



Level Funding

The Coalition requests funding in the NYS Budget of \$2,559,250 for the Kinship System of Care.

- \$320,500 for the Kinship Navigator (\$100,000 Legislative Add to \$220,500 in Executive Budget)
- \$338,750 for local programs (in Executive Budget) + \$1.9 million Legislative Add or \$950,000 from each house



Kinship Care Month

Continue to proclaim and celebrate September as Kinship Care Month in NYS.



Kinship Legal Network

Provide \$8 million in new funding for OCFS to provide legal services to caregivers.

HELP SPREAD THE WORD!

We help families in every county of New York State! Please share information like this in your newsletters and social media posts:

Are you caring full-time for the children of a family member or friend? You may be a Kinship Caregiver!

Call the **NYS Kinship Navigator at 877-454-6463** Monday through Friday from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm - or visit nysnavigator.org. It's all free. The Navigator provides information on financial assistance, legal information and referrals, as well as other issues that caregivers face when raising children in the absence of their biological parents.