







WHY?

- KENTUCKY HAS SOME OF THE HIGHEST RATES OF DIABETES, OBESITY, CANCER AND CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE IN THE UNITED STATES.
- ACCORDING TO THE 2024 COUNTY HEALTH RANKINGS 30% OF ADULT KENTUCKIANS REPORTED PHYSICAL INACTIVITY OUTSIDE OF WORK COMPARED TO THE NATIONAL AVERAGE OF 23%.

- 41% OF ALL KENTUCKIANS HAVE A BMI OF 30 OR GREATER.
- NATIONAL SURVEY OF CHILDREN'S HEALTH (2021-2022) REPORTED THAT 1 IN 6 YOUTH BETWEEN THE AGES OF 10-17 WERE OBESE.
- OBESITY RATES WERE SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER FOR HISPANIC (22.7%), NON-HISPANIC BLACK (22.0%), AND NON-HISPANIC AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKA NATIVE (21.4%) CHILDREN.

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"Play is often talked about as if it were a relief from serious learning. But for children play is serious learning. Play is really the work of childhood." Fred Rogers

AND...

- PLAY, ESPECIALLY UNSTRUCTURED PLAY, IS IMPORTANT FOR CHILDREN'S MENTAL, EMOTIONAL AND PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH.
- PLAY HAS THE POWER TO STIMULATE THE MIND, STRENGTHEN THE BODY, AND DEVELOP PROBLEM-SOLVING SKILLS, COOPERATION, WONDER AND IMAGINATION.
- WHEN KIDS PLAY TOGETHER THEY LEARN TEAMWORK, DIALOGUE, COOPERATION, CONFLICT RESOLUTION, AND HOW TO BE A LEADER AND A FOLLOWER.
- REGULAR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY IS ALSO IMPORTANT FOR OVERALL HEALTH.
 - GETTING ACTIVE HELPS IMPROVE SLEEP QUALITY,
 - BRAIN HEALTH,
 - COGNITIVE THINKING AND
 - REDUCES THE RISK OF CANCER AND HEART DISEASE.

WHAT DIFFERENCE CAN WE MAKE?

 RESEARCH SHOWS THAT LOSING AS LITTLE AS 10% OF ONE'S TOTAL BODY WEIGHT CAN LEAD TO HUGE HEALTH BENEFITS

 20% DROP IN TOTAL MORTALITY; 30% DROP IN DIABETES RELATED DEATHS; 40% DROP IN OBESITY RELATED CANCER DEATHS; AND A LOWERING OF BLOOD PRESSURE; CHOLESTEROL AND GLUCOSE how can

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- WHITAKER BANK
- MCDONALD'S
- FRANKLIN CO FISCAL COURT
- FRANKFORT PLANT BOARD
- FRANKFORT WOMAN'S CLUB
- FRANKLIN CO. HEALTH DEPARTMENT
- PROACTIVE THERAPY
- FRANKLIN CO. DIABETES COALITION, INC.
- KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY

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Dear Community Partner

We sincerely hope that you plan to join us on Thurrday, June 19, 2016 from 5:08-5:30 gm at Lakeview Park for Franklin County's 8th Annual *Longest Day of Play" (*LODP)! Hypo were able to participate the past you know that this is an excellent opportunity to showcase your business and your concern for our community. Last year we lad approximately 1,460 memors of all ages valuing our warder booked. If was on between 10 other Ultraship this event helps to improve the health of our community by combating the problems that are associated with a selecting Metropic.

We are all probably aware that Kembeky's burden of chronic disease is still among the highest in the auton. However, we also know that losing as little as 10 percent of one's body weight and corticing ten minest these times a deep mone days of the weight can help reloce chemic disease playical activity so that they have fine and will hopefully consider maintaining some form of movement?

We would love to have you provide a "testion" that offers some sort of physical activity during Franklin County's LDO? The absoluted activity does not have to be intense. Last year community members of all ages had lost of find thereving water shallows, racing and supprising their fleshilly through year. If you are having afficulty theoring a physical activity possess and activities and activities you be intense and or serviced. It appreciation for your utilizeness to join our afforts, we are going to provide all wenders with fire advertisement through our unsernous media campings which include fleshilds letter acquires the country of the superscalation for your utilizeness to join our afforts, we are going to provide all wenders with fire advertisement through our unsernous media campings which include flesheds letter acquires and acquires the provided and the superscalation of the provided and the superscalation of the superscalat

If you are interested in joining us in promoting a healthier Franklin County, please fill out the enclosed physical activity request form and return in by Monday, Jona 2 . 2014. If you have mail at deather older of the property of th

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