

Resolution No. 2023- 1513

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ATCHISON COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN RURAL
OPPORTUNITY ZONE STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM
CALENDAR YEAR 2023

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ATCHISON COUNTY, KANSAS,

Section 1. By the adoption of Resolution No. 2021-1482 and Resolution No. 2022-1495, the Board of County Commissioners previously expressed its intent to participate in the Rural Opportunity Zone (ROZ) student loan repayment program pursuant to K.S.A. 74-50,223.

Section 2. Atchison County has been designated a Rural Opportunity Zone pursuant to K.S.A. 74-50,222. As of July 1, 2022, the County population was 16,239 as certified by the Kansas Department of Revenue.

Section 3. Atchison County Commissioners previously committed the County to participate in the ROZ student loan repayment program as provided by K.S.A. 74-50,223 for a period of five years.


Section 4. Atchison County intends to enter into partnerships with Cities, Employers, and Foundations for the direct sponsorship of Rural Opportunity Zone Applicants. Sponsored Applicants must meet all qualifications of the ROZ program. All sponsorships will be subject to ROZ student loan repayment rules and regulations.


Section 5. The maximum student loan balance for each qualified resident individual to be repaid jointly by Atchison County and the State of Kansas shall be \$15,000 over a term of five years.

Section 6. Atchison County shall allocate \$0.00 a year for the purpose of matching payments from the State of Kansas to qualified resident individuals. Atchison County shall revise its ROZ budget on an annual basis submitting a new Resolution to the State of Kansas by January 30th each year. Atchison County shall submit their obligation in full to the Department of Commerce before the first day of October each year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of Atchison County, Kansas, this 9th day of January, 2023.

By: 
Allen Reavis, 1st District Commissioner

By: 
Eric Noll, 2nd District Commissioner

By: 
Casey Quinn, 3rd District Commissioner

ATTEST:


Michelle Phillips, Atchison County Clerk