

AKC IMPACT IN KANSAS

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 more than 5,000 dog clubs nationally, including **38 clubs in the state of Kansas.**

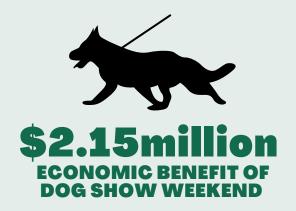
The AKC sanctions over 22,000 dog events each year, which generate significant economic benefits to local communities in addition to the millions of dollars AKC dog owners in Kansas spend annually on their dogs.

AKC DOG EVENTS IN KS (2022)

220 EVENTS
24,000 PARTICIPANTS

An increase of 11% in dog events and 14% in dog participation from 2021, respectively.





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

BUTLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE EL DORADO POLICE DEPARTMENT

SUPPORTING CANINE HEALTH RESEARCH

The AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF) has invested over \$10,000 in canine health research at Kansas institutions state-wide through the support of two projects, research grants, and educational studies to benefit dogs at Kansas State University. This research has spanned topics related to musculoskeletal conditions and disease, including osteoarthritis and hip dysplasia. CHF prioritizes a One Health and comparative medicine approach to research in order to diagnose and treat health conditions that affect both ends of the leash while advancing canine health for all dogs.

