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August K-State 105 newsletter

A message from the director

As we dive into the new academic year, we're excited to share several K-State 105 projects and partnerships that are shaping the future of Kansas. From our community health worker project, which is improving the well-being of our agricultural workforce, to our support of innovative startup companies, there's much to explore this month. Stay connected as we kick off a season full of opportunities and growth!

Best regards,
Jessica Gnad
Director, [K-State 105](#)

K-State 105 community health worker project helps rural Kansas and agricultural workforce



A large collaborative [K-State 105](#) project is bringing together 12 partners — including Kansas State University units, other higher education institutions and health organizations — to help improve rural and agriculture-connected health across the state.

The [Rural Ag Health Community Health Worker project](#) focuses on sustaining the health and safety of rural Kansans and the agricultural workforce. The project is establishing resource and service hubs staffed by community health workers who are co-supervised by local [K-State Research and Extension](#) units and health care partners.

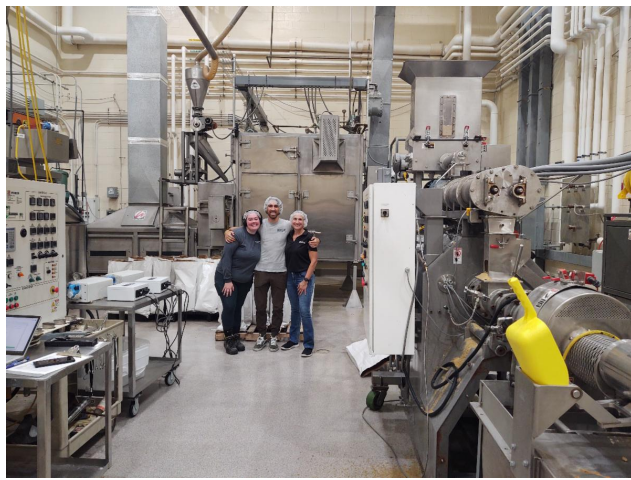
The community health worker project will involve work in 16 counties, including Allen, Bourbon, Clay, Cloud, Crawford, Jackson, Jefferson, Labette, Marshall, Montgomery, Nemaha, Neosho, Republic, Washington, Wilson and Woodson counties.

Learn more about the community health worker project.

Technology Development Institute and GO Topeka partner to develop new hypoallergenic pet foods

Kansas State University's [Technology Development Institute](#) has partnered with [GO Topeka](#) and Arch Pet Food to develop a [new low-ingredient hypoallergenic dog food formula](#).

This collaboration was supported by Plug and Play, a leading innovation platform that brings together cutting-edge startup companies and corporate partners to help launch new technologies and products. The [Topeka Plug and Play program](#) focuses on animal health companies, and through the [K-State 105 initiative](#), K-State has engaged Plug and Play as a partner organization to provide technical support to these startup companies.



Learn more about the collaborative project.

Upcoming events

Learn more about upcoming events from K-State 105 partners

Kansas Local Food Summit

Tuesday, Aug. 27, and Wednesday, Aug. 28 | Wichita

Partner: Kansas State University/K-State Research and Extension

[Learn more about this event.](#)

First Friday e-Call: Global exporting and discovering new markets

Friday, Sept. 6 | Virtual

Partner: Kansas State University/K-State Research and Extension

[Learn more about this event.](#)

2024 Maker Space Summit

Thursday, Sept. 26 | Emporia State University

Partner: NetWork Kansas

[Learn more about this event.](#)

First Friday e-Call: What can USDA Rural Development do for your community?

Friday, Oct. 4 | Virtual

Partner: Kansas State University/K-State Research and Extension

[Learn more about this event.](#)

First Friday e-Call: The economic impact of public trails

Friday, Nov. 1 | Virtual

Partner: Kansas State University/K-State Research and Extension

[Learn more about this event.](#)

K-State 105 in the news

K-State 105 launches Entrepreneurial Blueprint Initiative with NetWork Kansas, K-State Research and Extension

July 17 | The Manhattan Mercury

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1 Year After the Creation of K-State 105, Plans to Build Economic Prosperity Continue

Aug. 1 | Kansas Biz News
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Community health worker project helping rural Kansas
Aug. 14 | KSN
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