



Kentucky Child Health & Climate Advocates
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Dear Kentucky AAP Chapter Members,

The recent UPS plane disaster resulted in a temporary shelter-in-place order for Louisvillians and concerns about air quality. Ultimately, air quality monitors found no significant toxic air hazards, but now is a good time to make sure you and your patients are signed up for local emergency alert notification systems. The Louisville Emergency Notification System (LENS) serves Jefferson, Bullitt, Oldham, Nelson, and Washington counties. Text "LENSAlert" to 67283 to start receiving emergency notifications. If you live in Lexington or Fayette counties, you can sign up for LEXALERT [here](#).

Bernheim Forest will have their Celebration of Play event on March 21st 2026, and this will kick off monthly free play Saturdays at Bernheim in 2026.

Are you looking for great natural places for you or your patients to explore right in your city? Check out [Sankofa Sanctuary](#) at Chickasaw Park in Louisville or [McConnell Springs Park](#) in Lexington.

November Climate Task Force meeting:

- Our community partners, including the Louisville Department of Public Health and Wellness, Bernheim Forest, and the Sierra Club, all gave updates on their recent work.
- Click [here](#) to review the meeting minutes.

Please email juliaricherson@gmail.com to be added to the task force quarterly meeting invite.

Sincerely,

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