



Department for Aging and Independent Living

2023 Kentucky Senior Hunger Summit

"Cultivating Community Collaboration and Sustainable Solutions"

Virtual, November 1, 2023 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm EST

8:40 - 9:00

Zoom Sign-In

9:00 - 9:15

Welcome and Overview

The Honorable Andy Beshear, Governor of Kentucky

Eric Friedlander, Secretary, Cabinet for Health and Family Services

Victoria Elridge, Commissioner, Department for Aging and Independent Living

9:15 - 10:00

The State of Senior Hunger in Kentucky and Considerations for the Future

Cameron Bushling, Statistician

Jacob Mackie, Research Assistant

Connor Ferguson, Research Analyst

KY Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Office of Data Analytics

10:00 - 10:45

Gateway Expansion of Senior Center Services

Joshua Farrow, Executive Director

Emily Jordan, Director of Operations

Gateway Area Development District

10:45 - 11:00

Break

11:00 - 12:00

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Matt Levine, President, National Foundation to End Senior Hunger

12:00 - 1:00

Lunch

1:00 - 1:45

Food as Medicine in 2024

Dr. Alison Gustafson, PhD, MPH, RD Professor, University of Kentucky Department of Dietetics and Human Nutrition, Director, Food as Health Alliance

1:45 - 2:45

Nutrition Security and Older Adult Mental Health

Kimberly E. Reynolds, MPA, MEd Public Health Advisor & Project Officer, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Gina O'Brian, RDN Regional Senior/Lead Nutritionist, United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service

Alexia Wolf, Executive Director, Behavioral Health Consortium, Office of DE Lt. Governor Hall-Long, & Social Determinants of Health Expert, SMI Adviser, American Psychiatric Association

2:45 - 3:00

Break

3:00 - 3:40

Crisis Diverters For Our Older Adults Program

Amanda Stoess, MS, RD, LD, Dietetic Consultant

Mandie Caudill, Health Program Administrator, OAA Title III D Services, KY Department for Aging and Independent Living

Beck Whipple, Suicide Prevention Coordinator, Kentucky Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities

3:40 - 3:50

Senior Hunger Champion Awards Presentation

Local, Legislative, and Corporate

3:50 - 4:00

Call to Action/Closing Remarks: Next Steps Towards Ending Senior Hunger in Kentucky

Victoria Elridge, Commissioner, Department for Aging and Independent Living