

The Human Service Safety Net benefits everyone and is an important part of a healthy, thriving community. It helps ensure that individuals and families in Johnson County can contribute to society, regardless of their challenges or circumstances. These programs and services provide a pathway out of poverty and create opportunity for our community's most vulnerable residents.

WORK AND INCOME

- Child Care
- Job Training
- Social Security
- Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)
- Tax Credits
- Unemployment Insurance
- Vocational Rehabilitation

There are **9.5** Early Head Start slots available per 100 children 0-3 years of age living in poverty, and **31** Head Start slots available per 100 children 3-4 years of age living in poverty.²

On average each month in 2020, **1,093** children's parents received help with the cost of child care through DCF child care assistance, making it possible for these low-income parents to work.³

13,265 workers received unemployment benefits the last week of December 2020, allowing them to meet their basic household needs and obligations.⁴

23,230 tax filers, more than 8% of all tax filers in Johnson County, benefit from the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) in 2018.⁵

On average, **517** individuals received Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) each month in 2020.⁶

In Johnson County, 1 in 20 residents lives in poverty, representing 31,774 people.¹

BASIC NEEDS

- Housing
- Nutrition
- Utility Assistance

In 2020, **12,777** residents on average each month received Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits.⁷

7,663 women, infants and children received food, nutrition education and health screenings through the WIC Supplemental Food Program in 2020⁸

In 2020, **3,019** people in Johnson County were provided assistance through LIEAP (Low Income Energy Assistance Program), preventing the shut off of utilities.⁹

In 2020, **2,135** households received housing assistance through Johnson County Housing Services and the Olathe Housing Authority, with an average of \$1.31 million paid each month to local landlords – approximately **\$617 per household**.¹⁰

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HEALTH, WELLNESS AND SAFETY

- Child/Adult Abuse
- Child Welfare
- Disabilities
- Health Care
- Mental/Behavioral Health
- Substance Abuse

Providers within the Johnson County Community Developmental Disability Organization (CDDO) served **1,579** adults and **229** children with developmental disabilities in 2020.¹¹

8,396 individuals received behavioral health services at Johnson County Mental Health Center in 2020.¹²

In 2019, **5,793** children were enrolled in the Children's Healthcare Insurance Program (CHIP), **40,075** residents were enrolled in KanCare (Medicaid), and **77,174** adults 65 years or older were enrolled in Medicare coverage.^{13, 14}

555 children, on average each month, were in foster care or some other out-of-home placement in 2020.¹⁵

Sources:1 – American Community Survey, 2019; 2 – Kids Count 2020; 3 – DCF, FY 2020; 4 – KS Dept. of Labor Dec. 2020; 5 – IRS SOS Tax Stats 2019; 6; 7 – DCF, FY 2020; 8 – JoCo Health Dept. 2020; 9 – DCF, FY 2020; 10 – Johnson County Housing Services and Olathe Housing Authority, 2020; 11 – Johnson County Developmental Supports, 2020; 12 – Johnson County Mental Health Center, 2020; 13 – KS Dept. of Health and Environment, 2020; 14 – American Community Survey, 2019 5-year estimates; 15 – DCF, FY 2020

