

AIKCU membership provides solid return on investment

AIKCU gives its members greater buying power and a substantial return on investment through self-funded employee health insurance, competitive retirement benefits, discounts/pricing negotiations on products and services, and grant funds distribution.

Contact: To learn more about a specific product or service, contact the vendor directly. For general questions about AIKCU's business partners, contact Krista Hudson, AIKCU VP of Finance and Administration, at krista.hudson@aikcu.org.

\$5.9 million

in grants and savings from collaborative programs and purchase agreements in 2024-2025

For every \$1 in AIKCU dues, members receive from \$1 to \$30 in benefits
(Depending on level of program participation. Median is \$1 dues = \$5 benefits)



Health Insurance &
Retirement Plan Savings:
\$4,928,422



Purchase Agreement Savings:
\$598,715



Grants Funds Distribution:
\$274,679

AIKCU EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE

Members can join a self-funded employee health insurance program through the AIKCU Benefits Alliance, a collaborative health insurance purchasing organization serving AIKCU campuses. The Alliance operates under a jointly administered arrangement with Anthem Health Plans of Kentucky and Aspirant.

The Benefits Alliance became fully operational in 2007 and now serves 10 AIKCU institutions and one affiliate member. While the Alliance never guarantees against rising healthcare costs, participants have seen significant savings.

AIKCU MEP RETIREMENT PLAN

Members can participate in AIKCU MEP, a competitive multiple employer retirement plan sponsored by AIKCU.

MEPs allow employers to band together to take advantage of scale and efficiencies they cannot achieve on their own. The AIKCU MEP launched in June 2024.

This program allows members to provide enhanced retirement plans for their new and existing employees, while benefiting from potential cost savings, less burdensome administration, and streamlined operations.

The AIKCU MEP is administered by four plan providers. PlanPILOT is the 3(38) investment fiduciary, Millennium is the registered investment adviser, Pentegra is the 3(16) administrative fiduciary, and TIAA is the plan recordkeeper.

AIKCU SERVICE AGREEMENTS

AIKCU has independently entered into service agreements that let AIKCU members save on library databases and technology.

LIBRARY DATABASES

American Chemical Society

Provided By: AIKCU and ACS

Details & Contact Info: pubs.acs.org

ProQuest

Provided By: AIKCU and ProQuest

Details & Contact Info: proquest.com

TECHNOLOGY

Adobe Licensing

Provided By: AIKCU and ScholarBuys

Details & Contact Info: scholarbuys.com

Cybersecurity Virtual Information Security Office

Provided By: AIKCU and DeepSeas

Details & Contact Info: deepseas.com

Microsoft Licensing

Provided By: AIKCU and ScholarBuys

Details & Contact Info: scholarbuys.com

VMware Licensing

Provided By: AIKCU and ScholarBuys

Details & Contact Info: scholarbuys.com

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AIKCU COLLABORATIVE AGREEMENTS

AIKCU offers a wide range of products and services in collaboration with the Coalition for College Cost Savings, E&I Cooperative Services, and the HESS Consortium.

ATHLETICS

Intercollegiate Sports Secondary Insurance Coverage and Individual Hard Waiver Plans for Student Athletes

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/intercollegiate-sports

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Emergency Preparedness

Provided By: AIKCU and E&I
Contact: eandi.org/solutions/emergency-preparedness/

ENERGY/SUSTAINABILITY

Energy Sustainability Program

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/energy-sustainability-program

Sustainability

Provided By: AIKCU and E&I
Contact: eandi.org/solutions/sustainability/

FACILITIES

Energy Sustainability Program

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/energy-sustainability-program

MRO & Construction Solutions

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/mro-construction-products

Project Financing

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/project-financing

FINANCE

Energy Sustainability Program

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/energy-sustainability-program

Hotel Revenue

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/campus-travel-management

Lease Accounting Software

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/lease-accounting-software

Management Consulting

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/managementconsulting

Procure to Pay Automation

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/procuretopayautomation

Project Financing

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Property/Casualty/Risk Management

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/property-casualty-risk-management

Purchasing Card Program

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/purchasing-card

Settlement Recovery Services

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/settlement-recovery-services

Strategic Spend Assessments

Provided By: AIKCU and E&I
Contact: eandi.org/solutions/ssa

Supplemental Benefits

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/supplementalbenefits

GENDER, SAFETY & EQUITY

Harassment & Discrimination Solutions (Title IX, ADA, Clery, etc.)

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/grandriversolutions

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Behavioral Health

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/behavioralhealth

Long-Term Care

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/long-term-care

Student Health Insurance

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/student-health-insurance

Telehealth

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/telehealth

HUMAN RESOURCES

Supplemental Benefits

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/supplementalbenefits

LEGAL

Property/Casualty/Risk Management

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/property-casualty-risk-management

Settlement Recovery Services

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MANAGEMENT CONSULTING

Management Consulting

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/managementconsulting

PROCUREMENT

eProcurement Solutions

Provided By: AIKCU and E&I
Contact: eandi.org/solutions/eprocurement-solutions-education

BlankBuy eProcurement

Provided By: AIKCU and E&I
Contact: eandi.org/blankbuy-procurement-marketplace-small-institutions

SAFETY & WELLNESS

Safety & Wellness

Provided By: AIKCU and E&I
Contact: eandi.org/solutions/safety-wellness/

SECURITY

Security

Provided By: AIKCU and E&I
Contact: eandi.org/solutions/security

SUPPLIER DIVERSITY

Supplier Diversity

Provided By: AIKCU and E&I
Contact: eandi.org/solutions/supplier-diversity-program

TECHNOLOGY

Cybersecurity Insurance

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/property-casualty-risk-management

The HESS Consortium

Provided By: AIKCU and HESS
Contact: thecoalition.us/hessconsortium

IPv4 Brokerage Services

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/brander

TRAVEL

Hotel Revenue

Provided By: AIKCU and the Coalition
Contact: thecoalition.us/campus-travel-management