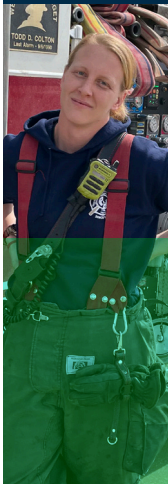


For the fiscal year ending
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2023 FISCAL YEAR IN REVIEW



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DEMOGRAPHICS

	2022	2023
Population	525,525	527,552
Per Capita Income	\$59,722	\$62,708
Wichita MSA ¹ Unemployment Rate	3.0%	2.4%
Number of County Employees	2,463	2,556

¹Metroplitan Statistical Area

2023 NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS



After years of efforts by the Sedgwick County Sheriff, DA, and BOCC, **the State of Kansas authorized the addition of a new 50-bed State psychiatric hospital in Sedgwick County in 2023.**

The hospital will provide additional capacity to the State system to evaluate the competency of inmates held in local detention facilities. Originally, a total of \$40 million was awarded to Sedgwick County for the project, including \$25 million from the State's American Rescue Plan Act funding. In 2024, legislative action approved expansion of the facility to 100 beds.



As part of the second largest economic development project in Kansas history, **the BOCC approved a development agreement with Integra Technologies** to move forward with a process to secure funding to construct a semiconductor manufacturing facility.



Sedgwick County was declared a Purple Heart County in August 2023.

The proclamation makes Sedgwick County a part of the National Purple Heart Trail.



The BOCC passed the 2024 Sedgwick County budget and with a reduced mill levy rate. The budget prioritized employee compensation, public safety services, and evolving space and technology needs.

SEDGWICK COUNTY

Located in south-central Kansas, Sedgwick County was officially established in 1867 and bears the name of Civil War hero Major General John Sedgwick of the Union Army. In 1870, Sedgwick County's first county officials were elected and the City of Wichita was selected to be the county seat.

Sedgwick County occupies 1,008 square miles of land is the second most populous of the 105 counties in Kansas, with an estimated 527,552 residents. Wichita, the largest city in the state of Kansas, is known as the "Air Capital of World" for its internationally-recognized concentration of commercial and military airplane production and aviation services.

The County is governed by a five-member Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners that meets in regular session each Wednesday morning except for the last Wednesday of each month. The commissioners, who serve four-year terms, are full-time County officials and perform executive, legislative, and policy-related functions.

The Commissioners also appoint a professional County Manager to administer most county functions, and to implement policy decisions. Tasks of the County Manager range from the management of special projects to the daily functions of approximately 2,556 full-time employees.



Fast Facts About Sedgwick County

Population: 527,552

Founded: 1870

Area: 1008 Square Miles

Named for: John Sedgwick, United States Army Major-General

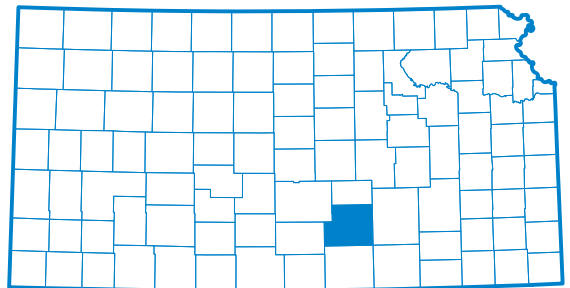
Abbreviation: SG

County Seat: Wichita

State: Kansas

Area Code: 316

Sales Tax: 7.50%



ECONOMIC INDICATORS

The population of Sedgwick County **increased 0.4% to 527,552 citizens.**

The Wichita MSA **unemployment rate at the end of 2023 was 2%**, this was a 1% decrease from 2022.

Wichita is known as the “air capital of the world” because it houses major facilities of three leading aircraft manufacturers: Textron Aviation (which produces Cessna and Beechcraft airplanes), Spirit Aero Systems, and Bombardier Learjet.

In Sedgwick County, residential property accounts for the largest percentage (65%) of the total assessed value of real property. The second largest is commercial property, comprising of (32%) of the county's total assessed value of real property.

Cost of living index in Wichita is a moderate 90.8, almost 10% below the national urban area average of 100.

Health care jobs remain the highest paying occupations in Kansas.

Continued community recovery from the effects of the worldwide pandemic associated with the novel coronavirus, referred to as COVID-19, while addressing ongoing challenges from historic levels of inflation, supply chain disruptions, and workforce shortages

TOP 10 EMPLOYERS OF SEDGWICK COUNTY 2023

Company	# of Employees
Spirit AeroSystems, Inc.	11,500
Textron Aviation	9,600
McConnell Air Force Base	5,917
Wichita Public Schools USD #259	5,556
Steven Enterprises	3,529
Ascension Via Christi Health Inc.	3,239
Koch Industries Inc.	2,987
City of Wichita	2,791
Sedgwick County	2,556
Wichita State University	2,465

Source: *Wichita Business Journal and Kansas Department of Labor*

SERVICE STATISTICS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT



Function/Program	2022	2023
Number of registered voters	333,714	333,374
Number of taxable real estate parcels	220,714	222,823

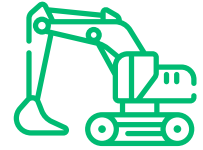
PUBLIC SAFETY



Function/Program	2022	2023
Average monthly number of 911 calls	42,082	42,523
Average monthly number of EMS responses	5,639	5,674
Number of residential structural fires per 100,000 households	66	61
Average monthly number of medical responses by Fire	310	315
Average daily population, juveniles in detention	45	38
Average daily population in custody of Sheriff	1,422	1,189

Source: County operating departments

PUBLIC WORKS



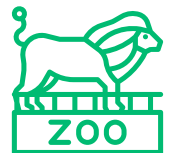
Function/Program	2022	2023
Miles of road improved	97	89
Miles of road maintained	603	603

HEALTH & WELFARE



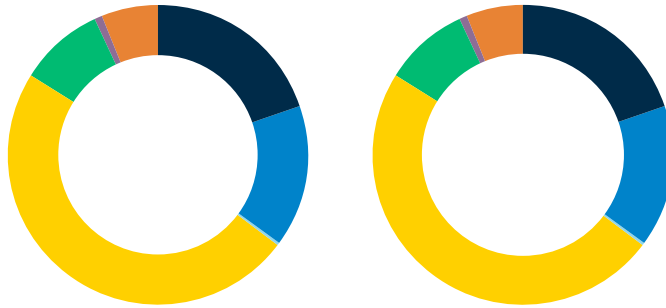
Function/Program	2022	2023
Number of mental health program clients	10,820	11,275
Number of individuals eligible for developmental disability services	2,649	2,692

CULTURE & RECREATION



Function/Program	2022	2023
Number of events per year at Intrust Bank Arena	71	68
Annual Attendance at Intrust Bank Arena	280,075	319,281
Annual attendance at Sedgwick County Zoo	637,411	625,861
Annual attendance at Sedgwick County Park	1,001,942	1,045,881

GOVERNMENT WIDE SOURCES OF REVENUE



	2023	%	2022	%	2021
Charges for services	\$84,831,181	19.8%	\$72,203,338	18.9%	\$67,097,346
Operating Grants/ Contributions	\$65,820,400	15.3%	\$65,437,425	17.2%	\$99,863,420
Capital Grants/ Contributions	\$1,002,235	0.2%	\$6,757,180	1.8%	\$9,149,692
Property Tax	\$209,159,099	48.7%	\$198,528,763	52.1%	\$194,224,778
Regular Sales Tax	\$39,023,272	9.1%	\$38,530,070	10.1%	\$35,832,414
Other Tax	\$4,017,239	0.9%	\$4,088,672	1.1%	\$3,642,342
Investment Income	\$25,408,138	5.9%	-4,384,470	-1.2%	\$3,758,701
Total Revenues	\$429,261,564		\$381,160,978		\$413,568,693

Charges for Services revenues increased **\$13 million in 2023 compared to 2022** due to increased revenues in EMS, Comcare, and Sheriff billings. The Sheriff's office received a new source of revenue from the Kansas Department of Aging and Disabilities for housing of prisoners awaiting competency assessments or placement in a State mental hospital.

Charges for services are fees charged to users of a service to offset the incurred cost.

Operating grants and contributions increased **\$0.4 million from 2022 to 2023**.

Operating grants and contributions are grant funds that are to be used specifically for the day to day costs of running the program.

Capital grants and contributions decreased \$6 million due to a decrease in insurance proceed funding and building asset investments at the Sedgwick County Zoo, and less grant revenue for INTRUST Bank Arena.

Capital grants and contributions are grant funds that are to be used specifically for the purchase of property, the construction, remodeling or expansions of the facility, or to purchase equipment needed to run the program.

Property tax collections increased \$11 million; **The County's assessed valuation grew 7.3% for the 2023 budget year.**

GOVERNMENT WIDE EXPENSES BY SERVICE AREA



	2023	%	2022	%	2021
General Government	\$80,144,674	19.4%	\$81,470,605	21.5%	\$124,105,807
Public Safety	\$188,917,773	45.7%	\$169,298,708	44.7%	\$157,967,953
Public Works	\$32,500,948	7.9%	\$33,313,784	8.8%	\$30,997,570
Health/Welfare	\$76,939,270	18.6%	\$64,919,618	17.1%	\$53,007,670
Culture/Recreation	\$18,182,848	4.4%	\$14,077,870	3.7%	\$15,000,255
Community Development	\$13,533,121	3.3%	\$12,438,100	3.3%	\$12,365,262
Interest on Long Term Debt	\$3,507,144	0.8%	\$3,803,900	1.0%	\$4,056,403
Total Expenses	\$413,725,778		\$379,322,585		\$397,500,920



Government wide expenses **increased \$34 million, 9%**.

General government expenses **decreased \$1 million, 2%**.

Health and welfare expenses **increased \$12 million or 18%**.

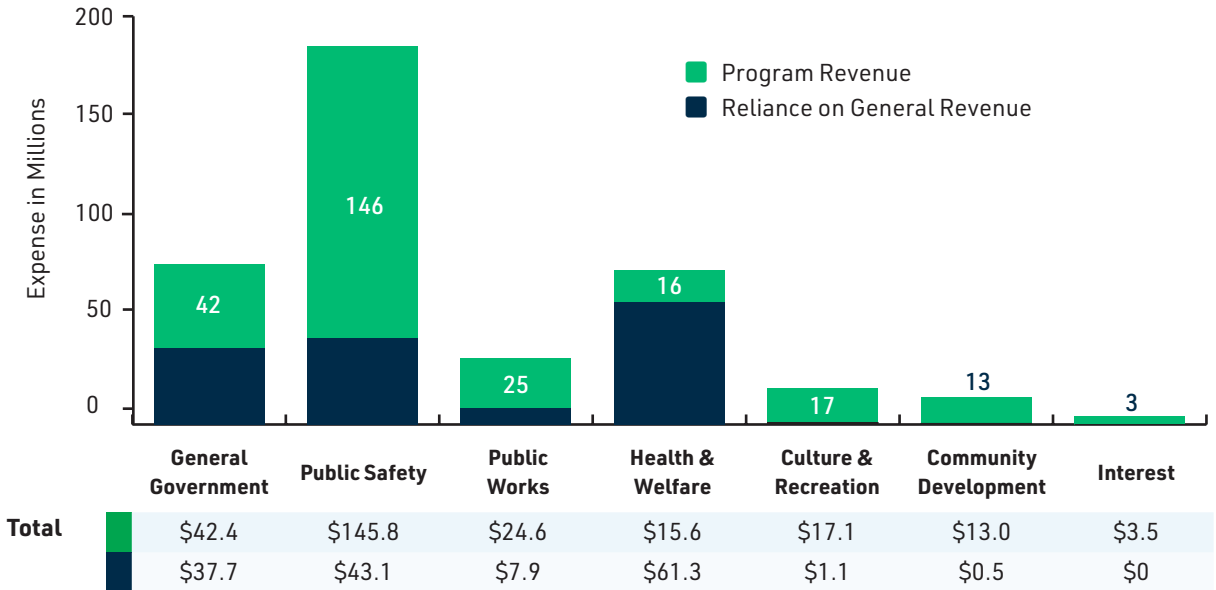
Culture and recreation expenses **increased \$4 million or 29%**.

Community development expenses **increased \$2 million or 9%**.

Public safety **increased \$20 million, 12%**.

Public works expenses **decreased \$1 million, 2%**.

WHERE DOES THE MONEY COME FROM?

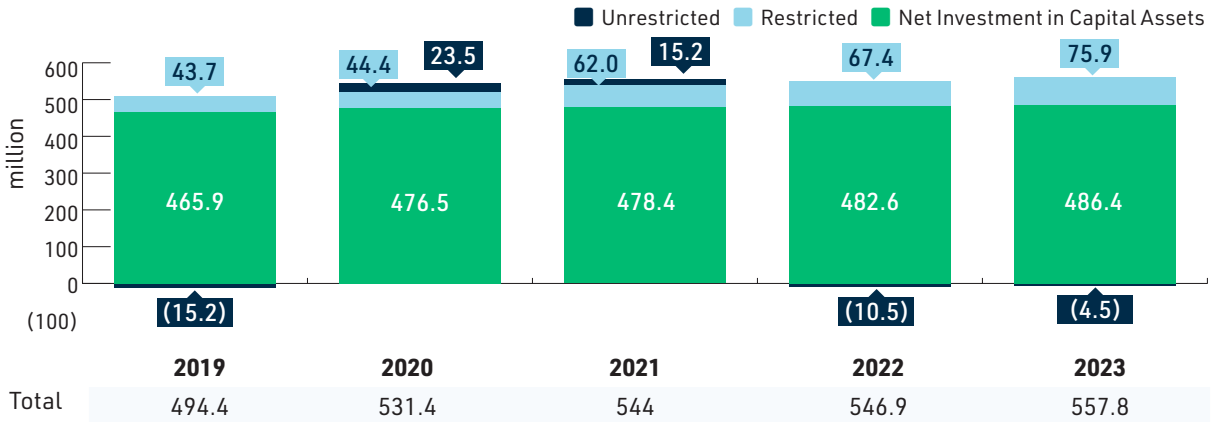


Program revenues include [1] charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and [2] grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment.



TOTAL NET POSITION **\$557.8 Million**

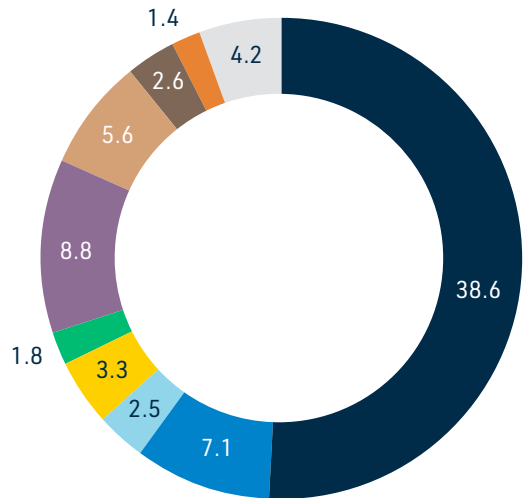
The largest portion of the County's net position, \$486.4 million (87 percent), is invested in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, infrastructure, machinery and equipment) less depreciation and any related outstanding debt used to acquire those assets. Sedgwick County uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending.



RESTRICTED NET POSITION **\$75.9 Million**

Restricted net position of \$75.9 million (14 percent of net position) are resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used.

Unrestricted net position at the end of 2023 totaled \$4.5 million. GASB Statement No. 68 requires the County to record its proportionate share of the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERS) collective net pension liability.

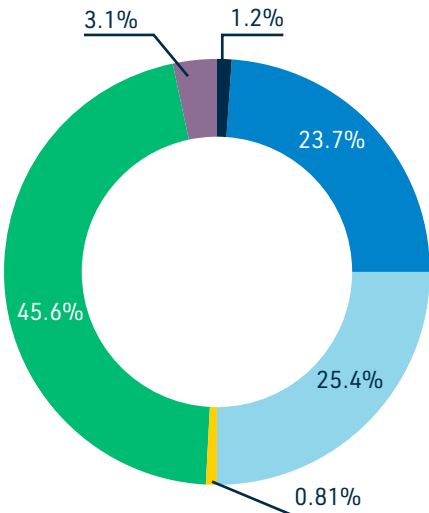


- Capital Improvements
- Community Development
- Fire Protection
- Code Enforcement
- Debt Service
- Equipment and Technology Improvements
- Public Safety
- Other
- Federal/State Assistance
- Court Operations

PROPERTY TAXES LEVIED (rate per \$1,000 of assessed value)

School Districts	Mill Levy	Amount Levied
Andover Jt. #385	66.055	\$15,379,376
Burton Jt. #369	58.147	\$64,485
Cheney Jt. #268	59.670	\$2,332,681
Circle Jt. #375	59.904	\$10,051,651
Clearwater Jt. #264	63.025	\$4,779,913
Conway Spgs. Jt. #356	56.976	\$210,429
Derby #260	65.296	\$34,400,946
Goddard #265	54.893	\$22,983,695
Halstead Jt. #440	51.796	\$656,557
Haven Jt. #312	51.038	\$432,589
Haysville #261	56.756	\$11,677,460
Kingman Jt. #331	50.927	\$63,977
Maize #266	61.120	\$40,377,515
Mulvane Jt. #263	60.490	\$4,425,477
Remington Jt. #206	55.745	\$526,286
Renwick Jt. #267	54.696	\$8,797,141
Rose Hill Jt. #394	61.923	\$1,417,930
Sedgwick Jt. #439	67.474	\$456,227
Valley Center Jt. #262	65.598	\$14,250,103
Wichita #259	51.954	\$186,458,415
Total School Districts		\$359,742,851

City Rates	Mill Levy	Amount Levied
Andale	48.957	\$495,299
Bel Aire	43.000	\$4,370,516
Bentley	61.734	\$211,317
Cheney	59.303	\$1,115,196
Clearwater	64.044	\$1,434,160
Colwich	43.509	\$736,364
Derby	46.068	\$14,680,918
Eastborough	58.422	\$1,009,962
Garden Plain	59.181	\$553,278
Goddard	31.298	\$2,092,729
Haysville	41.959	\$3,547,595
Kechi	36.667	\$1,105,185
Maize	42.980	\$3,683,900
Mount Hope	66.888	\$380,494
Mulvane	57.300	\$2,705,935
Park City	43.943	\$5,871,529
Sedgwick	74.983	\$171,712
Valley Center	54.844	\$3,834,599
Viola	21.920	\$18,169
Wichita	32.743	\$151,739,561
Total City Levies		\$199,758,418



A Mill is a monetary unit used to express the property tax rate. One mill is equivalent to one-thousandth of a dollar, \$1 of tax per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.

A Levy is a compulsory collection of monies or the imposition of taxes.

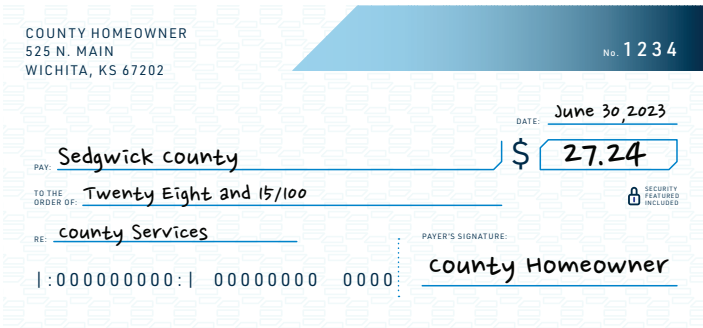
State	1.23%	9,650,902
County	23.72%	186,506,895
Cities	25.4%	199,758,418
Townships	0.81%	6,379,722
School Districts	45.75%	359,742,851
Misc. Districts	3.08%	24,242,503
Total Collected		788,281,291

PROPERTY TAX

	Yearly	Monthly
General government	\$61.15	\$5.10
Public safety	\$174.40	\$14.53
Public works	\$16.77	\$1.40
Health and welfare	\$24.31	\$2.03
Cultural and recreation	\$19.19	\$1.60
Economic development	\$15.94	\$1.33
Debt Service	\$15.94	\$1.26
Total	\$326.91	\$27.24

What the Average Homeowner Pays

Sedgwick County provides a wide range of services to citizens. The checkbook to the left shows the functions of County government and how property tax is used to fund operations. The checkbook uses property tax on a home with an assessed value of \$100,000 and shows how the property tax is used on a monthly basis.



IN 2023
YEARLY: \$326.91
MONTHLY: \$27.24

The total amount of property tax paid to the County Fire District, by the owners of a single-family home with an average market value of \$100,000 is \$205.99 per year or \$17.17 per month.

Only a small portion of your property taxes goes to support Sedgwick County's operations.

For every \$1.00 of your property taxes paid for a person living in the City of Wichita, Sedgwick County received approximately 24 cents.

Public safety	\$0.13
General government	\$0.05
Debt	\$0.01
Health and welfare	\$0.02
Public works	\$0.02
Cultural and recreation	\$0.02
Economic development	\$0.01



FISCAL CHALLENGES GOING FORWARD



Economic pressures

Events in recent years have placed enormous stress on the local, regional, national, and global economies, including COVID-19, global conflicts, continued supply chain disruption, extreme weather, cyber attacks, and other events well beyond the control of any one local government. Locally, home values increased significantly due to a very tight market. In addition, residents, businesses, and governments are dealing with higher interest rates, inflated costs for goods; and shortages of certain products.

These factors put pressure on all local governments to be sensitive to taxes and fees. Sedgwick County will be challenged to maintain a budget that meets service expectations within the fiscal expectations of the community.



Behavioral health and substance use challenges

In recent years, Sedgwick County Commissioners and community partners identified a rapidly growing need for behavioral health services in our community, due in part to substance use issues. This need was exacerbated by the effects of COVID-19. Fentanyl use has also spiked in the community amid and after the worst of the pandemic. The State of Kansas awarded funding to Sedgwick County to construct a new State psychiatric hospital, but additional efforts will be needed to address other pressing mental health needs.

Additionally, the County has received more than \$1 million in opioid settlement agreement funds. A joint Sedgwick County-City of Wichita strategic plan is being developed to prioritize use of the funds, including anticipated future awards.



Planning for growth

The need for more space has been a consistent theme from public safety agencies in the last several budget cycles. With the County's ARPA award, funds were used to move County administrative functions out of the County Courthouse and into leased space to accommodate the remodel of the Courthouse into full District Attorney, District Court, and Sheriff space. Commissioners continue to evaluate long-term solutions for County administrative space into 2024.

COUNTY AGENCIES, BOARDS, OFFICES

Animal Control	660-7070	Fire District #1	660-3473
Appraiser's Office	660-9110	Geographic Information Services	660-9290
COMCARE	660-7600	Health Dept	660-7300
Communications	660-9370	Homeless Programs	660-7615
Community Development	660-9863	Housing Department	660-1990
County Clerk's Office	660-9222	Human Resources	660-7050
County Commissioners	660-9300	Information & Operations	660-9800
County Manager	660-9393	Lake Afton Park	794-2774
Department of Corrections	660-9750	Metropolitan Area Building and Construction Department (MABCD)	660-1840
Department on Aging	660-1990	Public Works	660-1777
Developmental Disability Organization	660-7630	Purchasing	660-7255
District Attorney	660-3600	Regional Forensic Science Center	660-4800
Economic Development	660-7591	Register of Deeds	660-9400
Elections Office	660-7100	Sedgwick County Treasurer's Office	660-9110
Emergency Communications (Administrative)	660-4977	Sedgwick County Park	943-0192
Emergency Management	660-5959	Sedgwick County Tag Office	660-9110
EMS	660-7994	Sedgwick County Zoo	660-9453
Environmental Resources	660-7200	Sheriff's Office	660-3900
Finance	660-7591		

ATTRACTIONS

Exploration Place - It would be an understatement to call the Exploration Place in Sedgwick County, Kansas simply a museum. This riverfront complex is a truly unique science and discovery center, located in the heart of the largest city in Kansas.

Intrust Bank Arena - Completed in December 2009, the INTRUST Bank Arena is a modern, world-class sports and entertainment facility, located in downtown Wichita. The arena's main tenant, the Thunder Hockey Team, is a favorite among local sports fans.

Kansas African American Museum - A regional and cultural museum and an important source of historical reference material, creative works and media.

Lake Afton Park - An 828-acre park complete with opportunities for boating, swimming, fishing and camping.

Sedgwick County Extension - The Sedgwick County and Kansas State University partnership for youth development, family & consumer sciences, agriculture, horticulture and community development.

Sedgwick County Zoo - Opening in 1971, Sedgwick County Zoo has been ranked among the best zoos in the United States. Home to more than 2,000 individual animals of nearly 400 different species, the Zoo is the #1 outdoor family attraction in Kansas.

Wichita River Festival - Sedgwick County is a long-time supporter and participant in this week-long festival of events, music, art, food and community development to welcome summer.

Wichita/Sedgwick County Historical Museum - A wide variety of the Museum's exhibits showcase life in Wichita over the centuries.

2023 PROJECTS

B493: Bridge replacement on 199th St. W. between Central (4th N.) and 13th St. N – replaced a structure with a sufficiency rating of 45.6. This structure had heavy saturation in the beam with exposed rebar with erosion at both abutments. This structure is in Northwest Sedgwick County on a paved route leading to US 400 Highway.

B500: Bridge replacement on 103rd St. South between 119th and 135th Streets West – replaced a structure with sufficiency rating of 45.2. This structure was undersized and with exposed repair and heavy spalling. This structure is in Southwest Sedgwick County on paved route on the east edge of the City of Clearwater.

B506: Bridge replacement on 85th St. North between Oliver & Woodlawn – replaced a structure with a sufficiency rating of 44.4. This structure had heavy deck spalls with exposed steal with 2” deep pot holes on the deck there was also moderate longitudinal cracks. This structure is in Northeast Sedgwick County on a paved route to I-135 Highway.

B508: Bridge replacement on 21st St. North between 375th St. West and 391st St. West – replaced a structure with a sufficiency rating of 48.3. This structure had heavy scaling with exposed rebar, full depth hole in the structure floor along with heavy spalls on the walls and ceiling. The project was 80% funded by KDOT. This structure is in Northwest Sedgwick County on paved route to Cheney State Park.

R264-83: Construction of a Stormwater Quality Manhole – This was a requirement by KDHE to install a water quality unit that will treat stormwater runoff before entering the Arkansas River. This structure is in Southeast Sedgwick County at 47th St. South and the Arkansas River.

R175: Performed preventive maintenance on 183 lane miles, or 15% of the paved road system.

ELECTED OFFICIALS (as of May 30, 2023)

Board of County Commissioners



Pete Meitzner
1st District



Sarah Lopez
2nd District



David Dennis
3rd District



Ryan Baty, Chair
4th District



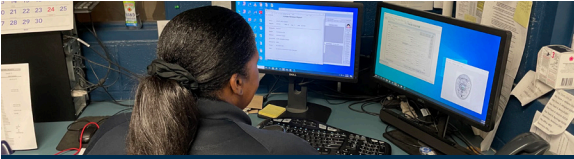
Jim Howell
5th District

County Clerk
County Treasurer
County Sheriff

Kelly Arnold
Brandi Baily
Jeff Easter

Register of Deeds
District Attorney

Tonya Buckingham
Marc Bennett



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