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Kansas State University Launches New Innovation Hub in Edge District

WHAT

- Kansas State University has launched a new innovation and economic development hub in Manhattan, Kans. designed to strengthen entrepreneurship and economic growth.
- This hub provides reduced cost, shared workspace for startups to grow and collaborate.
- The space centralizes K-State offices, programs, and resources focused on innovation and business development.
- The hub supports the K-State 105 Entrepreneurial Blueprint Initiative, which expands access to entrepreneurial resources across all 105 Kansas counties.
- The hub reinforces K-State's land grant mission by converting research and talent into real-world solutions that support business growth and long-term economic impact across Kansas.

WHO

- The news was announced by Richard Linton, president of Kansas State University.
- Jessica Gnad, director of K-State 105, spoke on the hubs tie to the K-State 105 Entrepreneurial Blueprint Initiative.
- Students, faculty and industry partners

WHERE

- The Edge District is located in Manhattan, Kans. near Kansas State University

WHEN

- The announcement was made on February 24, 2026.

About Kansas State University's LaunchPad:

Kansas State University's LaunchPad at the Edge District is a collaborative innovation hub that empowers student, faculty, and partner-led startups. As part of the university's K-State 105 initiative, it supports statewide economic development through entrepreneurship, applied research, and public-private partnerships. Visit www.edgekstate.com for more information.