

# the Children's Voice

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CELEBRATING **155** YEARS OF HOPE

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## OFFERING OF HOPE

for 5th Sunday



Bringing Hope to Children Since 1871



# From the President's Desk

by Julie Hager Love,  
President/CEO

There are moments in our work with children, youth and families who have experienced abuse, neglect and trauma that shines a light on the privilege that God gives us to participate in this ministry. Let me share one of these moments.

A few years ago, we had the honor of caring for a young lady—I'll call her Anna. In the weeks leading up to her birthday, Anna walked around campus with her wish list of gifts. She would add some, scratch out others, she was working on it intently.

Anna's birthday arrived, and as promised, she had a special cake and the gifts from her list. When one of our staff asked her "what is your favorite birthday memory?" she said, "this one, this one".

Anna's story is typical of children and youth who have experienced trauma, neglect and abuse—they might never have had a celebration of their birthday or other milestones. At your Kentucky United Methodist Children's Homes, we make a point to celebrate them every chance we can.

In this issue you'll find our 2025 annual report, which gives an overview of how you made an impact last year. You were part of helping 2,486 children experience God's love.

2,486 youth learned they were worthy of celebrating. It all happened thanks to you!

Thank you for being part of our ministry. We share with our youth that someone, who doesn't know them, cares enough about them to pray, to donate, to volunteer, to make a homemade quilt that they can keep forever. Thank you for being part of this village that says to children from Kentucky and around the world that they are children of God and persons of worth.

*Julie Hager Love*

## the Children's Voice

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**Our Mission**  
To serve Christ by providing for the physical, emotional, educational and spiritual needs of children and families.

**Our Belief**  
We believe every individual is an individual of worth, entitled to God's gift of wholeness of life.

We serve persons regardless of race, ethnicity, economic status, sex or religion.



# Celebrating Carla Barr's 40th anniversary of employment

Kentucky United Methodist Children's Homes was blessed to celebrate Carla Barr's 40th anniversary of employment on June 3, 2025.

"There have been a lot of changes over the years," says Carla, "There have been times that I wondered how long I would actually really stay. But here I am still, and I have not ever regretted my choice to stay."

In June of 1986, she was first hired at Mary Kendall as a house parent caring for youth. Then she was promoted in 1989 as a supervisor.

In September of 1994, Carla was promoted to the Mary Kendall Campus Director. For 23 years, she led Mary Kendall's programs and services, making an impact on the Owensboro community.

Then in 2017, she became the Executive Vice President of Compliance and Quality Management, a role she still holds today.

"I love my job!" says Carla, "I have never really thought of it as a job...but

something I get to do every day."

**"It is impossible to imagine KyUMH without thinking of Carla,"** says Robin Campbell, Vice President of Finance and Human Resources. "Through her dedication, wisdom, and hard work has helped shape KyUMH into an agency that continually grows and improves. The success and reputation of KyUMH today are due in no small part to Carla's work and dedication over the years."

***"I love my job! I have never really thought of it as a job... but something I get to do every day."***

"Carla has been a steady presence at KyUMH for an amazing 40 years! Her

knowledge, experience, and impact can be felt everywhere," says Barbie Estes, Executive Director of Programs & Services at Mary Kendall. **"We're so thankful for the leadership and guidance she brings,** along with the fun and energy she adds to everything she does."

"Carla has been an asset to KyUMH and the mission," says Roy Hicks, Director of Operations at Mary Kendall. "She has made a difference in the lives of many children and staff either directly or indirectly through her leadership. **Forty years in this field takes a very special person."**

On June 18, we held a special reception to celebrate Carla. The day was full of reminiscing and laughter. We planted a tree on campus to commemorate Carla's legacy of compassion and dedication.



In the group photo above, Carla stands with employees who are under the age of 40. They weren't born when she started working with us!

# Spring Events

**1-3** We were grateful to welcome **West End UMC** youth group and **Adventure Serve Ministries** to our Nicholasville Campus for a day of service and learning. They helped us create a visual of 2,486 felt chains connected together to represent the number of youth we served in 2025!

They also toured our Residential Treatment program and got a glimpse into what daily life looks like for a young person in foster care when they arrive on campus. Additionally, they wrote encouraging notes to the youth we serve as well as our staff. When youth show up for youth, it creates compassion and hope for the future.



**4-6** Melinda Ryles-Smith has established a legacy of compassionate leadership, an unwavering heart for others, and a strong dedication for children and families. Many people came to celebrate Melinda Ryles-Smith's retirement and her passion for Kentucky's kids and families. Though she is retiring from her role as Vice President of Development, she will transition into her new role of Community Outreach and Leadership Coaching.



**7-9** From June 1-3, we joined our friends at the **Kentucky Annual Conference** of the **United Methodist Church**. We connected in fellowship and praised God for what He has done in Kentucky. We also celebrated our 155th birthday with cupcakes and party favors. We are so grateful for the churches and supporters over the years who have uplifted our ministry and played a part in bringing hope to Kentucky's children and families. Thank you to everyone from Kentucky Annual Conference who said "hi" to us.





# Love Multiplied: The Anderson Family's Adoption Story

by Carmen Clemente,  
Communications Specialist

Over the span of 8 years, the Andersons have adopted three of their children through our Mary Kendall Adoption Program.

Mindy and Daniel Anderson grew up in California and went to the same high school. Mindy moved to Kentucky for college, and after reconnecting after college, Daniel moved to Kentucky where they eventually got married.

**When they wanted to start a family, adoption had always been at the front of their minds.** Mindy grew up with half her cousins being adopted, so adoption was part of her norm.

Through family connections, they met Jeannie Howard, director of Kentucky United Methodist Children's Homes' Mary Kendall Adoption Program. Jeannie walks with adoptive families as they navigate the complex process of bringing a new member of their family home.

**When it came to the adoption process, "there were so many unknowns and questions,"** says Mindy, "[but we knew] God was going to help us through this."

The Andersons started their adoption journey in October 2015 and met their first son, Caleb, in February 2016.

Caleb was born in Arizona, five weeks early. He spent two weeks in the NICU. Mindy and Daniel traveled from Kentucky to Arizona to meet him.

**"I'll never forget walking in for Caleb and seeing this tiny little**

**guy.** He was being fed and they just handed him to me to continue feeding him. It was amazing," says Mindy.

**The Andersons decided to adopt for a second time in January 2019** and wanted to work with Jeannie once again. They were matched with a birth mother from Arizona in February and waited with expectation for their daughter to be born.

A few months later in May, the Andersons decided to take a road trip from Kentucky to Disneyland in California. **As they were driving through Arizona, they received a surprising phone call from Jeannie** — their daughter, Zoe, had been born early, and she was only a few hours away! By the end of the day, they were at the hospital to meet her.

Right when Mindy met Zoe, there was an "immediate love and protective side" that she felt for her new daughter. Zoe also spent a couple of weeks in the NICU, and the Andersons cancelled their vacation to be with her.

After a few years, they decided to adopt another child. This time, it took more patience to be matched. They started the adoption process in the summer of 2022 and their third child, Ryder, was born in Louisiana in May of 2023. **Because of the adoption laws in Louisiana, it would be months before they would finally bring Ryder home.**

Unlike Caleb and Zoe's adoptions, **Mindy and Daniel got to meet**

**Ryder's birth mother.**

"The love of the birth mom and the sacrifice she's giving you is humbling," says Mindy, **"You realize what gift you are getting."**

Jeannie was there every step of the way. Whenever Mindy and Daniel's family members from the west coast couldn't make it to adoption finalizations in court, **Jeannie was there as their family.**

"Jeannie was probably one of the greatest friendships that has come out of this over the last 10 years," says Mindy, "She is someone we really

admire and care for... I would almost adopt again just to spend more time with her."

Today, the Andersons live in Bowling Green, and life is chaotic in all the best possible ways. Caleb (10) is the protective older brother and is very active in school. Zoe (7) is feisty and is the perfect girl to be between two brothers. And even though they are not biologically related, Ryder (3) is the mix of both his siblings.

**"It wasn't an easy journey,"** says Mindy, "But I am so grateful we did it. **I would fill the paperwork all over again."**

Because of your support, Caleb, Zoe and Ryder have found a home full of love. As they grow up, no matter what challenges they face, they will always have each other.

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The Anderson family — Mindy, Zoe, Daniel, Ryder and Caleb.

# 2025 ANNUAL REPORT

## OUR MISSION

We serve Christ by providing for the physical, emotional, educational, and spiritual needs of children and families.

## OUR BELIEF

As a Christian service agency for children and families, we believe that every person is an individual of worth entitled to God's gift of wholeness of life.

## OUR VISION

The Kentucky United Methodist Children's Homes shall be a Christ-centered ministry of hope for the healing and wholeness of children and families.

## OUR VALUES

Christian Love  
Family Centered  
Embracing Diversity  
Quality Service  
Dedicated Teams  
Individual Empowerment  
Personal Respect

**2,486** **YOUTH AND FAMILIES SERVED IN 2025!**

**2,265** **COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES**

Youth and their families receive services in their homes, communities, or at KyUMH offices. They receive support including substance abuse recovery support, mental health therapy, case management, or home monitoring.

**102** **RESIDENTIAL SERVICES**

Youth ages 12-17 received safe housing and 24/7 holistic therapeutic intervention to heal from abuse, neglect and trauma.

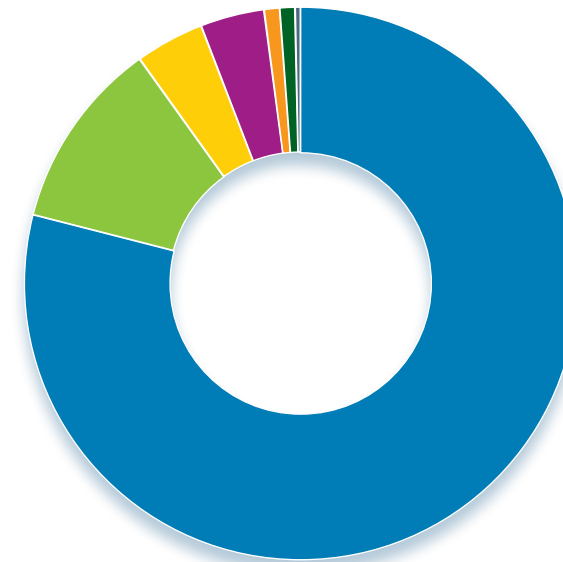
**99** **INDEPENDENT LIVING**

Young adults ages 17.5-21 received housing, counseling and life skills training as they transition from foster care into adulthood.

**20** **ADOPTION SERVICES**

Adoptive families received case management and home studies services.

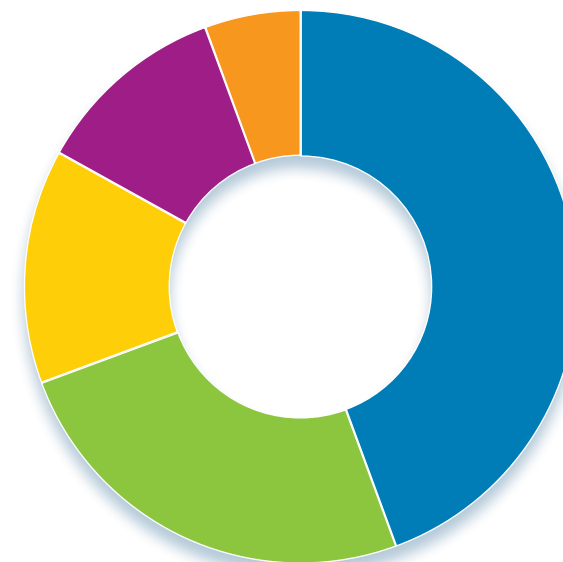
## FINANCIAL REPORT



### 2025 REVENUE

|                                  |               |
|----------------------------------|---------------|
| Programs and Services            | \$ 13,000,133 |
| Individual and Church Donations  | \$ 1,829,564  |
| Income from Investments          | \$ 650,439    |
| Non-Recurring Revenue            | \$ 592,363    |
| Trusts and Income from Trusts    | \$167,152     |
| Income from Endowment            | \$152,685     |
| Allocation from Restricted Funds | \$ 28,378     |

**\$ 16,420,714**



### 2025 EXPENSES

|                            |              |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Residential Program        | \$ 6,889,437 |
| Community Based Services   | \$ 3,923,123 |
| Administration and Support | \$ 2,083,617 |
| Independent Living Program | \$ 1,782,805 |
| Development                | \$ 884,627   |

**\$ 15,563,609**

# 2026 Legacy Gifts

## The power of a bequest

For 155 years, individuals through their wills have provided thousands of children with the opportunity to create better lives. By remembering The Methodist Home of Kentucky in your will, you leave a legacy transforming lives of young people with histories of abuse and neglect for years to come.

For more information on remembering KyUMH in your will, contact me Melissa Brown, Vice President of Advancement at (859) 523-3001 or [Melissa.brown@kyumh.org](mailto:Melissa.brown@kyumh.org).

On these pages are tributes to some wonderful people who remembered KyUMH in their wills. Their legacy of love will forever impact the lives of the children we serve.



**Elizabeth "Libby" Brumfield**  
May 19, 1938 - July 28, 2024 (age 86)

A native of Jessamine County, Libby graduated from Nicholasville High School, attended Eastern Kentucky University, and earned her BA degree from Transylvania University, and her MA degree from University of Kentucky. She began her career as an elementary teacher in the Walled Lake Michigan Schools, returning to teach for 30 years in the Fayette County Public Schools. One of her greatest joys was keeping contact with her former students who she considered "her children."

Libby was a member of several professional and Christian organizations, a long-time member of Lexington First Assembly of God, and for the last several years, a member of Centenary Methodist Church.

Libby proudly supported KyUMH for many years as a donor and volunteer. As an educator, she cared deeply about children receiving the support and stability they needed to have a hopeful future. Her generous bequest makes this possible for generations of Kentucky's youth.



**Margaret Alberta Harp**  
September 12, 1938 – April 6, 2024 (age 86)

Margaret was born on September 12, 1938, to the late Richard Lee and J. Margaret Hoagland of Louisville, Kentucky. She was a teacher for over 25 years at JCPS (Pilot Program). She was member of Prairie Village United Methodist Church. Margaret was a member of Kentucky and Jefferson County Retired Teachers Association.

Margaret faithfully cared for KyUMH youth for decades as a donor and member of the friends of the children group. We are grateful for her legacy of love for Kentucky's children.



**Tracine Owens**  
November 17, 1923 – April 10, 2024 (age 100)

Tracine Virginia Hall Owens passion for KyUMH came from her own life experience. During the Great Depression, her father passed away, leaving behind his wife and six children. Despite Tracine's mother's tireless efforts and determination to keep her family together, she sent Tracine to live with extended family out of financial necessity.

The pastor of Kerr Memorial UMC in Bowling Green learned of the family's circumstances. The church helped provide more consistent support and income, ensuring Tracine and her siblings were reunited under their mother's care. That act of compassion left a permanent mark on Tracine's heart.

Tracine later graduated from Bowling Green High School and retired from Sears and Roebuck from the Catalogue Department. She was a faithful member of Kerry Memorial UMC, Faith UMC, and First Christian Church.

Until the end of her life, Tracine believed that everyone is part of God's family and that every child deserves a safe and loving home. Her bequest to KyUMH was a final act of love, intended to help Kentucky children find stability and belonging, just as she once did.



**Christine Ramsey**  
August 28, 1929 - February 15, 2025 (age 95)

Christine graduated from Irvington High School in 1947 and taught for three years before marrying Egbert Ramsey in 1948. They moved to Brandenburg in 1954, where they opened a Dairy Freeze franchise that became the Brandenburg Freezette. After Egbert's death in 1965, she earned her teaching certificate while raising three children. She returned to teaching in 1971, retiring in 1995. Christine also pursued higher education, achieving multiple teaching certifications.

A lifelong Methodist, Christine was deeply involved in the Brandenburg United Methodist Church, teaching Sunday school, volunteering for Red Cross blood drives, and supporting the church in various ways. She and her husband were well-loved in the community, and their contributions, particularly Egbert's little league coaching and the naming of Ramsey Field, left a lasting legacy in Brandenburg. After retiring, Christine traveled and worked at the Grand Canyon.

Christine gave faithfully to care for the youth of KyUMH. Her bequest leaves a legacy of hope and healing for generations to come.



**Albert C. Savage, Jr**  
October 2, 1928 – May 15, 2019 (age 90)

Albert Savage Jr was the first-born son in his family, born and raised in Mason County, Kentucky. Al leaves a legacy of caring for others as a teacher, pastor, father, and farmer.

After leaving his father's agricultural farm, he earned a teaching degree from Asbury College. He was a P.E. teacher at Asbury College, and later taught 4th grade in Yorkville public school. Al then attended the Candler School of Theology at Emory University, where he was an assistant speech instructor during his last year.

Al was the chaplain of the Civil Air Patrol for 18 years in the KY Wing Chapter and retired a Lt. Colonel in 1996. He served as an avid volunteer with Habitat for Humanity for 15 years, and completed missionary work to build homes and schools in Haiti and Belize. During his free time, he was a tree farmer and a beekeeper.

Al accomplished this all while working full time in 27 pastoral appointments in the United Methodist Church in Pennsylvania and Kentucky from 1949 -1991. When he retired, he moved back to the family farm in Nicholasville, Kentucky, where he continued to grow more trees and provide housing to Seminary students from all over the world.

We are grateful for Al's ministry and legacy. His bequest to KyUMH will ensure future generations of Kentucky youth are offered the hope and future they deserve.

# DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT

Double your donation to KyUMH through employer matching gifts!

Many companies match donations their employees make to nonprofits like KyUMH. That means your gift could go twice as far in supporting children, youth, and families across Kentucky.



Get started at

[kyumh.org/donate/employer-matching](https://kyumh.org/donate/employer-matching)

Questions?

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## OUR WISH LIST

Boxers (adult sizes, S-XL)

Low to mid-calf athletic socks

Slides sandals (adult men's sizes 8-10)

Plain white t-shirts (adult sizes, S-XL)

Long-sleeved shirts, hoodies, and winter coats (adult sizes, all sizes)

For our full wish list, visit [kyumh.org](https://kyumh.org)



# MEMORIAL GIFTS

April 1, 2026 - June 30, 2026

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HEAVEN

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Mr. Jared Mattingly

**Peter Deaton Cross**  
Mrs. Diana Deaton

HONOR GIFTS

April 1, 2026 - June 30, 2026

**Antioch United Methodist Church**  
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**Timothy Brass**  
Rev. Doug & Nancy Stilwell

**Terry Ray Carpenter**  
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