Benefit to the Community

- Support to develop and implement community improvement plans
- Technical assistance
- Educational opportunities
- Facilitation for sharing of ideas
- Statewide networking
- State recognition of community successes
- A more vivid and active community

Communities can receive the following recognitions through their local KCE organization:

Project Excellence Awards recognize communities that have achieved outstanding success on a specific community project.

Rising Star Awards recognize individuals who have shown outstanding leadership through their volunteer efforts.

Community of Excellence is awarded to communities that have demonstrated that they have created a shared vision and mission and are working in an inclusive, collaborative manner on projects of high importance to the community.

Support Kansas Community Empowerment communities through a Tax Deductible DONATION...

Kansas PRIDE, Inc. offers several grant opportunities to Kansas Community Empowerment organizations. Communities in good standing as a KCE organization can apply for one of the following project funding grants:

Grants Provided by Kansas PRIDE, Inc.:

- Community of Growth Grants are for local KCE organizations in the start-up phase. Grant value up to $200.
- Community of Action Grants are for community improvement projects identified by the local KCE organization. Grant value $500 - $2,000.

Grants Provided by the Kansas Masons:

- Community Emergency Grants are for needs due to natural disasters, community health issues, or community/economic resilience. Grant value up to $1,000.
- Community Promotion Grants are new and are for communities seeking assistance with their marketing efforts. Grant value up to $1,000.
- VIP Community of Excellence Grants are for local KCE organizations that have attained Community of Excellence status. Grant applications must contain an endorsement from their local Masonic Lodge. Grant value up to $15,000.

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What is KANSAS Community Empowerment?

The Kansas Community Empowerment program is a volunteer-led effort to improve the quality of life in Kansas.

Working with communities as they honor their past, while creating a vision for the future, has been a goal of the Kansas Community Empowerment program since 1970.

Kansas Community Empowerment supports community development efforts by providing a structure to mobilize local organizations and governments as they address quality of life issues.

For the most current list of Kansas Community Empowerment participants, visit: https://kce.k-state.edu/communities/2023-communities.html

Empowered COMMUNITIES

2022 and 2023 participating program communities