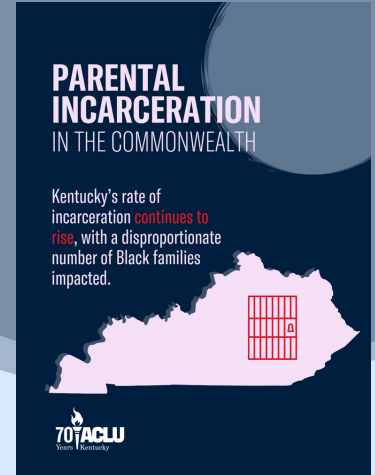
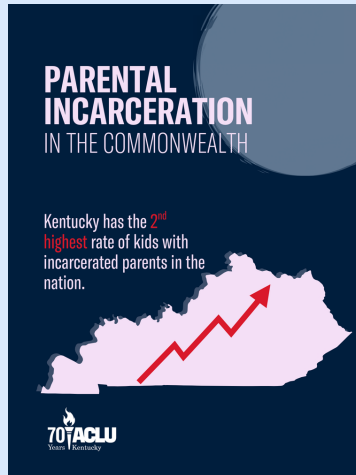


The Family Preservation and Accountability Act

THE PROBLEM

Kentucky kids are serving their parents' sentences, too.



Parental Incarceration is one of the ten questions on the Adverse Childhood Experiences Questionnaire. Research shows that children of incarcerated parents face increased risks of emotional, physical, educational, and financial challenges which can lead to a cycle of intergenerational incarceration.



Incarcerated parents are losing their children forever. Incarcerated parents, particularly moms, are significantly less likely to reunite with their children after release. Data shows that only 21% of children of incarcerated mothers are reunified, compared to 40% for all children in foster care.

Incarceration and out of Home Placement for kids are directly tied to each other.



The rate of Kentucky kids in foster care continues to rise.



The number of kids exiting foster care to reunite with their parents continues to decline.



Many US states have enacted caregiver diversion and mitigation laws.



Kentucky's investment in community-based alternatives has already yielded better outcomes and saves the state money.

THE SOLUTION

The Family Preservation and Accountability Act is a solutions-focused policy that addresses the root causes of crime. The bill provides community-based alternatives to prison and/or jail to prioritize safety while keeping families together including, but not limited to: therapy, case management, recovery services, vocational and educational services, job training, and more for Kentuckians who are parenting minor children and convicted of low-level drug and property crimes.

Community-based alternatives continue to require parents to face the consequences of their conviction, but reduce the impact on Kentucky kids.

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