The Key to Good Service
KRWA’s 50th Annual Conference & Exhibition
Knowledge Experience & You...
Board of Directors
KRWA is governed by a 7-member board of directors, elected by membership. Present directors are:

- Paul Froelich, President, City of Enterprise
- Bill Shroyer, Vice-President, City of Sabetha
- Patricia Shaffer, Secretary, Butler RWD 5
- Sam Atherton, Treasurer, PWWSD 4
- Carl Chalfant, Director, City of Washington
- Scott Robertson, Director, City of Hesston
- Allan Soetaert, Director, Johnson RWD 7
Mission Statement

The mission of the Kansas Rural Water Association is to provide education and leadership necessary to enhance the effectiveness of Kansas' water and wastewater utilities.
Membership Support

Cities and RWDs support KRWA with dues that pay only approximately 10% of the total cost of KRWA operation. KRWA’s gross revenues in 2016 were $2,784,237. Expenses were $2,419,047. Total Dues were $332,398 or 13.7% of expenses.
Memberships help support KRWA

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<td>Municipal Members</td>
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<td>Membership Dues 2016</td>
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Training sessions sponsored by KRWA are generally without cost to cities, RWDs, other systems. Sessions cover all aspects of technical operations to management and finance.
KRWA provides approximately 110 training sessions annually.
Total Attendance in 2016 -- 6,955 at 113 Training Events
KRWA has logged attendance at every training session since 1976. As of December 31, 2016, KRWA sponsored or conducted 2,561 sessions with a total attendance at these sessions of 161,880 people. In 2016, KRWA invested approximately $140,000 of internal funding to support training.

Number of Training Sessions held from 1976 to December 31, 2016: 2,561
Total Attendance 1976 to 2016: **161,880**
www.krwa.net

Sunday, March 26, 2017

THE LATEST NEWS

Trump's Budget Proposal Eliminates USDA Loan / Grant Funding for Water and Wastewater Utilities and All CDBG Programs

03/16/2017 - National News

If passed, President Trump's budget would eliminate the USDA Rural Development's Loan and Grant Program that has been central to providing funding for rural water district's and smaller communities for the past 70 years. The Community Development Block Grant Program was critical to the affordability of many projects.

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Which Rural Water District Am I In?

District Address mapping interactive tool

RWD Systems and Cities please Update Your Contact Information so KRWA can better serve you.
On-site Assistance: Essential and Unique Service

The technical assistance to cities and RWDs and others such as trailer courts, etc. provided by KRWA has evolved to meet the needs of systems. The priority to help ensure that systems have potable water 365 days a year requires a staff willing to spend days and nights on the road, and a staff with expertise to work in partnership with systems and state and federal agencies, engineering firms, suppliers and equipment providers.
Examples of Tech Assistance

Public water systems request and receive tech assistance through KRWA for a variety of aspects including:

- **Operation & Management**
- **Water Quality, Water Conservation**
- **Water Rights, Emergency Operations**
- **Wastewater Utilities, Smoke Testing, etc.**
- **Finance, Environmental Reviews**
Many small towns and RWD only have a part-time operator -- KRWA helps out
Tech Assistance Programs

Funded through National Rural Water:

3 Circuit Riders: Jon Steele, Rita Clary, Greg Metz

2 Ground Water Tech/Source Water Techs
Doug Helmke and Ken Kopp

1 Wastewater Tech: Charlie Schwindamann

1 Training Contract funded through EPA;
requires certain number of training sessions and hours
of tech assistance: multi-staff
Tech Assistance Programs

Funded through State agencies

**Kansas Water Office:** Contract to provide tech assistance on all aspects of operation and management of water systems, water conservation, leak detection, meter testing, etc.

**Kansas Dept. of Health and Environment:** Contract requires providing assistance with focus on water quality and regulatory issues, training on operation and maintenance of equipment, treatment, etc.

**Kansas Dept. of Health and Environment:** Wastewater referrals

**Kansas Department of Commerce:** KAN STEP
Water Conservation efforts include development of Conservation Plans and conducting of water loss surveys. Water loss reduction involves testing of master meters, review of accounting processes, checking systems for leakage. Systems with more than 30% unaccounted for loss are targeted as “special focus” projects under the Kansas Water Plan on-site assistance program.
Since 1989, KRWA has logged every water loss and leak detection survey it has conducted. Under the Kansas Water Plan funding from 1992 to 2015, KRWA has conducted 1,613 water loss surveys, locating a total of 5,998 billion gallons. This amount of water would have cost systems $13,337,995.
KRWA Circuit Rider Jon Steele tests a well meter.
KRWA can provide this portable storage tank for emergencies or during storage tank maintenance.
Setting up rechlorination in Ellsworth RWD 1 in 2014
KRWA Wastewater Tech Charlie Schwindmann measuring sludge in system’s lagoon.
KRWA staff also provide assistance with funding applications to both USDA and KDHE water and wastewater SRFs. When requested, KRWA prepares Environmental Reviews.
Assistance to PWS Loan Fund

KRWA and its sister organization -- the Kansas Rural Water Finance Authority -- work in partnership with KDHE in support of the Kansas Public Water Supply Loan Fund.
Kansas Rural Water Association, as an affiliate of the National Rural Water Association, has met with members of Congress since 1976 for support of USDA Community Facilities Programs.
KAN STEP – bolsters communities

KAN STEP began as a water system improvement program. It soon changed to include fire stations and other community facilities.
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>87</strong></td>
<td><strong>$22,082,891</strong></td>
<td><strong>$17,240,135</strong></td>
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KRWA has developed and published 7 handbooks in the “Water Board Bible” series.

To offset costs, KRWA has tailor-made these publications for 34 other state or national organizations and has sold more than 45,000 copies. The Association board recently voted that staff work to develop a new board/council training program patterned after the Water Board Bible series.
FINALLY!

The one-stop handbook that saves time

The Operator's Handbook: Facts, Figures & More
There is no “no-cost” service!

All service costs – and while cities and rwds might assume there is “no-cost” for the assistance, it is only possible because of partnerships agencies and KRWA have. It’s KRWA’s job to deliver. In 2016, KRWA staff drove nearly 300,000 miles.
Present staff of 18 + 1
KRWA – 1966 - 2017

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Quality water, quality life