



Supporting Seniors and the Most Vulnerable

- The number of Kentucky children in foster care has decreased after peaking in 2020 at over 10,000. Currently, there are about 8,300 Kentucky children or youth in out-of-home care. The drop is due to implementation of the Family First Prevention Services Act, which includes sobriety treatment and recovery teams, reunification efforts, therapy and prevention efforts.
- Over 250,000 pounds of food was collected, sorted and distributed by AmeriCorps members serving in Kentucky to Kentuckians needing the assistance in 2022.
- Enrolled over 400,000 additional Kentuckians in Medicaid, made possible by fast-tracking applications during the Public Health Emergency.
- Relaunched the state-based health insurance exchange, [kynect](#), which had been decimated under the previous administration.
- Overdose deaths declined in 2022 by 5% compared with 2021, marking the first decline since 2018.
- Kentucky outperformed Southern states during the pandemic, keeping more people alive and safe while supporting families and employers throughout the pandemic.
 - ◇ Focused on equity, ensuring residents of diverse communities have access to vaccine testing.
 - ◇ Launched a childcare provider pandemic support program, delivering relief grants to provide a safe environment for children for thousands of providers and allowing them to pay rent and workers during the pandemic.
 - ◇ Implemented \$270 per diem add-on for any COVID-19 positive patient in a long-term care facility.
 - ◇ Implemented a \$29 per day add-on to address personal protective equipment, COVID-19 testing and staffing.