

# WICHITA TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION

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**Patricia (Trish) L. Brasted**  
President/CEO

**Midwest Venture Alliance**  
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## **Venture Fund Management:**

Wichita Technology Ventures, LLC  
Managing Member

1999 – Present

Milestone Ventures, LLC  
Pittsburg, KS

1999 – Present

Quest Ventures, LLC  
Hutchinson, KS

1999 – Present

## **Overview:**

Patricia L. Brasted serves as President/CEO of Wichita Technology Corporation (WTC), a public-private partnership between local & state government, academia and the private sector whose mission is to promote and expand a formal innovation network that will support technology advancement, transfer and commercialization in Wichita and South Central Kansas.

This statewide technology network was created to leverage public resources with that of the private sector in order to maintain and facilitate business formation and growth by enhancing research & development activity, providing business assistance at critical phases of a technology start-up life cycle and providing access to capital. The team at WTC works with entrepreneurs, researchers, technology managers, and private investors throughout Kansas, as well as maintains working relationships with national research labs, research universities and venture capitalists across the US to carryout this mission that contributes to the growth of the Kansas economy by creating high paying jobs and wealth.

Under the leadership of Ms. Brasted, the WTC organization has assisted hundreds of entrepreneurs, invested seed capital dollars in over 40 technology companies, representing 60 patented technologies in diverse technology areas such as advanced materials, manufacturing technology, biotech, broadband & telecommunications, proprietary engineering services, consumer products, information technology and software solutions.

Ms. Brasted, also a successful entrepreneur, founded her first company, Brasted Consulting, Inc. in 1995 and in 2001 started Digital Office Systems with her husband and two other partners. She has over twenty years experience in corporate finance, venture capital and accounting including both private industry as well as spending five years in a public accounting practice. As a CPA with an MBA she has experience in corporate finance, tax, business valuation, debt and equity financing strategies, mergers, acquisitions, market research, new product positioning and strategic planning, corporate structure & business formation, and early-stage venture capital.

Ms. Brasted is one of the founding members of the first angel organization in Kansas, the Midwest Venture Alliance (MVA). MVA was founded in 2005 and has provided 12 rounds of capital to Kansas companies. MVA has currently launched a new program called the Rural Kansas Angel Initiative to engage investors and entrepreneurs across the state of Kansas.

Ms. Brasted is the current Chair of the National Association of Seed and Venture Funds (NASVF) Board of Directors. She also currently serves on the Wichita Metro Chamber Board of Directors. Her diverse business background and entrepreneurial drive have allowed WTC as well as its clients to achieve commercial success and a solid reputation in the business community. Ms. Brasted is also a frequent speaker on accessing venture capital and angel investing and serves of the Boards of several private technology companies.

### **Education & Certifications:**

Bachelor of Business Administration/Accounting, Wichita State University  
Master of Business Administration (MBA), Baker University  
Certified Public Accountant (CPA) – Kansas

### **Community Involvement:**

WSU Alumni Association – President (2006 - 2007) Immediate Past President - Current  
WSU Alumni Association – Board of Directors (2002 – Present)  
Wichita Metro Chamber – Board of Directors (2007 – 2009), State Legislative  
Committee (Present) Chair (2002 – 2003), Chair, Business Growth Committee (2001),  
Ambassador (1999 – 2000)  
Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) – Board of Directors (2002 – 2005)  
Wichita Downtown Rotary – Member, Reading is Fundamental Program, Membership  
(2000 – Present)  
Business Investment Group (BIG) – Member (2001 – Present)  
Girl Scouts of the Golden Plains Council – Life Member

### **Community Projects/Activities:**

Center of Innovation for Biomaterials and Orthopedic Research Planning Group

Collaboration partner - Kansas IT Study/Software & IT Association of Kansas (SITAKS)  
Small Business Alliance – Visioneering Wichita  
Advanced Materials and Medical Devices Hot Team; Kansas Bioscience Initiative  
WSU Career Network – Mentor (2003, ongoing)  
State Prosperity Summit – Central Region Facilitator (2003, ongoing)  
Economic Development Strategic Planning Task Force (2002 – 2003)  
Mayor’s Economic Response Initiative Task Force (2001 – 2002)  
Fair Fares Campaign (2002 – 2003)  
Venture Kids Program – Jabara Foundation, Mentor (2001 – 2003)  
Youth Entrepreneurs of Kansas – Host summer Internship Program (2002 – Present)  
National Cluster Study with Council on Competitiveness – City Coordinator (2002)  
Wichita Festivals Inc. – Volunteer (1999 – Present)

### **Professional Affiliations & Honors:**

National Association of Seed and Venture Funds (NASVF) – Chairman (2007 – 2010)  
Board of Directors (2004 – 2008)  
Dan Carney Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation (2004 – Present)  
Angel Capital Association (ACA) – Member (2004 – Present)  
Wichita Chapter, KSCPA – Member (1998 – Present)  
Kansas Society of Certified Public Accountants – Member (1998 – Present)  
American Institute of Certified Public Accountants – Member (1998 – Present)  
National Business Incubation Association (NBIA) – Member (1996 – Present)  
Association of University Technology Managers (AUTM) – Member (1996 – Present)

### **Personal & Professional Recognition**

40 Under 40 Award Recipient (2000)  
Recognized as one of 20 Women Who Mean Business Award (2003)  
2008 KansasBio Big Thinker (2008)