

SUMMARY OF BENEFIT PROGRAMS IDENTIFIED

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

Title IV-A State Plan

<http://chfs.ky.gov/NR/rdonlyres/2FF93A04-B16F-4C8E-B7A1-43F03DA28A59/0/TANFStatePlanAmendeffApr2010.pdf>

Page	Program	Comments	Eligibility
4-12	KTAP	<p>Monthly cash payments to eligible families</p> <p>1 Person \$186 2 Persons \$225 3 Persons \$262 4 Persons \$328 5 Persons \$383 6 Persons \$432 7 or more Persons \$482</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ The Family Resource and Youth Services Centers (FRYSC) are part of CHFS ▶ The Protection and Permanency provides family services, including crisis intervention, <u>domestic violence counseling</u>, child protective services and family preservation services ▶ The FRYSC removes non-cognitive barriers to children's learning by providing such services as health services, child care, employment counseling, drug and alcohol abuse counseling, parent and child education, or referrals for such services ▶ The Division of Child Care provides help for families who need child care outside their homes. ▶ The Department for Income Support provides assistance to any person, with minor children, who needs financial support from an absent parent ▶ CHFS contracts with various providers throughout the state to conduct job readiness workshops, provide employment services through job referrals, wage subsidy positions, job search workshops, job training services and some basic skills to Kentucky Works participants. 	% of basic poverty guidelines
12-29	Ky Works Program	<p>Up to \$100 per week transportation Plus \$500 per year car repair + child care</p>	KTAP eligibility
29-30	Family Services	Child care in home	200%

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30-33	Family Drug Court	Facilitate recovery	200%
33-35	Sobriety Treatment	Case management	200%
36-38	Kinship Care	\$300 per child; start up \$350 per child; education bonus of \$250.	KTAP
39-41	Diversion Program	Beyond KTAP eligibility; up to \$1300, (twice in lifetime).	KTAP
41-42	Work Incentive Prog.	Beyond KTAP, \$130 per month- 9 months (once per lifetime)	200%
42-43	Safety Net	Beyond KTAP –up to \$635.	200%

All of the above programs are TANF funded although most have been created with previously unused TANF dollars, by regulation in Kentucky, and not by Statute.

Other Programs -	Income Eligibility	Asset Test
<p>FOOD Stamps (SNAP)– Average \$640 per month per family The Food Benefits/EBT helps people with little or no money buy enough food for healthy meals. It does this by providing people with an EBT card, which can be used to buy food at participating stores. Kentucky Food Benefits/EBT increase the household's food buying power when they are added to the household's money.</p> <p>Kentucky Food Benefits/EBT will be deposited into a benefit account for you each month. You will receive an Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) card and a Personal Identification Number (PIN) in the mail to access your food stamp benefits. You may use your EBT card to purchase almost any food item, except ready-to-eat hot foods. http://www.govbenefits.gov/govbenefits_en.portal;jsessionid=TSMTMZ7Jn8q1KcYnjVnb8Z2Dp7JLf92SJfV7h02Ts0TFLxvMs1LL!-121562649?nfpb=true&locateStateFlow_1_actionOverride=/LocateStateFlow/report&_windowLabel=locateStateFlow_1&locateStateFlow_1bid=1213&locateStateFlow_1_code=KY&pageLabel=qbcc_page_locate_state http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Supplemental_Nutrition_Assistance_Program</p>	130%	Yes
<p>Women Infants Children (WIC) – \$40 per person per month The WIC Program provides supplemental foods, nutrition education and referrals to health care, at no cost, to low-income pregnant, breastfeeding and postpartum women, infants, and children up to age 5 who are determined to be at nutritional risk. To be fully eligible for the WIC Program, applicants must be determined by a health</p>	130%	No

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<p>professional, at no cost, to be at nutritional risk (i.e., have certain medical-based or diet-based risk conditions).</p> <p>General Program Requirements In order to qualify for this benefit program, you must be a resident of the State of Kentucky, pregnant, breastfeeding and postpartum woman, infant or child up to 5 years of age and: (1) are individually determined by a health professional to be at nutrition risk; and, (2) meet an income standard, or are determined automatically income eligible. A person who participates or has family members who participate in certain other benefit programs, such as the Food Stamp Program, Medicaid or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, automatically meets the income eligibility requirement.</p> <p>http://www.govbenefits.gov/govbenefits_en.portal;jsessionid=TSMTMZ7Jn8q1KcYnjVnb8Z2Dp7JLf92Sjfv7h02Ts0TFLxvMs1LL!-121562649?nfpb=true&locateStateFlow_1_actionOverride=/LocateStateFlow/report&_windowLabel=locateStateFlow_1&locateStateFlow_1bid=2066&locateStateFlow_1_code=KY&pageLabel=gbcc_page_locate_state</p>		
<p>http://www.fns.usda.gov/pd/25wifyavgfd\$.htm</p>		
<p>SSI - \$674 per month per disabled person in household</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The child must have a physical or mental condition, or a combination of conditions, that results in “marked and severe functional limitations.” This means that the condition(s) must very seriously limit your child’s activities. • The child’s condition(s) must have lasted, or be expected to last, at least 12 months; or must be expected to result in death. <p>In 2009, McCracken County had a total of 2,330 individuals receiving SSI benefits. Below is the breakdown:</p> <p>Aged: 110, Blind and disabled: 2,220</p> <p>Under 18: 444, 18-64: 1,599, 65 or older: 287</p>	<p>??</p>	<p>Yes</p>

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<p>SSI Continued. . .</p> <p>Amounts of Payments in McCracken County: \$1,199,000 per month or \$14,388,000 per year</p> <p>http://www.ssa.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/ssi_sc/#toc</p>		
<p>KCHIPS - Ave of \$2,000 per year.</p> <p>The Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program (KCHIP) provides free or low cost health insurance for Kentucky's children. KCHIP covers everything from checkups to prescriptions, from broken bones to booster shots, eyeglasses, hearing aids, dental care, hospital care and more.</p> <p>http://www.govbenefits.gov/govbenefits_en.portal;jsessionid=TSMTMZ7Jn8q1KcYnjVn_b8Z2Dp7JLf92SjV7h02Ts0TFLxvMs1LL!-121562649?nfpb=true&locateStateFlow_1_actionOverride=/LocateStateFlow/report&_windowLabel=locateStateFlow_1&locateStateFlow_1bid=1216&locateStateFlow_1_code=KY&pageLabel=gbcc_page_locate_state</p>	200%	No
<p>http://www.kyyouth.org/Publications/documents/08pub_HealthCoverageKyChildren.pdf</p>		
<p>Public Housing – Rent is 30% of family income.</p> <p>http://www.paducahousing.com/</p>	270% down to 150% Smaller families at the higher levels	
<p>Earned Income Tax Credits –</p> <p><u>Earned Income</u> and adjusted gross income (AGI) must each be less than:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$43,279 (\$48,279 married filing jointly) with three or more qualifying children • \$40,295 (\$45,295 married filing jointly) with two qualifying children • \$35,463 (\$40,463 married filing jointly) with one qualifying child • \$13,440 (\$18,440 married filing jointly) with no qualifying children <p>Tax Year 2009 maximum credit:</p>	Ave. 200%	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$5,657 with three or more qualifying children • \$5,028 with two qualifying children • \$3,043 with one qualifying child • \$457 with no qualifying children <p>http://www.irs.gov/individuals/article/0,,id=150513,00.html</p>		
<p>Kentucky Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program helps low-income Kentucky families pay high heating bills. High-energy costs can break a low-income family, or force a family to choose between heat and food or medicine. http://www.govbenefits.gov/govbenefits_en.portal;jsessionid=TSMTMZ7Jn8q1KcYnjVnb8Z2Dp7JLf92SjFv7h02Ts0TFLxvMs1LL!-121562649?nfpb=true&locateStateFlow_1_actionOverride=/LocateStateFlow/report&windowLabel=locateStateFlow_1&locateStateFlow_1bid=1539&locateStateFlow_1_code=KY&pageLabel=qbcc_page_locate_state</p>	130%	No
<p>Kentucky Medical Program (KMP) - serves: persons aged 65 or older; blind or permanently disabled persons; members of families with dependent children; children in foster care homes; pregnant women; and individuals under age 21 in psychiatric hospitals. http://www.govbenefits.gov/govbenefits_en.portal;jsessionid=TSMTMZ7Jn8q1KcYnjVnb8Z2Dp7JLf92SjFv7h02Ts0TFLxvMs1LL!-121562649?nfpb=true&locateStateFlow_1_actionOverride=/LocateStateFlow/report&windowLabel=locateStateFlow_1&locateStateFlow_1bid=1214&locateStateFlow_1_code=KY&pageLabel=qbcc_page_locate_state</p>	?Low	
<p>Kentucky School Breakfast and Lunch Program The National School Breakfast and Lunch Programs are part of the Division of School & Community Nutrition within the Kentucky Department of Education. Today, over 1,300 public, private, and parochial schools and residential child care institutions provide a daily breakfast to more than 180,000 students in Kentucky. The oldest of the</p>	130% Free 180% - \$.50	No

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<p>school nutrition programs, the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) provides lunches to approximately 480,000 students every day in public, private, and parochial schools and residential child care institutions in Kentucky.</p> <p>http://www.govbenefits.gov/govbenefits_en.portal;jsessionid=TSMTMZ7Jn8q1KcYnjVnb8Z2Dp7JLf92SjV7h02Ts0TFLxvMs1LL!-121562649?nfpb=true&locateStateFlow_1_actionOverride=/LocateStateFlow/report&_windowLabel=locateStateFlow_1&locateStateFlow_1bid=1968&locateStateFlow_1_code=KY&pageLabel=gbcc_page_locate_state</p>		
<p>Kentucky Weatherization Assistance Program The Weatherization Assistance Program is the nation's largest residential energy efficiency program. Trained inspectors and crews with state of the art equipment aim to reduce the cost of energy for low income families.</p> <p>The mission of the Kentucky Weatherization Assistance Program is to improve energy efficiency, household safety, and to educate the public about maintaining energy efficiency. The program's focus is on low-income families and children, the elderly, and the disabled.</p> <p>The goal of the Weatherization Program is to keep Kentuckians warm in the winter, cool in the summer, and safe all year long.</p> <p>http://www.govbenefits.gov/govbenefits_en.portal;jsessionid=TSMTMZ7Jn8q1KcYnjVnb8Z2Dp7JLf92SjV7h02Ts0TFLxvMs1LL!-121562649?nfpb=true&locateStateFlow_1_actionOverride=/LocateStateFlow/report&_windowLabel=locateStateFlow_1&locateStateFlow_1bid=1856&locateStateFlow_1_code=KY&pageLabel=gbcc_page_locate_state</p>	200%	No
<p>Child Support—based upon both parents’ gross monthly income Only received if the non-custodial parent pays. (Often <u>not</u> reliable income.)</p> <p>If parent is receiving KTAP, the parent will only receive child support in excess of the KTAP money.</p> <p>The Division of Child Support will establish paternity, obtain health insurance orders,</p>		

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<p>set child support and enforce unpaid child support obligations.</p> <p>For purposes of calculating child support, minimum wage is imputed to all able bodied persons earning less than minimum wage.</p> <p>Parents receive child support either by direct deposit or directly on to a debit card. Examples)</p> <p>Parents at minimum wage with two children: \$298.50</p> <p>Parents at minimum wage with three children: \$374.50</p>		
<p>Kentucky Head Start</p> <p>The Head Start program (for children ages 3-5) and Early Head Start program (for pregnant women, infants, and toddlers) promote school readiness for children in low-income families by providing comprehensive educational, health, nutritional, and social services. Parents play a large role in the programs, both as primary educators of their children and as participants in administering the programs locally. Both programs provide pre-literacy and literacy experiences in a multi-cultural environment. Parents are also provided social services, including assistance with childcare. Services are also available to migrant and seasonal farm worker families.</p> <p><i>Additionally, KERA provided for children of families up to 150% of poverty to be eligible.</i></p> <p>http://www.govbenefits.gov/govbenefits_en.portal;jsessionid=TSMTMZ7Jn8q1KcYnjVnb8Z2Dp7JLf92SjFv7h02Ts0TFLxvMs1LL!-121562649?nfpb=true&locateStateFlow_1_actionOverride=/LocateStateFlow/report&windowLabel=locateStateFlow_1&locateStateFlow_1bid=1912&locateStateFlow_1_code=KY&pageLabel=gbcc_page_locate_state</p>	<p>Up to 150%</p>	<p>No</p>

Great reference:
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