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Letter from our Founder & Executive Director

Over the past four years, we've poured endless hours of passion, commitment, and strength into building KCMO Angels. And I say we because **YOU are an essential part of this journey**. A mission like ours thrives because of a community that cheers us on and provides support when it's needed most.

This year, our goal is to keep doing what we do best—only bigger and better. What does that look like? **More children served.** When we reflect on what's worked in the past, it's clear that small actions, combined with big ones, create a powerful ripple effect. Like a wave that keeps growing and spreading, that's what we want more of in the city we proudly call home.

If you're reading this, you've likely created one of those ripples for us—and for that, we are endlessly grateful. So please, keep them coming. Keep our organization and the children we serve at the forefront of your mind. **Together**, we're **building a brighter future**, and we can't wait to make 2025 our best year yet!



Until EVERY child is reached,

Anne Watton

Thank You!

This impact is only made possible by incredible people like you who support this work. Together we are changing the foster care experience.

We are grateful for you!

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2024 IMPACT REPORT

We are building **communities of people that** are changing the way children, youth, and families experience foster care. Passionate donors, volunteers, mentors, and advocates **are all ripples in the sea of change for our foster care community.**

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A child in foster care will move an average of 7 times in just 2 years.

Frequent moves in foster care can disrupt a child's sense of stability and significantly increase their experienced trauma.

50% of youth in foster care do not graduate high school.

Failing to graduate high school limits foster youth's access to higher education and reinforces cycles of instability.

1 in 2 foster homes will close their doors to fostering after just one year.

When foster homes close after just one year, children face disrupted relationships, further impacting their sense of belonging.

In 2024, KCMO Angels successfully recruited and supported volunteers who dedicated over 1,000 hours of service to our foster families—that's an average of nearly 3 hours each day of the year!



Our Love Box Program ensures children have placement stability until they can be reunified or adopted.

In 2024, KCMO Angels proudly matched 12 youth in foster care with a Dare to Dream® mentor. We guide and support these meaningful relationships, fostering connections that can last a lifetime!



"I can't wait to see the adult she becomes someday."

*--Jamie
Dare to Dream Mentor*



In a 2024 survey, 100% of caregivers in KCMO Angels programs agreed their volunteer has improved their foster experience and will remain connected long-term.

"I would not have been able to continue fostering had it not been for my Love Box Leaders. They are an incredible source of support." --JP, KCMO Foster Mom

