

# Saving Lives through the Angel Initiative

## 2019 in Review

### 2019 Kentucky Statistics

- There were 1,316 drug overdose-related deaths among Kentuckians, equating to 29.43 drug overdose-related deaths per 100,000 Kentucky residents.<sup>1</sup>
- There were 11,390 nonfatal drug overdose-related emergency department visits, equating to 254.68 per 100,000 Kentucky residents.<sup>1</sup>
- There were 859 babies born with neonatal abstinence syndrome.<sup>1</sup>
- The rate of emergency department visits that resulted in a substance use disorder diagnosis among Kentucky residents was 1,052.96 per 100,000 Kentucky residents.<sup>1</sup>
- Infectious diseases were also prevalent among emergency department visits, with 799 endocarditis-, 12,117 hepatitis C-, 724 hepatitis A-, and 4,119 HIV-related encounters.<sup>1</sup>
- There were 21,997 admissions to state/publicly funded substance use treatment facilities in Kentucky among those aged 12 years and older (578 per 100,000 population).<sup>2</sup>
- Kentucky had a treatment admission ratio for primary use of a non-opiate substance, specifically methamphetamine/amphetamine (157 per 100,000 population aged 12 years and older), that was greater than that for primary alcohol use (61 per 100,000).<sup>2</sup>

### 2019 Angel Initiative Program Acceptance Statistics<sup>3</sup>

The Angel Initiative proactively helps individuals battling substance use or misuse find treatment options that best fit their needs. Individuals seeking help can visit any Kentucky State Police (KSP) post and an intake officer will work with them to quickly locate a treatment facility within the state with availability.



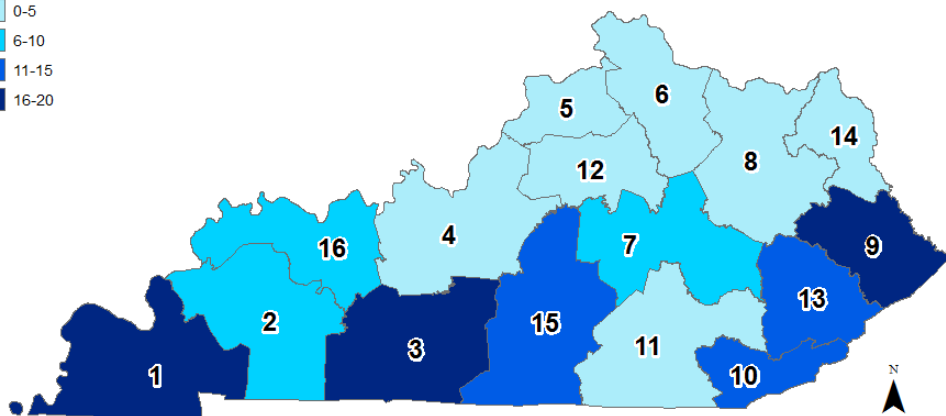
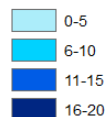
In 2019, 139 persons sought assistance from the Angel Initiative at KSP posts.

Seventy-two percent of Angel Initiative candidates were accepted and placed in treatment, 9% were accepted and not placed in treatment, 8% were accepted with placement status unknown, and 11% were not accepted in accordance with KSP General Order OM-B-23.

### ANGEL INITIATIVE CANDIDATES BY KSP POST, 2019

Commonwealth of Kentucky

**Number of Candidates**



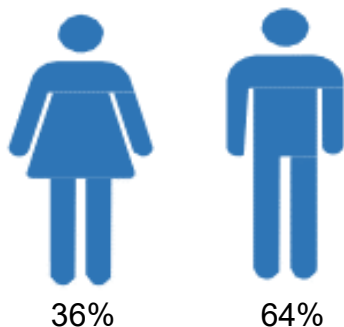
Data reflect the physical KSP post location (shown by numbers 1-16 on the map) where an Angel Initiative candidate arrived seeking assistance; data may not represent where the candidate lives or was placed for treatment. Source: GIS Section, Kentucky State Police Records and Technology Center: Frankfort, Kentucky.

<sup>1</sup>Kentucky Injury Prevention and Research Center. (2021). *Drug overdose and related comorbidity county profiles*. Retrieved June 2022. <https://kiprc.uky.edu/programs/overdose-data-action/county-profiles> <sup>2</sup>Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Treatment Episode Data Set (TEDS). Data received through Nov. 3, 2020. <sup>3</sup>Angel Initiative candidate data are extrapolated from Kentucky State Police Teletype system and KSP-324 and KSP-325 forms. Data source: KSP Post Angel Initiative Candidates 2019. Data are provisional and subject to change.

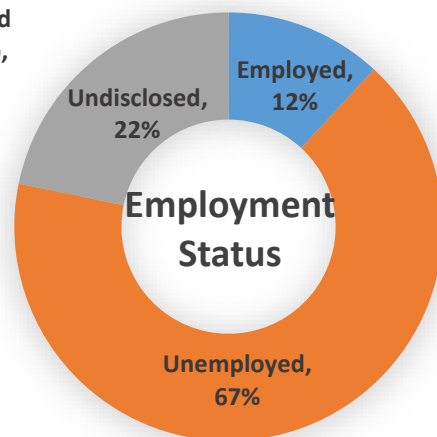
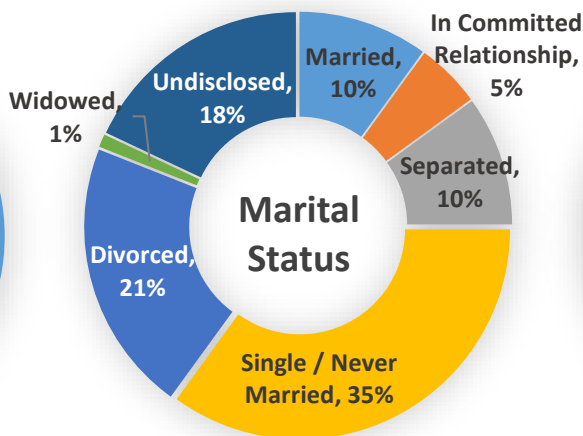
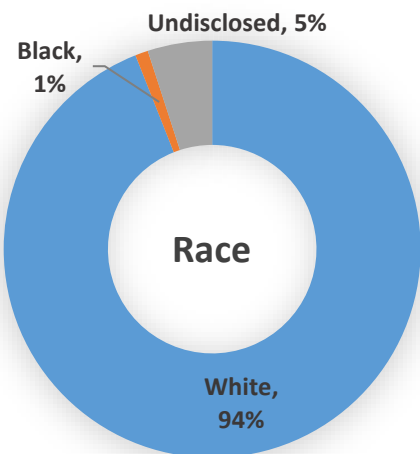
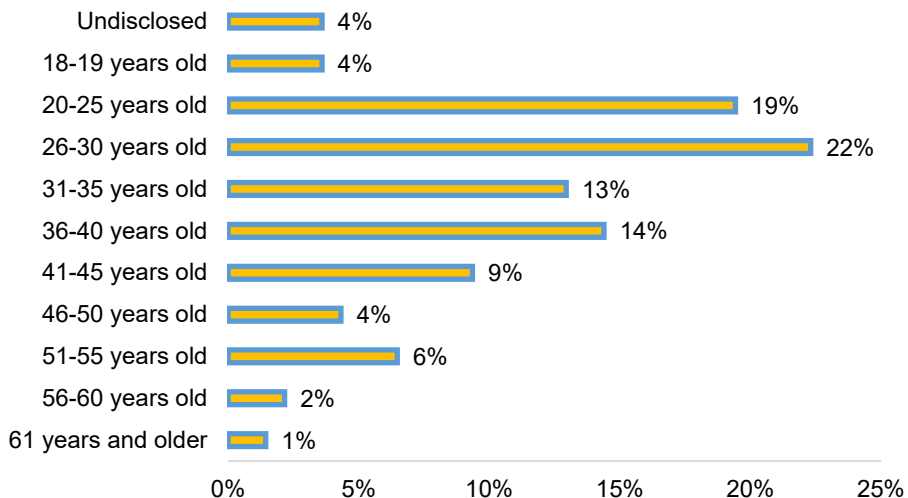
## 2019 Angel Initiative Candidate Demographic Characteristics

(n=139)

### Sex



### Age Groups



19% of Angel Initiative candidates had some high school education, 41% had completed high school/GED, 17% had some college, 1% had completed college, and 22% did not disclose their education.



60% had health insurance, while 19% did not; 21% failed to disclose whether they had health insurance.



29% were homeless; 23% did not disclose information regarding their housing.



47% had dependents, 35% did not, and 18% did not disclose whether they had dependents.



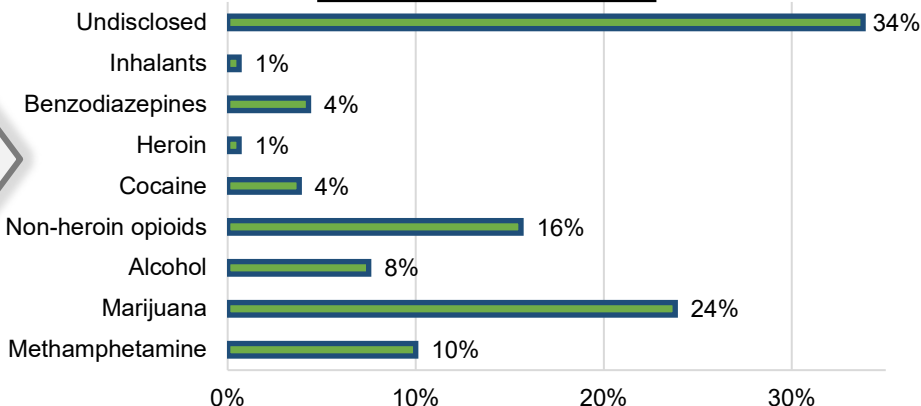
6% had U.S. military history, 72% did not, and 22% did not disclose military history.

## 2019 Angel Initiative Candidate Drug-Related Characteristics

### Age at Drug Use Initiation

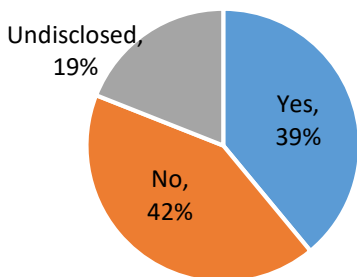
- 4% under age 10
- 33% from age 10-15
- 28% from age 16-20
- 6% from age 21-25
- 5% from age 26-30
- 1% from age 31-35
- 1% from age 41-45
- 1% above age 46
- 21% did not disclose

### First Substance Used\*

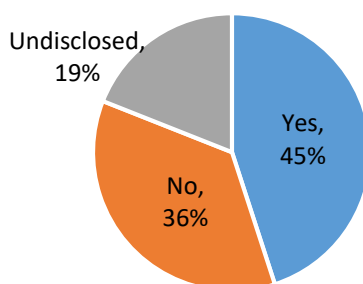


\*Multiple drugs may have been reported at substance initiation.

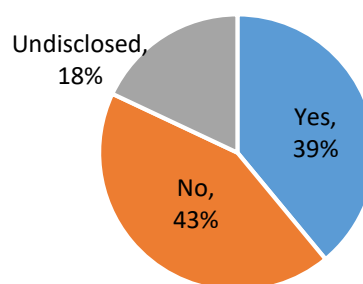
### Prior Drug Arrest



### Prior Drug Treatment



### Prior Self-Help Program



5% of candidates reported having previously participated in the Angel Initiative.

32% reported having received a mental health disorder diagnosis.

45% reported never having received a mental health disorder diagnosis.

23% did not disclose any mental health disorder diagnosis.

Mental Health

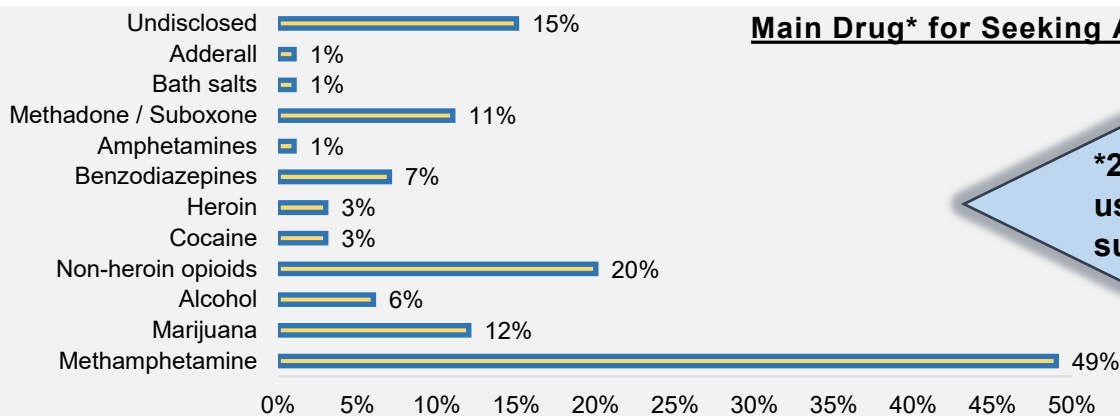
### Employment Effects

51% reported that drugs/alcohol use affected employment.

24% reported that drugs/alcohol use did not affect employment.

25% did not disclose effects on employment.

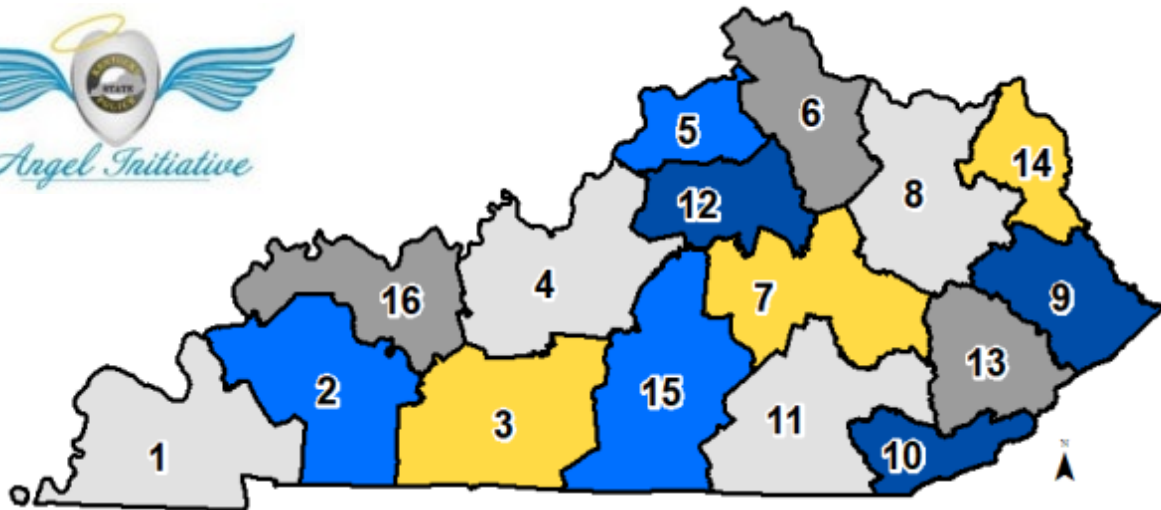
### Main Drug\* for Seeking Angel Initiative



\*22% reported using multiple substances.

**ANY PERSON WHO VOLUNTARILY ENTERS A KENTUCKY STATE POLICE POST AND REQUESTS HELP WITH SUBSTANCE USE OR MISUSE WILL BE IMMEDIATELY SCREENED INTO THE ANGEL INITIATIVE.**

**KENTUCKY STATE POLICE POST LOCATIONS**



**POST 1: MAYFIELD** (270) 856-3721  
8366 US 45 N, Mayfield KY, 42051

**POST 2: MADISONVILLE** (270) 676-3313  
1000 Western KY Pkwy, Nortonville, KY 42442

**POST 3: BOWLING GREEN** (270) 782-2010  
3119 Nashville Rd., Bowling Green, KY 42102

**POST 4: ELIZABETHTOWN** (270) 766-5078  
1055 N Mulberry, Elizabethtown, KY 42701

**POST 5: CAMPBELLSBURG** (502) 532-6363  
160 Citation Ln, Campbellsburg, KY 40011

**POST 6: DRY RIDGE** (859) 428-1212  
4265 US 25, Dry Ridge, KY 41035

**POST 7: RICHMOND** (859) 623-2404  
699 Eastern Byp, Richmond, KY 40475

**POST 8: MOREHEAD** (606) 784-4127  
1595 Flemingsburg Rd, Morehead, KY 40351

**POST 9: PIKEVILLE** (606) 433-7711  
3499 N Mayo Trl, Pikeville, KY 41501

**POST 10: HARLAN** (606) 573-3131  
3319 US 421 S, Harlan, KY 40831

**POST 11: LONDON** (606) 878-6622  
11 State Police Rd, London, KY 40741

**POST 12: FRANKFORT** (502) 227-2221  
1250 Louisville Rd, Frankfort, KY 40601

**POST 13: HAZARD** (606) 435-6069  
100 Justice Dr, Hazard, KY 41701

**POST 14: ASHLAND** (606) 928-6421  
5975 US 60, Ashland, KY 41102

**POST 15: COLUMBIA** (270) 384-4796  
1118 Jamestown St, Columbia, KY 42728

**POST 16: HENDERSON** (270) 826-3312  
8298 Keach Dr, Henderson, KY 42420

**TREATMENT RESOURCES**

**ONLINE**



- **Find Help Now Kentucky Near-Real-Time Online Treatment Locator** [FindHelpNowKY.org](http://FindHelpNowKY.org)
- **NIAAA Alcohol Treatment Navigator** [alcoholtreatment.niaaa.nih.gov](http://alcoholtreatment.niaaa.nih.gov)

**PHONE**



- **Kentucky Help Statewide Call Center** (8:00am-5:30pm ET): **1-877-318-1871**
- **Kentucky Opioid and Assistance Resources** (after hours): **1-800-854-6813**
- **Substance Abuse Call Center: 1-833-859-4357**
- **Operation Unite** (8:00am-5:30pm ET): **1-866-908-6483**

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