

FY 2023-24 UNITE Interim Stats

(Reporting Period July 1 through December 31, 2023)

The following report provides an update on Operation UNITE's impact and activities for the first half of the FY 2023-24 fiscal year. It is intended as a companion to the FY 2022-23 Legislative Report presented to the Kentucky General Assembly.

Since inception
670,147 Youth
have been impacted
by UNITE prevention programs

UNITE Treatment Contacts

10,437 treatment inquiries handled by UNITE staff, an average of 1,740 per month.

UNITE Treatment Vouchers

Reporting period	Inception-to-date
• 128 applications taken	10,556
• 116 clients entered treatment on a UNITE Treatment Voucher	5,285
• 38 clients completed treatment on a UNITE Treatment Voucher	3,118 (59% completion rate)
• 17 clients left against staff advice	1,961

Since inception, UNITE has provided \$20,413,612.42 in treatment vouchers.

Transitional Housing / Sober Living Assistance

- 28 applications for assistance approved through the UNITE Treatment Voucher program.
- Inception-to-date, UNITE has provided Client Assistance for Transitional Housing to 458 individuals.

UNITE Drug Tip Line Calls

UNITE received 167 tips on its Drug Tip Line during the first six months of FY 2023-24 (an average of 27.8 per month). Of these calls, 39.5% were from outside UNITE's 33-county service region. This brings the total number of tips received since inception to 24,794.

Medication Drop Boxes / DEA Take Back Day

- Operation UNITE collected 3,692 pounds (2.85 tons) of medications for the October 2023 National DEA Take Back Day. This represents 34.35% of the 10,745 pounds collected in Kentucky.
- Since inception, UNITE has collected 58,833.7 pounds (29.41 tons) of medications.
- UNITE maintains 48 medication drop boxes in or adjacent to its service region.

UNITE Community Coalitions

- \$153,132 provided to UNITE Community Coalitions for anti-drug youth prevention/education activities and recovery support.
- Inception to date, UNITE has provided \$7,395,371 to community coalitions.

Coalition Sponsored Youth Activities	Report period		Inception to date
	Youth	Adults	Youth
Hooked On Fishing-Not On Drugs (HOFNOD)	480	260	11,599
First Tee/Golf programs	625	152	8,348
National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP)	637	106	37,702
➤ \$22,870.66 was provided to purchase equipment for 30 school programs in 15 counties.			
Summer Camp or other youth program	320	166	17,139
Backpack Clubs	1,650	718	32,205
Intramural sports teams or leagues	914	210	14,689
Thespian programs	0	0	11,130
Project Prom	0	0	2,878
Red Ribbon Week school activities	4,174	732	30,104
Other special or one-time activities	14,520	12,212	96,133

UNITE Clubs

There are 11,058 student members of 139 school-based anti-drug clubs (elementary, middle, and high school) in 30 counties for the 2023-24 school year.

UNITE Service Corps (AmeriCorps)

- There are 62 AmeriCorps members serving at elementary schools in 22 school systems in 21 counties for the 2023-24 school year. Statistics on “Too Good For Drugs” curriculum and math tutoring are not available until late spring.
- *For the 2022-23 school year, students receiving math tutoring by USC members had a 45.8% average growth in math knowledge*
- *For the 2022-23 school year, students taught “Too Good For Drugs” by USC members had a 53.4% average growth in drug education knowledge.*

Camp UNITE

- The 17th annual camp was held in July on the campus of the University of Pikeville with 75 middle school-aged campers with support from nearly 100 youth Team Mentors, volunteers, and UNITE staff members.
- Since inception, there have been 2,917 campers attend from 34 counties.

“I Am UNITE” Scholarships

Privately-funded scholarships are presented each spring. Since inception, UNITE has awarded 243 scholarships worth \$364,500.

Regional Youth Rallies

- In September 2023, UNITE conducted 4 regional Youth Rallies for sixth-grade students.
- These rallies were attended by 1,633 students from 49 schools in 22 counties.

“On The Move!” Prevention Program

Reporting Period

- 26 school where presentations were made
- 13 counties
- 1 state (Kentucky)
- 2,046 students participating in program
- *35% average increase in student knowledge about vaping, alcohol, meth, fentanyl, and synthetic drugs as a result of participating in the program (50% average pre-test to 85% average post-test scores).*

Inception-to-date

552
46
4
53,648

Shoot Hoops Not Drugs

- In addition to the summer regional camps, in October UNITE conducted basketball camps for 95 cadets at the National Guard’s Appalachian ChalleNGe Academy in Harlan.
- Since inception, there have been 105 SHND camps attended by 13,388 youth from 63 Kentucky counties, 20 other states, and 2 other countries.
- Since inception, there have been 3,012 parents or guardians attend an educational program related to current drug trends.

The Truth About Vaping

- Program was presented to 3,929 students at schools in 10 counties
- Inception-to-date, The Truth About Vaping has been presented 75 times to 11,647 students at 59 schools in 23 counties.

Freedom over Fentanyl

- Program has not been presented during the 2023-24 school year.
- Inception-to-date, Freedom over Fentanyl has been presented 6 times to 239 adults.

W.I.S.E. (Why Internet Safety is Essential)

- Program was presented to 71 students at 1 school during the 2023-24 school year.
- Inception-to-date, W.I.S.E has been presented 83 times to 5,2265 people at 55 schools in 20 counties.

Life With A Record

- Program has not been presented during the 2023-24 school year.
- Inception-to-date, Life With A Record. has been presented 81 times to 11,972 students at 46 schools in 21 counties.

Give Me A Reason

- GMAR drug testing kits are available at 247 sites in 27 counties.
- Since inception, UNITE has distributed 26,295 drug testing kits

UNITE Hope Wall

In 2023, the Hope Wall was displayed at six state and national conferences attended by a total of 4,785 people.

KY HELP Statewide Call Center

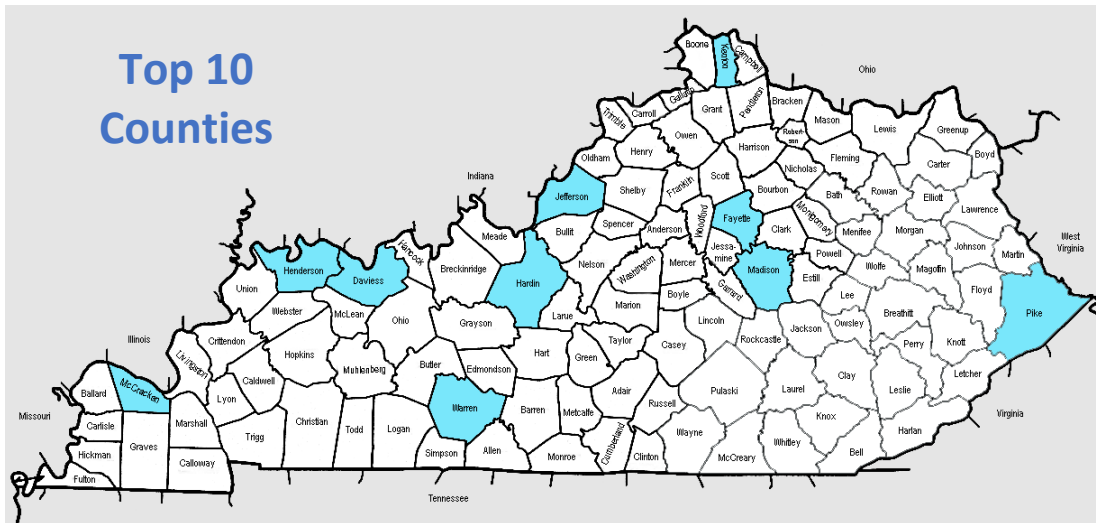
Reporting period

- 1,842 calls seeking assistance from 115 Kentucky counties
- 6,923 follow-up calls made in response to caller needs
- 285 individuals referred to a treatment program
- 213 outreach calls to clients who have entered treatment

Inception-to-date

24,244 from all 120 counties
51,375
5,389
5,172

Calls By County July 1-December 31, 2023



Jefferson	315
Fayette	151
Daviess	82
Warren	76
McCracken	74
Kenton	70
Madison	58
Pike	55
Henderson	51
Hardin	47
Laurel	46
Christian	44
Pulaski	43
Scott	38
Barren	35
Whitley	33
Bell	32
Clark	32
Perry	29
Franklin	28
Bullitt	25
Boyd	24
Boone	23
Bourbon	21
Montgomery	20
Simpson	20
Shelby	19
Harlan	18
Hopkins	17
Jessamine	17

Muhlenberg	17
Clay	16
Grayson	16
Marion	16
Boyle	15
Floyd	15
Graves	15
Logan	15
Breathitt	14
Nelson	14
Adair	13
Campbell	13
Ohio	13
Powell	13
Russell	13
Wayne	13
Allen	12
Casey	12
Rowan	12
Estill	11
Knox	11
Taylor	11
Lincoln	10
Marshall	10
Calloway	9
Harrison	9
Johnson	9
Lawrence	9
Spencer	9
Anderson	8

Bath	8
Breckinridge	8
Carter	8
Fleming	8
Lee	8
Mercer	8
Oldham	8
Butler	7
Elliott	7
Letcher	7
Martin	7
Union	7
Grant	6
Knott	6
Rockcastle	6
Woodford	6
Carroll	5
Clinton	5
Garrard	5
Lyon	5
Magoffin	5
Mason	5
Todd	5
Caldwell	4
Meade	4
Metcalfe	4
Owsley	4
Washington	4
Webster	4

Ballard	3
Bracken	3
Henry	3
Jackson	3
McCreary	3
McLean	3
Menifee	3
Trigg	3
Wolfe	3
Cumberland	2
Edmonson	2
Fulton	2
Green	2
Hart	2
LaRue	2
Lewis	2
Monroe	2
Morgan	2
Nicholas	2
Trimble	2
Hancock	1
Hickman	1
Livingston	1
Owen	1
Pendleton	1
Carlisle	0
Crittenden	0
Greenup	0
Leslie	0
Robertson	0