

Request for Proposals

Kansas NASA EPSCoR Program NASA EPSCoR Basic Research FY 2025



The Kansas NASA EPSCoR Program (KNEP) is seeking proposals for eventual submission to the NASA EPSCoR Basic Research FY 2025 funding opportunity. This research opportunity includes up to \$750,000 in funding for three years. All NASA EPSCoR monies must be cost-shared at a level of at least 50% with non-federal monies. In-kind cost sharing is allowable, but NASA encourages proposers "to consider methods that would add value to the jurisdiction's existing research capabilities."

As outlined in the NASA Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), the research efforts must:

- "Contribute to and promote the development of research capability in NASA EPSCoR jurisdictions" (i.e., Kansas) "in areas of strategic importance to NASA's mission";
- "Improve the capabilities of the NASA EPSCoR jurisdictions to gain support from sources outside the NASA EPSCoR programs";
- "Develop partnerships among NASA research assets, academic institutions, and industry";
- "Contribute to the overall research infrastructure and economic development of the jurisdiction" (i.e., Kansas); and
- "Focus on research of important priority to NASA."

The FY 2025 NOFO document (<u>NNH24ZHA003C-EPSCOR</u>) may be found on the NSPIRES website, <u>https://nspires.nasaprs.com</u>. Information may also be found on the NASA in Kansas website, <u>https://NASAinKansas.org</u>.

Interested investigators should submit proposals directly to KNEP (not NASA). The KNEP due date is **noon on Friday, December 6, 2024**. Only one proposal may be submitted to NASA per jurisdiction. Following in-state reviews, KNEP will recommend one (1) proposal for final preparation and submission to NASA.

KNEP selection is competitive and based on section 14.5 criteria identified in the announcement. Be sure to address fundamental EPSCoR objectives (e.g., respond to NASA priorities, build national competitiveness, establish NASA partnerships, economic development, education, etc.).

There is a 20-page limit for <u>all</u> KNEP proposal content (no exceptions). Use one-inch margins, a 12-pt times new roman font, and single-spaced text. Proposals must include the signature of the submitting Organization's Authorizing Official, demonstrating approval and a commitment to meet cost-share requirements. The biographical sketches and current and pending support sections are not needed for the KNEP proposal.

Submit a <u>single</u> proposal document in PDF format (less than 2-MB in size) via email to NASA in Kansas (nasainkansas@wichita.edu) and Dr. Linda Kliment (Linda.Kliment@wichita.edu), by **noon on Friday**, **December 6, 2024**.

Feel free to email the KNEP Director, Dr. Linda Kliment (Linda.Kliment@wichita.edu), or NASA in Kansas (nasainkansas@wichita.edu) with any questions.