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2023 Kentucky Primary Election Endorsements



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2022 Fairness Campaign Year In Review

Jan. 4: The 2022 Kentucky General Assembly convenes.

Jan. 26: Fairness Campaign Executive Director Chris Hartman celebrates 13 years on staff.

Jan. 27: C-FAIR, the political action committee of the Fairness Campaign, endorses Keturah Herron for State Representative in the Special Election for House District 42.

Feb. 1: The Fairness Campaign joins the Louisville Metro Department of Corrections (LMDC) Stakeholders for a vigil mourning the death of another person held by LMDC. By the end of 2022, twelve people will have died in LMDC custody: Stephanie Dunbar, Kenneth Hall, Rickitta Smith, Gary Wetherill, Keith Smith, Lesley Starnes, Norman Sheckles, Bashar Ghazawi, Buddy Stevens, Thomas Bradshaw, Moman Anderson, and Barry Williams Sr.

Feb. 2: The ACLU of Kentucky hosts "Let All Kids Play: Webinar to Stop Attacks on LGBTQ Children" that includes the Fairness Campaign.

Feb. 3: Jefferson County Public Schools launches its second LGBTQ-focused "Justice Cohort" with the Fairness Campaign for teachers and school staff.

Feb. 7: The Union City Commission votes 3-1 against a Fairness Ordinance, making it the only Northern Kentucky city to reject the LGBTQ rights law.

Feb. 9: The Fairness Campaign hosts a virtual lobbying orientation.

Feb. 10: Despite moving testimony from Kentucky families, education and sports professionals, and LGBTQ advocates, the Kentucky Senate Education Committee advances Senate Bill 83 (SB 83), a measure aimed at barring transgender girls from playing on girls' sports teams in Kentucky schools.

Feb. 15: After more impassioned testimony from Kentucky families, including two brave trans students, the Kentucky House Education Committee approves its own version of the Anti-Trans Sports Bill, House Bill 23. Feb. 16: Fairness supporters from across the commonwealth gather for the Statewide Fairness Rally in the Capitol Rotunda. Governor Andy Beshear, the first Kentucky governor to attend a Fairness rally, opens the event for the second year in a row. The Kentucky Senate approves Anti-Trans Sports Bill SB 83 with a vote of 27-8.

Feb. 17: C-FAIR joins Keturah Herron supporters to vote early in the Special Election for State House District 42.

Feb. 22: Keturah Herron becomes the first openly LGBTQ candidate to win a State House race in Kentucky.

March 10: With no testimony allowed by the committee chair, the Kentucky House Education Committee advances Anti-Trans Sports Bill SB 83.

March 17: The Kentucky House approves Anti-Trans Sports Bill SB 83 with a vote of 70-23.

March 26: Fairness joins the annual "Transgender Wellness Summit" held at the University of Louisville. Another soldout crowd joins the annual "We The People Dinner" hosted by Susan Hershberg and the Wiltshire Pantry at the Speed Art Museum to benefit the ACLU of Kentucky and Fairness Campaign.

April 6: Governor Andy Beshear vetoes Anti-Trans Sports Bill SB 83.

April 12: C-FAIR endorses 36 candidates in state and local Primary Election races across Kentucky.

April 13: The Kentucky Senate votes 29-8 and the Kentucky House votes 72-23 to override Governor Beshear's veto of Anti-Trans Sports Bill SB 83. It is the first anti-LGBTQ bill to pass in nearly a decade in Kentucky.

April 14: The 2022 Kentucky General Assembly adjourns sine die. Five other explicitly anti-trans bills and half a dozen other anti-LGBTQ bills die with the end of the session. They include Anti-CRT Bills (Critical Race and LGBTQ Theory), broad Healthcare Discrimination Laws, and an Ominibus Anti-LGBTQ Bill—the most anti-LGBTQ laws proposed in recent memory.

April 19: The ACLU of Kentucky and national ACLU host a "Trans Joy Seminar" online with Fairness. April 22: The "Pronouns" event at Soundbar in Lexington raises funds for the Fairness Campaign's SAGE of the Bluegrass program.

May 3: The Fairness Campaign joins a panel discussion on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at the Derby Diversity Business Summit.

May 11: Beloved transgender activist and host of the "Transgender Wellness Summit" Sarah McKinney passes away.

May 13: Floyd County Library in Indiana hosts the Fairness Campaign for a staff "LGBTQ 101" training.

May 15: The Fairness Campaign Coordinating Committee begins a yearlong series of anti-racism trainings with Matthew Armstead of Culture Work Studios.

May 17: The Kentucky Primary Election is held. More than three-quarters of C-FAIR-endorsed candidates win their races.

May 21: C-FAIR joins Emerge Kentucky to train future candidates on the process for PAC endorsements.

May 23: WHAS-11 News in Louisville hosts the Fairness Campaign for a "State of Fairness" training for its staff.

May 24-25: The Fairness Campaign represents SAGE of the Bluegrass at the national SAGE affiliate conference in Washington, DC.

June 3: Fairness joins the annual Robley Rex VA Medical Center Pride Festival in Louisville.

June 4: Fairness joins Paducah Pride and the first-ever Heartland Pride Festival in Elizabethtown, which the Fairness Campaign helped launch.

June 5: Fairness joins NKY Pride in Covington.

June 8: The KEEN Footwear Distribution Center hosts the Fairness Campaign for an "LGBTQ 101" staff training.

June 9: Metropolitan Sewer District hosts the Fairness Campaign for its "Equity Speaker Series."

June 10: WFPL's "In Conversation" hosts a discussion on LGBTQ legislation in Kentucky with the Fairness Campaign.

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June 11: Fairness joins Murray Pride and the first-ever Mount Sterling Pride.

June 15: LG&E hosts the Fairness Campaign for a Pride Month "Lunch and Learn" with staff.

June 18: 100+ Fairness supporters march in our "Trans Rights!" human balloon float in the Kentuckiana Pride Parade in Louisville. Fairness joins the Kentuckiana Pride Festival in Louisville and Richmond Pride Festival.

June 23: Fairness joins Louisville Bats Pride Night in Louisville where Executive Director Chris Hartman throws out a ceremonial first pitch.

June 25: Fairness joins the first-ever Harlan Pride Parade, the Lexington Pride Festival and Shelbyville Pride Festival.

June 26: Fairness joins Owensboro Pride.

June 29: The U.S. Department of Labor hosts a "Pride Panel" with the Fairness Campaign.

July 7: The Kentucky Nonprofit Network hosts "Let's Talk Equity: Conversations on Diversity, Equity & Inclusion for Nonprofit Leaders" with the Fairness Campaign.

July 9: Fairness joins Ashland Pride.

July 12: Elsmere (pop. 9,165) becomes the 24th Kentucky community to adopt a Fairness Ordinance with a 4-1 vote by the Elsmere City Council. It is the fourth Northern Kentucky city in Kenton County to prohibit LGBTQ discrimination in employment, housing, and public accommodations.

July 16: The Fairness Campaign speaks at the Kentucky Democratic Women's "Summer Conference" in Berea.

July 19-23: Fairness joins the Equality Federation's "Leadership Conference" in Minneapolis, MN.

Aug. 5: Fairness Campaign Office Manager Jeremy McFarland celebrates three years on staff.

Aug. 11: In partnership with the Elizabeth Taylor AIDS Foundation, the Fairness Campaign launches the "Kentucky HIV Is Not a Crime" coalition with a summit at the Louisville Main Free Public Library. More than a dozen HIV and AIDS-related advocacy and services groups join to set a coordinated policy agenda for the 2023 Kentucky General Assembly and beyond. Aug. 15: The ACLU of Kentucky leads fundraising efforts to pay more than \$300,000 outstanding restitution in the Louisville, keeping more than 250 people out of jail by eliminating their bench warrants. The Fairness Campaign serves as the restitution payment entity.

Aug. 18-28: Dozens of Fairness volunteers help staff the Fairness Campaign booth at the Kentucky State Fair and reach thousands of LGBTQ supporters from across the commonwealth. The Fairness Campaign and its allies unveil a new billboard on I-65 near the Kentucky State Fair targeting the Kentucky Farm Bureau's discriminatory policies.

Aug. 19: The Fairness Campaign hosts new University of Louisville students in a day of volunteering at the Fairness office for their "SOUL Day of Service."

Aug. 25: The Fairness Campaign and its allies host dozens of supporters to protest the Kentucky Farm Bureau's discriminatory policies at its Kentucky State Fair "Country Ham Breakfast."

Aug. 30: The Fairness Campaign joins community groups in regular meetings with the Louisville Metro Department of Health to respond to the Monkeypox outbreak disproportionately affecting the LGBTQ community.

Aug. 31: Protect Kentucky Access the coalition of groups including the Fairness Campaign formed to fight the anti-abortion constitutional amendment in Kentucky—kicks into high gear with an in-person retreat to introduce newlyhired Campaign Manager Rachel Sweet, who had just led Kansas to victory against an abortion-related ballot referendum.

Sept. 7: The Tri-State Freethinkers hosts the Fairness Campaign for a legislative preview discussion in Covington.

Sept. 10: The Fairness Campaign Coordinating Committee and C-FAIR Board of Directors convene for an inperson Strategic Planning and Visioning retreat in the Fairness Campaign office facilitated by Diana Gonzalez of the Equality Federation.

Sept. 15: 160 Fairness supporters raise more than \$27,000 for the Fairness Campaign during the Community Foundation of Louisville's "Give for Good Louisville" online fundraising event. Sept. 17: Fairness joins the Kentucky Black Pride Festival in Lexington and the Louisville Pride Festival.

Sept. 26: A Jefferson County Public School panel votes unanimously to keep the award-winning LGBTQ book Gender Queer on school library shelves after a prolonged challenge by anti-LGBTQ activists.

Sept. 27: The Courier-Journal hosts a staff conversation with the Fairness Campaign and others on "The Criminalization of HIV." The UofL School of Nursing LGBTQ group RNbow hosts the Fairness Campaign for a "State of Fairness" speech.

Sept. 30: C-FAIR endorses 121 candidates in the Kentucky General Election and "No" on Constitutional Amendment 1 (allows state legislature to call itself into Special Session) and Amendment 2 (antiabortion).

Oct. 1: Fairness joins Berea Pride.

Oct. 6: Fairness joins UofL Pride Week during the kick-off on Belknap Campus.

Oct. 7: The Fairness Campaign and other advocacy groups share LGBTQ training and a legislative preview with the members of the Kentucky Civic Engagement Table. Fairness Campaign and C-FAIR leaders raise over \$10,000 for the Protect Kentucky Access campaign at a low-dollar fundraiser at High Horse Bar in Louisville.

Oct. 8: Fairness joins Capital Pride in Frankfort and Georgetown Pride.

Oct. 11: The World Affairs Council of Kentucky and Southern Indiana hosts a delegation of LGBTQ leaders from Turkey that visits the Fairness Campaign to discuss LGBTQ rights in Kentucky. The Louisville Pride Center officially opens in The Crane House in Old Louisville.

Oct. 12: Fairness joins UofL Pride Week at the Health Sciences Campus.

Oct. 13: C-FAIR honors outgoing members of the Kentucky General Assembly who have supported LGBTQ rights, including original Statewide Fairness co-sponsor Rep. Mary Lou Marzian, House Minority Leader Joni Jenkins, and Rep. Attica Scott, Re. Tom Burch, Rep. McKenzie Cantrell, Rep. Kelly Flood, Senator Alice Forgy Kerr, Rep. Reginald Meeks, and Rep. Susan Westrom.

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Oct. 15: Fairness joins Pikeville Pride and joins a workshop at Kentucky Health Justice Network's "Take Root Conference."

Oct. 16: The Unitarian Universalist Church of Bowling Green hosts the Fairness Campaign for a pre-Pride sermon on LGBTQ rights.

Oct. 20: Fairness joins Congressman John Yarmuth's final "Women and Children's Issues Luncheon."

Oct. 22: Fairness joins Bowling Green Pride and Somerset Chill Out and Proud.

Oct. 25: UofL Brandeis School of Law hosts a panel discussion on book banning that includes the Fairness Campaign and JCPS Board President Diane Porter.

Oct. 31: The Highland Mother's Club hosts the Fairness Campaign for a statewide LGBTQ update.

Nov. 2: C-FAIR hosts a "Tea Dance for Tina Ward-Pugh" at The Hub to support Tina's race for Jefferson County Clerk.

Nov. 8: The Kentucky General Election is held. Nearly 70% of C-FAIR-endorsed candidates win their races, including 56% of candidates in contested races. Both amendment measures fail, catapulting Protect Kentucky Access and the victory over an antiabortion amendment in Kentucky into an international spotlight. Louisville Business First hosts a DEI panel discussion at their "Moving Forward Together" conference that includes the Fairness Campaign.

Nov. 12: The Festival of Faiths hosts a panel discussion, "Faith and a New Louisville Think-In," that includes the Fairness Campaign.

Nov. 14-15: The Fairness Campaign joins other state-based groups at a post-election strategy session hosted by the Equality Federation in Charlotte, NC.

Nov. 18: The Fairness Campaign hosts a farewell party for Office Manager Jeremy McFarland, who accepted a new job in Maine. Dec. 1: The Human Rights Campaign launches the 2022 Municipal Equality Index, which rates American cities on LGBTQ inclusion. Kentucky scores include: Lexington – 110; Louisville – 102; Covington – 100; Frankfort – 66; Morehead – 65; Berea – 55; Bowling Green – 40; Owensboro – 38.

Dec. 5: The Kentucky Coalition Against Domestic Violence (KCADV) hosts a "State of Fairness" staff training with the Fairness Campaign.

Dec. 7: The North Oldham High School GTSA hosts the Fairness Campaign for a legislative preview.

Dec. 11: The Fairness Campaign hosts a "Leadership Brunch" at The Hub for all current and former Fairness and C-FAIR leaders.

Dec. 13: President Joe Biden signs the Respect for Marriage Act into law, further protecting LGBTQ and interracial marriage. The Fairness Campaign joins the signing of the law on the South Lawn of the White House.

Dec. 15: The Kentucky House Democratic Caucus hosts a "State of Fairness" update with the Fairness Campaign in Lexington.

Dec. 16: Former Fairness Campaign Intern Henry Berg-Brousseau passes away in Washington, DC, where he had been working as a Deputy Press Secretary for the Human Rights Campaign. His mother, State Senator Karen Berg, announces that Henry died by suicide and cites the toll anti-trans legislation in Kentucky and across the country took on Henry.

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Mt. Sterling Pride

Saturday, June 3, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. ET Dubois Comm. Ctr., 100 Hamilton Ave, Mt. Sterling, KY 40353 Bardstown Road & Grinstead Dr., Louisville, KY 40205

Paducah Pridefest Saturday, June 3, 11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. CT Johnson Bar Parking Lot, 133 S. 3rd St., Paducah, KY 42001

Richmond Pride Saturday, June 3, 11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. ET Irvine McDowell Park, 345 Lancaster, Richmond, KY 40475

Pride at the River Park (Augusta)

Saturday, June 3, 1:00 p.m. ET River Park (Augusta Boat Dock), Augusta, KY 41002

Southern Indiana Pride Parade & Festival

Saturday, June 3, 4:00-11:00 p.m. ET Big 4 Station Park, Jeffersonville, IN 47130

NKY Pride

Sunday, June 4, Noon-5:00 p.m. ET Goebel Park, 501 Philadelphia St., Covington, KY 41011

Latinx Pride

Saturday, June 10, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m. ET La Casita Center, 223 E. Magnolia Ave., Louisville, KY 40208

Kentuckiana Pride Parade & Festival

Saturday, June 17, Noon-10:00 p.m. ET Big Four Lawn, 1101 E. River Rd., Louisville, KY 40206

Lexington Pride Festival Saturday, June 24, 11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. ET Central Bank Center, 340 W. Vine St., Lexington, KY 40507

Cincinnati Pride Festival Saturday, June 24, Noon-9:00 p.m. ET Sawyer Point, 705 E. Pete Rose Way, Cincinnati, OH 45202

Owensboro Pride Picnic Sunday, June 25, Noon - 6:00 p.m. CT Unity Fellowship, 625 Allen St., Owensboro, KY 42303

Louisville Pride Festival

Saturday, September 9, 11:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m. ET

KY Black Pride Festival

September 15-17, Lexington Pride in the Park Saturday, September 16, Noon-7:00 p.m. ET Woodland Park, 601 E. High St., Lexington, KY 40502

Berea Pride

Saturday, September 30, 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. ET Memorial Park, W Jefferson St., Berea, KY 40403

Pikeville Pride

Saturday, September 30, Noon-6:00 p.m. ET Appalachian Wireless, 143 Main St., Pikeville, KY 41501

Bowling Green Pride Festival

Saturday, October 21, Noon-5:00 p.m. CT Circus Square Park, 601 State St., Bowling Green, KY 42101

Ashland Pride

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