

# May K-State 105 newsletter

## A message from the director

As we move through the month of May, I am filled with excitement about the incredible progress we've made together. K-State 105 continues to be a catalyst for economic growth and community advancement across Kansas. From supporting local businesses and entrepreneurs to fostering innovative projects and engagement, our collective efforts are truly making a difference. I am inspired by the dedication and passion of our partners and look forward to continuing our journey toward a prosperous future for all 105 counties. Thank you for being an integral part of this important initiative.

Best regards, Jessica Gnad Director, <u>K-State 105</u>

K-State highlights ongoing engagement from two years of presidential community visits



Kansas State University continues its commitment as the university for Kansans.

K-State President Richard Linton and a team of K-State faculty, staff and students spent the past two years engaging with Kansans across the state through the <u>presidential regional community visit initiative</u>. At these intentional visits — which are connected with the K-State 105 initiative — K-State engaged with Kansans in all 105 counties. The university continues building on new partnerships and engagement opportunities from the visits.

Watch a video and learn more about the community visits.

# K-State 105 and StartUp Hutch partnership expands entrepreneurship program in Reno County



<u>K-State 105</u> is partnering with <u>StartUp Hutch</u> to expand the entrepreneurial ecosystem and foster additional economic growth in Hutchinson and the Reno County region.

The K-State 105 partnership is helping to add an Entrepreneur Navigator, or E-Navigator, to StartUp Hutch. The E-Navigator will be a pilot program that connects and convenes local entrepreneurs,

fosters collaborations and supports new ventures in Reno County.

Read more about the StartUp Hutch partnership.

### The Scoop on K-State features K-State 105 initiative

Jessica Gnad, K-State 105 director, recently joined <u>The Scoop on K-State</u> to discuss how K-State 105 is involved in a variety of projects, partnerships and community engagement activities across the 105 counties of Kansas.



The Scoop on K-State is a show about stories and stakeholders during the K-State journey to become a next-generation land-grant university. Adam Walker, K-State Alumni Association president and CEO, hosts the show.

Listen to The Scoop on K-State episode.

## **Upcoming events**

Learn more about upcoming events from K-State 105 partners.

NetWorked for Change Conference Wednesday, May 22, and Thursday, May 23 | Wichita Partners: NetWork Kansas Learn more about this event.

Plug and Play Topeka Expo Day Thursday, June 6 | Topeka Partner: GO Topeka Learn more about this event.

#### Northwest Kansas Child Care Conference

Thursday, Aug. 1, and Friday, Aug. 2 | Hays

Partner: Northwest Kansas Economic Innovation Center Inc.

Learn more about this event.

#### Visit the K-State 105 website.

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