# GOVERNOR KELLY'S VISION FOR KANSAS

THE ROAD AHEAD

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#### MY PLAN TO LOWER COSTS FOR KANSANS:

- Responsible Fiscal Management
- Cut Taxes
- Make School Supplies Affordable



#### KANSAS IS BACK ON TRACK

In 2018, I ran to be the Education Governor. I ran because our schools were chronically underfunded due to the previous administration's irresponsible budget practices and tax 'experiments.' The budgets were a mess – and our children paid the price in their schools. So, when I first took office, I made sure we balanced the budget – and we've done it every year since. But we didn't stop there. We paid off debt – like closing the 'Bank of KDOT,' and now our funds for roads and highways are actually going toward our roads and highways.

We also have the largest ending balance in the state's Rainy Day fund in Kansas history. We invested in our future now, so that the state will be able to fund critical services like schools, public safety, and infrastructure – even on the rainiest of days. This is the foundation that will allow us to grow the economy and give Kansans more financial relief. In my second term, I will continue to balance our budget and pay off debt ahead of schedule. That is the first step to positioning ourselves to responsibly cut more taxes and make Kansas more affordable.

### GOVERNOR KELLY IS FOCUSED ON KANSANS

"Kansans have been through so much with the pandemic, supply chain issues, and the rising costs of basic necessities. I've been laser-focused on balancing our budget every year, an investment that has paid off and allowed us to cut taxes — but there's more we can do. We will continue focusing on lowering the cost of living for Kansans by implementing the following proposals."

# RESPONSIBLE FISCAL MANAGEMENT

- Keep the budget balanced
- Make investments in Kansas' Rainy Day Fund
- Pay down state debt
- Keep the "Bank of KDOT" closed

#### "Kelly Administration Pays Off Transportation Debt Early, Saving Taxpayers \$22.2 M"

Fort Scott Biz, September 22nd

#### SAVING KANSANS MORE MONEY

- Eliminate the food sales tax immediately
- Eliminate taxes on basic necessities like diapers and feminine hygiene products
- Expand tax relief for Kansas seniors



#### CUTTING TAXES FOR KANSANS

Last session, I signed a bipartisan bill to eliminate the food tax. I called for it to take effect immediately, but, the Legislature chose to phase it out over time. On day one of my second term, I will present to the Legislature a bill that will eliminate the food sales tax – immediately – so Kansas families can start saving up to \$500 a year. We will also expand the tax cut to include basic necessities like diapers and feminine hygiene products. It's time we get this done for Kansans.



"I will also expand the tax threshold for our Kansans on social security. Our seniors who make less than \$100,000 will see tax relief. Expanding this relief will save Kansas seniors a total of \$50 million in tax savings over the next three years."

## THE EDUCATION GOVERNOR

Making school supplies affordable by implementing a 3-day sales tax holiday on back-to-school items



School supplies are becoming more and more expensive. Pens, pencils, notebooks, and book bags – these are necessities for our kids to succeed in school. We need to make it easier for parents to prepare their kids for school. I propose a 3-day sales tax holiday for back-to-school items in August.



"We owe it to our kids to give them the tools they need to succeed and to help out teachers and educators, who often provide supplies for their students with money from their own pockets."

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