Kansas SAFF Base 2 Abstract

- 1. The lead applicant's name: Kansas Office of Apprenticeship (KOA)
- **2.** The lead applicant entity type: The KOA is the state and federally recognized State Apprenticeship Agency (SAA)
- 3. The lead applicant City and State: Topeka, Kansas
- **4. Selected funding option:** Formula funding only
- 5. The project title: SAEF Base Grant #2
- **6. The funding amount requested:** \$534,340.00
- 7. The total number of apprentices enrolled in RAPs during the life of the grant, if applicable: The Kansas Apprenticeship Council (KAC) has an approved vision to grow Kansas to a top 25 state by 2025. This grant will help to improve processes, modernize the office and leverage existing funding to expand Registered Apprenticeship numbers.
- 8. Population(s) to be served: the KOA plans to scale the significant modernizations from the last three years to significantly increase the number of Registered Apprentices (RA) in the State of Kansas, particularly underrepresented populations, including women, people of color, and individuals with disabilities, and underserved communities, including veterans, justice-impacted individuals, youth, and those in rural communities, and to take steps to facilitate the growth of apprenticeship in our most in-demand industries and occupations across the entire state of Kansas.
- **9.** Required Partner (for States with federally-recognized SAAs and if the SAA is not the lead applicant): The KOA is the federally-recognized SAA and has full backing from the Governor's Office
- 10. Optional Partner(s):
 - a. Intelligent Partnerships established 3rd party EEO review partner
 - b. Americas Job Link Alliance established workforce data management partner
 - c. New Boston Creative Group LLC creative and outreach partner
 - d. Sprout Creative established website design partner
- 11. Targeted Industry(ies): This grant does not target specific industries, instead it is capacity building within the Kansas Office of Apprenticeship. The impacts for these investments will be longer term.
- **12.** Targeted Occupation(s): This grant does not target specific occupations, instead it is capacity building within the Kansas Office of Apprenticeship. The impacts for these investments will be longer term.
- **13.** List of credential(s) to be awarded: Targeted credentials include, but are not limited to State of Kansas Sanctioned Apprenticeship completion certificates.
- 14. Summary of program activities:
 - a. Formula Funding Base Grant The goal for the base grant will to continue modernizing the KOA and ensure that Kansas will successfully retain our SAA status. This will include but is not limited to partnering with 3rd party program review auditors, further deploy effective technologies that can help to increase overall quality control of all RAP's, creating outreach materials to attract new opportunities to Registered Apprenticeship growth in Kansas, update the website, and partner with a technical assistance provider to expand 4-year university apprenticeship programs. Kansas is

- currently experiencing the most growth and momentum ever in the state, and interest in Registered Apprenticeship (RAP) has increased significantly. This funding will be leveraged with state funds to capitalize on this momentum.
- **15. Subrecipient roles**: List all subrecipients and the roles (activities) they will fill on the proposed project. Roles should be aligned to proposed workplan.
 - a. Formula Funding Base Grant the KOA main partners will continue to be the Governor's office and other executive level staff to support advancement and public relations, the appointed KAC, and our existing RA Sponsors, multi-employer Intermediaries and the workforce system. The formula funding will be utilized to meet the approved mission and vision statement and advance the approved strategic plan of the KAC.
- **16. Public contact information:** https://ksapprenticeship.org/