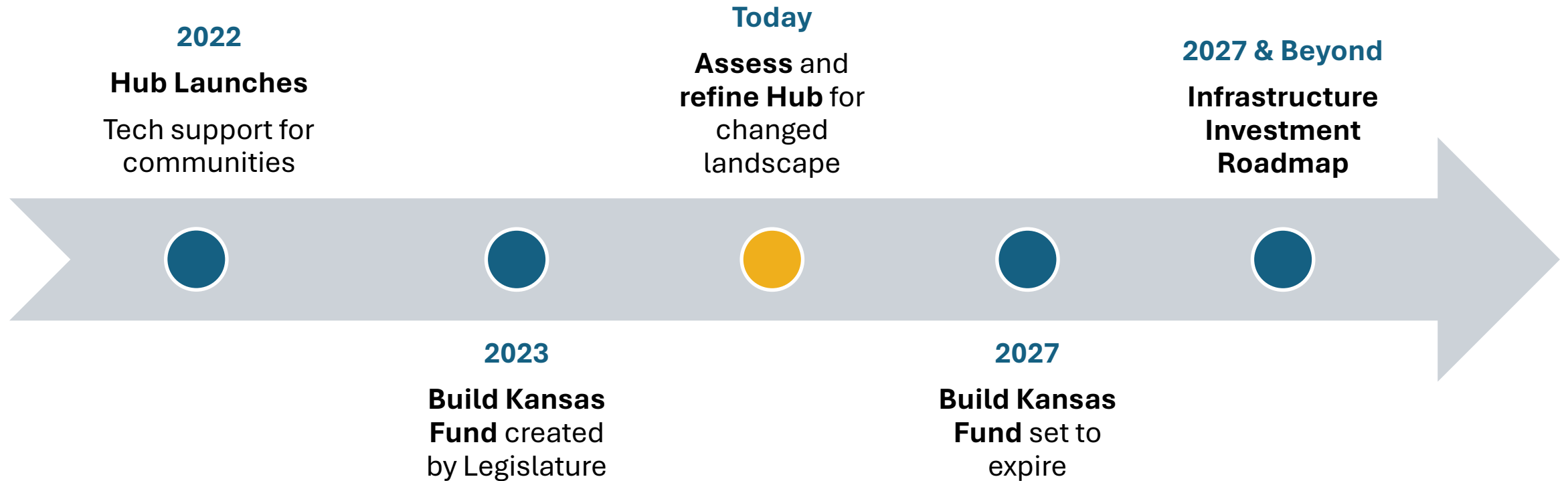


Kansas Infrastructure Hub 2025

Where we are and where we want to go



Adjust to updated Federal goals now and position Kansas for long-term success



Kansas infrastructure and investment challenges

- **Short-term:**

- New/shifting priorities for IIJA grants
 - Ex: prioritized funding for areas with high birth and marriage rates
- Likely fewer discretionary grant opportunities after 2026

- **Long-term:**

- Outdated/incomplete understanding of infrastructure inventories and needs at the regional level
- Lack of:
 - Alignment between infrastructure investments & economic development opportunities.
 - Coordination and prioritization across regions/sectors
 - Pipeline of construction ready projects.
- Fragmented governance & regulatory barriers

Streamlined approach for Federal changes and longer-term infrastructure investments

Task

1

Assess progress and **build upon** recent Hub and infrastructure related successes and **lessons learned**

Task

2

Maximize the impact of **infrastructure investment** through the remainder of IIJA and Build Kansas Fund

Task

3

Develop a **Framework** for infrastructure investment and tradeoffs **beyond IIJA**.



Task

1

Streamlined assessment

Purpose: Quantify the current benefits of the Hub and Build KS and identify opportunities to increase value for Kansas communities.

- ★ Identify the **accomplishments** of Infrastructure Hub, Build Kansas Fund, and other on-going infrastructure related efforts
- ★ Identify **missed opportunities** due to hurdles the Hub or Build Kansas fund could not overcome
- Provide rapidly deployable recommendations for high impact modifications for Hub or Agencies

Deliverables:

- Refined technical resources for communities
- Streamlined processes for Hub/Build KS
- Implementation plan with recommendations

Schedule: 2-3 months

★ *Stakeholder engagement will be required*



Task
2

Maximize IJA & Build Kansas funds

Purpose: Identify and execute immediate strategic shifts necessary to secure more federal funds for infrastructure projects in Kansas.

- Analyze shifting or **new federal grant priorities**
- ★ Identify **new hurdles or opportunities** for Kansas to be competitive in federal competitive grants
- **Provide implementation recommendations** to Hub, Agencies, Governor's Office and Advisory Committee

Deliverables:

- Updated Processes for Hub / Build KS for Trump Administration
- Marketing/communications to stakeholders

Schedule: 2-3 months

★ *Stakeholder engagement may be required*



Task
3

Infrastructure Investment Framework – the Hub beyond IIJA and Build KS

Purpose: Leverage information gained and lessons learned from Infrastructure Hub to develop a long- term strategy for investment in critical state infrastructure.

- ★ Perform **Gap Analysis** to highlight shortfalls in current infrastructure planning and investment
- ★ Identify State of Kansas policies that may be **limiting efficient delivery** of infrastructure investments
- Provide recommendations in the form of a **Long-Term Framework** to address the highest prioritized issues

Schedule: 9-12 months

Deliverables:

- Long-Term Infrastructure Investment Framework
- Initial pipeline of prioritized projects that are ready for construction, or in need of development.

★ *Stakeholder engagement will be required*



Today's Request

- Concurrence from Build KS Advisory Committee to proceed with Tasks 1, 2 and 3.
- Authority to utilize up to \$1.6M of Build KS Technical Assistance funds to perform these tasks
 - \$700k in TA budget remaining from FY2025
 - FY2025 Approved budget \$4,297,900
 - \$900k from FY2026 budget
 - FY2026 Approved budget \$4,010,904

What else should we be thinking about?

