

# - NEWSLETTER -



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**Progress** – Our supportive living initiative, BelongKC, is underway and progressing nicely! We currently have a 3.2 Acre m/l tract **under contract!!!** It is located in the highly desirable Olathe Ridgeview Corridor at 11501 South Ridgeview Road - a fantastic location!

This land acquisition is a monumental step in the timeline of getting this project built and ready for occupancy - our young adults are READY TO LIVE MORE INDEPENDENTLY! We are forming our fundraising committee and invite YOU to be part of this innovative and critically-needed project, *first of its kind in the State of Kansas!* 

Please join us: https://belongkc.org/contact-us/



There's a fundamental truth that gives us hope - that together we can do extraordinary things - <u>together</u>. Scan to learn more about BelongKC.

### STUDENT SPOTLIGHT - KYLA MURPHY -



Congratulations to PawsAbilities student Kyla!

Kyla has been awarded the Magic Maker of the Month at her job at Old Navy. Kyla has been praised for her attention to detail, her ability to work independently, and her bright personality of course!

We are so proud of Kyla and how far she has come at her job. Keep up the amazing work!

Annual Report

Our 2022 Annual Report has just been released! Please take a moment today to read about our key achievements in the last financial year, our progress and the impact.

Enjoy Our Annual Report

**Looking for ways to help? Here are a few:** You can use the Donate button below, or donate through any number of places including United Way, National Christian Foundation, and the Greater KC Community Foundation. Don't forget those dollars sitting in your Donor Advised Charitable fund, and be sure to ask if your company matches their employees' donations. Click here to give today!

WELCOME



**Have you heard?** Our Welcome Center for Volunteers and Guests has been newly furnished by the Furniture Mall of Kansas in Olathe - they generously donated & delivered several pieces to help complete the space and our students are thrilled. Keep an eye out for the date of our Open House!





**Be Our Guest!** Usin us for our Inclusion Connections theater production on Saturday May 13th at Indian Trails Middle School. Our students have been working hard over the past few months to present you a musical review of Beauty & The Beast. Come, celebrate and support their hard work - the show starts at 7 pm. **Purchase your tickets** <u>HERE</u>!

Please consider donating to our costumes and props to make this event successful for our students! Our amazon wishlist is linked below.

**Donate to Our Amazon Wishlist** 

Olathe Chamber Coffee + Kippon Culling

Join Us! This Thursday at 9am we will host the Olathe Chamber Coffee - the largest weekly networking event in the Kansas City metro area held weekly at different businesses and organizations. This is free to attend, drinks & snacks will be provided by our neighbors - Sweet Tee's Coffee Shop.

At 10am we will kick-off our new **Transition Academy** with its very own ribbon cutting. This expansion of the Learning Center is focused on preparing young adults for independent living at **BelongKC.** We hope to see you there!

### **P**<sup>\*</sup>wsAbilities

Spring is here and we have already had our first few pop-ups for 2023. Come see us this weekend at the Spring Chick Event - May 6th and 7th - Town Center Plaza.

Also, you can still schedule a <u>PawsAbilities Mobile Popup</u> visit at your workplace! We bring Paws products to your office to make it easy for your coworkers to do their shopping and support our employment program at the same time.

Contact Events@ickc.org TODAY to get on our calendar!

Don't forget the Olathe PawsAbilities retail store is open Monday through Friday from 9am to 5pm to visit, tour & get your treats. We would love to see you!



## - INDIVIDUAL & GROUP -

PawsAblities products are selling like wildfire! Please email Volunteers@ickc.org\_to schedule your individual or group volunteer day.

Thank you so much to all the volunteers who have already visited us these past few months. We appreciate your time and support!



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