



On behalf of the Kansas Museum community, the Kansas Museums Association would like to express support for House Bill No. 2441, which would remove language restricting the use of previously allocated mill levy funds to cities and school districts “of the third class located in two counties.”

Extending the ability to use these funds to other museums and communities would be beneficial because museums are a vital part of education for a community, and funds provided to museums could help develop additional programming to be used within and outside the school district.

Museums also drive economic impacts, and funds used for speakers, interactive or travelling exhibits, and programming often bring visitors who stay, dine, and shop, which all contribute to the local economy.

Many museums can be positively impacted by even small amounts, as KMA has seen through our grant program where grants of \$500 or less are awarded each year. These dollars can have a far-reaching impact for people of all ages throughout the community.

We strongly encourage support of House Bill 2441 to help support community museums throughout the state.

Thank you,

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