

THE VOLUNTEER STAR

a monthly newsletter from your friends at the



KANSAS VOLUNTEER COMMISSION
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2023 NONPROFIT AND VOLUNTEERISM CONFERENCE CANCELED

Due to circumstances beyond our control, we have canceled the 2023 Nonprofit and Volunteerism Conference. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Please reach out to Jessica Dorsey at jdorsey@ksde.org if you need a registration refund.

Stay tuned for additional learning opportunities this fall and a 2024 book study series!

2023 *annual*
NONPROFIT & VOLUNTEERISM CONFERENCE

THINK BIG. OCT 9-11
Be **BOLD.**

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WICHITA, KS

Kansas Nonprofit Chamber | KANSAS VOLUNTEER COMMISSION
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**NOW ACCEPTING VOLUNTEER GENERATION
FUND APPLICATIONS**



The Commission has been granted funds through AmeriCorps to expand the capacity of community-based entities to recruit, engage, and retain historically underrepresented volunteers in order to address critical community issues.

Therefore, the Commission seeks to fund capacity-building efforts that remove barriers to engage volunteers from historically underrepresented areas including but not limited to BIPOC, LGBTQI+, veteran and military family communities, as well as persons in rural areas and persons with disabilities.

Eligible entities include community-based entities that leverage volunteers and/or mentors.

Applications are due Monday, September 25, 2023.

All materials can be found at:

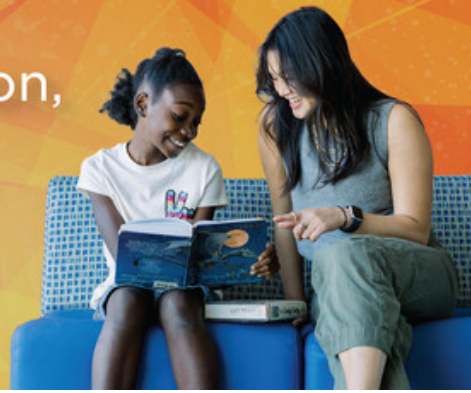
<https://kanserve.ksde.org/resources/grant-information/volunteer-generation-fund-grant>

AMPLIFY STUDENT SUPPORT IN SEPTEMBER!

This back to school season,

Amplify

STUDENT SUPPORT



For many young people, **September** is a time of connection and reconnection. As young people settle back into school, there are endless opportunities to build and strengthen their relationships with peers and adults in their lives. September, which marks **Back to School Month**, **Attendance Awareness Month**, and **National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month**, provides an opportunity to discuss the role that adults in the education system can play in promoting the mental health and well-being of young people. September 15 also marks the start of **Latin American Heritage Month!**

As we celebrate Latin American mentors and mentees, join us in promoting educational resources around advancing cultural competency and dismantling bias within the mentoring field.

Resources :

- Curious about the benefits of adopting a growth mindset? Download @MENTORnational's Growth Mindset Toolkit & Implementation Guide! Available for free at: <https://bit.ly/3jGXNIG>
@pertslab @CityYear #MentoringAmplifies
- By centering and elevating quality relationships, #MentoringAmplifies Social and Emotional Learning (SEL). To learn more, Check out @MENTORnational's guide to SEL: <https://bit.ly/45cX0G2>
- Are you interested in forming meaningful connections with young people? That journey starts with the adoption of a mentoring mindset. Learn more: <https://bit.ly/3sgaeTQ> #MentoringAmplifies @OJPOJJD



GROWTH MINDSET TOOLKIT & IMPLEMENTATION GUIDE

KANSAS VOLUNTEER COMMISSION MONTHLY
WEBINAR SERIES



Alexandria Ware
CEO & Founder
Culture Creations Inc.

MENTORING MONTHLY WEBINAR SERIES

First Thursday of Every Month
1 pm - 2 pm

October Topic: Creating a
Healed Culture through
Mentoring



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REGISTER ONLINE



Questions? Contact: volunteer@ksde.org

2023 Webinar Series

The Kansas Volunteer Commission announces monthly mentoring, volunteerism, and civic engagement webinars. There is no cost to attend, and webinars will be recorded and posted at <https://kanserve.org>.

MENTORING WEBINAR SERIES

1st Thursday of every month from 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm
Register at: https://ksde.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwrf-qsrzovGtXz8lr0emGLjj_DG_CT13yJ

VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT WEBINAR SERIES

2nd Tuesday of every month from 10:00 am – 11:00 am
Register at: <https://ksde.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlldOuqpszsqGdawvZuzMUHNDFkBXqe5cY9c>

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT WEBINAR SERIES

3rd Friday of every month from 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm
Register at: <https://ksde.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcpf-ysqzMuE9DyLPOE1vavtN-BJn87iapK>

JOIN THE MENTOR KANSAS ADVISORY COUNCIL



[Mentor Kansas](#) is looking for individuals who support the vision statement, *Every Young Kansan develops into a successful, productive, engaged adult*, to join the Mentor Kansas Advisory Council ([MKAC](#)).

Roles and Responsibilities:

- Attend quarterly Advisory Council meetings.
- Participate in policy development for mentoring in Kansas.
- Share pertinent information with the Advisory Council.
- Participate in local, regional, and state Mentor Kansas activities when possible.
- Advocate for and represent the Advisory Council.
- Recruit and refer other potential Council members.
- As a new member, complete Advisory Council orientation.

If you are interested in being part of MKAC, please submit the online application form at <https://forms.gle/5c1Ej7LvUkaBhZNd7>.

Please contact [Jessica Dorsey](#), Kansas Volunteer Commission Executive Director, if you have any questions.

STAFF AND COMMISSIONER SPOTLIGHT



First in-person Commission Meeting held since 2019.

The Kansas Volunteer Commission was excited for the first in-person meeting since the pandemic. Commissioners and Staff met at the Topeka and Shawnee County Public Library on August 1, 2023.

2023 MINI GRANT SERIES

2023 MINI-GRANT SERIES

MENTOR CAPACITY BUILDING

GUIDELINES & APPLICATION RELEASE: 1/06/2023

9/11 NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE

GUIDELINES & APPLICATION RELEASE: 7/03/2023

VOLUNTEER MANAGER SUPPORT

GUIDELINES & APPLICATION RELEASE: 2/01/2023

RURAL & INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES

GUIDELINES & APPLICATION RELEASE: 8/01/2023

YOUTH CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

GUIDELINES & APPLICATION RELEASE: 3/27/2023

MLK NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE

GUIDELINES & APPLICATION RELEASE: 10/09/2023

SOCIAL JUSTICE CAPACITY BUILDING

GUIDELINES & APPLICATION RELEASE: 5/01/2023

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA TO STAY UP-TO-DATE
ON ALL OUR MINI-GRANT OPPORTUNITIES



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UPCOMING EVENTS

The Mission of Managers of Volunteer Engagement (M.O.V.E.) is to build and engage a network of volunteer managers and cultivate a volunteerism culture.

M.O.V.E. Topeka

Meets the Third Wednesday of Each Month
9:00 to 10:00 AM

To learn more, please visit www.moveks.org.
Or reach out via [Facebook](#).

M.O.V.E. Kansas

Virtual

Meets the Fourth Thursday of Each Month
9:00 to 10:00 AM

To learn more, please email
meg@BallardCenter.org

Volunteer Managers Meeting United Way of Douglas County

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of Odd Numbered Months
9:00 to 10:00 AM

To learn more, please email
kabelruch@uwkawvalley.org

Volunteer Managers Network United Way of the Plains

2023 Dates T.B.D.
12:00 to 1:00 PM

To learn more, please email Abel Frederic
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NOTE: The above dates, times, and locations are subject to change.

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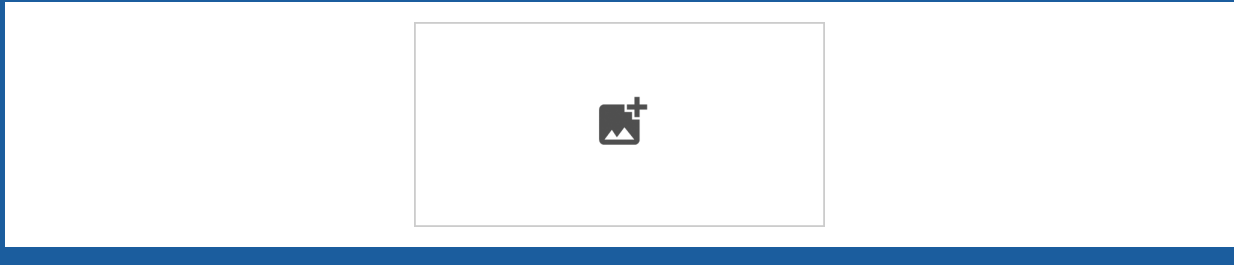


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