

KENTUCKY'S COMMUNITY SAFETY NET

Kentucky's Community Safety Net helps families make ends meet, circulates resources in our local economies and gives our kids a better future. Keep our community safety net strong.

CARING FOR FAMILIES AND KIDS



Of the 1.36 million Kentuckians covered by Medicaid, over half a million are children



Over 500,000 KYians get help with their grocery bills through SNAP, including 250,000 children



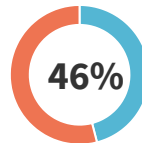
32,000 KYians get basic cash assistance through TANF, including 27,000 children



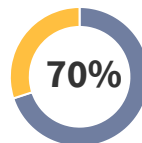
OUR MEDICAL SAFETY NET

Medicaid

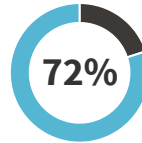
Medicaid covers most Kentuckians making at or below 138% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). That's about \$16,753 for an individual or \$34,638 for a family of four. Children, pregnant women, and some people with disabilities are covered at higher incomes.



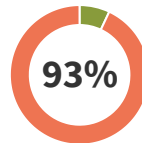
Medicaid pays for over 40% of Kentucky births



Medicaid pays for 70% of nursing home residents



The Federal government covers 72% of the cost of traditional Medicaid



The Federal government covers 93% of the cost for expanded Medicaid



Every dollar invested through Medicaid generates \$1.35 to \$1.80 of economic activity



OUR EMERGENCY SAFETY NET

TANF

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) supplies temporary wraparound services to families in need, such as limited cash assistance, job training, childcare, and transportation.



TANF is paid for by a Federal block grant that hasn't seen a funding increase in decades



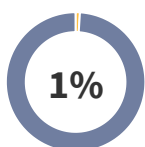
The average cash assistance amount is \$93.37 per person



Only 20% of eligible parents receive TANF benefits.



To qualify, families must have almost no resources and very low income - about half the Federal Poverty level or \$12,875 for a family of four



Less than 1% of TANF recipients stay in the program for the full 60 month time limit



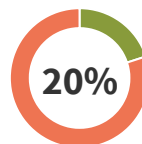
OUR NUTRITION SAFETY NET

SNAP

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) provides help with food purchases for Kentuckians anyone making 130% or less than the FPL. That's about \$15,792/yr for an individual and \$32,640/yr for a family of four. Households with a disabled member or a member over age 59 could make more and still be eligible, depending on shelter and other expenses.



The Federal government pays for 100% of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)



SNAP supplies \$1.32 per person per meal, almost 20% of the average American's food cost per day



Every SNAP dollar that households redeem can expand the economy by as much \$1.70

Source: Kentucky Administrative Data (2019), UK Center for Poverty Research (2019), USDA (2019)

