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We are recruiting individuals with lived experience to join our Speakers Bureau! Help Kansas raise awareness about the need for foster and adoptive families.



Speakers we are looking for:

- Foster, adoptive and kinship parents, specifically those who have supported older youth, sibling groups, or children with high needs.
- Young adults who have lived experience with the child welfare system.
- Birth parents who have experienced successful reunification efforts.
- Speakers who reflect the demographics of children and youth who are in care and in need of families.



What speakers can expect:

- Members of the Speakers Bureau may be called upon to speak at events, sit on panels, participate in media campaigns, and more! Participation is on a volunteer basis.
- All spokespeople receive free, professional media training to help them tell their stories in a compelling way.



How to get involved and make an impact:

- Recommend parents and young adults to participate in the [Kansas Speakers Bureau](#).
- Share this information with colleagues, contacts and on social media.
- Improve public perception by helping the public see positive, yet realistic, stories on foster care, adoption, and the child welfare system.
- Help agency recruitment staff respond to media requests and speaking opportunities with well-prepared, media-trained spokespeople.



Need more information?

- [Sign up today using this form.](#)
- All questions can be directed to customercare@adoptkaskids.org.
- You can see examples of spokespeople in action on our federal partner's, Adopt US Kids, [media page](#) and can read more about the [role of speakers on adoptuskids.org](#).

Adopt Kansas Kids is the Adoption Exchange for Kansas. The program raises awareness about the need for adoptive families for children who are currently in foster care. This service is provided by FosterAdopt Connect through a contract with the Kansas Department for Children and Families.

