



Resources to & **START** & **GROW** *your business*

A *NetWork Kansas E-Community* has made a commitment to cultivating an entrepreneurial environment by identifying and developing resources to help local *entrepreneurs* start or grow businesses. An E-Community has a locally controlled *loan fund* to assist entrepreneurs with *capital* and connectivity to *resources* to assist *entrepreneurs* and *small businesses*.

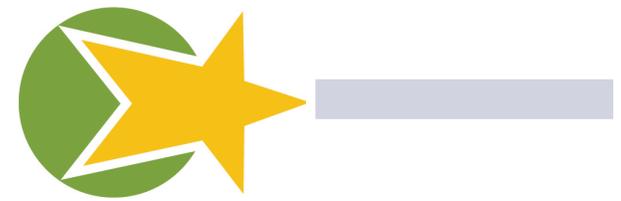
Find out more about the E-Community program, accessing resources to *start* or *grow* your business, or *funding* for your business by contacting:

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E Entrepreneurship Community Partnership

A NETWORK KANSAS ENTREPRENEURIAL PROGRAM

HUMBOLDT

A new opportunity providing practical resources to help you start and grow your business located in Humboldt, KS. Apply for loan funds or access other capital to startup or expand, work with qualified professionals to address your specific business questions, or access a statewide network of specialized business resources at low or no cost.

Funding opportunities available to for-profit businesses in Humboldt.

ALL businesses eligible to access resources & professional assistance.

For more information or to begin applying for a loan:
(620) 228-2367 or www.humboldtkansas.org



Connectivity to resources is crucial to generating entrepreneurial activity in a community. Access to capital is only one piece of the puzzle.” -Erik Pedersen, Director of E-Communities

What Can the E-Community Program Do for Me?

Have you ever thought about starting a business? Do you own one already? Being an entrepreneur comes with many challenges; and many rewards. We're here to help you tackle some of the challenges so that you can reap more rewards.

Many businesses struggle with funding but this is one of the most important contributors to a business's success. That's why Humboldt joined the E-Community Partnership. Through this program, we were able to develop a locally-controlled loan fund as part of our commitment to fostering economic growth through entrepreneurship. You can apply for funding through the local E-Community Program, which matches some of the capital you may already have located for your business with a low-interest loan.

Businesses are the backbone of a strong community. Keeping businesses local means more wealth stays in the community and supports community development. Building strong businesses is not possible without a resource infrastructure that allows startups, expansions, and high-growth businesses to access the economic, educational, and expert resources they need to be successful.

Finding Funding for My Business

You can apply for a low-interest loan through the Humboldt E-Community Program to start or grow your business.

These loans are intended to be paired with loans from financial institutions, personal investment, and financing from NetWork Kansas E-Community partners (ex. Certified Development Companies, Local Revolving Loan Funds, Main Street programs, etc.) to complete a funding package for your business.

Use of Funds

- Purchasing a building
- Purchasing equipment for a business
- Purchasing land for a business
- Working capital
- Construction or renovation on a business
- Other projects

Guidelines

- All projects must demonstrate economic feasibility
- Who qualifies? Anyone wishing to start, purchase, or expand a for-profit business in Humboldt, KS
- E-Community loan maximum of \$45,000
- Other guidelines are available in the loan application

How to Apply for an E-Community Loan

Obtain an application by contacting Beth Barlow. If you need help coordinating the other elements of your funding package (bank loans, etc.), we can help. Schedule an appointment to discuss the right next steps to take. Whether you need help finishing your business plan or filling out your loan application, we can connect you to the right resources to help.

Application Steps

- Download an application for funding
- Complete loan application, including all requested documentation
- Submit completed application
- You will be contacted regarding the status of your application

Scoring Criteria

- Financial soundness
- Owner/Operator experience
- Business plan
- Projected growth and economic impact
- Business development partnerships
- Quality of life impact
- Owner/3rd party funding
- Community commitment

Get Started Today

Contact us today to request an E-Community loan application, learn about other business resources, or get involved with the E-Community