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Keep reading to stay informed on events and happenings at Foster Adopt MN, 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.

Team Behind the Scenes: The 5K

If you've joined us in past years, you may recognize the the 5K team. These four Foster Adopt MN staff members work hard to put together an amazing event. The FAM 5K is a family-friendly event raising money for Minnesota youth in foster care.



Kim Sacay



Kim Young



Jackie Brovold



Jolie Ritchie

Foster Adopt MN's 4th Annual 5k is on a pretty easy day to remember this year: come join us on 5/5 for 5K of fun run/walk/roll!

This super fun event raises funds for Minnesota youth in foster care to go [back-to-school shopping](#). These funds are a really unique opportunity for kids to own their

back-to-school experience and express themselves. Last year, more than 200 kids in Minnesota were able to go shopping. Will you help us help provide even more youth that same opportunity this year?

If you're interested, we recommend signing up before April 12 to guarantee getting a t-shirt!

Can't make it in person? You can join us virtually.



WHEN: Sunday, May 5, 2024

WHERE:

Rosland Park
4300 W 66th St
Edina, MN 55435

RACE DAY INFO:

Check-in begins – 9:00 am

10:00 – Kids 1/4 mile run

10:15 – Kids 1 mile run

10:30 – 5k Start

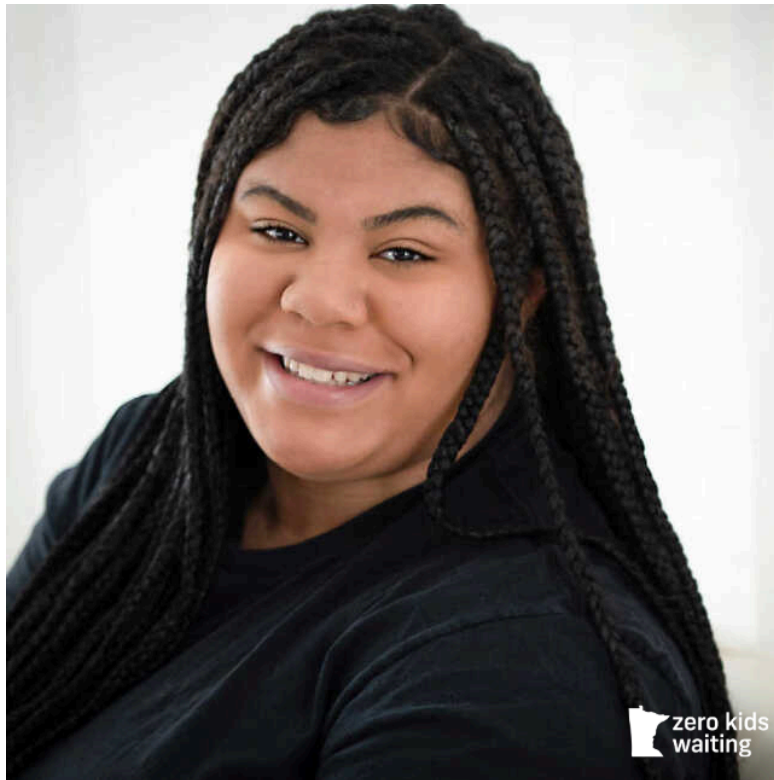
Cost: \$40

Kids in your family are free with one paid adult.

REGISTER TODAY!

Get your shoes ready and register

Featured Child: Anjelica



Meet Anjelica! Anjelica, 16, is bubbly, talkative, and affectionate. She excels in academics and enjoys cooking, planning meals, and spending time in the kitchen. Anjelica also enjoys arts and crafts, singing, dancing, playing outside, playing with slime, and playing soccer. Anjelica especially likes typical teenage activities such as going shopping, getting her nails done, wearing make-up, and hanging out with her friends.

Anjelica would do well with a family who has a good sense of humor and is willing to be silly with her.

Only Minnesota families are being considered at this time.

[Learn more about Anjelica](#)

**Upcoming FREE
Webinars**

**Permanency Services
Resource Hub**



FAM's Education Program has a great line up in April, including a series with Angela Tucker: *The Intersection of Transracial Adoption & Racial (in)Justice*.

[Take a look](#)



The [Permanency Services Resource Hub](#) is a new centralized tool and site to find a wide range of resources and support services for the kinship, foster and adoption communities across Minnesota and the professionals who serve them.

[View available resources](#)

**Library Series:
Adoption & Foster
Care Panel**

**Foster Adopt Shop:
How to Donate**



ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE IN MINNESOTA ZOOM PANEL

A panel of adoptive parents and foster care and adoption professionals will share their stories and answer your questions on what the process looks like to foster and/or adopt in Minnesota.

Willmar Public Library, Nexus-Kindred Family Healing and Foster Adopt Minnesota bring a virtual panel of adoptive and foster parents and adoption professionals to share their stories and answer your questions about the process to foster and/or adopt in Minnesota.

[Learn more and register](#)



We're are seeking to increase our inventory for our Foster Adopt Shop. All new items for children 0-18 are appreciated, including clothes, toys, books, outerwear, sports equipment, toiletries, etc.

Find out [how to donate](#) through Amazon or locally.

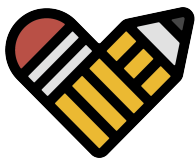
In need of items? [Fill out the form.](#)

Adopting Teens From Foster Care

[AdoptUSKids](#) customized their newest PSA for Foster Adopt Minnesota. A video that showcases stories of real adoptive families talking about choosing each other and the life-changing rewards of adopting a teen from foster care.



[Learn more about Foster Care](#)



FOSTER ADOPT MINNESOTA **BACK-TO-SCHOOL SHOPPING EVENT**

When a new school year approaches, many children across the State of Minnesota look forward to gearing up for their first day back in the classroom. However, for children in foster care, this time of year can be particularly challenging. They may not have the resources or support they need to start the year off on the right foot.

That's why Foster Adopt Minnesota is hosting our 6th Annual Back-to-School Shopping Event for children in foster care. Our goal is to provide these children with a shopping trip in August that will build the confidence they need to succeed in school.



We cannot do it without your help. We are asking for your support to make this event a success. Your donation will go to children in foster care, so they can pick out clothing, shoes, tech gear or any other essential items to start their new school year. This experience means the world to children with limited opportunities.

Thank you for considering supporting our Back-to-School Shopping Event. Together, we can make a positive impact on the lives of children in our community.

Give Today

Autism Awareness Month in Minnesota

It's Autism Awareness Month in Minnesota! Did you know that an easy-to-navigate portal exists to help families with services, supports and strategies? And check out the events calendar!

[MN Autism Resource Portal](#)

[Events Calendar](#)



PERMANENCY SERVICES RESOURCE HUB

Information and resources for the foster, adoption, and kinship communities in Minnesota and the professionals who support them.



zero kids waiting

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



help program

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



post-permanency navigator

Information, resources, and referrals regarding post-permanency support in Minnesota.



education

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



post search

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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