

Memberships

wKREDA:

Western Kansas Rural Economic Development Alliance, Inc. is a coalition of people in 53 western Kansas counties who decided to pool their resources, both human and financial, to work the common good of western Kansas. wKREDA members maintain a collaborative affiliation with each other so that we are able to achieve individual, and our collective, rural development goals.

The 1994 decision to create wKREDA started our unique and colorful history. Our innovative approach to challenges and how we've made western Kansas open for business is published in our Genesis section. As a volunteer organization, wKREDA is governed by a 12-member Board of Directors who meet quarterly to coordinate the activities of the alliance. The Board organizes the activities of the alliance for Business Development, Government Affairs, Education and Public Relations committees. In addition ad hoc taskforce groups may be created as needed to meet the opportunities and challenges faced by wKREDA's membership.

We're anxious to visit about western Kansas with anyone who may be interested in this wonderful place we call home.

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KEDA: KANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE

Mission: Working to improve the future of communities across Kansas.

Objective: Shift from a "tax-credit" economic development strategy to a "cash equivalent" strategy allowing Kansas to be more competitive in the quest to create new jobs.

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Northwest Kansas Travel Council, Inc.

Committed to the Promotion and Development of Travel in Northwest Kansas www.northwestkansas.org

US HIGHWAY 36 ASSOCIATION:

Our vision for the U.S. 36 is for a four-lane freeway or expressway from Indianapolis to Belleville, Kansas; a high-standard two-lane (Super Two) highway west through Kansas and Colorado to Denver; and a freeway or expressway to Boulder and Estes Park.

This artery of commerce should not be constricted by narrow shoulders, inadequate bridges, low speed limits or any other factor which would tend to discourage through traffic. U.S. 36, as a major east-west highway and the shortest route between Indianapolis and Denver, should be part of the National Highway System for its entire length.

We support extension of Interstate 72, now complete across the Mississippi River and planned to the Missouri at St. Joseph, into and across Kansas along U.S. 36 as an alternative to overcrowded freeways to the north and south, and as a principal tool for economic development of the northern tier of Kansas counties. To support this goal, we urge the State of Missouri to complete the four-lane expressway which now stretches two-thirds of the way across that state. www.ushwy36.com