

2024 Library Development Grant Application

submission deadline: Friday, March 1, 2024

We hereby apply for a Northeast Kansas Library System Library Development Grant for the year 2024 at the accreditation level indicated below.

_____ Gateway Library	_____ Major Service Center Level I
_____ Linking Library	_____ Major Service Center Level II
_____ Service Center Level I	_____ Major Service Center Level III
_____ Service Center Level II	_____ Major Resource Library

We certify that:

1. The library is a legally established, tax supported city or township public library located in a taxing county of the Northeast Kansas Library System.
2. The library meets requirements for receipt of State of Kansas grant-in-aid funds.
3. The library is a member of the Northeast Kansas Library System and provides service without charge to all system residents.
4. The library is accredited by the Northeast Kansas Library System at the level indicated in this application, and continues to meet all applicable Library Development standards, except where a waiver has been approved by the Northeast Kansas Library System.
5. The library board will complete a written library plan, or review an existing plan, during 2024.
6. This Library Development Grant application was discussed and approved at a library board meeting with a quorum of board members present.
7. The library has a good faith intent to meet, during the agreed time, any standard that has been waived by the Northeast Kansas Library System for 2024.

CERTIFIED BY:

Library Board President

Date

Library Director

Date

Library Name

LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT GRANT SERVICE LEVELS

The goal of the Library Development Grant program is to strengthen library service by:

1. Recognizing attainment of the standards for service in the Library Development Accreditation program of the Northeast Kansas Library System.
2. Providing extended tax support from rural areas to municipal public libraries serving those areas.

Libraries that are accredited by the Northeast Kansas Library System and meet other eligibility requirements may qualify for the grant amount corresponding to the level of accreditation attained by the library. Therefore, a library's grant may increase or decrease in any given year. The accreditation and standards program will be reviewed regularly by the Executive Board of the Northeast Kansas Library System and revised as needed.

Gateway Library
Linking Library
Service Center I
Service Center II
Major Service Center I
Major Service Center II
Major Service Center III
Major Resource Library

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

This is the last year for the current accreditation cycle.

- (1) Review the library's service level with the library board. Determine which service level is appropriate for your library and indicate this selection on the grant application.
 - If your service level remains unchanged, you need ONLY to submit this grant application in order to apply for a 2024 Library Development Grant.
 - If you seek to move up a service level for 2024, you will need to submit this grant application plus the completed accreditation application. Please contact Jessi Harris at jharris@nekls.org if you wish to apply to move up a service level.
- (2) The library board president and library director must sign the grant application.
- (3) Scan and email the completed (and signed) 2024 Library Development Grant Application to Megan Mentzer at mmentzer@nekls.org

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