



This year, we all need family more than ever.

Very little has stayed the same in 2020. Yet as we've adapted and adjusted to a new normal, at least one thing has remained constant: youth in foster care are still looking for adoptive families. At Northwest Adoption Exchange, we have not wavered in our mission to find every child who needs one, the adoptive family they deserve. And this year, as isolation and distance have become more familiar to us all, our mission resonates more deeply than ever.



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This holiday season, will you give to Northwest Adoption Exchange so that more youth in foster care can find adoptive families?



Over the course of this year, we have been inspired again and again by youth in foster care who want to make their voices heard. Even in the midst of a pandemic, they embody a courageous, steadfast resolve to finding the support and commitment of a future adoptive family. We see it every day: a fourteen-year-old artist proudly showing her sketchbook to the laptop camera, a thirteen-year-old detailing his dreams of being a paleontologist, or a teenage chef holding an iPhone over the stove to capture their cooking tutorial video just right. These youth desire to speak directly to potential adoptive families – through zoom calls, through phone calls, or any other remote way we can imagine with them.

At www.nwae.org, we are sharing the portraits of these youth so that we can find them the adoptive families they're looking for. Our In-Depth Profiles specifically put the storytelling power in the hands of youth, so they can best represent themselves. You can visit our website and help us share their message. It's on all of us to ensure their stories reach as far and as wide as possible.

Your year-end gift makes a huge difference for a child who is looking for, and deserves, an adoptive family. Be well, be safe – and consider being a champion for youth in foster care this year.

With immense gratitude,