

**Kansas Birth
Justice Society**



WHAT IS BIRTH EQUITY?

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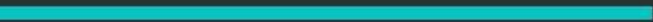
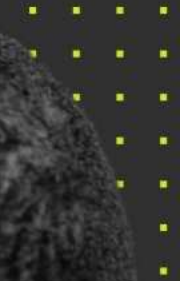
The Kansas Birth Justice Society is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting *maternal and infant health equity* and expansive reproductive justice for families and individuals in Kansas.



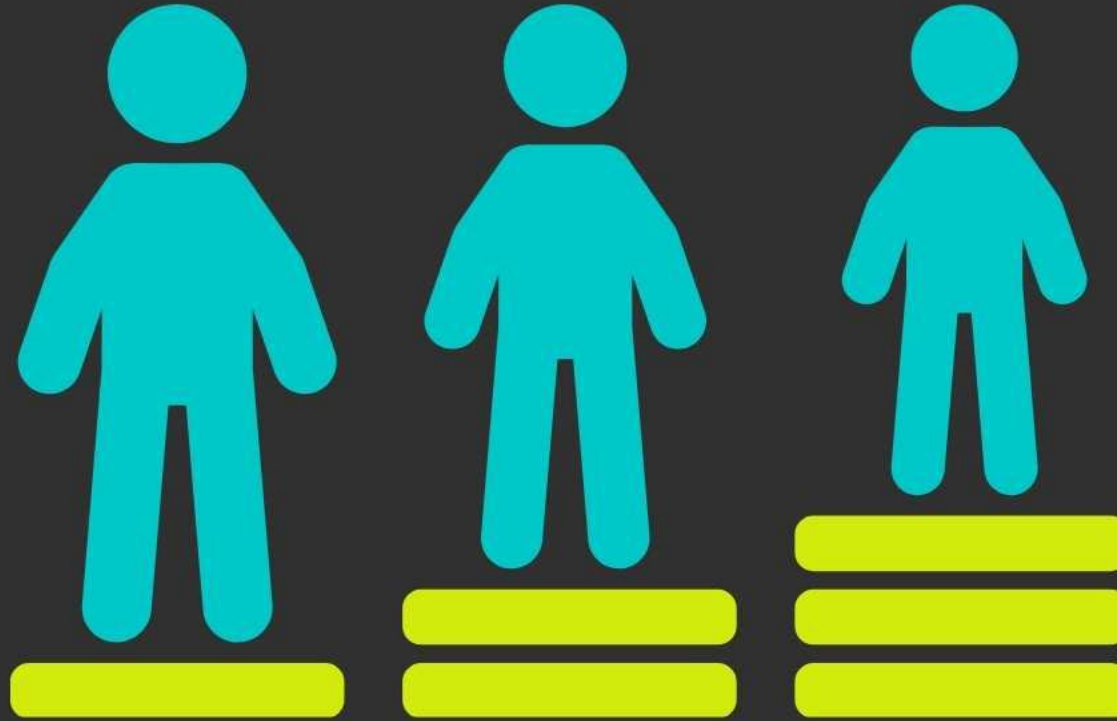
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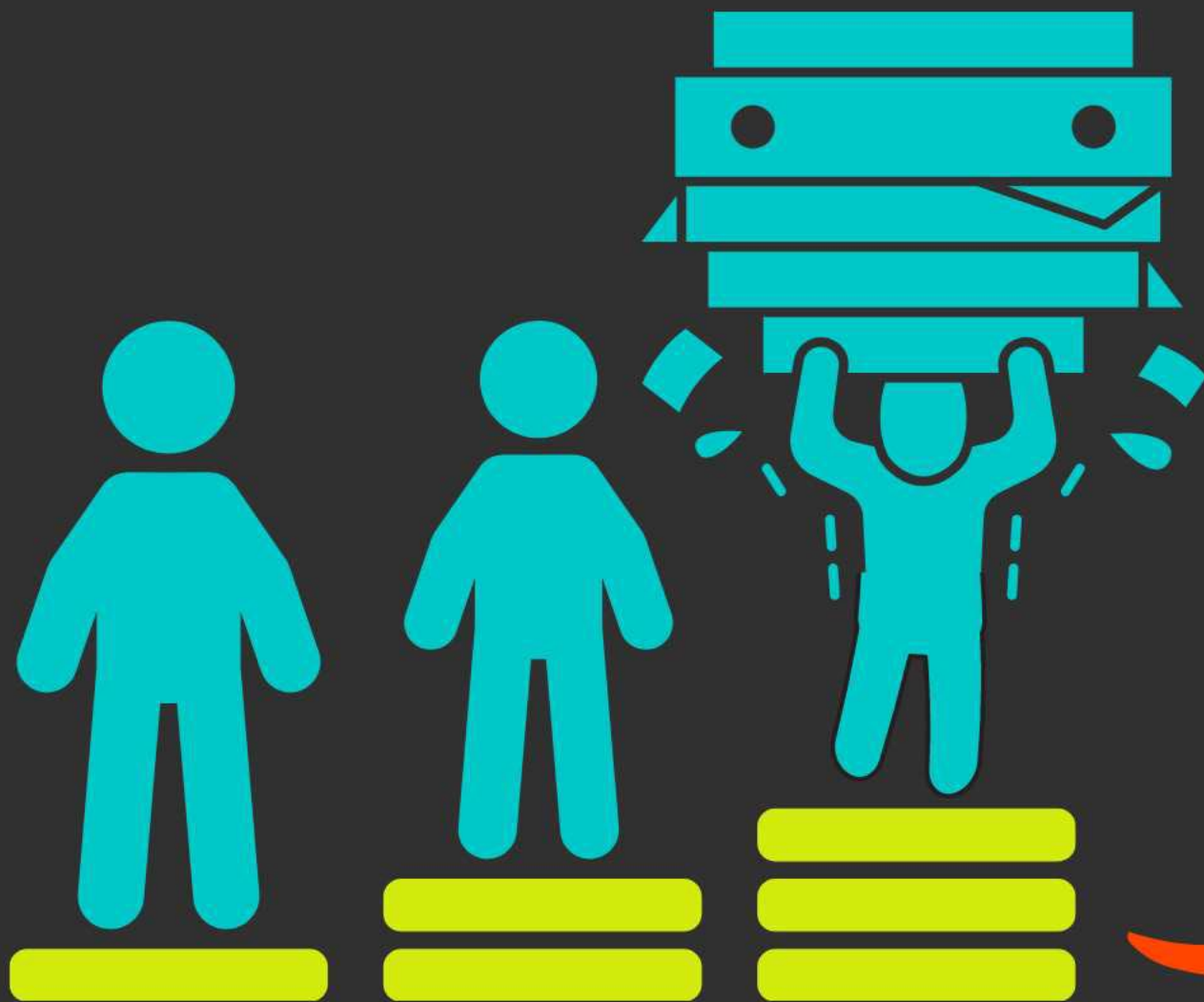
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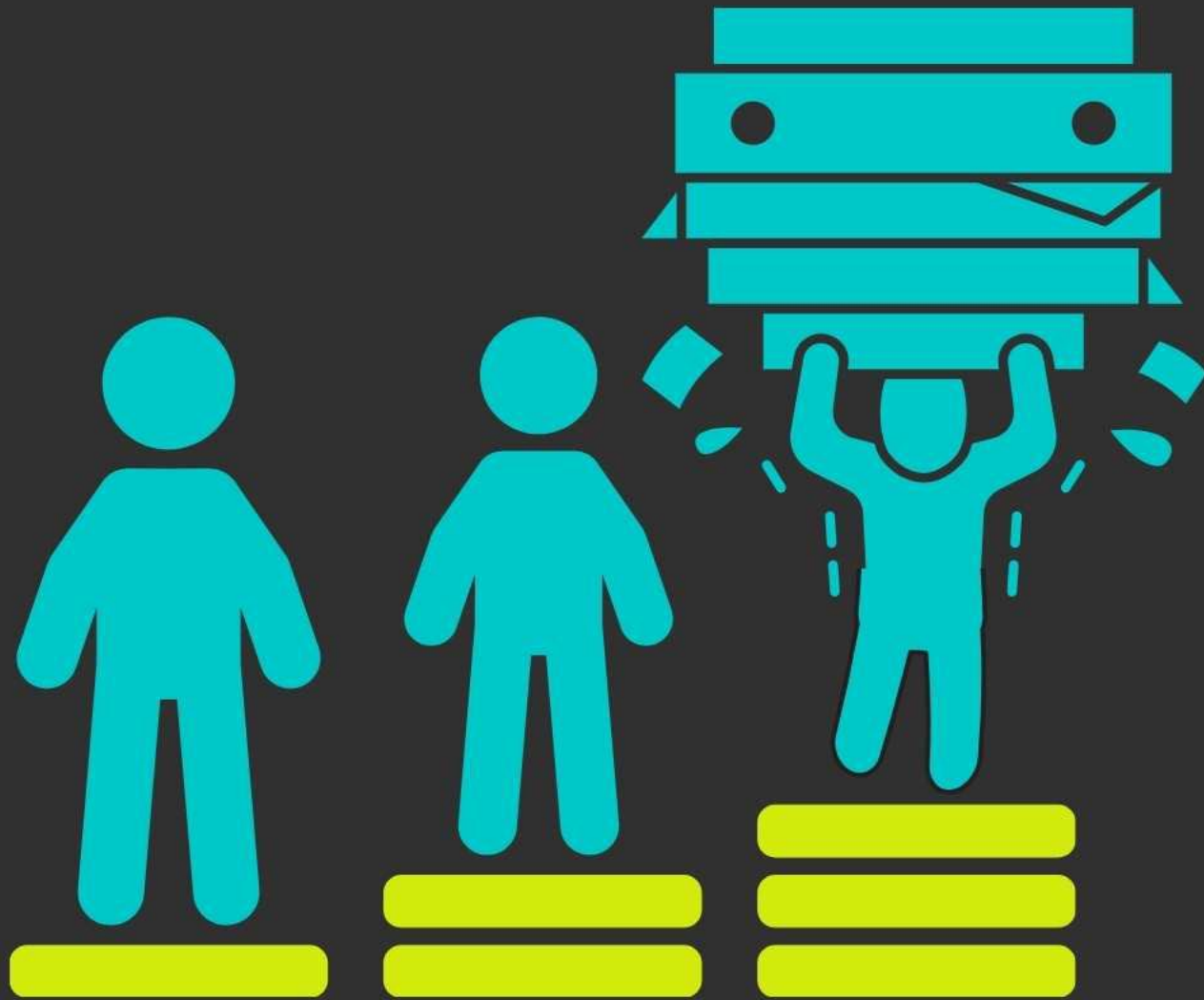
EVERYONE GETS WHAT THEY NEED...



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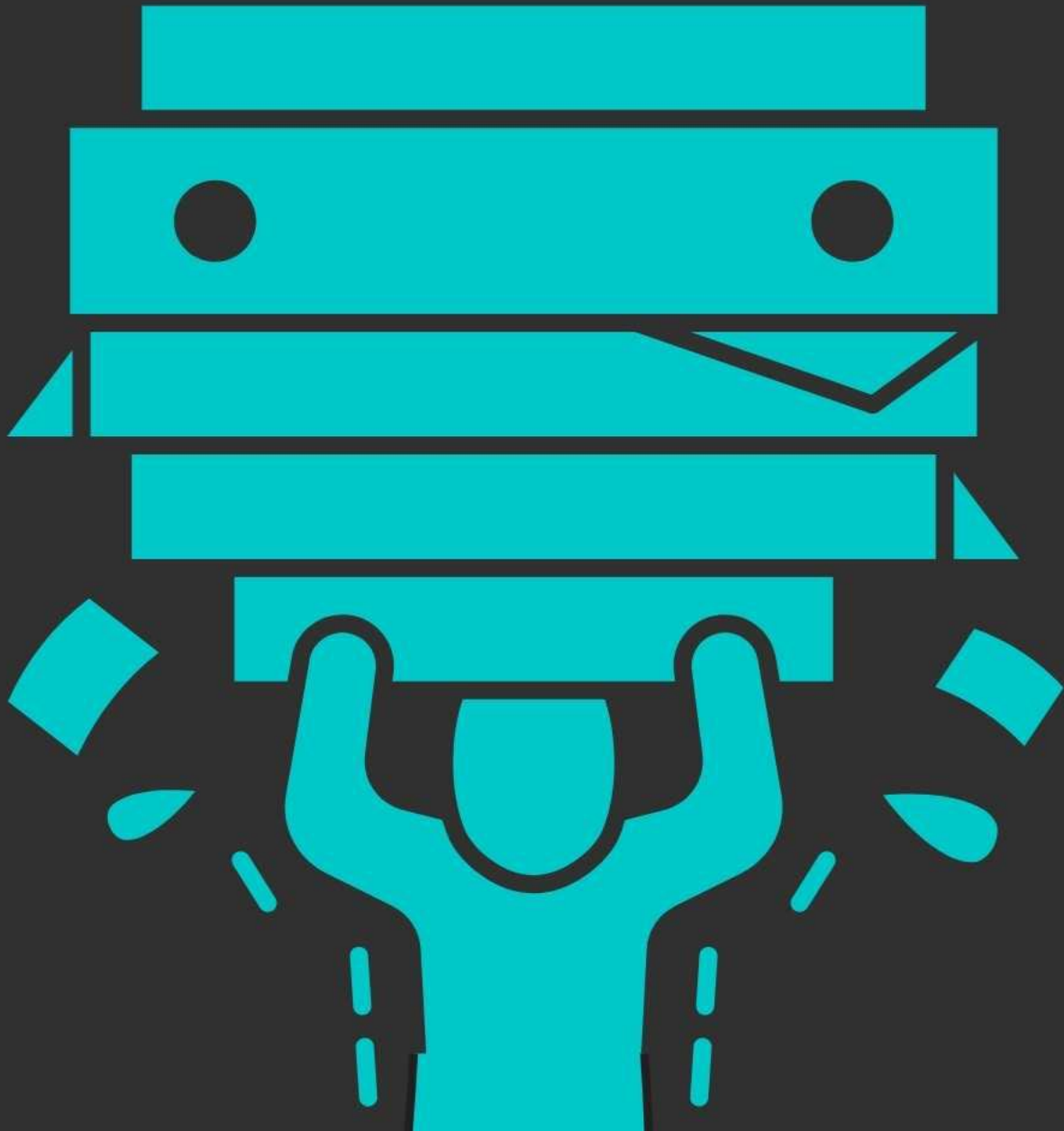


**IT'S ABOUT MORE
THAN JUST
RESOURCES.**



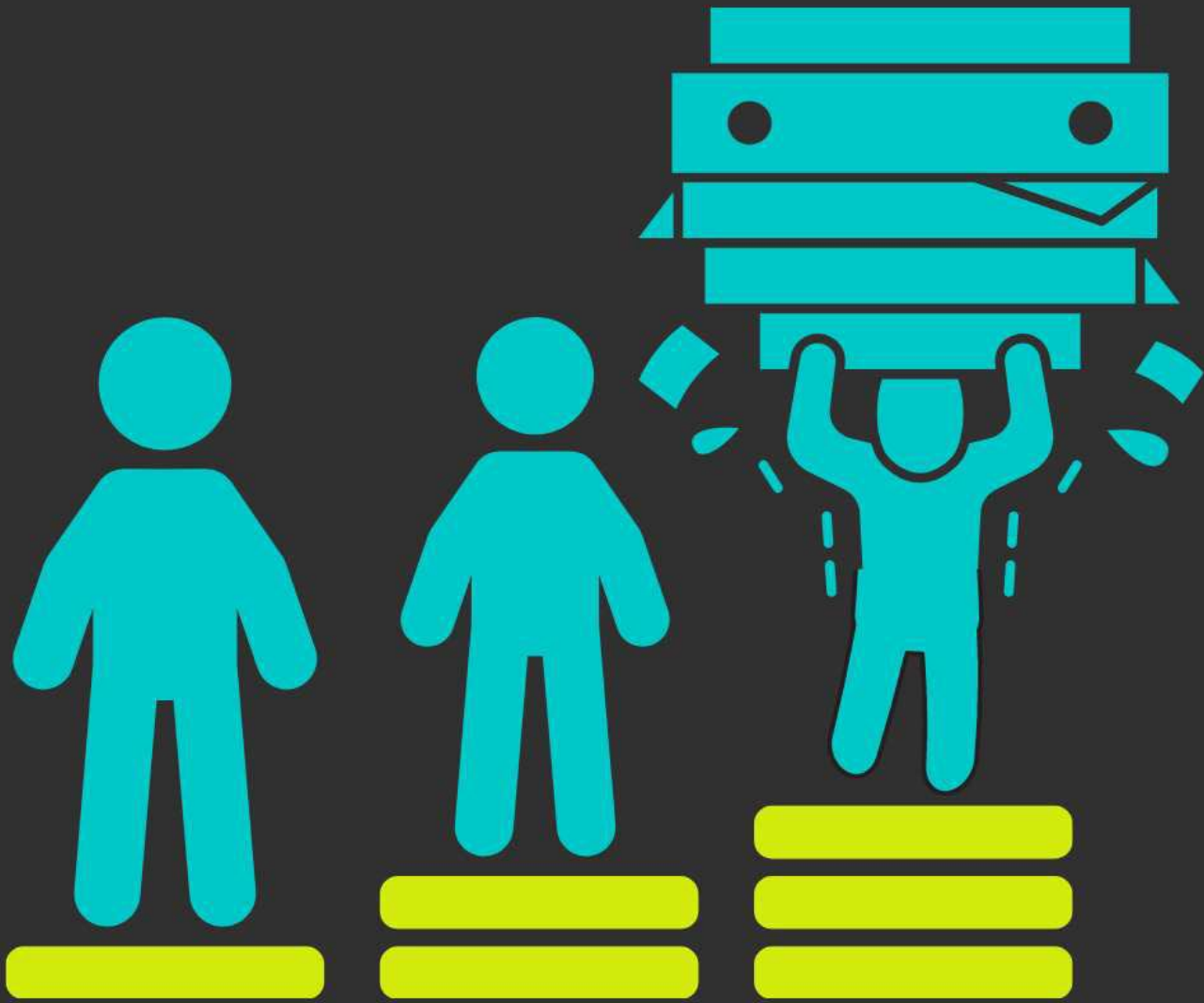
**THE EVER PRESENT WEIGHT OF
LIVING IN A SYSTEM WHERE YOU
ARE**

- **Devalued**
- **Discriminated Against**
- **Sterotyped**
- **Presented With Fewer Opportunities**



UNPACKING THE WEIGHT

- **Birth systems that were not built to center our needs.**
- **Economic Oppression**
- **Generational and Historic Trauma**
- **Environmental Exposures**
- **Prenatal to prison pipeline**
- **Weathering**



**HOW CAN WE
EASE THE
BURDEN?**



- **COMMUNITY-BASED CARE**
- **DISMANTLE INEQUITABLE POLICIES AND PRACTICES**
- **CONSIDER THE FULL CONTEXT**
- **STOP MAKING ASSUMPTIONS**
- **STOP BEING PUNATIVE**
- **NO MORE SURVEILLANCE**



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