



The American Kennel Club® (AKC®) is a not-for-profit organization established in 1884 to promote the study, breeding, exhibiting, and advancement of purebred dogs. Together with our clubs and affiliates, AKC works to advance the health and wellbeing of all dogs, protect the rights of dog owners, and promote responsible dog ownership. We represent nearly 5,000 dog clubs nationally, including **38 clubs in the state of Kansas.**

The AKC sanctions over 28,000 dog events each year, which generate significant economic benefits to local communities in addition to the millions of dollars AKC dog owners in Kansas spend annually on their dogs.

2025 KS dog events

**186**  
events



**25,200**  
participants



## \$2.15 million

### economic benefit of dog show weekend

Surveys demonstrate that exhibitors at AKC conformation dog shows spend an average of **\$982 per show weekend.** This means spending by AKC dog show exhibitors for a show weekend could inject more than \$2.15 million into the local economy. And because AKC dog shows are an educational and family-friendly event, large spectator gates can generate additional revenues for cities and towns statewide.

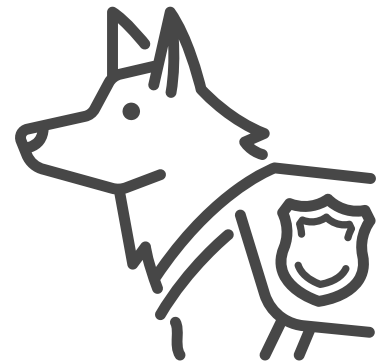
### AKC REUNITE® ADOPT A K-9 COP GRANTS

AKC Reunite® and AKC Clubs work together to fund the purchase of law enforcement K-9s for police departments around the United States.

### KANSAS POLICE AGENCIES THAT RECEIVED GRANTS

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- Butler County Sheriff's Office
- Chase County Sheriff's Office
- Cloud County Sheriff's Department
- Concordia Police Department
- El Dorado Police Department
- Gardner Police Department
- Linn County Sheriff's Office
- Ottawa County Sheriff's Office
- Pawnee County Sheriff's Office



**\$55,000**  
SUPPORTING  
CANINE  
HEALTH  
RESEARCH

The AKC Canine Health Foundation® (CHF) has invested nearly **\$55K in canine health research** at Kansas institutions statewide through the support of **4 research grants and educational studies to benefit dogs.** This research has spanned topics related to musculoskeletal conditions and disease, including osteoarthritis and hip dysplasia, lung and respiratory diseases, and neurology at **Kansas State University.** CHF prioritizes a One Health and comparative medicine research approach to diagnose and treat health conditions that affect both ends of the leash while advancing canine health for all dogs.