Grants Office Update

May 27th, 2025



CURRENT ACTIVE GRANTS

SHORT-TERM AWARDS (1-2 years)

Funding Agencies - examples

- Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR)
- Office of Broadband Development (KOBD)
- Kansas Arts Council

Recent grants awarded

- Nursing state-of-the-art equipment, faculty professional development
- WTCE division- Carl Perkins CTE program enhancements
- WTCE division community digital literacy
- Fine Arts Barton County Nutcracker performance



CURRENT ACTIVE GRANTS, cont.

MULTI-YEAR AWARDS (3 years or more)

<u>Funding Agencies</u>	Program
Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR) via U.S.	AEFLA (Adult Education & Family
Department of Education	Literacy Act)
U.S. Department of Education	TRIO - BCUB (Barton County Upward Bound) TRIO - CKUB (Central KS Upward Bound) TRIO - EOC (Educational Opportunity Center) TRIO - SSS (Student Support Services)



CURRENT ACTIVE GRANTS, cont.

MULTI-YEAR SUBAWARD FUNDING:

Partnerships with Universities

University	Project
Fort Hays State	Classroom to Classroom
Fort Hays State	Robert Noyce NSF Certified Rural Enhanced STEM Teachers (CREST)
K-State	GEO Science - STEM
K-State	Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (LSAMP) - STEM



NEW CHALLENGES (AND SOLUTIONS)

CHALLENGE:

TRIO programs are targeted for elimination in the Federal administration's proposed 2026 "skinny budget"

OUR SOLUTIONS:

- > Advocating at the local, federal, and state levels
- > Creating awareness of the TRIO programs' impact on students
- Maintaining contact with and receiving guidance from the Council for Opportunities in Education (COE), the national TRIO organization



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CHALLENGE:

RSVP/AMERICORPS – Federal Funding reduced by \$400 million nationwide

SOLUTIONS:

- Barton has been the program sponsor for 49 years, providing operational and other support
- > Barton Foundation is taking the lead to secure future funding and support
- > Service area partners will be invited to collaboration sessions
- Grants (local, corporate, foundation, and federal) will be identified and pursued



QUESTIONS??

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