

The Loop

Newsletter

Spring 2022

Department of Social Services

Reflection



Flashback collage

A Brief Look Back

Some say "Time flies when you're having fun." and a lot of us agree with that notion. It definitely doesn't apply to the last two years, as COVID was not here to present an ounce of fun, but the lot of us still may say the time did fly. During that fast moving season of our lives Social Services and all of it's divisions were still actively providing much needed services to the citizens of Lexington-Fayette County.

Click on the image to check out our service delivery during the pandemic.



Become a Green Dot Spot!

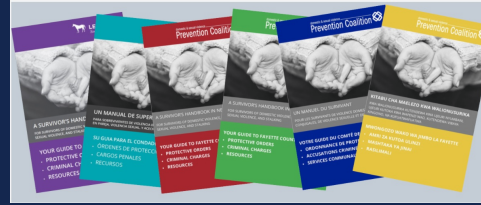
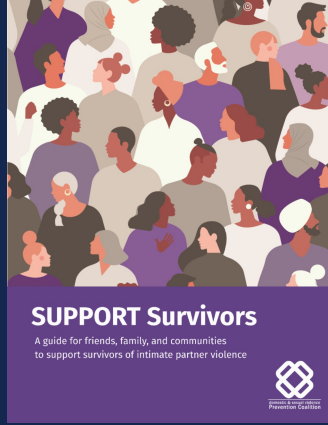
Green Dot Lexington provides a free, two-hour active bystander straining training for people wanting to help stop domestic and sexual violence before it occurs. Businesses and organizations that train at least 15% of their staff or membership can become a Green Dot Spot! It's a great way to make your organization safer and convey you are part of a caring community standing against violence. To set up a free training, contact Dawn Runyon at drunyon@lexingtonky.gov.

SUPPORT
Survivors

Family and

friends play an essential role in supporting survivors of domestic and sexual violence. But many don't know what to do or say when someone we care about is being harmed.

The DSVPC SUPPORT Survivors guidebook provides a better understanding of intimate partner violence and steps to take to help make your response to survivors as helpful as possible. Find it here: <https://bit.ly/DSVPCSupport>.



Survivor Handbook

DSVPC's Survivor Handbook helps survivors navigate the court system and community resource. It is now available in six languages: English, Spanish, Swahili, French, Arabic, and Nepali. Find them here: <https://www.lexingtonky.gov/dsvpc>

Aging & Disability Services

Back in Full Swing!

Aging and Disability Services is back in full swing, all four sites are open and operating. Participants are enjoying art, music and exercise classes. The Bell House has been offering Ukulele classes for the first time and it is wildly popular. The Charles Young Center has been busy creating baby dolls for the patients at the Children's Hospital, the Eldercrafters are learning new crafts after spending the past 6 months crocheting and knitting for GreenHouse 17 clients and the Lexington Senior Center continues to boom with 36 group fitness classes each week and 26 art and music classes. The Social Workers have been as busy as ever serving about 350 different seniors each month.



HEALTH SCREENING FAIR

Lexington Senior Center



DOLLS FOR CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Charles Young Center



ELDERCRAFTERS

Black & Williams Center



ACTIVE AGING

Lexington Senior Center

Family Care Center

Over 32 Years of Service

On March 31st The Family Care Center said farewell to the last of its original employees. Karen Hacker stepped into service at the center at it's very beginning, marking the beginning of an era of impactful and life changing services to the families of Lexington Fayette County.



**EARLY
CHILDHOOD/CARE
TEACHERS**



**HIGH SCHOOL
TEACHERS**



Youth Services

The Graduates and Staff

At The

Audrey Grevious Center Day Treatment Program

Cordially Invite You To

Our Graduation Ceremony

May 24, 2022

11:00 a.m.

At

**Audrey Grevious Center
1177 Harry Sykes Way**

**Please join us in celebrating the success of our
youth at AGCI**

Performance Quality Improvement

Mission

To provide and support an easily accessible system of human services for Fayette County.

Vision

To empower our vulnerable and underserved residents with high quality direct services, effective

Background

Department of Social Services endorses a client-oriented culture of continuous improvement committed to providing quality services, achieving goals, and producing positive outcomes. The Performance Quality Improvement (PQI) process is broad-based and inclusive of stakeholders and staff at all levels, utilizing data to evaluate performance goals, client outcomes, and indicators. All DSS employees are instrumental in developing and implementing improvement plans, which enable DSS to fulfill its mission and accomplish long term goals.

programming, and viable resources.

Values

- Compassion
- Compliance
- Coordination
- Consistency

Please click on the link below to view the latest meeting minutes.

[Committee Meeting Minutes](#)

The mission of Department of Social Services is to provide and support an easily accessible system of human services for Fayette County.

Commissioner Kacy Allen-Bryant

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