

**HOUSE BILL No. 2723**

By Committee on Welfare Reform

Requested by Jason Watkins on behalf of the Sedgwick County Commission

1 AN ACT making and concerning appropriations for the fiscal year ending  
2 June 30, 2025; relating to the department for aging and disability  
3 services; creating a grant program to fund proposed homeless shelter  
4 infrastructure; establishing requirements for such grants awarded.

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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

7 Section 1.

8 KANSAS DEPARTMENT FOR  
9 AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES

10 (a) There is appropriated for the above agency from the state general  
11 fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the following:

12 Homeless shelter infrastructure grant.....\$40,000,000

13 *Provided*, That expenditures shall be made from the homeless shelter  
14 infrastructure grant account in an amount not to exceed \$40,000,000 to  
15 administer a program intended to address homeless shelter  
16 infrastructure pursuant to section 2, and amendments thereto.

17 Sec. 2. (a) Subject to appropriations, the secretary for aging and  
18 disability services shall develop and administer a grant program to award  
19 funds to Kansas local governments to be allocated for the building of or  
20 capital improvements to congregate and non-congregate shelters that  
21 provide services for homeless individuals and families and persons at risk  
22 of homelessness.

23 (b) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the secretary for aging  
24 and disability services shall award grants to Kansas local governments  
25 that:

26 (1) Propose a building plan or improvement plan for a congregate or  
27 non-congregate shelter that provides services for homeless individuals and  
28 families and persons at risk of homelessness;

29 (2) provide wraparound housing services to homeless individuals and  
30 families and persons at risk of homelessness;

31 (3) collect data required by the department of housing and urban  
32 development;

33 (4) prioritize long-term wraparound services for persons who are  
34 Kansas residents or have proof of presence within Kansas for eight  
35 consecutive months;

1 (5) provide long-term wraparound services prioritized for Kansas  
2 residents; and

3 (6) enforce local ordinances regarding camping and vagrancy.

4 (c) Funding to a local government shall be matched by the local  
5 government receiving the funding on the basis of \$1 provided by the local  
6 government for each \$1 provided pursuant to this section.

7 (d) If the unit of local government or private nonprofit organization  
8 has misused funds or failed to use funds for the awarded purpose, enforce  
9 local ordinances regarding camping and vagrancy and provide the required  
10 wraparound services:

11 (1) The unit or organization shall pay the secretary for aging and  
12 disability services the amount originally awarded under this section; or

13 (2) the secretary for aging and disability services may file for a lien to  
14 be attached on the real property in the amount originally awarded under  
15 this section.

16 (e) There is hereby established in the state treasury the homeless  
17 shelter infrastructure grant fund, and such fund shall be administered by  
18 the secretary for aging and disability services. All expenditures from the  
19 homeless shelter infrastructure grant fund shall be for grants awarded  
20 according to this section. All expenditures from the homeless shelter  
21 infrastructure grant fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation  
22 acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant  
23 to vouchers approved by the secretary for aging and disability services or  
24 the secretary's designee. All moneys received pursuant to subsection (d)  
25 shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of  
26 K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such  
27 remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state  
28 treasury to the credit of the homeless shelter infrastructure grant fund.

29 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
30 publication in the statute book.