

# KENTUCKY PUBLIC HEALTH TRANSFORMATION

Working together for an efficient, sustainable and accountable public health system focused on producing better health outcomes for all Kentuckians.

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**Kentucky Public Health**  
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# CHALLENGES

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## **Fiscal Instability**

- Up 41 Local Health Departments representing 4 Districts are at risk for fiscal default in calendar year 2020.
- Current fiscal analysis shows ~ **\$40M deficit in 2020**.
- Greatest deficits outside of CORE PH = clinical services.

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## **Current Programmatic Services are not Reflective of Community PH Needs**

- Federal funding structure is a significant driver of this result.
- PH system has not adjusted to post-ACA era PH approaches or programs.
- Bureaucratic layering needs to be removed from the system to achieve operational efficiency and effectiveness.

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## **Legislative Issues**

- PH laws are disparate and voluminous → needs consolidation to be more functional.
- Current statutes and regulations do not allow for proper operational restructuring.

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## **Shared Governance**

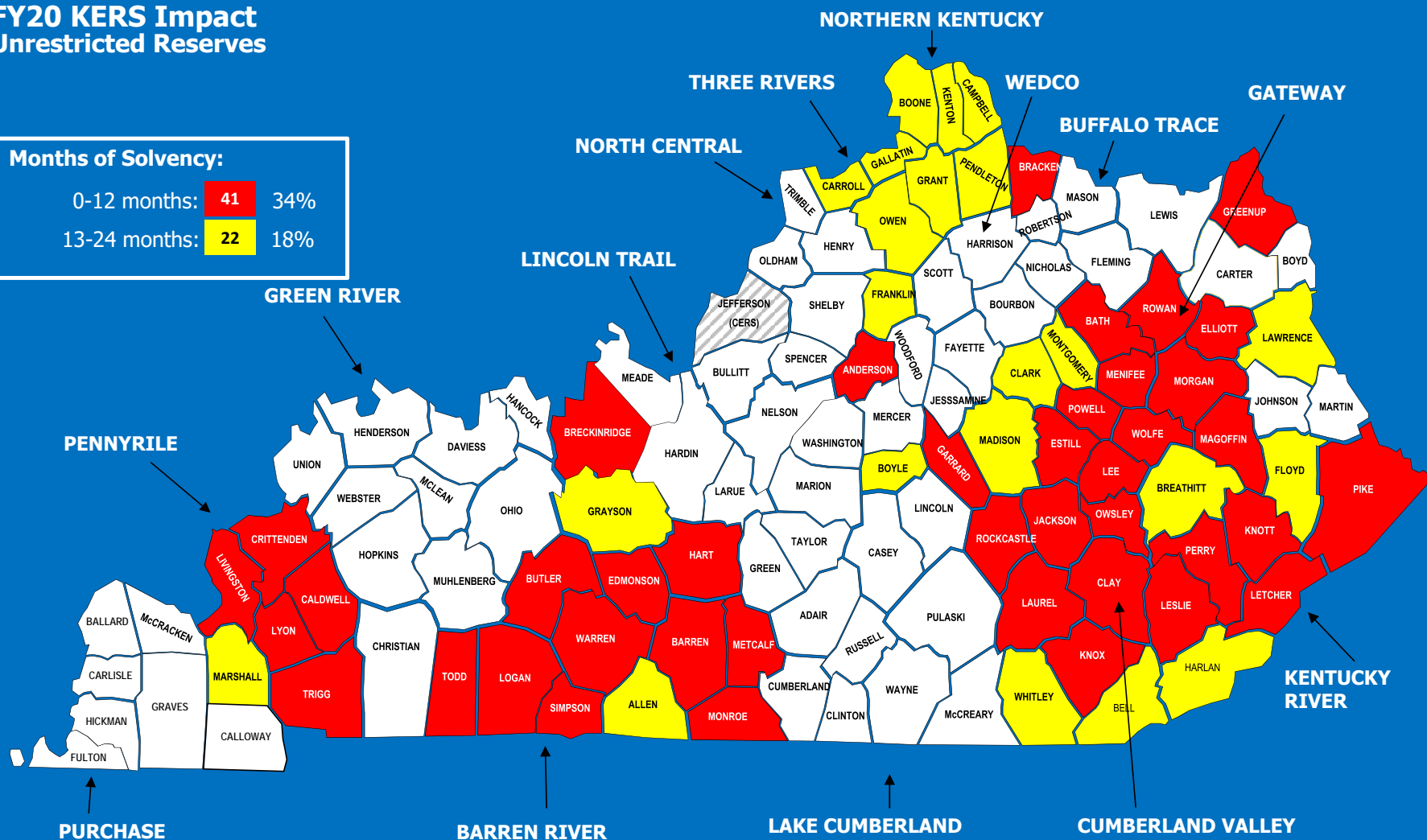
- Hybrid structure of Public Health makes change difficult.
- Greater support, structure, and education for LBOHs.
- Lack of accountability at ALL levels.

## LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS FY20 KERS Impact Unrestricted Reserves



0-12 months: **41** 34%

13-24 months: **22** 18%



## CORE PUBLIC HEALTH

### FOUNDATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH

Five focus areas, which includes statutorily and regulatorily defined services:

1. Population Health
2. Enforcement of Regulation
3. Emergency Preparedness & Response
4. Communicable disease control
5. Administrative and organizational infrastructure

Community Health Assessment

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HANDS

HARM REDUCTION  
& SUD

Local Public  
Health Priorities

**SIMPLIFY • FOCUS • PRIORITIZE**