

## **SUSTAINABILITY**

KANSAS GOVERNOR'S GRANTS PROGRAM GRANT WRITING TIPS The Sustainability Section should directly connect to the prior sections of the grant proposal. Numerous grant programs are competitive, and funders need to know if the grant project funds are needed for one year or more. Funders also want to know if the agency has considered how it will continue the service or portions of the grant project if not funded in future years.

Applicants should think creatively about how the grant project could be sustained without grant funding. Consider what non-financial resources and community partners can assist in supporting and sustaining a project. Following are some questions to consider:

- Are there other funders the agency could approach in the future or build a new relationship with during the grant period?
- Are there other funding sources the agency could research and approach?
- Could donations be sought?
- Could volunteers be utilized?
- Could the agency facilitate a fundraiser?
- Does the agency have time-limited projects that would allow resources to be available in the future?
- Are there portions of the proposed grant project that are time-limited (for example, one-time start-up costs) that would decrease the expenses in future years?

## Common mistakes with this section include:

- Skipping it;
- Noting there are no options to continue the grant project without this funding source;
  or
- Provides no specific options for sustaining the grant project.

## Sustainability Video