

All In For Kansas Kids



Strengthening Early Childhood in Kansas

WEBINAR JANUARY 26, 2022



WELCOME

- **All in for Kansas Kids System Updates and Opportunities**
- **Recommendations Panel 2022 Summit Update**
- **Mini Sensemaking Session- Our Tomorrows**

Webinar Agenda



LOW-INCOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIEAP)

- LIEAP provides an annual benefit to help qualifying households pay winter heating bills. Primary groups assisted
 - Persons with disabilities
 - Older adults
 - Families with children
- Applications to the program began on January 3rd
- Link for more information provided in chat

Resource



KANSAS EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE (KERA) PROGRAM

- We are asking for your help to get the word out about the KERA program. Since the CDC eviction moratorium was overturned by the U.S. Supreme Court, evictions for nonpayment of rent have returned in full force. **We can help** by letting people know about the KERA program
- KERA can cover
 - Up to 15 months of current and past due household rent
 - Up to 3 months of prospective household rent at a time
 - Past due utility, home energy, internet, and additional fees associated with past-due rent

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COVID SUPPORT THROUGH CARE COORDINATION

- **Kansas Chapter of American Academy of Pediatrics (KAAP) - will be hosting five sessions for all care coordinators, community health workers, and interested health care professionals**
 - Sessions will be 12:00-1:00pm on the following dates:
 - **February 8, 15, 22** - Building Relationships with Patients and Communities, Empowering and Partnering with Patient and Families, Identifying Patients and Families to Benefit from Care Coordination
 - **March 1, 8** - Creating Family and Patient-Driven Action Plans, Helping Patients and Families with Care Transitions

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WINTER SAFETY TIPS FOR CHILDCARE PROVIDERS

➤ Helpful tips from **Child Care Aware of America** blog post

- Remember, as winter approaches, it can bring with it additional hazards. Child care providers can take steps to keep children safe from winter hazards such as extreme cold, snow, ice and the use of holiday decorations
- Guidance from **Caring for Our Children** for appropriate clothing in cold weather
- Outdoor Play in the Winter
- Winter Weather and COVID-19
- Winter Weather in Written Emergency Plans

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ASQ – AGES AND STAGES TRAINING

➤ February and March 2022 ASQ Trainings

- **ASQ- 3:**

- February 23, 9am-12
- March 22, 5pm - 8pm

- **ASQ – SE 2:**

- February 25, 9am -12pm
- March 24, 5pm – 8pm

Access Training Dates and Opportunities on the Kansas Technical Assistance System Network (TASN) website

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KANSAS RACIAL EQUITY COLLABORATION

➤ **NEW for 2022!**

- February 23, 2022
- Topic: Forward Movement Shifting from Control of to Support for Black and Brown Families

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FREE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION SUPPORTS

- Child Care Aware of Kansas, Links to Quality, and the Kansas Department for Children and Families have partnered to offer free, one-on-one coaching and planning sessions for all licensed child-care providers.
 - Focused on promoting solid business practices in child-care environments
 - Successful practices, thriving businesses
- **Connect with a Community Consultant today!**

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NEW CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION TRAININGS-KCSL

- **Kansas Children's Service League is offering several trainings for child abuse prevention which also qualify for child care licensing hours. Learn more and register at the KCSL website**
- ACEs and Resilience: The Biology of Stress and Science of Hope (February 8 and February 22, 2022)
- Adverse Childhood Experiences (February 16, 2022)
- Child Abuse and neglect Mandated Reporter Training (February 9 and February 23, 2022)
- And many more!

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CAREER PATHWAY FEEDBACK SESSIONS

- **Open to any child-care provider or staff member**
- Develop and implement a comprehensive career pathway to facilitate a career entrance and advancement (All In For Kansas Kids, 6.1.2)
 - Wednesday, January 26, 2022, 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm
 - Friday, January 28, 2022, 10:00 am – 11:30 am
 - See the full flyer and a copy of the DRAFT pathway at the Children's Cabinet website
 - Contact Sara Gardner (sgardner10@ku.edu) with any questions

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FSGC REAL WORLD PARENTING SERIES

- Parenting is the toughest job in the world. That's why Family Service and Guidance Center offers a range of programs and presentations designed to make raising children and teens less stressful.
 - January | Childhood Trauma
 - Thursday, January 27th
 - February | Depression
 - Thursday, February 24th

**Family Knowledge and
Choice**



FUNDING OPPORTUNITY TRIBAL MIECHV

➤ Tribal Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting program: Development and Implementation Grant Opportunity

- Office of Child Care within the Administration for Children and Families (ACF)
- Eligible applicants are federally recognized Native American tribal organizations
- Applications accepted from January 19- April 15, 2022
- Contact Farha Marfani farha.marfani@acf.hhs.gov

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KANSAS EARLY CHILDHOOD GOVERNANCE SUMMIT

JANUARY 21, 9-11:15 A.M.

- Groups from the Kansas Early Childhood Governance System convened to share information
 - Purpose, progress to date
 - Goals for 2022
 - Opportunities for how to work together to best accomplish the goals of the [All In for Kansas Kids Strategic Plan](#),
 - Create opportunities for future connections and collaborations within the early childhood system.
- Recording will be available at <https://kschildrenscabinet.org/> for later viewing.
- Contact Debbie Deere, ddeere@ksde.org for more information from the Summit or to make connections with any of the participating groups.

**State-Level
Coordination**



KANSAS EARLY CHILDHOOD GOVERNANCE SUMMIT PARTICIPATING GROUPS

- Early Childhood Recommendations Panel
- Family Leadership Team
- State Interagency Coordinating Council
- Child Care Systems Improvement Team
- Home Visiting Leadership Group
- Links To Quality
- Governor's Behavioral Health Services Planning Council's Children's Subcommittee
- Maternal Child Health Council
- Workforce Development Advisory Group

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EARLY CHILDHOOD RECOMMENDATIONS PANEL

- Webinars will continue to provide updates on the Panel's work.
- Meetings are the 3rd Friday of every month, 9-11:30 a.m. - Next meeting: February 18 - 9-11:30 a.m.
- Watch live on YouTube on the Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund website (<https://kschildrenscabinet.org/panel-meetings/>)
- *The Kansas early childhood system needs Kansans' engagement and input to work effectively.*
- *Contact Debbie Deere (ddeere@ksde.org) if you would like to provide feedback or comments to the Panel.*

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EARLY CHILDHOOD RECOMMENDATIONS PANEL CONTINUED

- January 21 Panel meeting recap:
 - The Recommendations Panel met for a brief monthly meeting following the Early Childhood Governance Summit.
 - Melissa Rooker, Executive Director, Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund and Amanda Petersen, Panel chair, discussed the timeline and provided clarity for the current work groups as they work to finalize the development of the proposed recommendations for :
 - Child Care Recruitment & Retention
 - Family Partnerships
 - Quality & Environments

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KINDERGARTEN TRANSITIONS PLANNING WEBINAR

- The 2/23 Webinar the program will focus on Kindergarten Transitions.
- Kansas Head Start Collaboration Office and the Kansas Head Start Association will present on:
 - 4 points of connection that are essential for effective kindergarten transitions
 - The practices communities across Kansas are utilizing to implement effective transitions and
 - How you can start or strengthen this work in your community.

Kindergarten Transitions





tomorrow

Sensemaking with Our Tomorrows

Internal Early Childhood/KS Team

January 25th, 2022

WHAT TO EXPECT:



This session is not a presentation. We want to hear from each of you about your reflections on the patterns and stories we look at together and what those findings might mean for your work!

Looking back to look ahead: you will see a mix of patterns from our 2.0 collection (2020-2021) and some new, draft elements of the 3.0 framework. If you have any thoughts or feedback after the session about future sensemaking opportunities with your partners, please let us know!

READYING OURSELVES TO MAKE SENSE OF OUR WORK AND EXPERIENCES



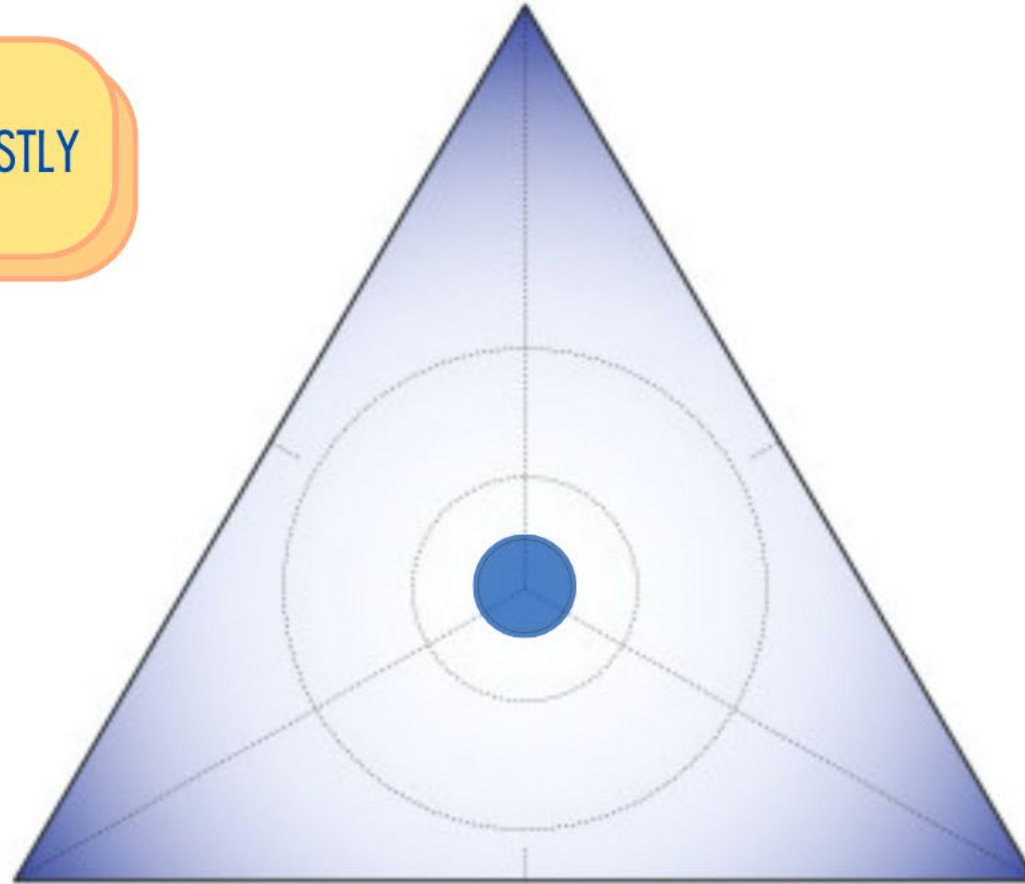
WHEN HAVE YOU MOST RECENTLY FELT LIKE YOU EITHER REALLY SUCCEEDED OR WERE REALLY STUCK IN YOUR WORK SUPPORTING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES? WHAT HAPPENED?

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THINKING ABOUT THAT
EXPERIENCE, COVID-19 MOSTLY
AFFECTED / AFFECTS...

The past



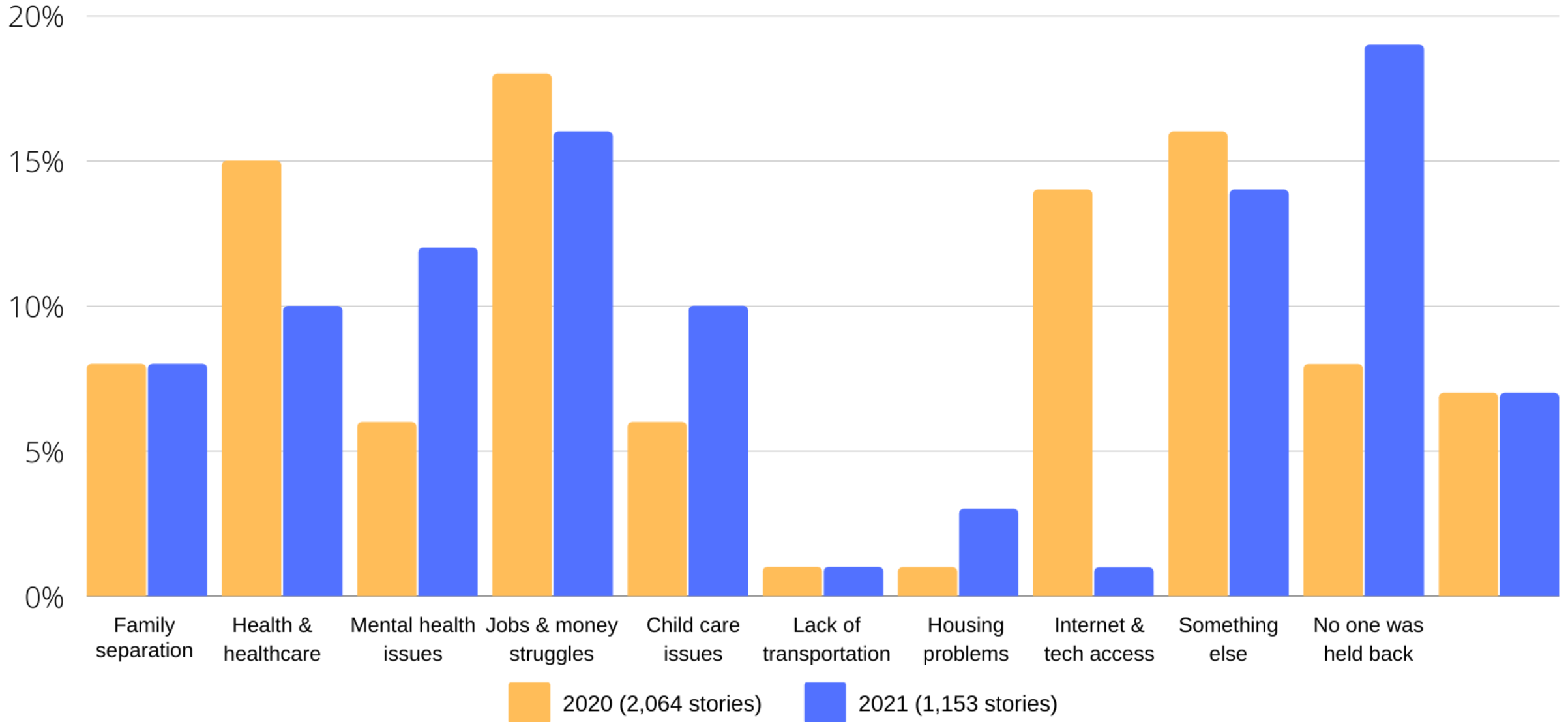
The present

The future

DIGGING INTO THE PATTERNS & STORIES: WHAT DISRUPTS A THRIVING FAMILY?



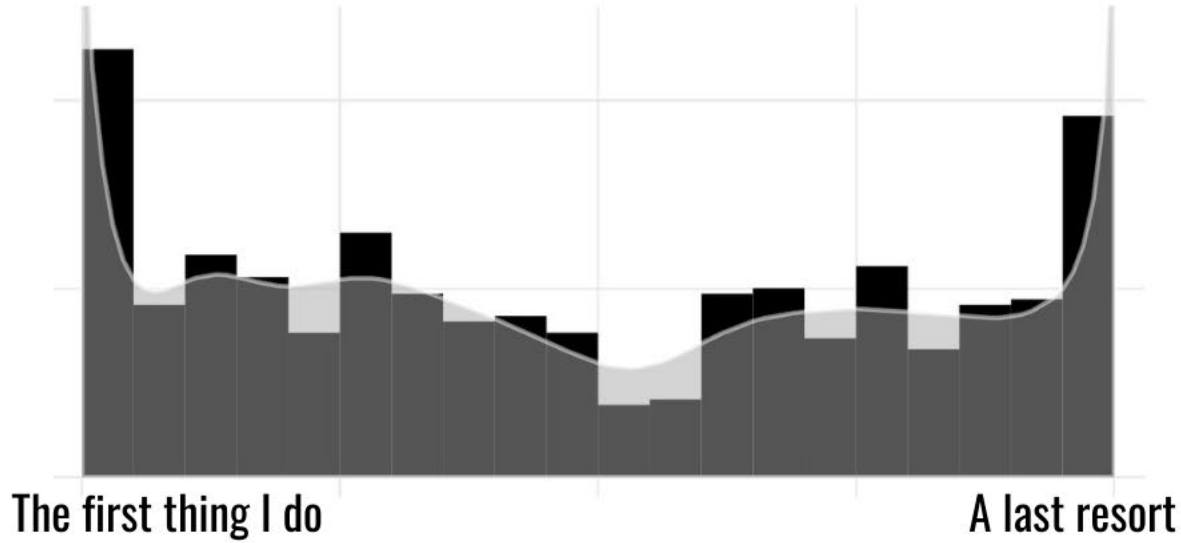
"KEEPING IN MIND THE EXPERIENCE YOU SHARED, WHAT WAS THE BIGGEST THING THAT HELD BACK YOU, YOUR FAMILY, OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW?"



DIGGING INTO THE PATTERNS & STORIES: HOW DO KANSANS FEEL ABOUT SEEKING HELP?

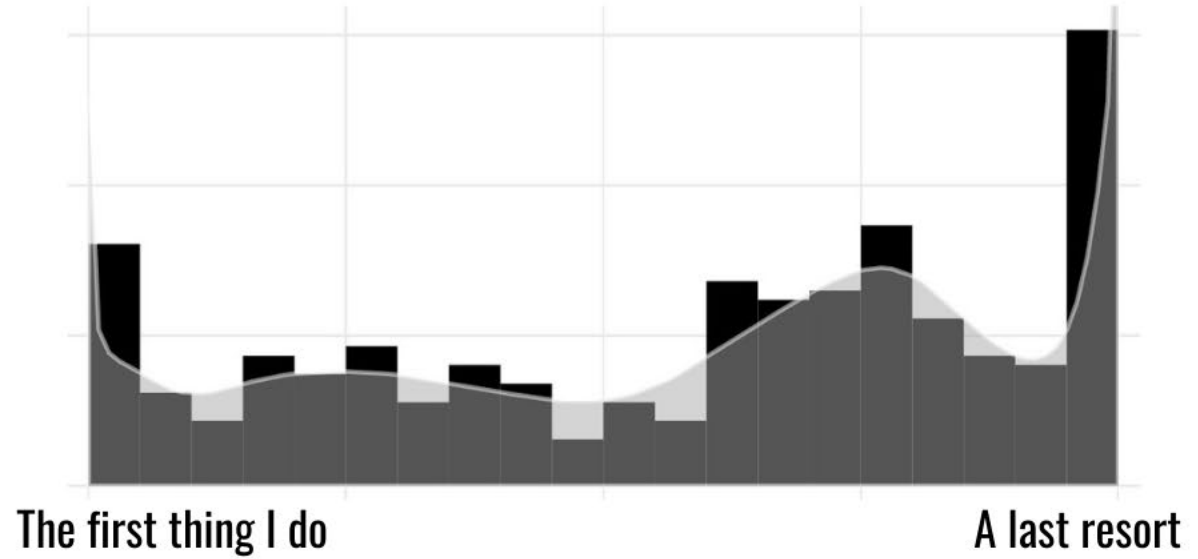


"THINKING ABOUT MY STORY AND OTHERS LIKE IT, WHEN I NEED SUPPORT ASKING FOR HELP IS..."



RESULTS FOR THOSE WHO SAID THEIR EXPERIENCES
OCCURRED WITHIN **THE PAST COUPLE DAYS**

[678 STORIES, MARCH 2020 - DECEMBER 2021]



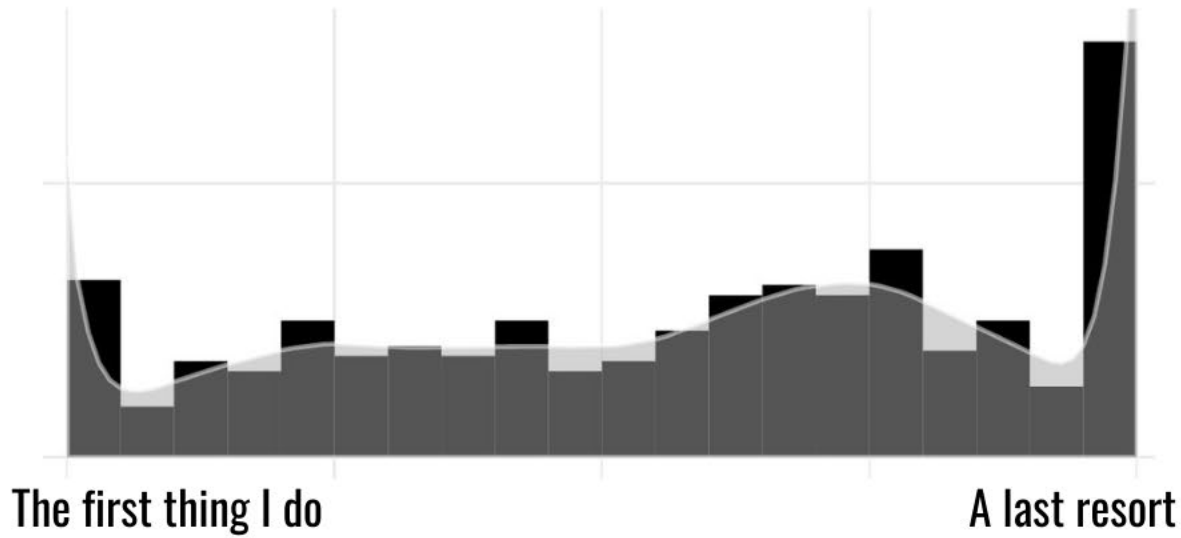
RESULTS FOR THOSE WHO SAID THEIR EXPERIENCES
OCCURRED **MORE THAN A YEAR AGO**

[323 STORIES, MARCH 2020 - DECEMBER 2021]

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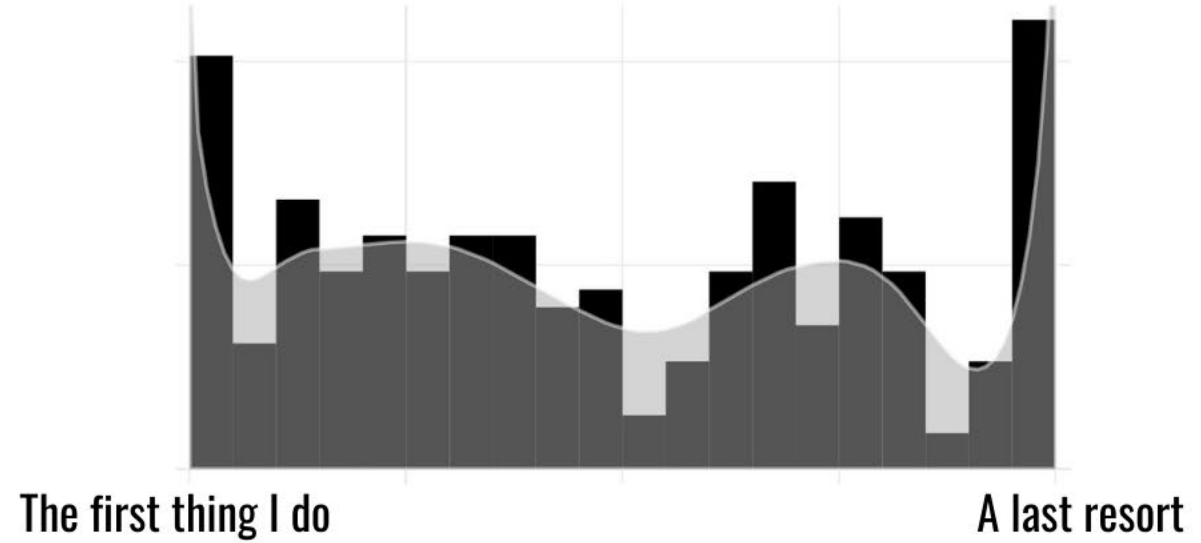


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RESULTS FOR THOSE WHO SAID THEIR EXPERIENCES WERE
DISRUPTED MOST BY **UNEMPLOYMENT OR FINANCIAL ISSUES**

[541 STORIES, MARCH 2020 - DECEMBER 2021]



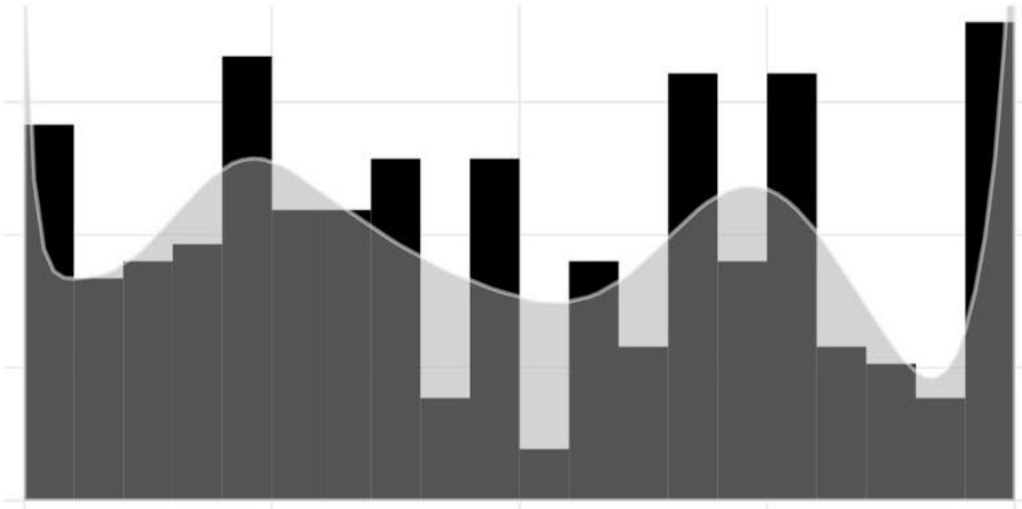
RESULTS FOR THOSE WHO SAID THEIR EXPERIENCES WERE
DISRUPTED MOST BY **CHILD CARE ISSUES**

[227 STORIES, MARCH 2020 - DECEMBER 2021]

DIGGING INTO THE PATTERNS & STORIES: HOW DO PROVIDERS FEEL ABOUT SEEKING HELP?



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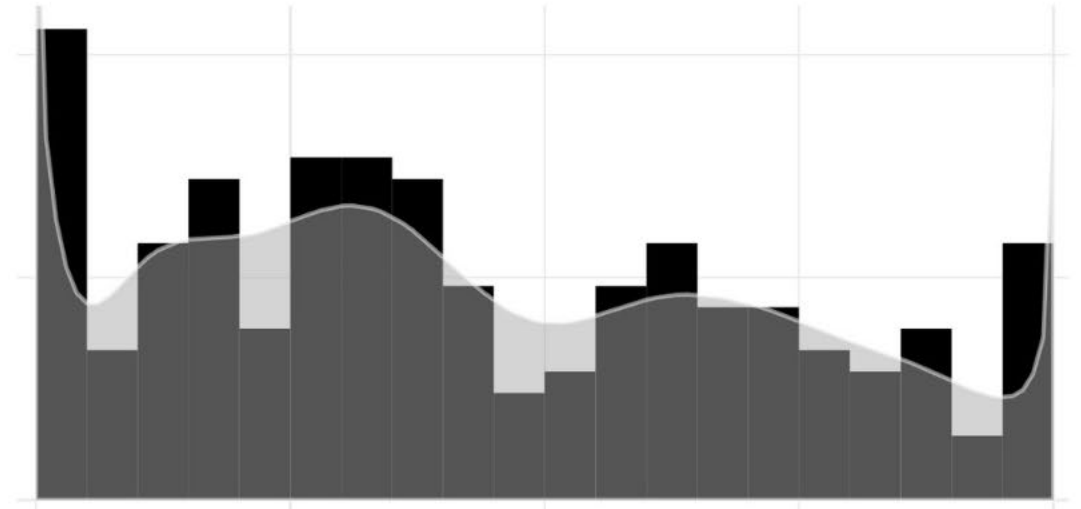


The first thing I do

A last resort

RESULTS FOR THOSE WHO SAID THEY WERE
SERVICE PROVIDERS, IN 2020

[374 STORIES, MARCH 2020 - DECEMBER 2020]



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RESULTS FOR THOSE WHO SAID THEY WERE
SERVICE PROVIDERS, IN 2021

[246 STORIES, JANUARY 2021 - DECEMBER 2021]

DIGGING INTO THE PATTERNS & STORIES: HOW DO PROVIDERS FEEL ABOUT SEEKING HELP?



"THINKING ABOUT MY STORY AND OTHERS LIKE IT, WHEN I NEED SUPPORT ASKING FOR HELP IS..."

“ Many people don't realize the vastness of what it takes to keep a daycare in motion. In order to help the community go to work, we as providers have to have a safe and healthy home, nutritious food, all utilities without interruption, toys, entertainment, hours of training every year, our own health insurance. Caring for others is a choice. A choice we all willingly make. But the costs, specifically now during the COVID-19 pandemic, when caring for children is our only source of income, are becoming overwhelming. I'm worried I won't be able to pay my mortgage. I am worried I can't keep my utilities on. I'm worried about what will happen to those even less fortunate than I. And on top of that, I have to worry about how to pay for online classes so I can maintain my license.

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RESULTS FOR THOSE WHO SAID THEY WERE
SERVICE PROVIDERS, IN 2020

[374 STORIES, MARCH 2020 - DECEMBER 2020]

“ A few months ago I decided that I would like to open up my own family child care business. I currently work outside of our home but my husband and I are hoping to start a family soon and being able to provide child care seemed like a good fit for our family. I had started the process to become licensed but due to financial strains it had been slower moving than I had hoped trying to come up with all of the up front costs involved. I was so excited when someone in my community told me that RCDC had a new program that would help people like me get started in the business. So far I have had an initial consultation and signed up for the technology lending library so that I can have a computer to complete a lot of the process on line. I will also be eligible for a mini-grant that will help me purchase items I need like a crib and changing table and highchair. I am so happy to have this extra support!

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RESULTS FOR THOSE WHO SAID THEY WERE
SERVICE PROVIDERS, IN 2021

[246 STORIES, JANUARY 2021 - DECEMBER 2021]



Dashboard Demo



Thank you

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REMINDERS AND NEXT STEPS

- Early Childhood Recommendations Panel meeting February, 18 2022, 9-11:30
- Next Biweekly Webinar – Wednesday, February 9
 - Let us know what topics you're interested in, or if you have information to share in the webinars or weekly emails.
- Children's Cabinet and Stakeholder Group Meeting, (February 4)
 - Register for Stakeholder Group meeting at the Kansas Children's Cabinet website: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMtd-mgqz8tGdEszLc-69ftfjGQvie3XB1U>

To share feedback:

<https://kschildrenscabinet.org>

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Thank you!

