

# **REGIONAL GROWTH PLAN**

The Regional Growth Plan is an economic strategy to grow the Greater Wichita region's economy, attract new businesses and expand existing industries.

This multi-year action plan features seven target industry sectors with 13 niche sectors, five strategic pillars, 32 key initiatives and a regional framework to support implementation. The plan takes into account the region's previous plan, the Blueprint for Regional Economic Growth, and builds upon its research and foundation.

- Five strategic pillars serve as the foundational elements necessary to drive economic growth.
- Seven target sectors and 13 niche sectors represent the region's core economic strengths and economic opportunity.
- Ten key initiatives were identified from the 32 total initiatives to highlight the most impactful and highest priority efforts for the region to pursue and accelerate positive change.

This targeted economic development plan for the Greater Wichita region will be used by regional organizations and partners to boldly seize opportunities to grow the economy.



## **Download The Regional Growth Plan**

Explore the following resources to explore economic growth and development strategies for the Greater Wichita region.

**Executive Summary** 

### **Regional Growth Plan Strategy**

### Infographics

### **Target Sector Update**

### **Regional Growth Plan Addendum**



In 2020, the Partnership team engaged Matt Tarleton Consulting to identify strategies to accelerate economic recovery and growth for Greater Wichita. In addition, the addendum includes opportunities for alignment with the Kansas Framework for Growth Plan, launched last year by the Kansas Department of Commerce.

A few of the new strategies and opportunities include:

- Utilizing data, analytics and new intelligence to enhance corporate recruitment, talent attraction and entrepreneurship efforts
- Expanding development and utilization of speculative building incentive programs to capture projected growth in the logistics sector
- Updating Advanced Manufacturing marketing and attraction to incorporate the region's Digital Transformation competency

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## **Regional Growth Plan Partners**

The development of the Regional Growth Plan was led by Market Street Services, the Strategic Advisory Committee of the Greater Wichita Partnership and the below funding partners. This team, alongside an extensive list of regional stakeholders, spent months drilling down into market information, analyzing research, and diving deep into community input to identify focused strategies.



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# **Career Pathways for the Greater Wichita Region**

In alignment with the Regional Growth Plan, the Workforce Alliance and Kansas WorkforceOne brought together education institutions from K-12, vocational trainers, community colleges and universities to develop Career Pathways. Updated quarterly, Career Pathways allows job seekers, students and parents to explore educational requirements and career opportunities in prevalent industry clusters throughout the region.

- Explore the region's **Target Sectors** as identified in the Regional Growth Plan.
- Search and discover the many options for **Business Assistance** for companies ready to grow and expand in the region.