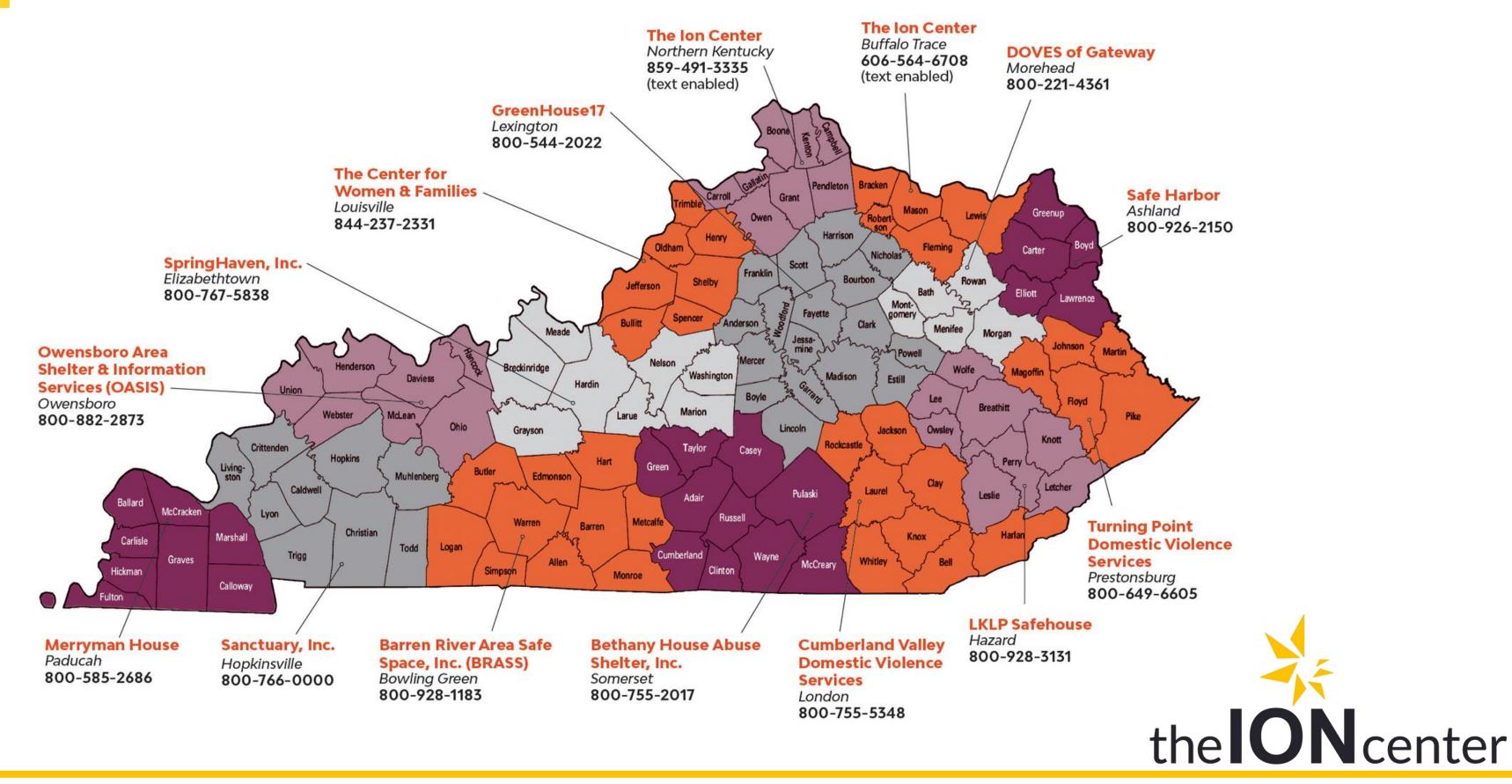
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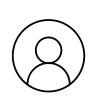
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## KENTUCKY RESOURCES



## WHAT WE DO

At the Ion Center, all services are free, confidential, and are available to anyone impacted by power-based personal violence.



Crisis support



Pet protection



Law enforcement advocacy



Prevention education



24-hour hotline



Court advocacy



Safety planning



Hospital advocacy



**Emergency** shelter



Therapy



## THE IMPACT OF ADVOCACY

67,209

Meals provided to residents





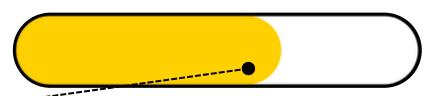
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Adults and children housed in shelters



outcomes!

THAT IS MORE THAN 64%





**4,011**Pet bed nights



694

Hours of hospital advocacy



275

Emergency room visits responded to



1,155
urs of legal advocacy

Hours of legal advocacy & court accompaniment

65

Pets served in 2024



22,343

Bednights in Ion Center shelters

4,265



People supported through hotline calls, text, website, email, & social media



## **OUR PREVENTION TEAM**

Our Prevention, Education, and Community Engagement Team is the largest prevention team in Kentucky. We provide tailored programs to best suit the needs of the community or age group.

- Middle Schools
- High Schools
- Local Colleges
- Community Spaces
- Other



## THE POWER OF PREVENTION

# Middle Schools It's My Space

Bellevue Independent

**Covington Latin School** 

Ludlow Independent

Newport Independent

Rector A. Jones Middle School

St. Joseph - Cold Spring

## **High Schools**Green Dot

Augusta Independent

Covington Catholic High School

Covington Latin School

Fleming County High School

Holmes High School

Ludlow Independent

Mason County High School

Newport Independent

Notre Dame Academy

St. Patrick School

# **Communities**Green Dot

Carrollton Maysville

Covington Warsaw

## **Colleges**

MCTC & JCTC - Green Dot

NKU - Peer Ambassador Program



## **Prevention Statistics**

of Green Dot trained high school students had experienced an act of power-based personal violence.

of high schoolers were definite that they would intervene the next time they saw a potentially dangerous situation, after completing Green Dot training.

of Green Dot trained community members know someone who has been impacted by power-based personal violence.

of community members were definite that they would intervene the next time they saw a potentially dangerous situation, after completing Green Dot training.

"I stand up for the people who are bullied at my school but I also stand up for strangers. I learned to do this because of my own story. I saw people fighting and saw him hit her. All I did was stand there. I stayed up very late that night just thinking that I could have stopped the fight. Now I stand up for people whenever I can."

-Anonymous Student Connection



## Challenges We Are Facing

**Increased Cost** 

Aging Shelter & Administration Offices

**Staffing Levels** 

## BEHIND THE BUDGET

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM Total Expenses FY25

## NKY TOTAL EXPENSES: \$2,420,000

31 People

24/7 Shelter

24/7 Hotline (shared with Sexual Assault program)

Court Advocacy/Accompaniment

**Crisis Intervention Services** 

## **BT TOTAL EXPENSES: \$1,700,000**

20 People

24/7 Shelter

24/7 Hotline (shared with Sexual Assault program)

Court Advocacy/Accompaniment

**Crisis Intervention Services** 

## SEXUAL VIOLENCE PROGRAM Total Expenses FY25

## NKY TOTAL EXPENSES: \$1,200,000

18 People

24/7 Hospital Response

24/7 Hotline (shared with Domestic Violence program)

Crisis Intervention Services & Therapy

**Violence Prevention Programming** 

## BT TOTAL EXPENSES: \$256,000

4 People

24/7 Hospital Response

24/7 Hotline (shared with Domestic Violence program)

Crisis Intervention Services & Therapy

Violence Prevention Programming

**TOTAL EXPENSES FY25:** \$5,576,000

## Challenges We Are Facing

**Increased Cost** 

Aging Shelter & Administration Offices

**Staffing Levels** 

## PREVENTION CAPACITY

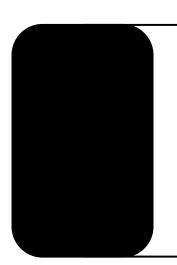
To implement programs in all schools, The Ion Center would require approximately 32 prevention educators.



## **TOTAL MIDDLE SCHOOLS**

Private Schools: 37

• Public Schools: 37



## **TOTAL HIGH SCHOOLS**

• Private Schools: 17

• Public Schools: 34



## 2026-2028 ZeroV Budget Request

Increased investment needed to sustain the lifesaving work of the 15 regional Domestic Violence Shelter Programs

## \$10 MILLION IN EACH FISCAL YEAR (\$4 MILLION INCREASE)

Divided among ZeroV's 15 member programs, this would provide an average additional \$266,000 per program per year.

INCREASED COST AND NEED FOR SHELTER & SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

PROVIDING SERVICES TO CHILDREN & FAMILIES

"I am the reason the Ion Center does this work; my journey is proof of resilience."

- Client, Buffalo Trace Shelter



"The Ion Center's work goes beyond just helping me—it inspires others to step in and support survivors like me."

- Client, NKY Outreach



# Thank You!



#### **Covington Outreach**

835 Madison Avenue - Covington, KY 41011 (859) 491-3335 (call or text 24/7)

#### **Buffalo Trace Outreach**

111 E. Third Street - Maysville, KY 41056 (606) 564-6708 (call or text 24/7)

#### **Williamstown Outreach**

1116 North Main St. - Williamstown, KY 41097 \*Located inside Community Action Commission (859) 491-3335 (call or text 24/7)

#### **Warsaw Outreach**

100 Davis Dr. - Warsaw, KY 41095
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