

GO TOPEKA QUARTERLY REPORT

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Summary of economic development strides within
Topeka-Shawnee County.

2017 - 1ST QUARTER

GO
Topeka 

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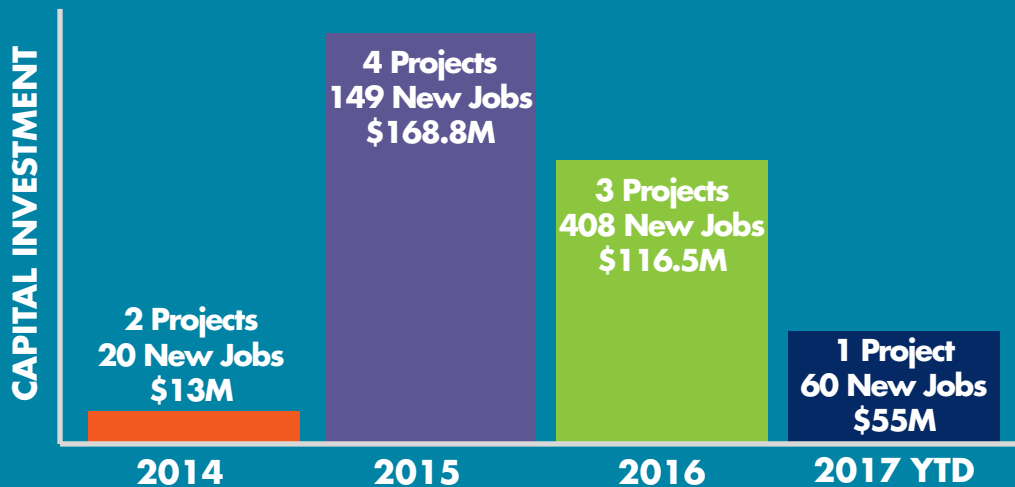
PROJECT ANNOUNCEMENT



"PROJECT FAIRWAY"



CAPITAL INVESTMENT



PROJECT PIPELINE



21 = Attraction
10 = Retention/Expansion



Average number of jobs per project



\$43,750

Average wage per project

BUSINESS DEV. & ATTRACTION

Topeka is seeing an uptick in interest from new companies looking for places to relocate or expand. The community is currently on the short list for three new business projects looking at building new facilities. The team has been busy planning and hosting multiple site visits since the beginning of the year. Advanced Manufacturing continues to be the most common industry in the new business pipeline accounting for about 70% of the projects



5
SITE VISITS



12
CONSULTANT INTERACTIONS



3
FORMAL PROPOSALS SUBMITTED

BUS. RETENTION & EXPANSION (BRE)



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\$198M

Total capital investment for all BRE projects

WHAT BUSINESSES ARE SAYING

" Generally optimistic about potential growth/expansion "

" Workforce concerns "

" Quality of life concerns, especially as it ties to hiring professionals & management level "

" Interest in Neighborhood Revitalization Program and possible new innovative programs "

SMALL BUSINESS INCENTIVES

CATEGORIES OF BUSINESSES RECEIVING INCENTIVES



RETAIL



MANUFACTURING



SERVICE



RESTAURANT



22

INCENTIVES
ISSUED



16

BUSINESSES
RECEIVING
INCENTIVES

(Some received more than
one incentive)



\$69,783

Total incentives
issued



52

Full Time Jobs



26

Part Time Jobs
Retained or created

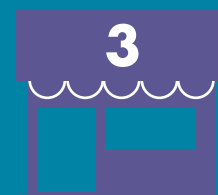
MID AMERICA ANGELS – TOPEKA



GROWING
STEADILY



23 ANGEL
INVESTORS



3

BUSINESSES HAVE PITCHED
THEIR IDEAS SEEKING \$4M+ FOR
MARKETING, SALES AND OTHER
GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

NEW VENTURE - FASTTRAC

FastTrac New Venture is a flexible,
6-week course with a proven
framework to help aspiring
entrepreneurs start businesses and
bring their dreams to reality.



13
GRADUATES



3
BUSINESS
START UPS

WORKFORCE & EDUCATION

TOPEKA STATS

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE – 3.6% (MARCH 2017)

AVERAGE WAGE – \$43,628 (3RD QUARTER, 2016)

MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME - \$50,378 (2015 ACS, US CENSUS)

FOCUS AREAS



**CRADLE
THROUGH
CAREER**



**DIVERSITY &
INCLUSION**



**EAST TOPEKA
LEARNING
CENTER**



**FUTURE
TALENT
PIPELINE**



**WORK READY
COMMUNITY**



**JEDO
SCHOLARSHIPS**

43 total
scholarships

TOP POSITIONS UNFILLED



CDL



**FINANCE &
ACCOUNTING**



**INDUSTRIAL
MAINTENANCE**



**INFORMATION
TECHNOLOGY**



TEACHERS



WAREHOUSE

712 INNOVATIONS



**AVERAGE 125
MEMBERS
PER MONTH**



**HOME TO
30 SMALL
BUSINESSES**



**HOSTS 1 MILLION CUPS
FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE
MONTH**

GO TOPEKA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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GO Topeka

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Regional Community
Organizer
Communities Creating
Opportunity

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Jones Advisory Group

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Topeka Capital-Journal

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City of Topeka

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Attraction



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Workforce & Education



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Vice President of
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Expansion



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Washington**
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Entrepreneurial and
Minority Business
Development



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Assistant Manager
Entrepreneurial and
Minority Business
Development



Matt Lara
Communications
Specialist



Mary Hill
Executive Assistant

GO TOPEKA MISSION

GO Topeka's mission is to create exceptional opportunities for growth, prosperity, innovation, and economic diversity and vibrancy that positively impact current and future citizens of Topeka and Shawnee County by attracting world-class companies, providing existing companies with the knowledge and resources to reach their highest potential, and cultivating entrepreneurial development and growth.

