

TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES RELATIVE CAREGIVER STIPEND PROGRAM

January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023

ANNUAL REPORT

1. The total amount of payments made in 2023

- ✓ Since the start of the new stipend program, the total amount of payments made by the Department to caregivers of relative children is **\$5,662,924.75**. These are relative caregivers who have custody of the child through a final order of the court, meet household income criteria, and meet all other requirements of engaging with the Relative Caregiver Program (RCP).

2. The total number of children for whom a relative caregiver received a payment during 2023

- ✓ Relative caregivers of **1,473 children** received a payment in 2023.

3. The total number of children who have entered state custody after being in the custody of a relative caregiver who received a payment in 2023

- ✓ **8 children** entered state custody after being in the custody of a relative caregiver who received a payment in 2023.

4. The total number of children who remain in the custody of a relative caregiver who received a payment during 2023

- ✓ **1,465 children** remain in the custody of a relative caregiver who received a payment in 2023.