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**THANK YOU** for Attending Our Regional Workshops!



**We had a great turn out in Haysville, Iola and Rossville! Thank you for your support!**

First, a huge THANK YOU to our host sites, who provided a great venue and wonderful food for our regional workshops! Three evenings of learning about the updates to Kansas PRIDE, our new Partnership with the Kansas Masons, our database, grant system and volunteer recruitment and retention. A lot to pack into an evening!



Hearing the local communities highlight their work is always the best part for me, and I know that it gives others that are new to the program some insight into how you make a difference in Kansas. We did not have a lot of time for sharing, something we hope to work into subsequent regional workshops. Stay tuned to learn more!



Thank you all, for all that you do! – **Jaime Menon**,  
*Kansas PRIDE Co-Coordinator, K-State Research  
and Extension, [jmenon@ksu.edu](mailto:jmenon@ksu.edu)*

## Congratulations to our Photo Contest Winner!



### And the winner is...

The photo with the most votes in our 2017-2018 Kansas PRIDE Annual Review cover contest is from Chris Bauer of Humboldt PRIDE. Congratulations to Chris and Humboldt PRIDE!

The photo is of the flower garden and landscaping installed by Humboldt PRIDE in Neosho River Park. In the background is the historic Humboldt Marsh Arch Bridge, one of the few remaining operational Marsh Arch bridges in Kansas.

We hope to highlight some of the other submitted pictures in the report as well, so stay tuned to see what transpires! Thank you to all that participated and all that voted! – **Jan Steen**, *Kansas PRIDE Co-Coordinator, K-State Research and Extension*  
[jmsteen@ksu.edu](mailto:jmsteen@ksu.edu)

## EDA Issues Disaster Supplemental Notice of Funding Opportunity

From our On Campus Communications Channels we have some important news on Disaster Funding:

On April 11, the [U.S. Economic Development Administration](#) (EDA) released its Disaster Supplemental Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) targeting economic recovery for areas impacted by natural disasters in 2017. EDA is soliciting applications under its Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) program and funding is available to assist in economic recovery. The agency emphasizes long-term regional development strategies in proposals which align with goals of the region’s Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). Grant funding is also available to fund “strategy grants” to develop or update a CEDS for a region experiencing sudden and critical economic dislocation. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. Click [here](#) to view the grants notice and [here](#) to view the full NOFO. – **Jaime Menon**, *Kansas PRIDE Co-Coordinator, K-State Research and Extension, [jmenon@ksu.edu](mailto:jmenon@ksu.edu)*

## Enrolling and Reporting Tips



The database has undergone some changes since last year, and while there have only been a few issues enrolling this year, there have been some

things we've noticed that might help should you encounter any problems:

- Make sure you're clicking on the Enroll or Report button on our website (<http://kansasprideprogram.k-state.edu/enrollment-reporting/index.html>) to get to the database. It's possible that a database change in the future may result in a different address, so if you are using a favorite/bookmark shortcut in your browser, the link may not be as current as the one associated with the buttons on the website.
- Make sure you do enroll each year. If you have trouble reporting, but can log in, it's very possible you are logging in under last year's user information, which won't allow you to access this year's reporting database. If you're not sure if your community is enrolled for 2018 yet, you can view our current list of enrolled communities here: <http://kansasprideprogram.k-state.edu/about/communities.html>
- Clear your browser's cache. Sometimes old data can be a hang up, so clearing your browser's cache might help. It forces your browser to get the newest possible information from a website. You can learn how to clear the cache in most major web browsers here: <https://www.lifewire.com/how-to-clear-cache-2617980>

Call us or e-mail us if you have a problem. Chances are if you have a problem, someone else might also. If you let us know we can get you enrolled and make sure others know what to do. [PRIDE@ksu.edu](mailto:PRIDE@ksu.edu) or 785-532-5840 – *Jan Steen, Kansas PRIDE Co-Coordinator, K-State Research and Extension* [jmsteen@ksu.edu](mailto:jmsteen@ksu.edu)

## Grants and Awards – Congratulations!



A big “congratulations” goes out to the following communities for receiving grants:

**Community of Growth Grants** of up to \$200 were awarded to Macksville for an event celebration, and Savonburg for a historical booklet.

**Community of Action Grants** were awarded to five local PRIDE communities for the following projects: Alton (\$1,650) for park benches, Grainfield (\$1,000) for office building flooring, Iola (\$1,465) for directional signage, Perry (\$1,000) for a signage project, and Larned (\$1,600) for a bench project). Community Promotion Grants are new in 2018 through our partnership with, and the generosity of, the Kansas Masons. Iola received this year's grant to help with promotional brochures.

There were also several awards to go around:

The Kansas PRIDE **Project Excellence Awards** are given in recognition of a special project. Alton PRIDE received an award for city park improvements, Perry PRIDE received an award for a patriotic mural, and Potwin PRIDE received an award for a ball field light project.

The **Rising Star Award** is awarded to persons or entities nominated by their local PRIDE committee

to recognize outstanding support of community improvement activities. The following individuals and entities recently received a Rising Star Award:

- Alton – Lillian Conway
- Humboldt – Doris Fugitt
- Iola – City of Iola
- Linn Valley – Sue Sanor
- Perry – Billtown Go-Getters 4-H Club

Great work, Kansas PRIDE communities and partners! – **Jan Steen, Kansas PRIDE Co-Coordinator, K-State Research and Extension** [jmsteen@ksu.edu](mailto:jmsteen@ksu.edu)

know who to contact in your community, let us know and we'll be happy to get you in touch. To report, visit the Kansas PRIDE Program's Week of PRIDE page and click on the "CLICK HERE to begin reporting" link at the bottom of the page (<http://kansasprideprogram.k-state.edu/about/weekofpride.html>). If you're looking for project ideas, we have a guidebook available on that page as well. – **Jan Steen, Kansas PRIDE Co-Coordinator, K-State Research and Extension** [jmsteen@ksu.edu](mailto:jmsteen@ksu.edu)

## Week of PRIDE – What it is and How to Participate



Figure 1: Representatives of Kansas PRIDE, Inc. meet with Governor Colyer at Week of PRIDE's Proclamation Signing!

Week of PRIDE is a call to action for PRIDE communities to improve their towns during the last week of May. The official dates for Week of PRIDE in 2018 are May 21 through May 28, but if you have projects from mid-April to the first week of June feel free to count them if you feel they fit in.

This year's theme is "Community Partners" so get out there and engage your local partners, like 4-H clubs, or Masonic Lodges as examples. If you don't

## Week of PRIDE - Contest



Everyone loves a good contest, so we're offering up a signed copy of this year's Week of PRIDE proclamation, signed by Governor Colyer. To participate, take a picture of your Week of PRIDE Project with your community partner visible at the site. Your partner can be your local 4-H club, Masonic Lodge, Lions Club, church youth group, etc. – whatever group or groups you might work with to improve your community.

E-mail your pictures to us at [PRIDE@ksu.edu](mailto:PRIDE@ksu.edu). We'll post them on Facebook. The community's picture with the most likes will win the signed 2018 proclamation. Limit 1 picture submission per community. Visit the Week of PRIDE web page for a photo release form, should your photo have youth pictured: <http://kansasprideprogram.k-state.edu/about/weekofpride.html> – **Jan Steen,**

Kansas PRIDE Co-Coordinator, K-State Research and Extension [jmsteen@ksu.edu](mailto:jmsteen@ksu.edu)

## Outside Funding Opportunities



Looking for funding? Click on the \$ to view our Outside Funding and Other Useful Funding Resources Page.

K-State Research and Extension has Grant Writing Workshops. Contact [PRIDE@ksu.edu](mailto:PRIDE@ksu.edu) or your local Extension Office, to find out if one will be provided near you in 2018.

## Up for a Community Visit?

Would your PRIDE organization like to be brought up to speed on available opportunities? Have you had a leadership change and would like to make sure you're on

the right track? Let us know and we'll work on scheduling a time to meet with you. Send us an email at [PRIDE@ksu.edu](mailto:PRIDE@ksu.edu). – Jan Steen, Kansas PRIDE Co-Coordinator, K-State Research and Extension [jmsteen@ksu.edu](mailto:jmsteen@ksu.edu)

## Events Calendar

Week of PRIDE – May 21-28, 2018

### Quarterly Report Dates:

April 15<sup>th</sup>

July 15<sup>th</sup>

October 15<sup>th</sup>

January 15<sup>th</sup>



### Opportunity Dates:

August 15, 2018 – Award Applications Due

February 15, 2019 – Award Applications Due

## Communities Currently Enrolled in the Kansas PRIDE Program



These communities have enrolled in the Kansas PRIDE Program this year. If you're meeting as a local PRIDE group and don't see your community name here, it's not too late to enroll! Go to: <http://kansasprideprogram.k-state.edu/enrollment-reporting/index.html>

Click on the blue "Enroll" button to continue.

Admire	Fort Scott	Leonardville	Perry
Agra	Glasco	LeRoy	Potwin
Alden	Grainfield	Lincoln	Randolph
Alton	Grinnell	Linn Valley	Riley
Ashland	Haysville	Lucas	Rossville
Basehor	Herndon	Luray	Rozel
Baxter Springs	Highland	Macksville	Russell
Belleville	Humboldt	Marion	Savonburg
Burlingame	Independence	McFarland	Solomon
Bushton	Iola	Melvern	Stockton
Centralia	Kinsley	Moran	Tampa
Columbus	La Harpe	Mount Hope	Wakefield
Delia	Lakin	Norton	Wilson
Dover	Larned	Olsburg	
Elk City	Lecompton	Ozawkie	
Ellis	Lenora	Park City	