Kentucky kids and families need a strong state budget. Among the many budget priorities, the Blueprint for Kentucky’s Children hopes to see the following included:

- Refundable state Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) to help working families make ends meet
- Increased funding for the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) so parents can rely on safe and affordable child care
- Better supports for kinship families that ease the financial burden for grandparents and other relatives raising children
- Increased investments in family preservation and substance abuse programs that allow families to stay together safely while achieving sobriety
- Expanded Family Recovery Courts, which hold parents accountable while providing supports they need to achieve sobriety and care for their children
- Incentives to enroll in the Health Access Nurturing Development Services (HANDS) in-home visitation program that provides support to new parents
- Expanded access to child abuse forensic services so all children who experience maltreatment can receive the best care
- Comprehensive statewide tobacco prevention and cessation programs to improve the health of Kentucky now and in the future
- Increased investments in Family Resource and Youth Service Centers (FRYSCs), who work with families to remove barriers to student learning
- Full funding for the safety measures, behavioral health supports, and other services included in the School Safety and Resiliency Act
- Increased per-pupil funding (SEEK) to ensure public schools can help all kids learn
- Investments in early learning with full-day kindergarten for all school districts
- Reinvestment of savings from juvenile justice reforms into community services that keep kids on track to succeed
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