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Who is MN ADOPT?

Check back monthly to learn a little more about us and our organization!



Meet Julie!

What is your role at MN ADOPT?

I am the accountant for MN ADOPT and responsible for the budgets, tracking all income and expenses, as well as the processing the payroll.

How long have you been at MN ADOPT?

I'm in my 12th year at MN ADOPT.

What do you like to do for fun when you are not working?

This September, I'll start graduate school at the Humphrey School of Public Affairs. I'm beginning with Election Administration and working

Program Highlight

First Annual Back-to-School Shopping Event with the Minnesota Sheriff's Association



"D had a lot of fun and will be looking his best at school this year. Thank you MN Adopt for the opportunity. He was so tired he fell asleep on the ride home!"

Fast Facts:

- Raised nearly \$11,000
- 58 foster children from 27 counties were represented
- Each child received \$200 to go shopping



"G had an amazing time shopping! He was able to get a pair of shoes he has been dreaming about for months!"



Shopping for school supplies with the sheriff

MARSHALL - Seeing their uniforms might have caught customers' attention in the store. But there wasn't any emergency - officers from the Lyon County Sheriff's Department were at the Marshall Walmart on a different kind of mission. With shopping...

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Thank you to everyone that supported our event!

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TBRI series (9/17-10/8)



Upcoming Events

- 9/17/19- 10/8/19 Trust-Based Relational Intervention(TBRI)[4-Part Series]
- 9/24/19 [Webinar] Creating Inclusive Homes & Services for LGBTQ+ Youth in Our Care
- 9/27/19 Surviving and Thriving: Raising a Child with Attachment Trauma (Formally known as RadLabs)

More Workshops

Resource Corner

Resources for Families in Greater Minnesota

(Click on the pictures)



In Minnesota, NACAC operates Adoptive Foster Kinship Connections, which provides a statewide network of support for adoptive, foster, and kinship care families



Scroll down, and you'll see the different regional offices Arc has!

Arc provides programs and services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families



NAMI Minnesota (National Alliance on Mental Illness) is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of children and adults with mental illnesses and their families



PACT for Families Collaborative (Putting All Communities Together) is a five county, multi-agency partnership which operates as a Children's Mental Health Collaborative, and a Family Services Collaborative



Every foster and adoptive family needs a Village of support to come around them with practical support, encouragement, and prayer.

Reel Hope has built relationships with faith communities all over the state, and they have hundreds of families who have signed up to support foster and adoptive families like yours!



Community Connections

Ampersand Families Buddy Family

Do you want to make a difference in the life of a teen but can't make the commitment to adopt right now?

Are you thinking about becoming an adoptive family some day, but want to first learn as much as possible about what a family built through older youth adoption looks like?

Maybe you have a lot of respect for people who adopt and wonder how you can help them in a very concrete way?

Take a look at becoming an Ampersand Families buddy family!

[Learn More](#)

Circus of the Heart



Come celebrate & explore adoption! Please join us at the 22nd annual **Circus of the Heart**.

Sunday November 3, 2019, 1-4 p.m.

Join us for the kickoff of **Minnesota's Adoption Awareness Month**, honoring families who have grown through adoption, and receive information about adopting children and youth under state guardianship.

We are currently looking for donations

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Introducing... Let's Talk! A MN ADOPT Podcast



Let's Talk - FAQ's 1 - Adoption in Minnesota

Let's Talk Episode 1, FAQ's 1- Interview with WendyLee Raun, MN ADOPT Education Coordinator Topics include: Question 1: What is the difference between adoption and foster care? (1:14) Question 2: How does private adoption differ from adoption...

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