

WINDBREAK RECOGNITION PROGRAM
Kansas Bankers Association

PURPOSE: The purpose of this program is to stimulate a greater interest in windbreaks in Kansas by giving recognition to landowners who have made outstanding progress in the establishment and management of windbreaks.

SPONSOR: Kansas Bankers Association

COOPERATING GROUPS:

State Conservation Commission
Kansas State University, K-State Research and Extension
USDA, Farm Services Agency
USDA, Natural Resources Conservation Service
Kansas Department of Agriculture
County Conservation Districts

PROCEDURE:

I. Recognition of individuals

1. Nominations for recognition of individuals will be made to the County Extension Agent, Agriculture. Nominations may be made by any person, on appropriate nomination blanks and shall be in the hands of the Committee by November 1.
2. The selection of individuals to receive awards will be made by the following committee:
 - County Extension Agent, Agriculture and Natural Resources (Chairperson of group)
 - USDA, FSA, County Executive Director
 - Chairperson of County Extension Executive Board
 - USDA, NRCS, District Conservationist
 - Chairperson, Board of Supervisors, County Conservation District
 - County Key Banker (ex officio without vote)
3. The basis of selection of individual awardees will be determined on the following points:
 - a. The primary purpose of the windbreak(s) will be to provide protection from damaging winds for residential (or other structures) areas, livestock, or fields.
 - b. The original windbreak must consist of planted trees or shrubs. Volunteer trees shrubs may be utilized to increase density, fill in gaps, or otherwise supplement the original planted trees and shrubs.
 - c. The plants must be managed and in healthy condition with no significant gaps in the windbreaks.
 - d. Windbreak location, density, and length must be adequate to provide the desired protection.
 - e. Windbreaks should be a minimum of three years old.

AWARD: Individual certificate(s) of award.

PRESENTATION OF AWARD: Award will be given annually. The County Extension Agent, Agriculture and Natural Resources and the County Key Banker will make plans for the presentation of the awards at a county-wide agricultural meeting or special meeting that would occur at this time.