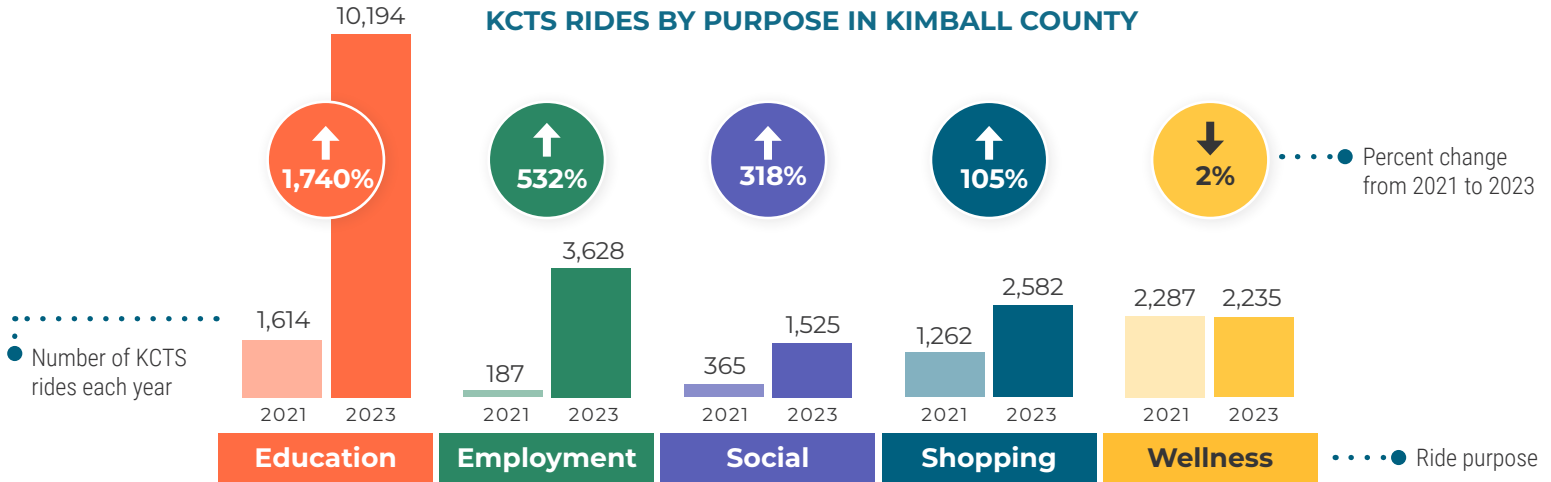


Kimball County Transit Service (KCTS)

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KCTS RIDES BY PURPOSE IN KIMBALL COUNTY



Kimball County's transit services benefit more than just seniors and the disabled. The State Legislature recognized KCTS for its ridership growth that now extends to six counties providing safe rides to school, reliable transport to work, a backup for when cars break down, and rides to grocery stores and social events. These services improve the local economy and quality of life of rural Nebraskans.

ECONOMIC BENEFIT: Clean Harbors Relies on KCTS

PROBLEM

Clean Harbors, a Fortune 500 company, is expanding operations and adding 200 jobs to its Kimball County incinerator facility. Given low unemployment and scarce housing in Kimball, Clean Harbors depends on recruiting works from around the region.

SOLUTION

Clean Harbors uses KCTS to drive trainees. Currently, 52 Clean Harbors employees use KCTS for rides.

CONTINUED BENEFIT

Clean Harbors pays for advertising on KCTS buses to recruit more employees for its growing business.

BEYOND CLEAN HARBORS

Employees from 15 businesses including hospitals and daycare centers use KCTS as a reliable form of transportation.

TESTIMONY

County Commissioner Daria Faden: "The positive impact is clear by looking at the numbers: people, employees, and employers too."

COMMUNITY BENEFIT: Safe, Affordable Trips to Denver

PROBLEM

Kimball County residents travel 155+ miles to Denver for the airport and medical appointments. This leaves families without a car and costs nearly over \$200 roundtrip in wear and gas (or more than \$400 with a service like Uber or Lyft).

SOLUTION

Ride with KCTS to Denver for \$75, curb to curb, safely and stress free and avoiding parking fees. Provides people the independence to travel long distances solo.

TESTIMONY

Past County Commissioner Larry Engstrom: "My wife and I had to go to Aurora for medical treatment. I didn't like driving in the Denver area, so we agreed to take the transit and it was so relaxing. Our driver delivered us to the front door, and we were told to just call and she will pick us up. Saved us from a lot of stress and it was great. The driver did a great job, could get in and out of places and follow the GPS."

KCTS Impact



KCTS PROVIDES A RESOURCE FOR UNEXPECTED TROUBLES



When Kimball County Commissioner Daria Anderson-Faden was in a crash, she was unable to drive due to injuries. KCTS was a vital resource providing rides to medical appointments and the grocery store. **"I didn't think I would ever use it.** Then I was confined to a wheelchair after a 30 day stay in Scottsbluff hospital from a head-on crash. When I was released from Scottsbluff, KCTS picked me up and transported me home. **For months after, KCTS picked me up** and took me to my physical therapy at Kimball Health Services."

KCTS ALLOWS PEOPLE TO AGE IN PLACE



Past Kimball County Commissioner Larry Engstrom met an elderly woman who pointed a finger at him and adamantly said, **"Do not get rid of the transit."** She has no other way to drive because her son and daughter don't live in Kimball anymore. If not for KCTS, she would depend on neighbors to get around. Now, she can get to her friend's birthday party with no worries. Larry said, "As long as people can stay in their house, they are much happier and probably in better health."



KCTS SUPPORTS THE FUTURE WORKFORCE

KCTS is used by students, including those who are enrolled at Western Nebraska Community College in Scottsbluff but live in other areas. For example, imagine that Jane lives in Kimball and is enrolled in the nursing program at WNCC and has in-person classes two days per week. Her family has one vehicle. AAA estimates it costs \$8,000 per year to own and operate a vehicle. Rather than purchase another vehicle, she uses the KCTS Sky Line bus service to get to campus. She pays \$50 / month for her bus pass, **saving her family more than \$7,000 per year in transportation costs.**



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