



2025 ANNUAL REPORT



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Dare to Dream® youth and her mentor.



WHY ARE WE HERE?

THERE ARE 2000 KIDS IN FOSTER CARE IN KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI FACING THESE AWFUL STATISTICS. BUT WE BELIEVE IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE THIS WAY.

#CHANGETHETATS

- 50%** OF FORMER FOSTER YOUTH WILL BECOME HOMELESS AFTER AGE 18.
- 50%** OF FOSTER HOMES WILL CLOSE THEIR DOORS TO FOSTERING AFTER JUST ONE YEAR.
- 97%** OF CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE WILL NOT GRADUATE FROM COLLEGE.
- 50%** OF CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE WILL NOT GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL.
- 7X** CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE WILL MOVE HOMES AN AVERAGE OF 7X IN JUST 2 YEARS.
- 2X** GIRLS IN THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM ARE 2X MORE LIKELY THAN THEIR PEERS TO BECOME PREGNANT BY AGE 19.



MESSAGE FROM **THE FOUNDER**

It started with a single moment at a convention. I was sitting in a chair, listening to the statistics about what children in foster care face every single day, and I felt a physical weight in my chest. I remember thinking, "This is not okay." It wasn't just a sad fact; it was a call to action. I knew right then that I couldn't just go back to life as usual. I had to do something, and that conviction is exactly why KCMO Angels exists today.

Watching us grow year after year has been the greatest reward of my life, and 2025 was a massive year of "firsts" for us. We spent our first full year in our own office, welcomed a new case manager, and empowered 49 incredible volunteers to serve our community face-to-face. Beyond our two signature fundraisers, we hosted four special events specifically for our foster families and youth because these moments of joy are exactly why we do what we do.

Looking ahead, my heart is set on a very specific goal: reaching every single one of the 2,000 children currently in care in KCMO. We are inching closer to that number every day, and I won't be satisfied until every one of them has the support they deserve.

None of this—not a single life changed or a single dollar raised—would be possible without you. Whether you joined us for the first time in 2025 or you've been in our corner since the beginning, thank you for showing up. You are the reason we can keep dreaming bigger for these kids. Let's keep going.

With gratitude,



MISSION

To walk alongside children, youth, and families in the foster care community by offering consistent support through intentional giving, relationship building, and mentorship.

VISION

Every single child/youth who experiences foster care has the opportunity to reach their fullest potential, and every family who fosters is radically supported in their journey.

INTENTIONAL GIVING:

Give thoughtful and personalized resources, gifts, and care packages that meet the real needs of the child and their entire family.

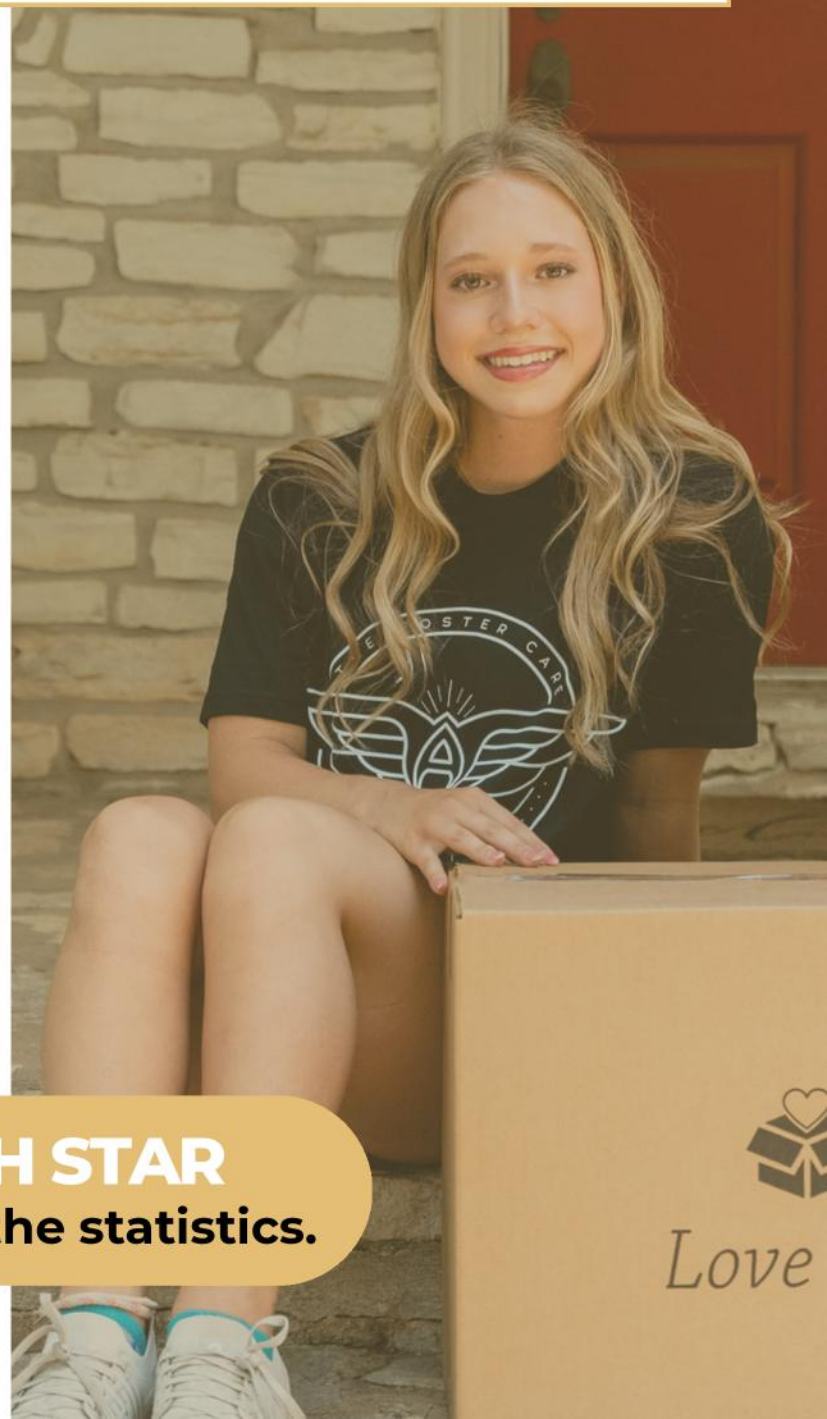
RELATIONSHIP BUILDING:

Devote time and energy to fostering healthy relationships that promote healing through connections and interpersonal bonding.

MENTORSHIP:

Equip and empower the youth in our programs to be prepared for independent living, accomplish tailored goals, build connections, and reach their fullest potential.

NORTH STAR
To change the statistics.



CORE VALUES

These values define who we are as an organization. We all have a responsibility to live them out daily. They are essential to the culture that drives radical transformation.



HOPE

We lead with hope because we deeply believe in our ability to create a better future.



COMMUNITY

We cultivate togetherness by treating everyone with dignity, respect, and compassion. We are better together.



EMPOWERMENT

We empower our community to take action, rooted in the belief that we have a responsibility to one another. Together, we remove barriers to create lasting change.



CURIOSITY

We maintain an attitude of humble curiosity, putting aside judgment to seek truth, knowledge, and understanding. We remain lifelong learners to better ourselves and our community.



TRANSFORMATION

We are social entrepreneurs who refuse to settle for the way things are. We are committed to creating an environment that allows everyone to realize and fulfill their talents and potential. By doing so, we will transform the world we live in.



TWO PROGRAMS. A LIFETIME OF IMPACT.

Our two programs are designed to provide the consistent support that every child and family in the foster care community deserves. Through the Love Box® program, we match dedicated volunteers with foster families to provide holistic, "wrap-around" support that helps prevent caregiver burnout and keeps homes stable. For our older youth, the Dare to Dream program provides one-on-one mentorship to help them navigate life's milestones and prepare for a successful future. Together, these programs ensure that no one in the Kansas City foster care system has to walk their journey alone.



2025 SNAPSHOT

Through the dedication and support of our volunteers, partners, and community, we are transforming the foster care experience – empowering children, youth, and families with tools, resources, and relationships.



170

TOTAL CHILDREN &
YOUTH IMPACTED

36

TOTAL FAMILIES
SERVED

624

TOTAL VOLUNTEER
HOURS

17

NEW MATCHES

7

ADOPTIONS

5

GRADUATIONS

We're building real momentum, **and you can be part of it.** Your support helps us reach more children, youth, and families with intentional relationships and the meaningful support they need to thrive. Join us in **creating a community that shows up with love, consistency, and the power to transform lives.**



PROGRAM EVENTS

We believe that every child deserves a childhood defined by joy, not just a case file. In foster care, "normal" experiences—like having a birthday party or a new Halloween costume—often get lost in the shuffle of appointments and transitions. That's why we host intentional program events throughout the year; they are vital for building a sense of belonging and improving the long-term emotional outcomes for our youth.

In 2025 we hosted:

- A winter family game night at a local YMCA where every family went home with game packs to play
- A Day at the Farm: Exploring Deanna Rose Farmstead together.
- Milestones that Matter: A special graduation celebration for a young woman who didn't have a family to cheer her on.
- Summer Fun: An "End of Summer Splash Bash" at a North KC park, made even better by a surprise visit from the fire department.
- The BJ Damage Costume Closet: Ensuring every child had a brand-new costume, accessories, and professional face painting for Halloween.
- The Holiday Magic: Our massive "Adopt-a-Family" event, where we provided gifts for every single teen and family in our programs—and everyone currently on our waitlist.

When a child feels seen and celebrated, their entire perspective shifts. These events aren't just "extras"; they are the building blocks of a stable, happy life.







ANGEL *ball*

The 2025 Angel Ball was an unforgettable evening and easily one of our favorite moments of the year. Beyond being our largest fundraiser, it's the night where we get to share the true heart of our mission through storytelling and connection. This year, our community's generosity blew us away, raising a record-breaking \$305,509 to support children, youth, and families in the KCMO foster care system. These funds are the lifeblood of our work, ensuring that every family we serve has the relational and financial support they need to thrive.





5TH ANNUAL ANGEL CUP

Cinco De Mayo Golf Tournament

The 2025 Angel Cup was an incredible day on the course and stands as our second-largest event of the year. We love this tournament because it brings our community together for a day of competition with a deep purpose—proving that it's more than just a game of golf. This year, we raised \$51,895, providing critical funds to support children, youth, and families in the KCMO foster care system. It was an honor to share our mission with everyone on the green and see our city show up so strongly for these kids.



Get Involved!

Angel Alliance

Join our passionate and committed group of monthly donors who are on a mission to change the way children, youth, and families experience foster care.

Donate

We rely heavily on donations, and your support allows us to continue growing and expanding our reach to more children, youth, and families in our community.

Volunteer

Get involved with our programs on a local level.

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