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LEAVENWORTH COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

INSIDE LOOK

FIRST QUARTER 2025

LCDC Advocates for Business Growth in Leavenworth County and the State of Kansas

LCDC Champions To Keep State Business Assistance Programs

Members of the LCDC leadership team traveled to the Capitol in Topeka in opposition to SB 283, which threatens to sunset key state initiatives like the High-Performance Incentive Program (HPIP) and the Promoting Employment Across Kansas (PEAK) program—both critical to business growth and job creation.

Existing Leavenworth County companies are utilizing these programs and over the last 10 years have:

- Created **339 new jobs**
- **Invested over $102 million** in our community
- **Strengthened** our local economy & tax base

KEDA Annual Legislative Day

LCDC Executive Director and KEDA board member, Lisa Haack, and Assistant Director Diana Dodd had a productive day in Topeka at the KANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE's annual Legislative Day. The team met with three of Leavenworth County's legislators and shared updates on the county. The legislators talked about key bills and this year's work on the state budget and property tax reduction.

LCDC Works to Get Leavenworth County

Workforce Ready

Career and Technical Education Symposium

The third Career and Technical Education Symposium for Leavenworth County was held in February. LCDC, Educators from Leavenworth USD 453, Tonganoxie USD 464, Easton USD 449, Lansing USD 469, Basehor-Linwood USD 458, KCKCC, and local business leaders all gathered at KCKCC's Pioneer Career Center to discuss bridging the gap between education and the workforce.

The group addressed skills gaps in the current curricula, how to integrate internships and work-based learning into the vocational tracks, and what pathways need to be added to ensure all graduates in Leavenworth County are workforce ready. LCDC initiated the symposium last year and is acting as a liaison between the schools and the businesses.

Classroom to Career Event

The Classroom to Career (C2C) Events are back in 2025! These field-trip style events expose high schoolers to careers in areas such as law enforcement, healthcare, and manufacturing. For the first C2C event, students taking the US Law class at Leavenworth High School got to visit the Leavenworth County Justice Center and hear from Leavenworth police officers about all the jobs available in law enforcement and what it takes to become a police officer.

Welcome New (and increased) Investors

Atlas Land Consulting – New Platinum Investor

Frontier Credit Union – Increased its investment from Gold to Silver Level – **thank you!**

Todd and Laurie Mefford, Mefford Real Estate – Investor

Edward Jones - Financial Advisory: Sara Kobe – Investor

Tallgrass CPA & Accounting – Investor

LCDC Positively Impacts Leavenworth County

Ways LCDC works to promote businesses and attract new industries to Leavenworth County

LCDC and Leavenworth County Port Authority's Five Year Impact

5 YEAR IMPACT

- ***$500 million*** secured in new capital investment
- ***$50 million*** invested by current companies
- ***538*** new jobs created and existing jobs retained
- 2023 property tax revenue from LCPA Parks: ***$593,937.10***

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