



**Executive Committee
Meeting Agenda
10:30 AM, March 29, 2012**
Workforce Alliance Offices, 3rd Floor
Mayor Kristey Williams, Chair

1. Welcome: *Mayor Kristey Williams*

2. Kansas Affordable Airfares Program Update

- A. **Final Fiscal Year 2012 Payment to Sedgwick County:** *Mayor Kristey Williams*
The final payment for the Kansas Affordable Airfares Program (KAAP) Fiscal Year 2012 grant to Sedgwick County will be made on April 1.
- B. **Update on Garden City Proposal:** *Joe Yager*
An update on the process for receiving the local match from Garden City and reporting requirements will be provided.
- C. **Update on Reporting and MOU with Commerce:** *Joe Yager*
An update on the negotiations for reporting to Commerce will be provided.
- D. **Fiscal Year 2013 Request for Proposals:** *Joe Yager*
REAP is responsible for releasing a Request for Proposals on April 1.

Recommended Action: Review Request for Proposals and provide direction.

3. REAP 2012 1st Quarter Treasurer's Report: *Joe Yager*

The Executive Committee is charged to serve as the treasury for REAP, collect all REAP revenues, make disbursements in accord with the budget adopted by REAP, and conduct financial management of REAP assets in accord with REAP fiscal procedures. The REAP Treasurer will recommend making 1st Quarter payments in accord with REAP annual budgets.

Recommended Actions: Approve payments per staff recommendation for the first quarter of 2012.

4. HUD Sustainable Communities Grant Update and Discussion: *Mr. Joe Yager*

- A. **Consortium Agreement Update:** *Joe Yager*
An update will be provided on the draft consortium agreement.
- B. **Draft Work Plan Review:** *Dane Baxa*
An update will be provided on the development of the work plan that is due April 13.
- C. **Partners Grant Endorsement Letters:** *Joe Yager*
The Committee is asked to discuss endorsements of grants in the region in regards to the Sustainable Communities grant.

Recommended Actions: Review and provide direction.

5. Other Business

6. Adjourn

Item

Kansas Affordable Airfares Program Update

Background

The Executive Committee is charged to administer the Kansas Affordable Airfares Program and assure that all statutory requirements for programming, evaluation, accounting and auditing, financial management, and reporting are met.

A. Kansas Affordable Airfares Program Fund

In accordance with the REAP Kansas Affordable Airfares Program, REAP Fiscal Procedures, and Executive Committee action, an independent bank account was established on July 21, 2006, in the name of REAP/Kansas Affordable Airfares Program. The following information details the financial records of the program for the current fiscal year 2012 (July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012).

Fiscal Year 2012 (July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012)

		Amount
Actual Deposits		
	FY11 Carryover	\$38,192
	FY12 Program Operator Match	\$1,583,333
	FY12 State Funding	\$4,750,000
	2011 Interest Earned (as of 12/31/11)	\$2,161
	2012 Interest Earned (as of 2/29/12)	\$978
<i>Total Program Revenues to Date</i>		<i>\$6,374,664</i>
Program Payments		
	FY12 Payment 1 – July 22, 2011	\$1,583,333
	FY12 Payment 2 – November 10, 2011	\$1,583,333
	FY12 Payment 3 – January 5, 2012	\$1,583,333
	FY12 Payment 4 – April 2, 2012	\$1,583,333
<i>Total Program Payments to Date</i>		<i>\$6,333,333</i>
REAP Administrative Payment (2011-12)		\$0
Total Remaining Funds to Date		\$41,331

B. Update on Garden City Proposal

At its regular monthly meeting of July 11, 2011, REAP took action to award a \$4,750,000 grant to Sedgwick County to assure and enhance affordable airfares in Kansas. In accord with state law the grant required a local match of 25 percent, which was received. REAP has made the appropriate transfers of funding to date per previous actions.

In addition, a second proposal was awarded to Garden City in the amount of \$250,000, contingent upon the following:

- 1) Approval by US Department of Transportation on the use of these funds for the purpose of contracting with American Eagle service;
- 2) Approval of the US Department of Transportation to utilize the City of Dodge City EAS funding under the "Alternate Air Service Pilot Program"; and
- 3) Receipt of the local match.

REAP also reserved the right to re-allocate any of these funds prior to June 30, 2012 if any of the required contingencies are not met.

Staff worked with the Kansas Department of Commerce to confirm that the reporting requirements were in order and they have indicated that REAP could proceed with the request of the local match. However, it was noted that this does not mean that reporting is complete and once the match is received Commerce will determine if there are additional requirements regarding reporting.

Staff has requested that Garden City proceed with the local match to initiate REAP's ask for the release of the \$250,000. Garden City has indicated that they would complete the transaction this week. Once confirmation of receipt is received, staff will forward to Commerce the request for the release of the remaining funds. At that time staff will be able to determine when Commerce will forward funds and when REAP can then, in turn, forward the funds to Garden City. Commerce will also inform REAP of any additional reporting requirements at that time.

Update on Reporting and MOU with Commerce

At the January 4, 2012 Executive Committee meeting, staff notified the Committee of a proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and reporting requirements proposed by the Kansas Department of Commerce as a result of the 2011 Legislative Audit. The Committee also received an update of the discussions with the Secretary of Commerce on January 3, 2012. From this report the Committee asked staff to negotiate specifics to the required reporting request.

Since the last update Mike Pepoon of Sedgwick County has worked with the Kansas Department of Commerce on behalf of REAP to address some recommended changes to the agreement. The negotiations included the following notes or requests:

- That it was our understanding that Commerce just wanted to have an agreement in place by May 1 of this year so that there would be an independent audit of the program for 2011-2012.
- REAP normally submits its reports to Commerce in July and the Legislature at the beginning of the session in January. It was an assumption that the independent review would be conducted after January 2013 and REAP would expect to pay funds to cover the review to Commerce after the work was completed.
- Addition of language allowing REAP to use some of the affordable airfare funding for the review (as REAP has no other adequate source of funding to cover this expense). The request to utilize these funds is a question that is put forth as whether Commerce felt it was an appropriate use of the funds. It was noted that REAP has never taken any of the

money (except for interest earned) as an administrative fee and every dollar from the state has gone into the program.

- It was requested that if there was a designated entity to perform the review that it be specifically named in the agreement, otherwise we might want some language giving us some input in the selection process.

The negotiations will continue and staff will keep the Committee informed of its progress.

Fiscal Year 2013 Request for Proposals

REAP is responsible for releasing a Request for Proposals on April 1. Staff has prepared the attached draft for review.

Staff Recommendation

That the REAP Executive Committee review Request for Proposals and provide direction.

REGIONAL ECONOMIC AREA PARTNERSHIP (REAP) KANSAS AFFORDABLE AIRFARES PROGRAM

Adopted: 03/29/12

Under the authority of K.S.A. 74-50,150, the Regional Economic Area Partnership (REAP) has established the Kansas Affordable Airfares Program. The program is designed to provide more air flight options, more competition for air travel, and affordable air fares for Kansas.

SELECTION PROCESS

REAP will accept proposals for **fiscal year 2013 (July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013)** from local governments to accomplish the purposes of the Kansas Affordable Airfares Program in accord with the following guidelines:

- proposals should specify how the program will provide more flight options, more competition for air travel, and affordable air fares for Kansas. In this regard, an applicant should demonstrate that due diligence has been conducted with respect to a proposal for funding. Due diligence might be documented with analysis of feasibility from a professional air service consultant or a letter of intent from a commercial air carrier.
- proposals for funding during fiscal year **2013** should be submitted in writing to the Chief Executive Officer of REAP at Box 155, 1845 Fairmount, Wichita, Kansas 67260, no later than **June 15, 2012**.
- proposals should specify the amount of funding requested through the Kansas Affordable Airfares Program and indicate the source of the required local match of 25 percent.
- proposals should specify how the program applicant will document the effectiveness of funding received under the Kansas Affordable Airfares Program.
- proposals should also specify how expenditures and results from the Kansas Affordable Airfares Program and local matching monies will be reported.
- on the basis of the proposals received, the Executive Committee of REAP will make a recommendation to REAP on awarding of funds.

Please note that completion of the selection process is subject to available funds.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Grants under the Kansas Affordable Airfares Program will be considered and may be awarded on an annual basis in accord with purposes of the program, which are more flight options, more competition for air travel, and affordable air fares for Kansas. Selection criteria are derived from these program purposes as follows:

More air flight options:

- number of scheduled, daily nonstop flights by commercial passenger air carriers to U.S. destinations;
- number of scheduled, daily one-stop flights by commercial passenger air carriers to U.S. destinations;
- number of scheduled, daily one-stop flights by commercial passenger air carriers to international destinations;

More competition for air travel:

- number of scheduled, daily nonstop flights by commercial passenger air carriers to U.S. destinations served by two or more airlines
- number of scheduled, daily one-stop flights by commercial passenger air carriers to U.S. destinations served by two or more airlines
- number of scheduled, daily one-stop flights by commercial passenger air carriers to international destinations served by two or more airlines

Affordable air fares for Kansas:

- average airfare for scheduled, round-trip, nonstop flights by commercial passenger air carriers to U.S. destinations
- average airfare for scheduled, round-trip, one-stop flights by commercial passenger air carriers to U.S. destinations
- average airfare for scheduled, round-trip, one-stop flights by commercial passenger air carriers to international destinations

In making awards, REAP will give highest priority to maintaining affordable airfares to eastern and western U.S. destinations. Priority will also be given to proposals that impact a majority of Kansans. Selection criteria for making awards will be reviewed annually by REAP.

Item

REAP 2012 1st Quarter Treasurer's Report

Background

The Executive Committee is charged to serve as the treasury for REAP, collect all REAP revenues, make disbursements in accord with the budget adopted by REAP, and conduct financial management of REAP assets in accord with REAP fiscal procedures.

REAP Budget for 1st Quarter, 2012

REAP Operating

Under the agreement approved December 9, 2011 with the Center for Urban Studies, Hugo Wall School of Urban and Public Affairs, Wichita State University, staff support and assistance is provided to REAP in calendar year 2012.

This support includes, but is not limited to:

- Secretariat functions;
- Assistance and advice on financial management;
- Assistance and advice in administration of the Kansas Affordable Airfares Program;
- Consultation and technical assistance in addressing work plan priorities and conducting research in support of these priorities;
- Consultation and technical assistance for the Local Elected Officials Board; and
- Maintaining the website.

In addition, under the agreement approved February 13, 2012 with H. Edward Flentje, consultation and assistance is provided to REAP in the capacity of Senior Consultant in calendar year 2012.

In accordance with these agreements, REAP will make payments on a quarterly basis to Wichita State University and H. Edward Flentje for this support.

REAP Operating 1st Quarter Payments

WSU – Staffing	\$23,017.25
HWS – Operations	\$6,860.63
H. Edward Flentje – Senior Consultant*	\$1,250.00
Total 1 st Quarter Expenditures	\$31,127.88

* Estimate, awaiting invoice.

REAP Water Resources

In addition, under another agreement approved December 9, 2011 with the Center for Urban Studies, Hugo Wall School of Urban and Public Affairs, Wichita State University, staff support and assistance is provided to the REAP Water Resources Committee in calendar year 2012.

This support includes, but is not limited to:

- Secretariat functions;
- Consultation and technical assistance in addressing work plan priorities and conducting research in support of these priorities;
- Development and distribution of information pertaining to water related meetings, activities, and projects;
- Identification and monitoring of water related legislative issues;
- Development and coordination of educational forums;
- Identification of grant opportunities; and
- Attending and reporting on the meetings and activities of water related committees and agencies as necessary.

In addition, under the agreement approved February 13, 2012 with H. Edward Flentje, consultation and assistance is provided to REAP WRC in the capacity of Senior Consultant in calendar year 2012.

In accordance with this agreement, REAP will make payments on a quarterly basis to Wichita State University for this support.

REAP WRC 1st Quarter Payments

WSU – Staffing	\$17,767.00
HWS – Operations	\$4,619.41
H Edward Flentje – Senior Consultant*	<u>\$1,250.00</u>
Total 1 st Quarter Expenditures	\$23,636.41

** Estimate, awaiting invoice.*

Staff Recommendation

That the REAP Executive Committee approve payments for the first quarter of 2012 to

- 1) Wichita State University for staffing in the amount of \$23,017.25 from the REAP Operating account and \$17,767.00 from the Water Resources account;
- 2) Hugo Wall School for Operating expenses in the amount of \$6,860.63 from the REAP Operating account and \$4,619.41 from the Water Resources account; and
- 3) H Edward Flentje in the amount of \$2,500.00 for Senior Consulting Services, with \$1,250 from the REAP Operating account and \$1,250 from the Water Resources account.

REAP Treasurer's Report

REAP Expenditures by Quarter, 2012

Expenditures	Adopted	1st Quarter Jan-Mar	2nd Quarter Apr-Jun	3rd Quarter Jul-Sep	4th Quarter Oct-Dec	2012 Year End Totals	Percentage Expended	Description
Staffing								
Executive Officer	\$76,019.00	\$19,004.75				\$19,004.75	25%	Compensation and benefits
Graduate assistant	\$16,050.00	\$4,012.50				\$4,012.50	25%	Compensation and benefits
<i>Staffing Subtotal</i>	<i>\$92,069.00</i>	<i>\$23,017.25</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>	<i>\$23,017.25</i>	<i>25%</i>	
Operating								
Current office expense	\$9,210.00	\$2,302.50				\$2,302.50	25%	Computing, telephone, fax, equipment, etc.
Consultation and technical assistance*	\$10,000.00	\$1,250.00				\$1,250.00	13%	Additional assistance through WSU/other
Other operating—general	\$4,000.00	\$1,254.95				\$1,254.95	31%	Meeting expense, memberships, travel, etc.
Other operating—KAAP	\$5,000.00	\$0.00				\$0.00	0%	Accounting, auditing, reporting, legal counsel
Legislative liaison	\$26,000.00	\$3,303.18				\$3,303.18	13%	Topeka-based representation, receptions, travel
Project funds	\$1,580.00	\$0.00				\$0.00	0%	
<i>Operating Subtotal</i>	<i>\$55,790.00</i>	<i>\$8,110.63</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>	<i>\$8,110.63</i>	<i>15%</i>	
Total	\$147,859.00	\$31,127.88	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$31,127.88	21%	

* REAP entered into an independent contract for Senior Consultant assistance on 2-13-12.

REAP Treasurer's Report

Revenues to Date, 2012

Revenues	Projected	Received	Percentage	Description
Annual membership assessments	\$103,831	\$95,604	92%	Membership dues
Special assessments	\$0	\$0	n/a	Special assessments
Workforce oversight agreement	\$16,000	\$0	0%	CEOB oversight duties
Kansas Affordable Airfares Program	\$25,000	\$0	0%	KAAP administration
Other revenues received	\$1,200	\$14	n/a	Other revenues received
Carryover funds	\$1,828	\$1,316	72%	Prior-year carryover
Total	\$147,859	\$96,934	66%	

Notes:

Other revenues received accounts for interest through 2/29/12.

Workforce agreement runs on fiscal year, July 1 to June 30.

2012 REAP Available Funds

	Total Revenues	Total Expenditures	Total Encumbrances	Total Available Funds	Percentage Available
2012 to Date (3/29/12)	\$96,934.35	\$31,127.88	\$0.00	\$65,806.47	68%

REAP Banking Account Balances

	Operating	KAAP	Water Resources
2012 to Date (3/29/12)	\$64,287.16	\$134,497.80	\$1,624,613.89

** Balances include interest through 2/29/12.*

REAP Treasurers Report

Assessments of REAP Members for Calendar-Year 2012 (as of 3/26/12)

Jurisdiction	Population	Assessment	Paid Assessment
Andover	11,791	\$3,766	\$3,766
Augusta	9,274	\$1,603	\$1,603
Bel Aire	6,769	\$1,440	\$1,440
Bentley	530	\$234	\$234
Benton	880	\$257	\$257
Butler County	65,880	\$4,647	
Cheney	2,094	\$336	\$336
Clearwater	2,481	\$361	\$361
Colwich	1,327	\$286	\$286
Conway Springs	1,272	\$283	\$283
Derby	22,158	\$4,440	\$4,440
El Dorado	13,021	\$3,846	\$3,846
Garden Plain	849	\$255	\$255
Goddard	4,344	\$1,282	\$1,282
Halstead	2,085	\$336	\$336
Harvey County	34,684	\$2,367	\$2,367
Haysville	10,826	\$3,704	\$3,704
Hesston	3,709	\$1,241	\$1,241
Hutchinson	42,080	\$5,735	\$5,735
Kechi	1,909	\$324	\$324
Kingman County	7,858	\$1,696	\$1,696
Maize	3,420	\$1,222	\$1,222
McPherson County	29,180	\$2,230	\$2,230
Mount Hope	813	\$253	\$253
Mulvane	6,111	\$1,397	\$1,397
Newton	19,132	\$4,244	\$4,244
Park City	7,297	\$1,474	
Reno County	64,511	\$4,613	\$4,613
Rose Hill	3,931	\$1,256	\$1,256
Sedgwick	1,695	\$310	\$310
Sedgwick County	498,365	\$15,459	\$15,459
Sumner County	24,132	\$2,103	
Valley Center	6,822	\$1,443	\$1,443
Wellington	8,172	\$1,531	\$1,531
Wichita	382,368	\$27,854	\$27,854
Total		\$103,831	\$95,604

REAP Treasurer's Report

Water Resources Expenditures by Quarter, 2012

Expenditures	Adopted	1st Quarter Jan-Mar	2nd Quarter Apr-Jun	3rd Quarter Jul-Sep	4th Quarter Oct-Dec	2011 Year End Totals	Percentage Expended Description
Staffing							
Executive Officer	\$55,018.00	\$13,754.50				\$13,754.50	25% Compensation and benefits
Graduate assistant	\$16,050.00	\$4,012.50				\$4,012.50	25% Compensation and benefits
<i>Staffing Subtotal</i>	<i>\$71,068.00</i>	<i>\$17,767.00</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>	<i>\$17,767.00</i>	<i>25%</i>
Operating							
Current office expense	\$7,110.00	\$1,777.50				\$1,777.50	25% Computing, telephone, fax, equipment, etc.
Consultation and technical assistance*	\$5,000.00	\$1,250.00				\$1,250.00	25% Additional assistance through WSU/other
Other operating—general	\$8,000.00	\$874.91				\$874.91	11% Meeting expense, memberships, travel, etc.
Legislative liaison	\$5,000.00	\$0.00				\$0.00	n/a Topeka representation, receptions, travel
Project funds	\$15,000.00	\$1,967.00				\$1,967.00	13%
<i>Operating Subtotal</i>	<i>\$40,110.00</i>	<i>\$5,869.41</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>	<i>\$5,869.41</i>	<i>15%</i>
Total	\$111,178.00	\$23,636.41	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$23,636.41	21%

* REAP entered into an independent contract for Senior Consultant assistance on 2-13-12.

REAP Treasurer's Report

Water Resources Revenues to Date, 2012

Revenues	Projected	Received	Percentage Description
Annual membership assessments	\$81,692	\$73,698	90% Membership dues
Special assessments	\$0	\$0	n/a Special assessments
Other revenues received	\$4,000	\$53	1% Other revenues received
Carryover funds	\$127,214	\$80,944	64% Prior-year carryover
Total	\$212,906	\$154,695	73%

Notes:

The other revenues denotes interest earned on the account through 2/29/12.

2012 REAP Water Resources Available Funds

	Total Revenues	Total Expenditures	Total Encumbrances	Total Available Funds	Percentage Available
2012 to Date (3/29/12)	\$154,695.36	\$23,636.41	\$0.00	\$131,058.95	85%

REAP Treasurers Report

Assessments of Water Resources Committee for Calendar-Year 2012

(as of 3/26/12)

Jurisdiction	Population	Assessment	Paid Assessment
Andover	11,791	\$3,884	\$3,884
Augusta	9,274	\$1,696	\$1,696
Bel Aire	6,769	\$1,508	\$1,508
Benton	880	\$366	\$366
Butler Co.	65,880	\$800	
Clearwater	2,481	\$486	\$486
Conway Springs*	1,272	\$395	\$395
Derby	22,158	\$5,662	\$5,662
El Dorado	13,021	\$3,977	\$3,977
Goddard	4,344	\$1,326	\$1,326
Harvey Co.	34,684	\$800	\$800
Hesston	3,709	\$1,278	\$1,278
Hutchinson	42,080	\$7,156	\$7,156
Kechi	1,909	\$443	\$443
Kingman Co.	7,858	\$800	\$800
Maize	3,420	\$1,257	\$0
McPherson	13,155	\$3,987	\$0
McPherson Co.	29,180	\$800	\$800
Mount Hope	813	\$361	\$361
Newton	19,132	\$4,435	\$4,435
Park City	7,297	\$1,547	
Rose Hill	3,931	\$1,295	\$1,295
Sedgwick	1,695	\$427	\$427
Sedgwick Co.	498,365	\$800	\$800
Sumner Co.	24,132	\$800	
Valley Center	6,822	\$1,512	\$1,512
Wellington	8,172	\$1,613	\$1,613
Wichita	382,368	\$32,678	\$32,678
Total		\$82,087	\$73,698

* The City of Conway Springs became a member for 2012 and was not originally accounted for in previous assessments.

Item

HUD Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant

Background

By entering into the Fiscal Year 2011 Sustainable Communities cooperative agreement REAP officially began the 36 month (February 15, 2012 to February 14, 2015) grant performance period making funds available for the purposes of the grant.

A. Consortium Agreement

- A draft consortium agreement was developed and vetted by Sedgwick County legal.
- Staff received affirmation from our HUD Grant Technical Representative (GTR) Stephen Cerny that we could proceed with initiating the consortium agreement.
- Sedgwick County will be the first to consider the agreement on April 4, 2012 since they serve as the fiscal agent.
- Following approval by Sedgwick County this agreement will need to be signed by all the partners. Although we do not have a time constraint on passage by the other partners, we would like to proceed quickly and staff will work to schedule with each partner.

B. Work Plan Development

- A key deliverable is the work plan. This document will be able to be amended throughout the process, but the initial plan is due by April 13.
- A draft was forwarded out to all partners and the Executive Committee members asking for feedback to determine if there are concerns, questions, and if it is moving in the right direction.

C. Partners Grant Endorsement Letters

City of Wichita Bus Livability Initiative

REAP was requested to provide a support letter for the City of Wichita's efforts to obtain funding under the Bus Livability Initiative. This initiative is one of the identified grants that a community can receive extra points on if they are a part of a preferred sustainable community, which REAP currently holds status as. Staff forwarded information on this initiative to the Committee in an email on March 22. The endorsement letter is attached to this report.

Other Initiatives

Being the recipient of the Sustainable Communities Grant will lead to additional requests of endorsements of initiatives that may or may not relate to the planning process. REAP was recently approached regarding a letter of support for Wichita Transit's grant application to construct a Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) fueling station. This would make it possible for Wichita Transit to begin purchasing CNG buses which is expected to help improve the region's air quality, reduce fuel costs, and increase engine efficiency. The Committee is requested to discuss how it would like to handle letters of support for future asks.

Summary of Activities

Activity 1: Governance: Create a structure that is inclusive, responsible, and transparent for carrying out the grant activities and monitoring program accomplishments.

Long Term Outcome Desired: Increase participation and decision-making in developing and implementing a long range vision for the region by populations traditionally marginalized in public planning process.

Activity 2: Community Engagement Plan: Build capacity for under-represented populations and provide education and outreach on sustainable infrastructure investments for the region.

Long Term Outcome Desired: Reduce social and economic disparities for the low-income, minority communities and other disadvantaged populations within the region.

Activity 3: Needs Assessment: Research regional and local plans, statistics, and policies that will serve as a baseline of information for planning activities.

Long Term Outcome Desired: Align federal planning and investment resources that mirror the local and regional strategies for achieving sustainable communities.

Activity 4: Vision for Healthy Community Design: Use the information from the needs assessment to facilitate engagement opportunities and develop a healthy community design framework to serve as a guideline for developing the South-central plan for sustainable communities.

Long Term Outcome Desired: Improve public health outcomes that result from creating safer, more walkable neighborhoods

Activity 5: Regional Water Plan: Provide a framework for cooperation and an understanding of the capability meeting future water quantity and quality demands affordably that integrates efficient delivery of potable water throughout the region.

Long Term Outcome Desired: Develop affordable, abundant, high quality water resources that sustain economic development in South-central Kansas.

Activity 6: Regional Transportation Plan: Develop multi-modal transportation options/programs for the region and connects housing options to emerging employment clusters.

Long Term Outcome Desired: Decrease per capita Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) and transportation emissions for the region.

Activity 7: Regional Housing Plan: Support robust housing options that address affordability, freedom from discrimination, access to economic opportunities, and integration with transportation options, healthy community design, and energy efficiency.

Long Term Outcome Desired: Decrease in combined housing and transportation costs per household

Activity 8: Regional Plan for Workforce and Business Development: Create a regional brand that will support existing communities, businesses, and workforce development opportunities as well as identify and support emerging business and industry clusters.

Long Term Outcome Desired: Increased proportion of local population adequately prepared to participate in core economic growth sectors of the region.

Activity 9: Regional Natural Resources Plan: Provide a framework for cooperation and an understanding of the capability of meeting future natural resource requirements affordably and integrates the protection of property rights with access to safe natural resources.

Long Term Outcome Desired: Develop affordable access to natural resources and open spaces that support community and economic development in South-central Kansas.

Activity 10: Integration: Measure the success of the Regional Plan for Sustainable Communities by developing indicators or measurements that show the region is progressing toward a sustainable future.

Long Term Outcome Desired: Create a shared elements plan in regional transportation, housing, water, and air quality plans tied to local comprehensive land use.