TEAM **KENTUCKY**

Andy Beshear



Investing in Higher Education and Workforce Development

- Authored the groundbreaking <u>Everybody Counts</u> program, which provides graduating high school seniors from participating Kentucky school districts guaranteed job opportunities with business partners as well as postsecondary resources and support.
- Worked with the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet and the Kentucky Chamber to develop new programs aimed at transitioning people from incarceration to employment, bolstering the workforce and helping to reduce recidivism.
- Created program to help nearly 50,000 Kentuckians on probation or parole statewide through a program providing transportation to addiction treatment, job interviews, education, and employment.
- Launched Kentucky Transformational Employment Program and Recovery Ready Communities, creating additional pathways to help people struggling with addiction.
- Expanded Medicaid dental, vision, and hearing benefits.
- Developed an Education First platform that when enacted will remove numerous child care-related barriers of access to education and employment.