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Because of you, Riley has found stability.

Living in foster care, she moved from home to home.

As a result, **Riley never trusted she could put down roots in one place, so she always left her belongings packed.**

When Riley turned 18 and aged out of foster care, she tried living on her own. After a few months, she wanted more support.

She came to our Independent Living Program, but not without her doubts. "I kind of was expecting to just leave," she admits. "I had very little faith."

After a few days, we noticed something — **Riley still hadn't unpacked her boxes.**

Nevertheless, we continued to care for and support her. She was able to set long-term goals for herself and work through her mental health challenges.

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She realized that the people surrounding her genuinely cared about her and wanted to see her succeed. **"KyUMH is very different than other agencies I have been with," says Riley.** "It's nice to know that there's always a person to call. Not many people are like that."

After about two months with us, Riley unpacked all of her boxes!

The consistent support she found at KyUMH helped her recognize that putting down roots isn't all bad.

"I know it sounds simple, but I am proud of staying in one place," says Riley, "And just giving calmness a chance."

Today, she is working a part-time job and is enrolled in community college. She loves to read and crochet. She hopes to one day become a travel nurse and help others.

Please give today to help more young people like Riley receive life-changing care across Kentucky.

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