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*Keep reading to stay informed on events and happenings at Foster Adopt Minnesota, as well as information about our programming and ways you can help with our mission of finding and strengthening Minnesota adoptive, foster care, and kinship families.*

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## National Adoption Awareness Month

As we mark National Adoption Awareness Month, we elevate, honor and deeply listen to adoptee voices on the complexities and nuances of their experiences.

These 4 resources are written and recorded by adult adopted persons and feature adoptee voices from childhood through adulthood...

[The Value of Adoptee Voices](#) by Ramya Gruneisen, MS - for National Council for Adoption article

[10 Facts About Adoptees - For Community Members & Allies](#) by Cameron Small, MS, LPCC – Therapy Redeemed

[Adoptees Speak](#) by Angela Tucker – for Pact, An Adoption Alliance

**3 Ways Adoptive Parents Can Elevate Adoptee Voices This November** by  
Melissa Guida-Richards – for The Every mom

## Circus of the Heart

On Saturday, November 4, Foster Adopt MN and the Minnesota Department of Humans Services hosted the 26th Annual Circus of the Heart. Over 1600 families registered to attend either in-person or virtually. This event was full of activities, information, reptiles, balloon art, resources, prizes and giveaways!

It was a great afternoon celebrating National Adoption Awareness Month and honoring families who have grown through adoption and kinship care, and to provide information about adopting children and youth under state guardianship.



# Meet the Kids

## Meet Brandon 🤝



**Brandon, 13**, is funny and loves to talk about history and science. He enjoys participating in taekwondo and building Legos. Brian likes school, especially science and history. Some of his favorite foods include macaroni and cheese, pizza, and cheeseburgers.

Brandon would do best in a structured home where he can receive the attention he deserves.

Following adoption, Brandon will need to maintain contact with his siblings and his maternal aunt and uncle.

[Inquire](#)

## Find something new in our Webinar Library

Missed one of our webinars lately? If you buy 3 of our pre-recorded webinars, you can get 1 FREE. Curl up with your favorite blanket or take a walk and listen in!



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## Community Connections

We gratefully acknowledge the following organizations for their contributions to Circus of the Heart. Through the contribution of prizes and

time, they have been instrumental in the success of this years event!

Ampersand Families

Minnesota United FC

Anoka County

Minnesota Wire

Arrowwood Resort

Mississippi Market

Brainerd Holiday Inn

Nexus Kindred Family Healing

Campfire Bay Resort

North Homes Children and Family  
Services

Can Can Wonderland

Punch Pizza

Children's Home Society of  
Minnesota

Ramsey County

Choice Bank

Science Museum of Minnesota

Droolin' Moose

Showplace Ion Theaters

Evolve Family Services

Socks and Bottoms

Families Rising

The Adoption Medicine Clinic

Granite City

The Bakken Museum

Honey and Rye Bakehouse

The Inn on Lake Superior

Inspiration Company

The Works! Museum

Karl's Fishing and Outdoors

Trader Joe's

Lutheran Social Service of  
Minnesota

Wild Mountain

Minnesota Twins



## Give to the MAX!



Give to the Max Day is coming up on November 16th and early giving has begun! **We're thrilled to receive a \$3,000 match! Between now and November 16th you can double the impact.**

We are committed to providing foster, adoptive, and kinship families with the resources, guidance, and assistance they need. Your donation will help us expand and improve these services, ultimately benefiting the children in their care.

Would you consider giving to Foster Adopt MN? It's because of our donors that we can continue our efforts to supporting our community.

Donate today

## Social Justice, Race and Equity

**November is Native American Heritage Month**, a time to celebrate the achievements and accomplishments of Native Americans, and to honor the rich histories, culture, and heritage of those indigenous to this country. The below resources provide opportunities to learn, celebrate and support during this month and beyond.

[Indigenous-Owned Businesses to Support](#)

[Native American Heritage at MIA](#)

[Native American Heritage Month](#)

[Events and Exhibits](#)

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**Learn more about our services**





The Zero Kids Waiting Program is the gateway to information about adoption, foster care, and kinship in Minnesota.



The Fostering Network Program provides awareness, information, support, and referral to improve the safety and well-being of Minnesota children in foster care.



Support, guidance, and resource connection for Minnesota's adoption, foster and kinship communities



Information, resources, and referrals regarding post-adoption support in Minnesota



Our Education Program provides workshops on topics relevant to foster, adoptive, and kinship families.



Provides information and referral to adopted persons, birth families, and adoptive families who need records or have questions about the search process.





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