

KINSHIP NAVIGATOR PROGRAM

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QUICK FACTS



OUR MISSION:

TO GUIDE GRANDPARENTS AND OTHER RELATIVES WHO ARE REARING CHILDREN IN THEIR EXTENDED FAMILIES TO SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITY; SPECIFICALLY THROUGH INFORMATION, ONGOING SUPPORT, EDUCATION AND LINKAGE TO COMMUNITY AGENCIES.

THE CHILDREN:

238,921 CHILDREN IN OHIO LIVE IN HOMES WHERE THE HOUSEHOLDERS ARE GRANDPARENTS OR OTHER RELATIVES (9.3% OF THE CHILDREN IN THE STATE).



Programs & Services



- Information & Referral
- Ongoing Assistance



- Monthly Well-Checks
- Summer Series



- Support Groups
- Evidence-Based Workshops



- Wellness Initiative for Senior Education (WISE)



- Child Traumatic Stress Workshop



- Bi-Weekly E-Blasts



- Quarterly Newsletters



- Parenting Smarts Resource Guide



- Special Events

- Holiday Meal Assistance

The Grandparents & Other Relatives:

\$4 BILLION - THE AMOUNT GRANDPARENTS AND OTHER RELATIVES SAVE TAXPAYERS EACH YEAR BY RAISING CHILDREN AND KEEPING THEM OUT OF FOSTER CARE. 46% OF GRANDPARENTS OR OTHER RELATIVES CARING FOR THEIR KIN HAVE PROVIDED CARE FOR 5 YEARS OR MORE.

Data taken from: GrandFacts Sheets - State Fact Sheets for Grandfamilies (Ohio 2021) www.grandfamilies.org, Generations United - State of Grandfamilies 2021 - Reinforcing a Strong Foundation: Equitable Supports for Basic Needs of Grandfamilies www.gu.org

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