

Community Development Forums

Agenda

2025 Community Development Forums

10:00am-3:00pm

Chanute – September 9 Dodge City – September 30 Topeka – October 7 Colby – October 21 Newton – October 27

Communities grow stronger when passionate people come together to create real impact.

10:00 am Welcome & Opening Remarks

Turning Vision into Action, Kathy Sexton

Does your community provide what your grandchildren need for their dreams to take root and thrive? All communities have assets as well as challenges. And all communities are either constantly adapting to the world's changes or losing ground. Your coalition can be a key player in advancing your community by making the most of your assets and tackling local challenges. This session will provide actionable strategies based on principles put forth in the book 13 Ways to Kill Your Community, 2nd Edition by Doug Griffiths.

Elevating our Networking: Connecting for Impact

A structured networking session to foster connections, spark partnerships, and strengthen collaboration across Kansas communities.

12:00 pm Lunch

Welcome Back

Resource Development

Financial Resource Development for Community Growth

Human Resource Development: The Importance of Relationships and Collaboration

From Ideas to Action

A guided activity to help attendees reflect on what they've learned and leave with clear, actionable next steps.

3:00 pm Adjourn



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