

Build Kansas Fund | Fiscal Year 2026 Application Package | Memo



To: Senator Rick Billinger, Chair, Build Kansas Advisory Committee
Chardae Caine, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Shauna Wake, Office of the Kansas State Treasurer

From: Shawn Wesner, Executive Director, Kansas Infrastructure Hub

RE: Build Kansas Fund Application #2026-172-NCRPC

Date: May 6, 2026

Attached, please find an application made to the Build Kansas Fund by the Salina Airport Authority. The application packet includes the following items:

- Coversheet – provides a high-level overview of the application including a unique identification number, page 1 of 13 of the Build Kansas Fund Application Package.
- Build Kansas Fund Application – includes information submitted with the Build Kansas Fund Application, pages 2-7. Page 8 provides the table of funding sources and zip codes served by the project.
- Attachments – Project narrative, pages 9-13.

Project Overview

The Salina Airport Authority seeks funding from the U.S. Department of Transportation for funding available through the Airport Terminal Program (ATP) for their Salina Regional Airport Terminal Rehabilitation and Expansion – Phase II project which includes modernization of the passenger terminal through replacement of aging terminal infrastructure and improvements to the entry canopy and drop-off lanes.

This opportunity is a discretionary IJA program with a local match requirement of 5% of the total project cost. The entity is requesting \$288,800.00 from the Build Kansas Fund, and is providing a local cash match of \$15,200.00. This request has the potential to unlock \$5,776,000.00 in federal funds, for a total project cost of \$6,080,000.00.

The deadline was January 15, 2026 and this Build Kansas Fund application was received on January 14, 2026.

Previously Awarded BKF

Program/Fiscal Year	BKF Amount	Federal Award Status	BKF Status
FAA FY24	\$337,847.28	Awarded	Obligated

Build Kansas Fund Steering Committee Recommendation

The Build Kansas Fund Steering Committee reviewed this application on February 11, 2026 following a successful completeness check. The Steering Committee **RECOMMENDS APPROVAL** of Build Kansas Funding to the Build Kansas Advisory Committee for final advice.

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Build Kansas Fund Application Number	2026-172-NCRPC		
Applicant Name	Salina Airport Authority		
Application Date Received	1/14/2026		
Project Name	Salina Regional Airport Terminal Rehabilitation and Expansion – Phase II		
Project Description	This project completes a comprehensive passenger terminal modernization by replacing aging terminal infrastructure and improving entry canopy and drop-off lanes.		
Entity Type	Local Government		
Economic Development District (EDD)	North Central KS Regional Planning Commission		
Infrastructure Sector(s)	Transportation		
IIJA Program	Airport Terminal Program (ATP)		
IIJA Program Type	Discretionary		
Application Type	Implementation		
IIJA Application Deadline	1/15/2026		
Build Kansas Fund Request	\$288,800.00		
Technical Assistance Received	General	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
	IIJA Application	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Build Kansas Fund Application	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Application Notes	Build Kansas Fund contribution of \$288,800.00 will unlock \$5,776,000.00 in federal IIJA funding, with a local cash contribution of \$15,200.00, for a total project cost of \$6,080,000.00.		
Previously Awarded BKF Applications (If Applicable)	Program/FY	BKF Amount	Status
	FAA FY24	\$337,847.28	Awarded/Obligated
Steering Committee Funding Recommendation	2/11/2026 Recommend <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Declined <input type="checkbox"/>		
Advisory Committee Funding Recommendation	5/6/2026 Recommend <input type="checkbox"/> Declined <input type="checkbox"/>		

Title **Salina Airport Authority** 01/14/2026

by **Shelli Swanson** in **Build Kansas Fund Application** id. 52831399

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Original Submission 01/29/2026

Score n/a

Part 1: Applicant Information

The name of the entity applying for the Build Kansas Fund: Salina Airport Authority

Project Name: Salina Regional Airport Terminal Rehabilitation and Expansion – Phase II

Entity type: Local Government

Entity Population: 46,889

Applicant Contact Name: Michelle Swanson

Applicant Contact Position/Title: Director of Administration and Finance

Applicant Contact Telephone Number: +17858339327

Applicant Contact Email Address: shellis@salair.org

Applicant Contact Address: 3237 Arnold Ave.

Applicant Contact Address Line 2 (optional):

Applicant Contact City: Salina

Applicant Contact State: Kansas

Applicant Contact Zip Code: 67401

Is the Project Contact the same as the Applicant Contact? Yes

Part 2: Build Kansas Fund - Eligibility Criteria

Certify that you are pursuing an Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity for which your entity is eligible: Yes

Certify that the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity you are pursuing has a required non-federal match component: Yes

What is the primary county that the project will occur in? Saline County

The Build Kansas Fund is intended to support Kansas-based infrastructure projects. Please provide a list of all the zip codes this project will be located in, along with an estimated percent [%] of the project located in that zip code. For example, if seeking funding for road infrastructure, provide a rough percent of the roads expected in each zip code:

[Zip Code Percentage.xlsx](#)

Part 3: Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) - Grant Application Information Please Note: This information is related to the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity to which you will apply. This is NOT information for the Build Kansas Match Fund.

Please enter the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity title that the entity is applying for: Airport Terminal Program

What is the funding agency for this Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity? U.S. Department of Transportation

What is the Assistance Listing Number (ALN) for this Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity? 20.106

What is the federal application due date for this Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity? 1/15/2026

Application Type: Implementation

What is the federal fiscal year for this Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity? 2026

Enter the amount of funding being applied for, from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funding opportunity: \$5,776,000.00

Enter the total project cost: \$6,080,000.00

Enter the required non-federal match percentage: 5%

Part 4: Build Kansas Fund - Match Application Information Beginning in July 2024 and moving forward, eligible applicants are expected to contribute a portion of the non-Federal match requirement. This contribution can be in the form of cash and/or in-kind contributions. The goal is to demonstrate the applicant's commitment to the project. The contribution should be significant enough relative to the Build Kansas Fund request. For a local public entity, 5% of the non-federal match is a good guideline, but not a requirement. See Build Kansas Fund Program Guidance for exceptions and more information.

Enter the non-federal cash match amount being requested from the Build Kansas Fund: \$288,800.00

Enter the non-federal cash match amount being provided by the eligible applicant, if applicable: \$15,200.00

Enter the estimated value of the non-federal in-kind match amount being provided by the eligible applicant, if applicable: \$0

Expected breakdown of funding sources to support the project: Enter the funding source and projected amount from each source to support this project:

[Kansas+DOT+table_V2.xlsx](#)

Part 5: Build Kansas Fund - Means Test and Eligible Applicant Match

What other available funding sources that are currently planned to go unused by your entity will be leveraged for this project? The Salina Airport Authority does not have other available funding sources currently planned to go unused that could be leveraged for this project. Local revenues are limited and are fully allocated to airport operations, debt service, and ongoing capital reinvestment obligations.

Will any American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) or Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Fund monies be used for the non-federal match?

\$0

What other sources of in-kind match will be leveraged for this project? Please list and include the actual or estimated value of each.

\$0

What other funding sources (local, federal, or non-federal) will be used for this match?

Salina Airport Authority local funds – \$15,200

Describe your efforts to find other available funding sources for this project:

The Salina Airport Authority evaluated other potential funding sources to support the non-federal match, including local revenues and other state and federal grant programs. Available local revenues are limited and are largely committed to airport operations, debt service, and ongoing capital reinvestment obligations. The Authority is providing a limited local cash contribution toward the required non-federal match, with the balance supported through Build Kansas Matching Funds. The Authority's local taxing authority for federal grant matching purposes is limited to a one-mill property tax levy, which in recent years has been substantially utilized to support large-scale runway rehabilitation projects, replacement of a World War II-era fuel farm, and more than \$2 million in Phase I terminal improvements that, while operationally necessary, safety-related, or code-driven, were not eligible for FAA funding under current AIP eligibility criteria.

Part 6: Additional Information

Please upload a draft or final version of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) program grant application associated with this request OR an executive summary providing an overview of the project:

[faa-5100-144-iija-competitive-grant-project-info-2026-01.pdf](#)

Provide any additional information about this project not covered in previous sections of this application (optional):

The project benefits the residents of Salina, Saline County, and north central Kansas. Improvements to the Salina Regional Airport terminal building will enhance access to reliable scheduled air service, including connections through the Denver, Chicago, and Houston hub airports, providing access to hundreds of domestic and international destinations. Quality scheduled air service supports local and regional economic activity by improving connectivity for businesses, residents, and visitors. Salina serves as a regional trade and service center for north central Kansas, drawing individuals and businesses from a multi-county area who rely on scheduled air service for commerce, workforce mobility, medical access, and personal travel.

Part 7: Terms and Conditions

Understanding of Fund Release Requirements: checked

Understanding of Use of Funds: checked

Understanding of Reporting Requirements: checked

Authority to Make Grant Application: checked

Persons and Titles: Michelle Swanson
The following persons are responsible for making this Build Kansas Fund application.

Position/Title: Director of Administration and Finance

Additional: Pieter Miller

Position/Title: Executive Director

Additional:

Position/Title:

Additional:

Position/Title:

Source	Amount	% of Project
Build Kansas Funds (non-federal match)	\$288,800.00	4.75%
Eligible Applicant Cash Match	\$15,200.00	0.25%
Eligible Applicant In-Kind Match (estimated value)	\$0.00	0.00%
IIJA Federal Funds (applied for)	\$5,776,000.00	95.00%
Additional Project Contribution (if applicable)	\$0.00	0.00%
TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$6,080,000.00	100.00%

***Applicant match contribution is 5% of total match requirement**

Zip Code	% of project in zip code
67401	100%
	100% In Kansas

IIJA Competitive Grant Project Information

General

Airport Name:

LOCID:

Point of Contact's Name:

Point of Contact's Title:

POC's Phone Number:

Extension:

POC's Email Address:

Project Overview

Applicable Program(s) (choose any): ATP FCT

Project Type (choose one): Terminal Tower

Multi-Modal Terminal: Yes No

Current Project Stage (choose one):

Planning Environmental Design Construction

Project Description (600 Characters Maximum):

Target Timeframes

Date Project Costs Known: Month: Year:

Date Grant Fully Executed: Month: Year:

Construction Start Date: Month: Year:

Project Status

Total (Estimated) Project Cost:

Amount of Funding Requested:

Match Available: Yes No

Delivery Method (choose one):

Design/Bid Design/Build CM at Risk Other:

Bid or GMP: Yes No. **If “No,”** Estimated bid/GMP date: Month: Year:

Phased Project: Yes No. **If “Yes,”** Phase: of

Do you have a comprehensive financial plan? Yes No

Is this project phased and/or associated with an approved IJA, AIP or PFC project?

Yes No

If “Yes,” provide the grant number(s), and/or PFC application number, along with the amount of existing funding in the table below.

Federal Grant or PFC Number	Amount (dollars)

Is the project on an approved ALP?

Yes No. **If “Yes,”** enter the approval date: Month: Year:

Is environmental determination complete?

Yes No. **If “Yes,”** enter the approval date: Month: Year:

Is airspace approval complete?

Yes No N/A.

If “Yes,” enter the airspace case number:

Approved Forecasted Enplanements:

Year:

Existing Square Footage:

Proposed Square Footage:

Airport Terminal Program (ATP)

Note: If you check a box below, you must describe how the project satisfies the criteria. Check all that apply to the proposed project.

Increase Capacity and Passenger Access. Description (450 Characters Maximum):

Replacing Aging Infrastructure. Description (450 Characters Maximum):

Achieves Compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act and Expands Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities. Description (450 Characters Maximum):

Improves Airport Access for Historically Disadvantaged Populations. Description (450 Characters Maximum):

Improves Energy Efficiency. Description (450 Characters Maximum):

Improves Airfield Safety through **Terminal or Tower Relocation.**

Description (450 Characters Maximum):

Encourages Actual and Potential Competition. Description (450 Characters Maximum):

FAA Contract Tower Program (FCT)

If the project is for a tower, also complete this section of the form.

Project Type. The project type for this grant application (choose one or both).

Airport Owned, Contract Tower Program

Airport Owned, Other. Describe staffing:

Tower Construction Year:

Siting Study. Has a Siting Study been completed for a new Airport Traffic Control Tower Project?"

Yes No N/A

Project Objectives (choose all that apply):

New Relocate Reconstruct Repair Improve

Impact on the National Airspace System. Description (600 Characters Maximum):

Certifications

By entering my name below, I hereby certify that I am authorized to submit this form on behalf of the airport sponsor, all information is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and have or will follow, all procurement processes required under 2 CFR 200.

Signature:

Date:

Name:

Title: