

State of Kansas
Recovery Plan

**State and Local Fiscal Recovery
Funds**
2022 Report

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1 GENERAL OVERVIEW

1.1 Executive Summary

Kansans have continued to display a remarkable level of resilience amid overwhelming challenges since the emergence of the COVID-19 pandemic and its negative economic impacts in early 2020. To support a strong and equitable recovery, Governor Laura Kelly signed SB 159 and convened the Strengthening People and Revitalizing Kansas (SPARK) Executive Committee – which includes Democrats, Republicans, and Independents as well as members of the public sector and private sector – to recommend investments from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)’s State Fiscal Recovery Fund (SFRF) for consideration and approval by the State Finance Council. In addition, the Kansas State Legislature has also allocated SFRF outside of the established SPARK process.

As of June 30, 2022, Kansas has obligated \$1,311,511,898 of SFRF in support of Kansas’s COVID-19 response. The primary goal of SFRF-funded programs is to foster long-term systemic impact for Kansans. Given the short amount of implementation time for programs administered to date, it is early to measure progress against goals, but all programs are already creating significant impact for Kansans. For example, the Building a Stronger Economy (BASE) program has directed ~\$100,000,000 to 35 infrastructure investment projects associated with economic development across the state, positioning local communities for success and long-term economic growth, while the Rural Hospital Innovation Grant is supporting hospitals in increasing access to healthcare services in underserved communities.

The SPARK Executive Committee began meeting as a group in the summer of 2021 to identify potential areas of SFRF investment, with a focus on economic revitalization, health, education, connectivity, and government efficiency and modernization. Investments in these areas will address the highest needs, support the well-being of Kansans and ensure that the state is prepared for the challenges and opportunities of a post-COVID economy. In 2021, the Executive Committee focused on identifying immediate needs by meeting with business, government, and community leaders through regional listening sessions in [Wichita](#), [Dodge City](#), and [Kansas City](#). Through this process, the SPARK Executive Committee allocated a total of \$271,662,284.

Outside of the SPARK process in 2021, the Kansas State Legislature also allocated a total of \$617,100,000 of SFRF.

In late 2021, the Executive Committee established four Advisory Panels (Economic Revitalization, Health and Education, Connectivity, and Efficiency and Modernization) that were charged with developing initial investment recommendations for the Executive Committee to consider in 2022. A Project Director was hired to design and administer the [Advisory Panel process](#), and a process was created for the public to [submit investment ideas](#) for SPARK consideration to help identify needs that could potentially be addressed with SFRF. The Advisory Panels met throughout the winter and spring of 2022 and developed a slate of recommendations for the SPARK Executive Committee.

Additional allocations outside of the SPARK process were also made in 2022, by the Kansas State Legislature, totaling \$418,749,614. As of June 30, 2022, the recommendations prepared by the Advisory Panels are under consideration by the SPARK Executive Committee to award the remaining SFRF.

Kansas continues to be committed to the thoughtful and effective use of taxpayer funds. Kansas has responded holistically to the COVID-19 pandemic and its economic impacts through emergency programs, targeted relief for families and small businesses, and more made possible by federal relief programs. The state has employed an inclusive, fair, and bipartisan process that considers the full landscape of available funds and input from all stakeholders, and will continue to do so as SFRF programs are administered in the coming months and years.

1.2 Uses of Funds

Kansas is using SFRF in support of a strong, equitable, and inclusive recovery that meets the needs of Kansans and our communities. To maximize their programmatic impact, the distribution of and expenditure of SPARK-directed funds has been and will continue to be guided by six primary principles identified by the SPARK Executive Committee:

- Prioritize sustainable programs and investments through one-time use of funds vs substantial expansion of existing services
- Combine with and leverage local and agency funds to maximize use of discretionary funds
- Foster long-term systemic impact for Kansans
- Consider equitable opportunities and outcomes
- Enable flexibility within investment strategies
- Ensure results are measurable to enable tracking and transparency

As discussed in the Executive Summary, the SPARK Executive Committee identified four focus areas (Economic Revitalization, Health and Education, Connectivity, and Efficiency and Modernization) as the highest need areas in Kansas, and SFRF investments have been considered using that categorization. Given the short amount of implementation time for programs administered to date, it is early to measure progress against goals, but all programs currently underway are already delivering significant impact for Kansans. Select highlights have been shared below.

Connectivity

No Connectivity programs have been funded by SFRF as of June 30, 2022. Kansas anticipates being awarded \$103,000,000 via the Capital Projects Fund (CPF) in the near future, which will be used to advance Kansas's broadband strategy. These federal funds will support broadband infrastructure projects, digital connectivity projects, and multi-purpose community facility construction/renovation projects, all of which will ultimately help close connectivity gaps among Kansans, broadening access to health, employment, and education. In addition, Kansas launched the [Broadband Acceleration Grant Program](#) in 2020, a State-funded program which will invest \$85M over 10 years to construct high-quality, reliable broadband infrastructure

throughout Kansas. The Broadband Acceleration Grant Program strategically aligns with Kansas' plan for CPF as well as potential future SFRF investments in Connectivity to maximize the impact of ARPA funding for Connectivity.

Government Efficiency & Modernization

Programs and highlights include:

- **Docking Renovation:** Program will support renovation of the Docking State Office Building in Topeka.
- **KDHE Lab:** Program will enable the Kansas Department of Health and Environment to construct a new state lab location, allowing for modernization and improved lab performance.
- **Offender Management Information System:** Program will enable the Kansas Department of Corrections to replace the adult and juvenile offender management information systems. This modernization will improve ease of use and data management for Kansas's correctional system.

Health & Education

Programs and highlights include:

- **988 Crisis Hotline:** Program intends to provide Kansans with 24/7 crisis support services through immediate phone call, chat, and text access to mental health care providers. SFRF is funding the initial implementation of the program.
- **Rural Hospital Innovation Grant:** Program aims to strengthen and improve the healthcare system and increase access to healthcare services in eligible counties. The transitional assistance provided through the program will help hospitals adjust their current healthcare delivery models to alternative approaches better suited to the communities they serve (e.g., conducting market studies, acquiring new tools and infrastructure such as telemedicine delivery methods, and acquiring the services of healthcare professionals). This assistance will help communities achieve and maintain optimal health. Additional detail can be found [here](#).
- **Frontline Hospital Worker Retention Plan:** Program aims to improve the retention of nursing resources and support personnel at qualified facilities. Additional detail can be found [here](#).
- **Kansas Connect and Learn Initiative:** Program will match funds alongside the Federal Communications Commission's E-rate program, which makes telecommunications and information services more affordable for schools and libraries with discounts for telecommunications, Internet access, and internal connections, and managed internal broadband services. The Connect and Learn program is a state match for the E-rate program for school districts across the State.

Economic Revitalization

Programs include:

- **Unemployment Insurance Modernization:** Program aims to replace and modernize current computer technology (original UI system was created in 1971) and improve the experience of Kansans seeking unemployment insurance benefits. Additional detail can be found [here](#).
- **2021 Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund Replenishment:** Kansas has transferred funds to its Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund, with the objective of restoring the unemployment insurance trust fund to pre-pandemic levels.
- **24/7 Pay Plan:** Program includes pay initiatives aimed at addressing critical staffing shortages at several 24/7 State facilities, including Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC) facilities, Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) state hospitals and the Kansas Commission of Veterans Affairs Office (KCVAO) veterans' homes. Additional detail can be found [here](#).
- **Economic Development Infrastructure (BASE program):** Program is designed to support infrastructure development to address economic development opportunities statewide with the goal of expanding the state's base of businesses and residents. The Department of Commerce is responsible for oversight and distribution of \$100M for the grant program which is providing matching funds to address economic development opportunities throughout the state. Additional details and awardees can be found [here](#).

In addition to the above programs funded by SFRF, the [Kansas Emergency Rental Assistance \(KERA\)](#) and [Kansas Homeowner Assistance Fund \(KHAF\)](#) programs have been supporting Kansans throughout the pandemic recovery. For instance, the KHAF program has helped several hundred households who have fallen behind on utilities, mortgage payments, and other property-related charges. Kansan tenants who have experienced financial hardship due to the pandemic can, with their landlords, apply for up to 18 months of rental assistance via KERA (e.g., rent, utility, and internet assistance). The State Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI) has also been awarded and approved, providing \$69M in funds to increase access to capital for traditionally underserved small businesses. 40% and 20% of SSBCI funds will be supporting women-owned and minority-owned small businesses, respectively. These funds will be used to advance key sectors in Kansas, including Advanced Manufacturing, Aerospace, Distribution, Logistics and Transportation, Food and Agriculture, and Professional and Technical Services.

Intended uses of SFRF

The 2022 Kansas Legislature also allocated SFRF for future awards. These allocations include funding for workforce development projects at community and technical colleges, economic development projects at Kansas Board of Regents member institutions, investments in affordable housing initiatives, targeted economic development investments, and financial assistance for businesses impacted by the pandemic. Funds have not yet been expended for these allocations as they are in the initial stages of program design and implementation as of the time of this report. In addition, final recommendations advanced through the Advisory Panel process continue to be considered by the SPARK Executive Committee until all SFRF is allocated.

1.3 Promoting equitable outcomes

The SPARK Executive Committee is committed to strategically deploying funding to promote equity and improve outcomes for historically underserved and marginalized Kansans. An equity lens has been applied throughout the SPARK process to the evaluation and consideration of funding proposals, with a specific focus on addressing barriers to and closing the gap in economic participation, education, and health care for people of color, low-wage workers, and rural residents across the state. As the SPARK Advisory Panels prepared their recommendations for the Executive Committee in 2022, they assessed the extent to which each potential program addressed or targeted underserved areas or special needs populations. All final recommendations presented by the SPARK Advisory Panels included a detailed perspective on how the recommended program will promote equity and improve outcomes for historically underserved Kansans (note: As of June 30, 2022 the SPARK Advisory Panel recommendations are under consideration by the Executive Committee and no final decisions have been made.)

Given the short amount of implementation time for programs administered to date, it is early to measure progress against equity goals for programs that are currently underway. Select highlights include:

- The BASE program awarded 35 grants, 63% of which were to entities in rural counties.
- The Frontline Hospital Worker Retention Plan was offered to every qualified hospital in Kansas, ensuring that hospitals located in underserved geographies had the opportunity to access the program to improve their retention and attraction of frontline hospital workers. Participating facilities had the opportunity to design and customize their own programs to most effectively increase retention in their communities.
- The Individual Education Learning Recovery Grants program (not yet implemented) will include established income requirements.
- The Rural Hospital Innovation Grant Fund aimed to improve access to healthcare in underserved, rural communities.
- The Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund Replenishment in 2021 enabled Kansas to avoid punitive pandemic-related effects on small businesses in rural communities.

In addition to SPARK and Legislature-directed SFRF programs, SLFRF dollars were also allocated by other entities including local governments and non-entitlement units (NEUs). The Office of Recovery has led outreach to all entities responsible for allocating SLFRF, encouraging that an equity lens be applied wherever possible. For instance, in the [June 17th, 2022 Office of Recovery Newsletter, SLFRF Resources](#), the Office of Recovery provided equity-related resources to SLFRF recipients, including an August 2021 Treasury [webinar/presentation](#) on how to drive an equitable economic recovery, and a June 2022 Treasury [webinar/presentation](#) focused on equity and community engagement.

Ongoing outreach to local governments also includes the development and future distribution of training and resources to help cities and counties managing SLFRF allocations develop policy and practices that maintain compliance with and meet objectives of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act. The State of Kansas and its political subdivisions that received SLFRF from the ARPA, were required to sign assurances of existing compliance. The expediency of federal COVID-19 relief funding left jurisdictions scrambling to meet the increased needs of constituents. In getting

services and programs up and running, compliance considerations weren't always front and center due to timing, lack of understanding of compliance requirements, cumbersome and confusing guidance, and the absence of specialized staff. Title VI is critically important but can be a point of confusion for many because there is no overarching guidance; each federal funder provides their own standards. SLFRF was many smaller jurisdictions' first encounter with direct federal funding and thus the State of Kansas is committed to assisting these jurisdictions with training, collateral, and other support, as necessary.

To ensure equitable access and distribution of funds, the State of Kansas is committed to minimizing the administrative burden for communities and individuals accessing funding and assistance. Application procedures will continue to be as simplified and accessible as possible, with resources translated into multiple languages to ensure access for non-English speaking communities.

1.4 Community Engagement

The State of Kansas knows that making smart investments involves incorporating the best ideas from all Kansans, and the Advisory Panel process was designed to enable community engagement into SFRF allocations. To get to the Advisory Panel [membership slates](#), [Chairs and Vice Chairs](#) and panelists were nominated by SPARK Executive Committee members to balance public, private, and non-profit sector representation, scope of expertise, geographic diversity, and other factors. The Advisory Panels were tasked with developing investment recommendations for the SPARK Executive Committee based on their expertise, understanding of the current context in Kansas, and evaluation of investment ideas submitted by state agencies and members of the public. In addition to the expertise of panelists, subject matter experts were consulted during the Advisory Panel process (e.g., [workforce development presentation](#) from Dr. Donna Ginther, Director of the Institute for Policy & Social Research at the University of Kansas, and [housing resources presentation](#) by Ryan Vincent, Executive Director at KHRC).

The SPARK process for approving and allocating SFRF funds has provided and continues to provide numerous opportunities for community leaders, businesses, and Kansans from across the state to engage. Kansans have been able to participate by:

- Learning about Kansas's COVID-19 response programs and investments, available through the [Office of Recovery website](#)
- Participating in local government surveys to guide the Office of Recovery's outreach plan
- Attending training and information sessions about federal funding guidelines
- Listening in to [publicly available meetings](#) on SFRF funding
- Participating in regional listening sessions (hosted in [Wichita](#), [Dodge City](#), and [Kansas City](#) in fall 2021)
- Submitting their [investment proposals and funding ideas](#) to SPARK (>800 ideas received)
- Submitting community success stories [here](#)
- Submitting questions or feedback to the Office of Recovery [here](#) or by attending lunch and learns

- Engaging with the Office of Recovery’s various communication strategies ([newsletters](#), [webinars](#), email updates, and engagement with Kansas Association of Counties and League of Kansas Municipalities)

In addition to the above, there have been opportunities for community engagement on other ARPA programs beyond SFRF, including:

- Kansas Housing Resources Corporation has provided [public hearings](#) and opportunities for public comment for the KHAF and KERA programs, as well as [marketing campaigns](#) and [informational material](#) available in [multiple languages](#)
- The Kansas Department of Commerce, through the Office of Broadband Development has enlisted significant community and stakeholder engagement in the creation of their overall Connectivity strategy and how best to maximize all funding sources.
- Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services has [provided opportunities for public comment](#) from Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) participants, their families, staff, and other community stakeholders

This inclusive, fair, and bipartisan process has been critical to ensuring that the funds provided by ARPA are fully used to benefit diverse communities. The State of Kansas has worked to facilitate a collaborative process which honors the diversity of different communities and brings together local and community leaders, tribal governments, businesses, non-profits and all other Kansans. It is imperative to continue ensuring that all Kansans have the opportunities and channels to suggest funding priorities to their local governments through direct engagement.

1.5 Labor Practices

Several infrastructure and capital expenditure projects are being pursued as of June 30, 2022, including the Kansas Health and Environment Laboratory and various projects under the Building a Stronger Economy program (e.g., airport infrastructure, water system improvements, business incubators and industrial parks, riverfront improvements, and more). In addition to rules set out under the [Federal Fair Labor Standard Act](#), such as overtime and minimum wages, Kansas must also comply with state labor practice standards. Kansas state labor laws provide further employee protections and opportunities, including rights to quit without notice, and [shared work program](#) options. All state labor laws, as well as federal standards for labor laws for ARPA, are enforced for all SFRF-funded programs.

1.6 Use of Evidence

At this time, no programs have been identified for evidence-based interventions (strong or moderate evidence). Should any programs require evidence-based interventions or program evaluations in future, Kansas has identified a number of resources to support its use of evidence-based interventions including but not limited to:

- Official data and research clearinghouses (for example, the US Department of Education’s *What Works* or the Department of Labor’s *CLEAR* clearinghouses)
- Public research institutions (for example, the University of Kansas’s *Center for Science, Technology, and Economic Policy*)

- Private research institutions (for example, the *Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab* or *Upjohn Institute for Employment Research*)

1.7 Performance Report

One of the guiding principles for SPARK directed SFRF programs is to ensure results are measurable to enable tracking & transparency. The State of Kansas is working to create a publicly available dashboard, which is intended to facilitate the performance management of SFRF programs. This dashboard is intended to increase accessibility to data, provide understanding of populations that receive funding, and assist those that analyze the impact of funding on local areas. In addition to fostering open and transparent accountability of funding, the dashboard will provide state and local officials with an easy way to track funding, and researchers with the ability to study the impact of government spending on the economy.

This data will be made publicly available and easily accessible via downloadable summaries, tables, and maps. As the dashboard is maintained in the future, it is anticipated that federal data will be updated quarterly and state data annually.

2 PROJECT INVENTORY¹

2.1 2021 Deposit to the State Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund

Project: 2021 Deposit to the State Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund (A0001)

Funding amount: \$250,000,000

Project Expenditure Category: Contributions to UI Trust Funds (EC 2.28)

Project Overview:

- State Administering Agency: Kansas Department of Labor
- Description: Lump sum deposit to the State of Kansas' unemployment insurance trust fund to mitigate impacts of COVID-19 pandemic.
- Approximate timeline: 7/1/2021-7/1/2021

2.2 SPARK Frontline Hospital Worker Retention Plan

Project: SPARK Frontline Hospital Worker Retention Plan (A0002)

Funding amount: \$50,000,000

Project Expenditure Category: Private Sector: Grants to Other Employers (EC 4.2)

Project Overview:

- State Administering Agency: Kansas Department of Health and Environment
- Description: The Frontline Hospital Worker Retention Plan provided hospitals meeting program eligibility with financial tools to reward and retain essential frontline healthcare workers to address ongoing COVID-19 public health need and ensure hospital retention of critical staffing resources and maintenance of staffed beds to meet the needs of the pandemic.
- Approximate timeline: 10/7/2021-2/28/2022

¹ Project Inventory includes allocations that have been transferred to the administering entity through a Memorandum of Agreement or allocations administered by the Office of Recovery.

2.3 24/7 Facility Staff Pay Plan

Project: 24/7 Facility Staff Pay Plan (A0003)

Funding amount: \$30,072,079

Project Expenditure Category: Public Sector Workforce: Payroll and Benefits for Public Health, Public Safety, or Human Services Workers (EC 3.1)

Project Overview:

- State Administering Agencies: Kansas Department of Health and Environment, Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services, Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs Office
- Description: New pay initiatives designed to address critical staffing shortages in correctional and other congregate care settings operated by the State of Kansas.
- Approximate timeline: 11/28/2021-6/30/2022

2.4 Administrative Expenses

Project: Administrative Expenses (A0004)

Funding amount: \$5,858,627.50

Project Expenditure Category: Administrative Expenses (EC 7.1)

Project Overview:

- State Administering Agencies: Governor of the State of Kansas, Kansas Office of Recovery
- Description: Staffing and other administrative expenses related to the ongoing management of the State of Kansas' Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, including the distribution of funding to the Non-Entitlement Units of Local Government.
- Approximate timeline: 11/28/2021-12/31/2026

2.5 Laboratory Building

Project: Laboratory Building (A0006)

Funding amount: \$32,500,000

Project Expenditure Category: Other Public Health Services (EC 1.14)

Project Overview:

- State Administering Agency: Kansas Department of Health and Environment
- Description: To date, the funding has been used for the planning and design work associated with Kansas Department of Health and Environment's State Laboratory.
- Approximate timeline: 1/1/2022-12/31/2026

2.6 Docking Building Renovation

Project: Docking Building Renovation (A0007)

Funding amount: \$60,000,000

Project Expenditure Category: Other Public Health Services (EC 1.14)

Project Overview:

- State Administering Agency: Kansas Department of Administration
- Description: To date, the funding has been used for the planning and design work associated with Docking State Office Building.
- Approximate timeline: 1/1/2022-12/31/2026

2.7 Economic Development Infrastructure

Project: Economic Development Infrastructure (A0008)

Funding amount: \$100,000,000

Project Expenditure Category: Provision of Government Services (EC 6.1)

Project Overview:

- State Administering Agency: Kansas Department of Commerce
- Description: Investments to support speculative building development, modernization of business park facilities and other infrastructure development, and the attraction and retention of businesses in Kansas.
- Approximate timeline: 3/1/2022-9/30/2024

2.8 Individual Education Learning Recovery Grants

Project: Individual Education Learning Recovery Grants (A0009)

Funding amount: \$50,000,000

Project Expenditure Category: Addressing Education Disparities: Academic, Social, and Emotional Services (EC 2.25)

Project Overview:

- State Administering Agency: Governor’s Office of Recovery
- Description: Direct grants of \$1,000 per child to families to purchase material (e.g., computers, software, and tutoring services) to encourage learning recovery. This program will fund grant awards of \$1,000 per eligible student, with a maximum award of \$3,000 per family, to low-income K-12 students that were adversely impacted by school closures and remote learning over the past two years.
- Approximate timeline Grants available Fall 2022
- Primary delivery mechanisms: Funds will be provided to grant recipients to access educational supplies, materials, technology, internet connectivity, and other services from approved vendors.
- Intended outcomes: Direct grants to families will help encourage learning recovery for low-income K-12 students adversely impacted by students and teachers COVID infections, quarantines, and isolation, school closures, and inequities in remote learning access and quality. The program intends to serve as many as 50,000 students

Performance Report:

Performance indicators not yet available as program is still being implemented.

2.9 Kansas Connect and Learn Initiative

Project: Kansas Connect and Learn Initiative (A0010)

Funding amount: \$4,000,000

Project Expenditure Category: Addressing Education Disparities: Academic, Social, and Emotional Services (EC 2.25)

Project Overview:

- State Administering Agency: Kansas State Department of Education
- Description: Matching funds for school districts to use alongside the FCC's E-rate program to invest in high-speed broadband buildout.
- Approximate timeline: 2/22/2022-6/30/2024

Performance Report:

Performance indicators not yet available as program is still being implemented.

2.10 Rural Hospital Innovation Grants

Project: Rural Hospital Innovation Grants (A0011)

Funding amount: \$10,000,000

Project Expenditure Category: Medical Facilities for Disproportionately Impacted Communities (EC 2.21)

Project Overview:

- State Administering Agency: Kansas Department of Health and Environment
- Description: Funding for the Rural Hospital Innovation Grant Program to increase access to healthcare services in eligible counties and maintain communities' optimal health by providing transitional assistance to hospitals.
- Approximate timeline: 4/8/2022-6/30/2025

2.11 988 Crisis Line

Project: 988 Crisis Line (A0012)

Funding amount: \$3,000,000

Project Expenditure Category: Mental Health Services (EC 1.12)

Project Overview:

- State Administering Agency: Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services
- Description: Initial Funding for Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services to finance the Kansas 988 Crisis Hotline Grant Program, which includes the hiring of workforce, training, technical support and software to provide in-state coverage of 988 crisis calls.
- Approximate timeline: 2/18/2022-6/30/2022

2.12 Offender Management Information System

Project: Offender Management Information System (A0013)

Funding amount: \$2,000,000

Project Expenditure Category: Economic Impact Assistance: Other (EC 2.37)

Project Overview:

- State Administering Agency: Kansas Department of Corrections
- Description: Funding for Kansas Department of Corrections to finance the modernization of the Offender Management Information System.
- Approximate timeline: 2/17/2022-8/31/2022

2.13 Unemployment System Modernization

Project: Unemployment System Modernization (A0014)

Funding amount: \$9,600,000

Project Expenditure Category: Economic Impact Assistance: Other (EC 2.37)

Project Overview:

- State Administering Agency: Kansas Department of Labor
- Description: Funding for the Kansas Department of Labor to review and begin the modernization of the unemployment insurance IT system and related processes.
- Approximate timeline: 3/1/2022-6/30/2023

2.14 Kansas Firefighter Recruitment and Safety Grant Program

Project: Kansas Firefighter Recruitment and Safety Grant Program (A0015)

Funding amount: \$1,200,000

Project Expenditure Category: Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations (Impacted or Disproportionately Impacted) (EC 2.34)

Project Overview:

- State Administering Agency: Kansas State Fire Marshal
- Description: Funding to support Office of the State Fire Marshal to carry out the Kansas Firefighter Recruitment and Safety Grant Program, which aids volunteer and part-time fire departments across Kansas with no-match grant funding for personal protection equipment, including structural fire bunker gear and wildland fire fighting gear.
- Approximate timeline: 6/12/2022-6/30/2023

Performance Report:

Performance indicators not yet available as program is still being implemented.

2.15 Nursing Home Staffing Support Program

Project: Nursing Home Staffing Support Program (A0016)

Funding amount: \$15,000,000

Project Expenditure Category: Private Sector: Grants to Other Employers (EC 4.2)

Project Overview:

- State Administering Agency: Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services
- Description: Funding for the Nursing Home Staffing Support Program to provide funding to nursing facilities to cover rising costs associated with staffing shortages for facilities.
- Approximate timeline: 6/24/2022-6/30/2023

2.16 Pathways for Success Initiative

Project: Pathways for Success Initiative (A0017)

Funding amount: \$6,665,392

Project Expenditure Category: Addressing Education Disparities: Academic, Social, and Emotional Services (EC 2.25)

Project Overview:

- State Administering Agency: Kansas Department of Corrections
- Description: Funds are to be utilized to provide technical education equipment at correctional facilities.
- Approximate timeline: 6/15/2022-6/30/2023

Performance Report:

Performance indicators not yet available as program is still being implemented.

