

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
- Social Security
- Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)
- Tax Credits
- Unemployment Insurance

There are **9.9** Early Head Start slots available per 100 children 0-3 years of age living in poverty, and **34.2** Head Start slots available per 100 children 3-4 years of age living in poverty.²

On average each month in 2021, **1,025** children's parents received help with the cost of childcare through DCF childcare assistance, making it possible for these low-income parents to work.³

571 workers received unemployment benefits the last week of December 2021, allowing them to meet their basic household needs and obligations.⁴

23,560 tax filers, nearly 8% of all tax filers in Johnson County, benefit from the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) in 2019.⁵

On average, **500** individuals received Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) each month in 2020.⁶

200 Johnson County residents entered employment through the Adult and Dislocated Worker programs in 2021. Average earnings were **\$19.45 per hour**.⁷

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

BASIC NEEDS

- Housing
- Nutrition
- Utility Assistance

In 2021, **13,184** residents on average each month received Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits.⁸

7,649 women, infants and children received food, nutrition education and health screenings through the WIC Supplemental Food Program in 2021.⁹

In 2021, **3,881** people in Johnson County were provided assistance through LIEAP (Low Income Energy Assistance Program), preventing the shut off of utilities.¹⁰

In 2021, **2,536** households received housing assistance through Johnson County Housing Services and the Olathe Housing Authority, with an average of \$1.63 million paid each month to local landlords – approximately **\$638 per household**.¹¹

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 **1,558** adults and **241** children with developmental disabilities in 2021.¹²

8,631 individuals received behavioral health services at Johnson County Mental Health Center in 2021.¹³

In 2021, **6,358** 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 in 2019.^{14, 15}

574 children, on average each month, were in foster care or some other out-of-home placement in 2021.¹⁶

For more information: United Community Services
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Sources:1 –American Community Survey, 2019 5 year data; 2 – Kids Count 2021; 3 - DCF, FY 2021; 4 – KS Dept. of Labor Dec. 2021; 5 –IRS SOS Tax Stats 2019; 6 - DCF, FY 2021; 7- Workforce Partnership, 2021; 8 – DCF, FY 2021; 9- JoCo Health Dept. 2021; 10 - DCF, FY 2021; 11 - Johnson County Housing Services and Olathe Housing Authority, 2021; 12 – Johnson County Developmental Supports, 2021; 13– Johnson County Mental Health Center, 2021; 14 – Kids Count, 2021; 15 - American Community Survey, 2019 5-year estimates; 16 – DCF, FY 2021

