



# **DOWNTOWN KEARNEY**

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### **Kearney: The Bricks Creative District Awarded \$100,000 Development Grant from Nebraska Arts Council**

The Bricks Creative District is excited to announce it has been awarded a \$100,000 Development Grant from the Nebraska Arts Council to support continued growth and investment in arts and culture in downtown Kearney.

The funding will help advance several initiatives designed to enhance the district, including the development of an Art Alleyways project, expanded artistic programming, and the engagement of an assistant to support the district's growing efforts.

The Art Alleyways project will transform underutilized alleyways within the district into vibrant creative spaces through murals, installations, and other artistic elements. The grant will also help expand arts programming, creating more opportunities for artists, performances, and community engagement. In addition, funding will support an assistant position to help coordinate programs, partnerships, and creative initiatives as the district continues to grow.

The Bricks Creative District is part of the Nebraska Creative District Program, which supports communities across Nebraska in using arts and culture as an economic driver. Creative Districts are designated areas where arts, culture, and creative businesses help strengthen local economies and bring communities together.

“We are incredibly grateful to the Nebraska Arts Council for this support,” said Kelsey Anderson, Downtown Coordinator. “This grant will help us continue building momentum for arts and culture in downtown Kearney while creating new opportunities for artists and meaningful experiences for our community.”

With support from the Nebraska Arts Council, The Bricks Creative District will continue working to nurture creativity, support artists, and enhance the cultural vibrancy of downtown Kearney.

**More from Nebraska Arts Council:**

**<https://www.artscouncil.nebraska.gov/explore/certified-creative-districts/>**

**Check out our website at [www.downtownkearney.com](http://www.downtownkearney.com)**

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