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Kansas Leadership Center now accepting applications for 2022 Leadership Transformation Grants

Wichita, Kan. – The Kansas Leadership Center (KLC) is offering workforce development grants to organizations across Kansas to help them create a culture that embraces change, tackles problems and seizes opportunities. Applications are now being accepted for KLC’s 2022 Leadership Transformation Grant program.

“We’re proud to make this our eighth year of awarding grants to civically engaged organizations around the state and look forward to helping them make lasting progress on their biggest challenges. This is just one of the many ways KLC provides training to foster leadership for healthier and more prosperous Kansas communities,” said Ed O’Malley, KLC president and CEO.

Organizations who receive a Leadership Transformation Grant will establish a core team of three to six individuals to take on the responsibilities of the grant. Organizations chosen will have one year to participate in KLC’s dynamic program experiences and utilize KLC resources and consultation.

“The Leadership Transformation Grants allow participation in the [KLC Path](#), a three-step sequence which teaches that leadership is an activity—not a position—and that anyone within an organization can exercise leadership effectively. These programs offer a framework by which organizations can share a common language and skills to approach their challenges and empower employees to mobilize others to create progress in their organization and communities,” said Katy Weidner, KLC program manager.

KLC’s own [research center](#) indicates that leadership development at all levels of an organization leads to a [more engaged workforce in the non-profit sector](#), with employees more committed, more hopeful for the future, and more satisfied with their job. Among high-tech employees, it yields an [adaptive mindset, collaborative problem-solving, and better listening and communication](#). And ORS Impact, funded by a third party, interviewed over 50 of KLC’s past grantees to learn the effect of leadership training on an organization. The [research indicates a strong link](#) between increasing leadership behaviors among employees, positive change to culture and greater progress on key challenges facing the organization.

In the seven years KLC has provided Leadership Transformation Grants, the organization has given 334 grants, trained over 9,000 people and partnered with over 240 organizations across Kansas.

Applications for Leadership Transformation Grants are being accepted August 4, 2021, through September 12, 2021. Any organization from Kansas can apply but those most suited for the grant are in the following sectors: business, education, faith, government and nonprofit. To learn more or apply, visit <https://kansasleadershipcenter.org/grants/>.

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About the Kansas Leadership Center

The Kansas Leadership Center (KLC) is a singular educational organization founded to foster civic leadership for healthier Kansas communities. Its programs and teachings present leadership as an activity available to anyone at any time. KLC offers training for organizations, teams and individuals as well as advanced programs for leadership development practitioners. It provides development grants for civically oriented organizations in Kansas, partners with community leadership programs and offers customized trainings for businesses and non-profits alike. KLC hosts civic leadership forums and encourages Kansans to take active part in public life for the common good. KLC Press publishes books on leadership and The Journal, a nationally recognized, award-winning civic issues magazine. Based in Wichita, KLC receives core funding from the Kansas Health Foundation. Learn more at www.kansasleadershipcenter.org.

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