

# NAVIGATING THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM

*"You are entering a tough season of unknowns, but you are doing the right thing."  
-Trusted Advisor Council member, Clark County*

# KINSHIP (RELATIVE AND FICTIVE)



## WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW RIGHT NOW

- Know your rights
- Keep documentation of everything
- Ask for contact information for support groups
- Ask about financial support, including the Relative Placement Support Benefit
- Understand the difference between relative foster care and temporary custody before making a decision
- Find out if you are eligible for childcare assistance if the child is under 12 years of age.

## SUPPORT

- Family Resource and Youth Service Centers
- KY-KINS
- Kinship Families Coalition of Kentucky
- University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Offices
- Kinship Support Hotline 877-565-5608



A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO CASEY FAMILY PROGRAMS

## WHO CAN YOU CONTACT



Case worker: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Working hours: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Have basic needs?

- Call 2-11
- Division of Family Support  
855-306-8959
- [kynect.ky.gov/resources](http://kynect.ky.gov/resources)
- [myky.info](http://myky.info)

### Need legal advice?

- Civil Legal Aid Programs  
[kyjustice.org/contact-us](http://kyjustice.org/contact-us)

### Questions or issues?

- Commonwealth Office of the Ombudsman  
(866) 596-6283
- Citizen Foster Care Review Board  
[CFCRB@kycourts.net](mailto:CFCRB@kycourts.net)