

# SENATE BILL 367

*Improve the lives and well-being of all youth in Kansas.*



## Kansas Juvenile Justice Program Spotlight Series

# Jobs for America's Graduates-Kansas (JAG-K)

**Counties Served:** Atchison, Barton, Brown, Butler, Cloud, Cowley, Crawford, Douglas, Ellis, Finney, Ford, Geary, Harvey, Jackson, Johnson, Kingman, Kiowa, Labette, Leavenworth, Lyon, Marshall, McPherson, Mitchell, Montgomery, Neosho, Norton, Ottawa, Pawnee, Pratt, Reno, Riley, Sedgwick, Shawnee, Sherman, Stafford, Thomas, Wyandotte

“We want every student to have a successful future.”



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Awarded: \$ 936,953.51

### Mission:



JAG-K is committed to partnering with students to help them overcome challenges, graduate from high school, and prepare for college or career pathways that will help them reach their full potential as leaders for their families, employers, communities, Kansas, and our nation.

Youth Served: 5,000



- ✓ Serves justice involved youth
- ✓ Families are involved in the program
- ✓ Works to eliminate barriers to increase youth success

### Impact:



- ✓ Addresses various risk factors which may lead to justice involvement.
- ✓ Students' early involvement in JAG-K leads to higher success rate
- ✓ JAG-K works with high-risk students including, for example, students with:
  - \* Dysfunctional family environment
  - \* Lack of maturity
  - \* Lack of job skills
- ✓ Establishes relationships by:
  - \* Providing mentoring
  - \* Teaching career and leadership skills
  - \* Requiring community service
  - \* Showing reliance
  - \* Treating others well

### Statistics:



- ✓ 95% graduation rate
- ✓ 86% of students are either in a full-time post-secondary education/training, military services or in the workforce a year after graduation

***This funding was made possible through the passage of Senate Bill 367 which reallocated funds originally used to maintain children's correctional facilities and now is used to keep kids in their communities and offer support.***

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