

# Kentucky Citizen Foster Care Review Boards

# Public invited to give input on foster care system in virtual Community Forum 2021 Community Forum Calendar

The public is invited to virtual town hall meetings to discuss improving outcomes for Kentucky children and families involved in the state foster care system. Local <u>Citizen Foster</u> <u>Care Review Boards</u> statewide are hosting regional community forums in June and September of 2021. Registration will be required.

The meetings are among the reforms called for in <u>House Bill 1</u>, which was passed in 2018 to address issues with foster care and adoption. The legislation requires CFCRBs to offer regional meeting at least twice a year to get public input on the foster care system.

CFCRBs will lead discussions on topics related to the child welfare system. The event will also cover any current events that have an impact on the child welfare system. The meeting will include time for open discussion with participants. Due to confidentiality, specific cases will not be discussed.

Participants should attend the meeting for their county and <u>must register</u>. This page will be updated as registration links are available.

Feedback from the meetings will be reported to the Kentucky CFCRB and will be included in the board's annual recommendations to the governor, legislature and Supreme Court of Kentucky.

Questions and comments should be emailed to the Kentucky CFCRB at cfcrb@kycourts.net.

#### Virtual Town Hall Meeting Schedule

#### June 9, 2021 & September 14, 2021

10:30 a.m.-noon CT/11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. ET

**Registration required**. Registration links will be made available closer to the date of the event. You will receive a confirmation email with the Zoom meeting information.

For citizens residing in these counties: Allen, Ballard, Barren, Breckinridge, Butler, Caldwell, Calloway, Carlisle, Christian, Crittenden, Daviess, Edmonson, Fulton, Graves, Grayson, Hancock, Hardin, Hart, Henderson, Hickman, Hopkins, LaRue, Livingston, Logan, Lyon,

Marshall, McCracken, McLean, Meade, Metcalfe, Muhlenberg, Nelson, Ohio, Simpson, Todd, Trigg, Union, Warren and Webster

## June 11, 2021 & September 17, 2021

10:30 a.m.-noon CT/11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. ET

**Registration required**. Registration links will be made available closer to the date of the event. You will receive a confirmation email with the Zoom meeting information.

For citizens residing in these counties: Adair, Bath, Bell, Boyd, Breathitt, Carter, Casey, Clay, Clinton, Cumberland, Elliott, Floyd, Green, Greenup, Harlan, Jackson, Johnson, Knott, Knox, Laurel, Lawrence, Leslie, Letcher, Lewis, Magoffin, Marion, Martin, McCreary, Menifee, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Perry, Pike, Powell, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Rowan, Russell, Taylor, Washington, Wayne, Whitley and Wolfe

# June 16, 2021 & September 22, 2021

10:30 a.m.-noon CT/11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. ET

**Registration required**. Registration links will be made available closer to the date of the event. You will receive a confirmation email with the Zoom meeting information.

For citizens residing in these counties: Bullitt, Fayette and Jefferson

### June 18, 2021 & September 24, 2021

10:30 a.m.-noon CT/11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. ET

**Registration required**. Registration links will be made available closer to the date of the event. You will receive a confirmation email with the Zoom meeting information.

For citizens residing in these counties: Anderson, Boone, Bourbon, Boyle, Bracken, Campbell, Carroll, Clark, Estill, Fleming, Franklin, Gallatin, Garrard, Grant, Harrison, Henry, Jessamine, Kenton, Lee, Lincoln, Madison, Mason, Mercer, Nicholas, Oldham, Owen, Owsley, Pendleton, Robertson, Scott, Shelby, Spencer, Trimble and Woodford

#### **Citizen Foster Care Review Boards**

CFCRBs are teams of court-appointed volunteers who make a difference in the lives of local children who are in foster care in Kentucky. The children are in care due to dependency, neglect or abuse. The 700-plus volunteers review cases and make recommendations to state courts and the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services on behalf of the children. The volunteers work to ensure that children's needs are met while in care and that they are placed in safe, permanent homes as quickly as possible. The CHFS administers the state foster care program.

CFCRBs statewide need volunteers. Get more information and apply <u>here</u>.

The Kentucky General Assembly created the Kentucky CFCRB in 1982 to decrease the time children spend in out-of-home care. In Fiscal Year 2020, volunteers reviewed 23,641 cases involving 13,838 children in out-of-home care. View the 2020 CFCRB Annual Report.

The Administrative Office of the Courts provides support services to the CFCRB program. The AOC is the operations arm for the state court system and supports the activities of nearly 3,400 employees and 406 elected justices, judges and circuit court clerks. The AOC also executes the Judicial Branch budget.