHWA adjusted urban area

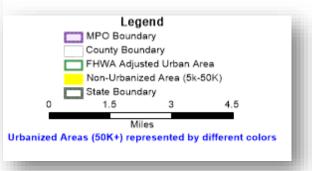


Eligibilities



MARC FHWA Adjusted MPO and Urbanized Boundaries

- Osawatomie
- Louisburg
- Spring Hill
- De Soto
- Tonganoxie
- Leavenworth
- Paola
- Lansing



Eligible Projects and Activities



Pedestrian and Bicycle/Non-Motorized Transportation



Safe Routes to School – K-12



Historic/Archeological Transportation Activities



Scenic and Environmental



Ineligible Projects and Activities*

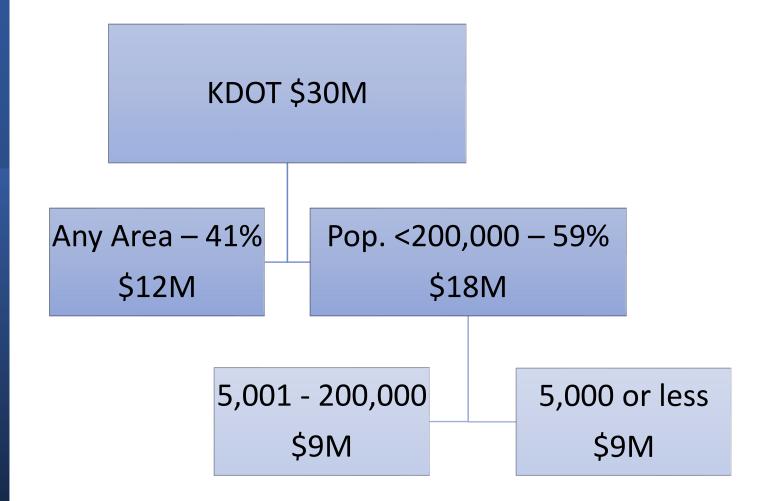
- Signing, landscaping, lighting and other scenic enhancements as <u>independent</u> projects
- Acquisition of scenic easements and scenic or historic sites
- Operation and administrative expenses
- Public art
- Standard roadway and bridge infrastructure items unless ped/bike focused
- Operation and maintenance of historic transportation facilities
- Transportation museums



^{*}This is not a comprehensive list

Estimated KDOT
Apportionment for FFYs
2024-25

Funding





Pedestrian and Bicycle General Category









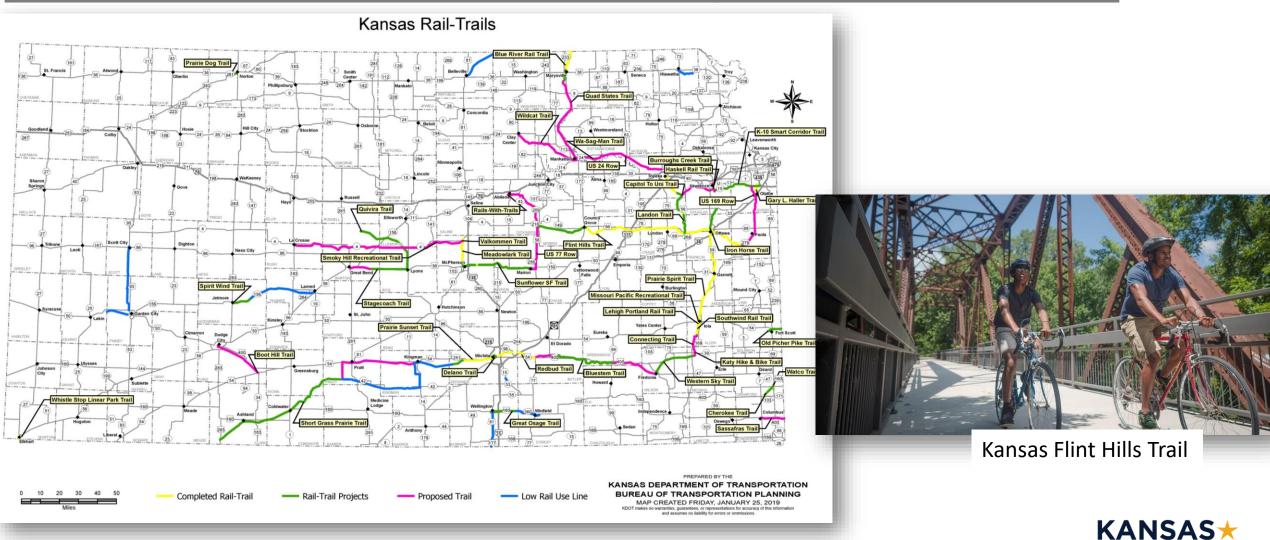
Painted and protected bike lanes

Pedestrian and Bicycle General Category



Pedestrian and Bicycle/Non-Motorized Transportation:

Conversion of Abandoned Railway Corridors to Trails





Safe Routes to School - Non-Construction

- Focus on the following areas:
 - Safe Routes to School Master Plan development
 - Education and Programming
- Separate application and webinar
- Please note stand-alone PE/design projects are no longer a category of SRTS but integrated into construction projects

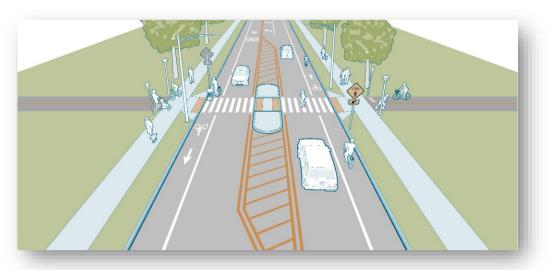




Safe Routes to School

Funds improvements on routes to improve safety to/from school identified in an approved community plan.











Historic

- Historic Preservation & Rehabilitation of Historic Transportation Facilities:
 - Preservation of buildings and facades in historic districts
 - Restoration of historic buildings for transportation-related purposes
 - Access improvements to historic sites
 - Restoration of railroad depots, bus stations and lighthouses
 - Rehabilitation of rail trestles, tunnels, bridges and canals
- Archaeological Activities
 - Research, preservation planning, and interpretation
 - Developing interpretive signs, exhibits, and guides
 - Inventories and surveys



Scenic and Environmental

- Scenic Turnouts and Overlooks
- Outdoor Advertising Management
- Streetscaping or Corridor
 Landscaping, Vegetation
 Management
- Stormwater Mitigation
- Wildlife Management





Local Cash Match on Construction Projects

- A minimum of 20% cash match required
 - HSIP funds available to fund up to 20% match on projects that meet safety, equity and population criteria
- Does not include non-participating or ineligible expenses, e.g.:
 - Right-of-Way (ROW)
 - Utilities



Project Requirements



Compliance

- All projects must meet state and federal requirements including:
 - **Public involvement** including adjacent property owners
 - The Uniform Act whether or not federal funds will be used
 - NEPA verify the project is not harmful to environment
 - ADA Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable access to project
 - Competitive bidding projects are let by KDOT unless otherwise approved
 - Davis-Bacon Wage Rates which state that contractors will conform to federal minimum wage requirements



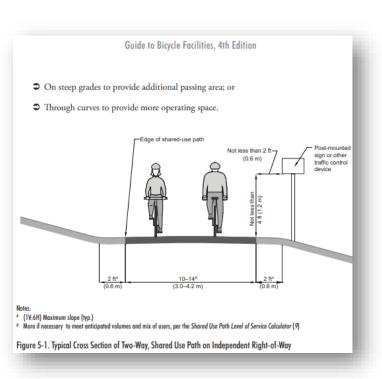
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Bike/Ped Design Guidance



Design Guides:

- FHWA Rails with Trails Best Practices and Lessons Learned (May 2021)
- FHWA On-Street Motor Vehicle Parking and the Bikeway Selection Process (Feb 2021)
- AASHTO: Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities (2012 4th Edition)
- FHWA Safe Transportation for Every Pedestrian (STEP)
- <u>FHWA: Achieving Multimodal Networks: Applying Design Flexibility and Reducing Conflicts</u>
 (2016)
- FHWA: Separated Bike Lane Planning and Design Guide (2015)
- FHWA: Small Town and Rural Multimodal Networks (2016)
 - Small Town and Rural Design Guide: Facilities for Walking and Biking
- Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE): Designing Walkable Urban Thoroughfares: A Context Sensitive Approach
- PEDSAFE: Pedestrian Safety Guide and Countermeasure Selection System
- BIKESAFE: Bicycle Safety Guide and Countermeasure Selection System
- National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO): all design guides
- FHWA: Incorporating On-Road Bicycle Networks into Resurfacing Projects (2016)

https://www.ksdot.gov/bureaus/burRail/bike/KAT_Planning_Resources.asp



Key Acronyms and Definitions

- CE: Construction Engineering/Inspection. Engineering, management, and inspection of a project during the construction phase.
- BIL: Bipartisan Infrastructure Law
- FFY: Federal Fiscal Year. The federal fiscal year runs from October 1 to September 30. Federal funding for projects is based on the FFY.
- FHWA: Federal Highway Administration.
- IIJA: Infrastructure Investment Jobs Act the new transportation bill
- KDOT: Kansas Department of Transportation
- Let/Letting date is the date by which bids on a construction project are opened.
- LPA: Local Public Authority. This is the city or county that the project is taking place in.
- MPO: Metropolitan Planning Organization. There are several MPOs in the state that create transportation improvement plans for the areas they cover.
- PE: Preliminary Engineering. This encompasses all plans, etc. that are created during the project planning process.
- PS&E: Plans, Specs and Estimate
- ROW: Right of Way. The land owned on either side of the roadway by the responsible entity (state, federal, local) is considered the Right of Way. Prior to construction temporary or permanent easements may need to be acquired to allow room for the project.
- TMA: Transportation Management Area. An area designated by the Secretary of Transportation having an urbanized area population of over 200,000
- SRTS: Safe Routes to School
- Utilities: electricity, gas, water, or sewage



Save the Date!

Cost Share Program
Applications Opening Soon!

Applications accepted beginning Monday, Feb. 12 through Thursday, March 21

We will host an informational webinar on Tuesday, Feb. 20



Please visit our webpage at

http://www.ksdot.gov/CostShare/ CostShareProgram.asp

for more information and a link to the webinar registration.

Q&A



Thank You!

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