Licking Valley Community Action

Helping People & Changing Lives.

Annual Report **2025-2026**

Fighting the War On Poverty

Since 1965

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Bracken County

- Craig Miller
- Reed Bailey

Fleming County

- John Sims, Jr.
- Van Alexander

Lewis County

- George Sparks
- Libby Smith
- Mary Mason

Mason County

- Owen McNeil
- Kim Muse
- Chad Current

Robertson County

- Valerie Miley
- Trina Winter
- Janice Shepherd

Aging

Licking Valley Community Action Program is a service provider in the Buffalo Trace Area for the aging programs listed below. Services such as the nutrition programs provide a nutritionally balanced noon meal at the Senior Centers in each of the five counties. Home Delivered Meals are provided to individuals who are unable to attend the senior centers and determined eligible for services by case managers with Buffalo Trace Area Agency on Aging. Transportation is provided to the senior centers and local doctors and businesses. Supportive services including Information and Assistance regarding additional services available to our seniors and Telephone Reassurance when requested by a client are provided. Evidenced based health promotion programs led by trained certified staff are also offered throughout the year to help seniors stay healthy and keep moving. The following represents the number of units of service provided to unduplicated clients in our service area.

One of our greatest achievements in the aging program is the coordination of community and senior volunteers. Community volunteers provide programs, training, entertainment and coordination of services. Our senior volunteers assist with the day to day operation of our programs while benefiting from the sense of being needed and appreciated.

Services	Unit of Service
Congregate Meals	14140
Home Delivered Meals	29025
Exp Senior Meal	28321
Transportation	10833
Info & Assistance	644
Health Promotion	1407
Recreation	4046
Volunteer Hours	13628

kynect

Together for a better Kentucky

Licking Valley Community Action Program helps families and individuals enroll in health insurance coverage through the Affordable Care Act. Kynectors are available to help determine eligibility for Medicaid or a Qualified Healthcare Plan.

LVCAP staff help consumers in Bracken, Fleming, Lewis, Mason and Robertson counties enroll in affordable health care coverage that may include Medicaid coverage or qualified healthcare plans through the Federal Healthcare Marketplace.

Navigating the healthcare options available to families can be tricky, whether private insurance on the Federal Marketplace or coverage under the Medicaid expansion. Our kynectors are here year-round to help navigate the system and answer any questions you might have.

Community Collaboration

Licking Valley Community Action Program provides child abuse prevention services in ten counties Bath, Bracken, Fleming, Lewis, Mason, Menifee, Montgomery, Morgan, Robertson, and Rowan counties. The program, called Community Collaboration for Children, helps families reduce the likelihood of abuse or neglect through education, referral, support, and even financial assistance. Families benefit from the services of a trained in-home therapist who provides parenting, financial literacy, and nutrition education according to the family's need. The therapist may help identify other community resources the family needs such as employment, post-secondary education, mental health, or primary health services. In addition to in-home therapy, staff organize Regional Councils to promote child abuse prevention activities in the region. The Councils meet monthly and include guest speakers, training, and networking activities. New participants are always welcome.

CCC Annual Report

CCC contact states that we will close and complete 20 families in Buffalo Trace and 20 families in Gateway a total of 40 families for the fiscal year July 1, 2025 to June, 30, 2026. We closed and completed 25 cases in Buffalo Trace and 19 cases in Gateway a total of 44 case for the fiscal year.

Licking Valley Transportation

Licking Valley Community Action Program currently operates the Transportation Program for the Buffalo Trace area. Licking Valley Community Action Program covers the Buffalo Trace Area which includes counties of Bracken, Fleming, Lewis, Mason, and Robertson. The area covers 1379 square miles in the outer Bluegrass Region and is considered as gently rolling terrain in this rural area of Kentucky. Currently, Licking Valley Community Action Program operates the Public Transit Program which includes regular public transportation, Title III-B Elderly Transportation and Non-Emergency Medical Transportation.

Medicaid Transportation

Medicaid overs only medically necessary transportation to and from a Medicaid-covered service as well as travel to and from any pharmacy with a 72-hour notice. For transportation outside of the member's medical service area, a referral from the member's primary care physician is required.

You must have the following to be eligible for transportation under Medicaid.

- **A valid Kentucky Medicaid Card**
- **Must be traveling to and from a Medicaid-covered service.**
- **No vehicle can be registered in your name or household.**
- **Live in the following counties: Bracken, Fleming, Lewis, Mason and Robertson County.**

Public Transportation

LVCAP provides comfortable, affordable public transportation to all residents of Bracken, Fleming, Lewis, Mason and Robertson Counties.

Our drivers are friendly and trained professionals who make it their priority to get you to your destination safely and timely. LVCAP works to your advantage providing door-to-door service at a reasonable rate.

LVCAP is a transit provider that covers the counties it serves and can transport anyone who needs a ride. We provide a convenient way to get around town whether you need to go to dialysis, the grocery store, work, or doctors' appointments.

Who Can Ride?

LVCAP Public Transportation Service is available to all residents of Bracken, Fleming, Lewis, Mason and Robertson Counties.

What days do we run?

LVCAP Public Transportation Service runs weekly, Monday - Friday. Trips start between 8 AM and end between 6 - 8 PM. Saturday service is available from 8 am - 1 pm. Extended hours are available.

How much does it cost?

Trip Destination	Trip Fee
All stops within the county of residence. (Round Trip)	$12.00
Stops to the neighboring county (Round Trip)	$50.00
Appointment or stop is out of Rural Area (Round Trip)	$100.00

For all Transportation needs please see below.

Recipients who need to schedule transportation services should contact us during our normal office hours Monday through Friday from 8 AM - 4:30 PM and Saturday from 8:00 AM -1:00 PM local time.

All trips not considered "urgent care" must be scheduled 72 hours in advance. After hours paging is available including Sundays and State Holidays, for immediate or "*urgent care*" transportation.

Urgent Care means:
"An unscheduled episodic situation when there is not a threat to life or limb, but the recipient must be seen with a specified time frame".

Please call **(606) 845-0081** or toll free at **(800) 327-5196** to set up your ride today!

FY25/26 Annual Service Data for
Licking Valley Transportation

Mode	Vehicle Revenue Miles (VRM)	Vehicle Revenue Hours (VRH)	Total Unlinked Passenger Trips (UPT)	Vehicles in Maximum Service	Sponsored Unlinked Passenger Trips (Sponsored UPT)
Demand Re sponse	1,268,085	110,393	59,830	873	38,554
	Paid Miles	Driver only hours	Medicaid & Private pay		Medicaid Only
Total	1,268,085	110,393	59,830	873	38,554

Grand total contract revenue for FY25/26 at the end of June 2026 was $3,331,692. This amount includes all vehicle reimbursements from new vehicle purchases, vehicle reimbursement on vehicles sold and all Medicaid reimbursements that the agency receives each month for transporting Medicaid clients to and from their appointments.

Making a Difference

Licking Valley Transportation was contacted earlier this summer in regards to helping a Mason County resident with transportation to and from some meetings in Frankfort. After taking with the individual's family member we soon learned that this 47-year-old man was involved in an automobile accident 25 years ago which left him a quadriplegic. He also suffers with an auto immune disease called Optical Uveitis that results in complicated vision issues. After speaking with his wife for several minutes I also learned that he was a very active community member and is very passionate about several issues involving the Commonwealth Council of Developmental Disabilities.

She went on to tell me that her husband had been recently placed on a committee called Kentucky Partners in Policymaking.

Partners in Policymaking is a national leadership training program teaching individuals with developmental disabilities and parents the skills to become community leaders and catalysts for systems change. Participants learn how to advocate for the best available services for themselves and others. This program identifies the current trends about disability issues and develops in participant's leadership skills necessary to impact public policy at all levels of government.

The goal of Kentucky Partners in Policymaking (KPIP) is to accomplish productive partnerships between the people needing and utilizing services and those who form public policy. KPIP was founded on the belief that the most significant and lasting public policy decisions came from the efforts of those most affected by them, working together with public officials and policy experts.

KPIP educates participants about present issues and best practices and teaches them about local, state and federal levels legislative processes of policymaking. The program sessions cover and are dedicated to specific topics presented by nationally known experts in their fields. Topics include History of Disabilities & Services, Inclusive Education, Kentucky's Legislative Process, Social Engagement, Community Organizing, and Systems Change Advocacy.

KPIP was founded on the belief that the most significant and lasting public policy decisions have been carried through the efforts of those most affected by them, working together with public officials and policy experts. KPIP teaches leadership skills and how to develop positive partnerships with elected officials and other individuals who make the policy decisions about services the disability community uses.

She also advised me that they had priced renting a wheelchair accessible van and it was extremely expensive. Someone told her that she should call Licking Valley to see if we would be able to help them in anyway. After I told her that we would be more then welcome to accommodate her husband's transportation needs to and from his meetings, she was over joyed. She recently sent this message to me after his first trip was performed.

Thanks so much to Licking Valley CAP for your transportation service! It allowed Eric to take his power chair to Frankfort for the 1st Kentucky Partners in Policymaking session. This allowed him to be much more comfortable and mobile during these long days. He has never taken his power chair anywhere because we do not have a van. We were nervous because he has never used any of these services and we were unsure if it would be a smooth experience. Everything was great! No problems or snags at all! Both of the drivers were prompt and courteous. Eric enjoyed the conversations with both gentlemen. It couldn't have been a better experience!

This is just one of the many stories that makes this job and our agency want to thrive and continue to serve the individuals of the Buffalo Trace Region. Licking Valley Transportation is a service that is greatly needed and serves the people in our communities on a daily basis. We hope to continue to grow and provide these services for many years to come in this region

CSBG

Community Service Block Grant Program

Each county features a community services office where families can receive a variety of services that are designed to help low income families manage their resources; reduce expenses; and develop the skills to become self-reliant. Most services have specific eligibility guidelines. Services are individualized according to a family's unique situation.

See how we can *Help*

Emergency (Crisis) Assistance: Crisis services may include food, medical assistance, housing assistance, utility assistance, or clothing. An Emergency Food Pantry is located in each county to assist eligible individuals with nutritional needs.

Nutrition Assistance: Community Services staff help families with food security through emergency food pantries located in each center and through monthly Commodity distribution.

Energy Assistance: LVCAP has a variety of energy assistance programs that can help families with their energy costs. Eligibility guidelines differ by program, and different programs operate in specific times of the year.

Employment Services: Assistance with education and employment is arranged for adults or youth to improve economic security. Services may include educational assistance (books, tuition, or GED testing fees).

Weatherization: Community Services staff help families apply for Weatherization Assistance, which provides energy and safety- related home repairs.

Emergency Food & Shelter Program 32 Households

254 Senior Farmers Market Coupons Given out

6,736 Senior Commodity Boxes given out

40 Garden Seed Vouchers given out

LIHEAP Funds

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

	LIHEAP Subsidy	LIHEAP Crisis	Total Per Fuel Source
Electric	$ 159,956.00	$219412.26	$ 471,087.03
Fuel Oil	$ 618.00	$1476.40	$ 3,444.00
Kerosene	$ 4,924.00	$319.95	$ 23,032.00
Natural Gas	$ 7,997.00	10300.55	$ 25,170.29
Propane	$ 38,223.00	$ 117,566.05	$ 155,789.05
Wood	$ 3,293.00	$ 14,100.00	$ 17,393.00
Totals	$ 215,011.00	$ 480,904.37	$ 695,915.37

WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Weatherization Program is funded, in part, under a contract with the Kentucky Housing Corporation with allotted funds from U.S Department of Energy and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The Weatherization Program provides benefits to eligible households in our five county region (Bracken, Fleming, Mason,

Lewis and Robertson) in the form of energy conservation. After an individual has completed an application at their local Community Action Agency, the application is reviewed by the Weatherization director and then approved for the Weatherization Assistance Program. Some of the task, at a residence could include but not limited to adding insulation, stopping air filtration, repairing or replacing inefficient heating systems, and more depending on the inspection by the Dwelling Needs Evaluator.

Weatherization Staff

Richard Hargett-
Weatherization Manager
Jimmy Martin-
Maintenance/Laborer

The Licking Valley Weatherization Assistance Program helped completed 7 homes for the year

"The Weatherization crew members were very kind and thoughtful of our home."
--Weatherization Client

"My Energy bill was decreased by nearly 40% after Licking Valley's Weatherization program." --Weatherization Client

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

For fiscal year end June 30, 202*6*

ASSETS	
Current assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	$1,185,119
Investments	400,674
Accounts receivable	1,248,760
Accounts receivable – other	
Prepaid expenses	39,907
Total current assets	**2,874,460**
Capital assets	
Land	73,000
Buildings	150,000
Vehicles	5,717,491
Construction in progress	101,869
Equipment	97,346
Less accumulated depreciation	(3,426,449)
Total capital assets	**2,713,257**
Right-of-use assets, net	63,328
Total assets	**$ 5,651,045**
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Current liabilities	
Accounts payable	$304,149
Accrued liabilities	151,723
Deferred revenue	9,196
Lease liabilities, current portion	15,778
Total current liabilities	**480,846**
Non-current liabilities	
Retirement liability	356,450
Long-term portion of accumulated compensated absences	230,767
Lease liabilities, less current portion	47,550
Total non-current liabilities	**634,767**
Total liabilities	**$ 1,115,613**
Net assets	
Without donor restrictions	3,871,126
With donor restrictions	664,306
Total net assets	**$ 4,535,432**
Total liabilities and net assets	**$ 5,651,045**