



Thriving Families, Safer Children Kentucky

TFSC is a national partnership supporting a movement to keep families together, supported, and thriving. Here are the latest updates from the Kentucky site team:

Alternative Response

AR has expanded in 2024. The Jefferson Region, Southern Bluegrass, and The Lakes are the last regions to be added. AR is currently being implemented in the Jefferson Region. The goal is to have AR implemented across Kentucky in 2025.

Community Response

Community Response is now looking at targeting populations of children ages 6 to 11 – the population that currently has the highest percentage of reports with DCBS. The goal is to target where efforts are most impactful.

Commonwealth Center for Fathers and Families

CCFF has been growing and preparing for 2025. They currently consist of 60 Fathers who represent 32 counties in the Commonwealth. Applications to join will open the first week of January.

Lean on Me Kentucky

Prevent Child Abuse Kentucky is working on updating curriculum that will be used to train all 120 counties on Upstream prevention strategies. They are also currently hiring a Lean on Me Kentucky Coordinator.

PCAK Parent Engagement

The next Parent Engagement summit will take place on 9/17/2025. A toolkit is currently being developed for the summit.

Building Community Wellbeing Among Families

The Brighton Center is partnering with early childhood partners in order to address the disparities for kids of color not going into quality early education programs.

Department for Behavioral Health and Intellectual Disabilities

The KY SIX team is being built. DBHDID is also working on bringing awareness to the LGBTQ+ community and addressing equity issues.

KY SEAT

KY SEAT hosted a positive parenting event in Bowling Green in December. The event included a presentation on parental resilience and the role a father can play in it.

Community Mapping (Upstream)

Kentucky Judicial Commission on Mental Health has partnered with the Office of Statewide Programs and the National Center for State Courts to train 9 facilitators. Community mapping events were held this year in Pulaski, Rockcastle, Johnson, and Warren Counties. Clark and Madison Counties are scheduled for January 2025.

Community Resources

FRYSCs are currently working to increase participation in the Dolly Parton Imagination Library and continue to offer parent cafes, support groups, and resource connection to relatives raising relatives.

Kentucky Partnership for Families and Children

KPFC offered the Core Competency Training (CCT) for Youth Peer Support Specialist certification and Family Peer Support Specialist Certification. Visit <https://kypartnership.org/events/> for more information.

Regional Collaboratives

Following the re-visioning sessions this summer, the regions are currently working on finalizing their action plans. Each region is working to identify key partners in the region who can lead the proposed initiatives.

For a full description of the above-mentioned initiatives and more, please visit kyyouth.org/tfscopy.