

# 2023 Annual Report

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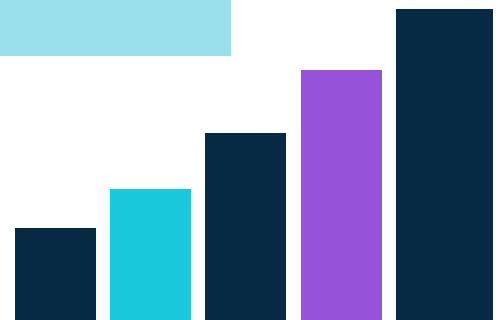
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# About Chosen

Chosen, Inc. ("Chosen") is a SE Wisconsin non-profit fostering and adoption support ministry, that exists to Foster Forever Families, by living the Gospel, so that all children can have a safe and loving home.

From our co-founders to our volunteers to our Board members, we bring a variety of experience, talent, and faith to serve our Chosen families. Many involved with Chosen have a personal connection with fostering and/or adoption and personally understand the unique issues that our families face.

As a Christian ministry/non-profit, we bring the hope of Jesus into all areas of Chosen and provide an open and inviting atmosphere welcoming all foster, adoptive, and kinship families to join us and allow us to journey with them.





# Vision, Mission And Focus

## Vision

Showing the love of Christ by growing a community to support foster and adoptive families through events, education, and networking.

## Mission

Chosen exists to Foster Forever Families, by living the Gospel, so that all children can have a safe and loving home.

## Focus

**Support:** Chosen supports foster/adoptive families physically, emotionally, spiritually, and financially.

**Education:** Chosen educates the surrounding community about foster care and adoption issues and raises awareness that many more families are needed to care for vulnerable children.

**Community:** Outreaches provide foster/adoptive families an opportunity to be involved in the community with others sharing common experiences.



# 2023 Highlights

## FEBRUARY



### Gala

Roaring Twenties was the 2023 Open Hearts, Open Homes Gala theme held at Davians. The evening included great food, photo ops, auctions, raffles, Spin to Win, and heart-warming stories. A great celebration!

## SEPTEMBER



### Walk

Walk on the Wild Side for Foster Care took place at the Milwaukee Zoo. Fun was in abundance for those who helped to raise foster care awareness.

## JULY



### Family Carnival

75 people gathered at Waukesha Bible Church for an afternoon of fun, games, food, fellowship and an RC plane show.

## AUGUST



### Vacation Bible School

Epikos Church partnered with Chosen for our 2023 VBS. 25+ kids learned about the love of Christ in a lively fun-filled day while giving parents a breather for a few hours!

## DECEMBER

2023 was a record-breaking Toypalooza, our largest yet! 300 attended this beloved annual event at Big Back Yard. 650 pieces of winter gear and 315 toys were gifted to 89 families!



### Toypalooza



# Historical Impact

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- 60,000 kid's items gifted
- 1,385 kids in care impacted
- 650 families/agencies served
- 650 loaded backpacks distributed
- 110+ pieces of equipment/gift cards matched to families
- Families in 13 SE Wisconsin counties reached

**WISCONSIN KIDS  
IN FOSTER CARE**


**7,000+**

**CHOSEN NEEDS TO  
REACH MORE FAMILIES**

# Impact Quotes



“Thank you so much!  
You are our angel”  
-Susan



“YOU ARE SUCH A BLESSING.  
SERIOUSLY DON'T KNOW WHAT  
I'D DO WITHOUT YOUR  
CONSTANT REMINDER  
POINTING ME BACK TO CHRIST”


*Kristin R*

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“Thank you very  
much for servicing  
a beautiful community  
of people extending  
their home, love, and  
compassion to the  
children in  
need”  
-SASHA

WHAT ARE  
PEOPLE SAYING?



★ ★ ★ ★ ★

“Chosen is filled with people who love God  
and love others. Chosen's care in  
supporting foster and adoptive families is  
amplified in all they do”

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# 2023 Giving Snapshots

**\$90,000+**

**GRANTS/SPONSORSHIP  
AWARDS**

**35**

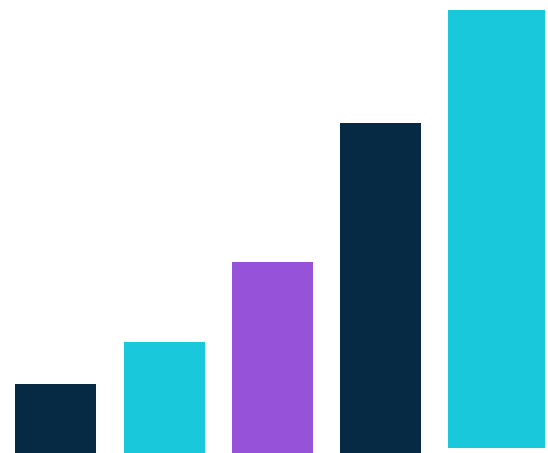
**MONTHLY DONOR  
PARTNERS**

**182**

**TOTAL DONORS**

**\$308**

**AVERAGE DONATION**





# **You are a Chosen Image Maker**

**You have impacted families with  
vulnerable children in their care.**

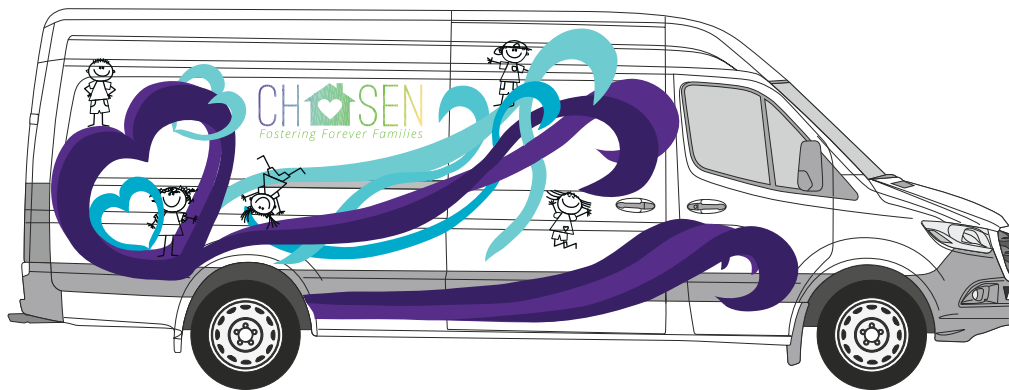
- You replaced 3 car seats for an adoptive mom who was the victim of theft.
- You bought dance shoes for a foster child who took dance lessons.
- You bought Christmas gifts and a meal for a family with a child going through cancer treatment.
- You purchased work boots for a foster teen in equine therapy.
- You bought 2 highchairs for twins in foster care.

**Thank You**





# Introducing The Mobile Family Closet



Amalie Bowling, Chosen's Executive Director and Co-founder, came up with the idea of a Mobile Family Closet. The idea is to reach more families by partnering with churches, foster care agencies, and other organizations, allowing us to be the hands and feet of Christ in a deeper way.

In 2024 focus groups will discuss the concept, its viability, and next steps. We welcome the support and feedback of all who want to engage!



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