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Partnership for Community Investment

RESOURCE SPOTLIGHT

KITE Proof of Concept Program

NetWork Kansas Partner:
The Kansas Department of Commerce

RESOURCE OVERVIEW

The KITE Proof of Concept (POC) Program provides for-profit entities and faculty-led projects access to between \$5,000-\$25,000 in funding to enable promising technology to advance to a stage where it is capable of attracting licensees, seed investment or generating revenues.

For-profit POC funds are available for the purpose of evaluating and/or commercializing unique and innovative technology that is scalable and targeted for development via entrepreneurial enterprise in Kansas.

Additional funds are set aside for minority-owned businesses.

ALLOWABLE USE OF FUNDS FOR FOR-PROFIT ENTITIES

- Technical Validation
- Advanced Testing
- Prototype development
- Commercial Assessment
- Other technology-focused activities
- And more

INELIGIBLE USE OF FUNDS FOR FOR-PROFIT ENTITIES

- Normal salary costs of the applicant (or related persons or entities)
- Fixed overhead costs
- Previously incurred costs
- Costs for securing intellectual property rights (e.g. patent costs)

ELIGIBILITY

Qualifying for-profit entities must:

- Have clear technical or commercial objective with innovative technology
- Be undertaken by a Kansas-based, for-profit entity that has not raised in excess of \$750,000 total capital from other sources
- Be reviewed by and submitted through one of the approved partners

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MORE INFORMATION FACULTY-LED POC, [CLICK HERE](#)

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