



Foster Care Closet
of Nebraska

Foster Care Closet 2025 Annual Report

Restoring Dignity to Youth in Crisis



2025 IMPACT 1,924
Youth Served

MOMENTS

"It helps me feel calm." — A youth at our closet, receiving a diamond art kit along with his clothes.

We listen to the child, not just the case file.



Statewide Reach

- Lincoln: 220
- Norfolk: 168
- Grand Island: 141
- Kearney: 104
- Scottsbluff: 100
- North Platte: 94
- Omaha: 62
- Sidney: 53
- Winnebago: 32
- Fremont: 22

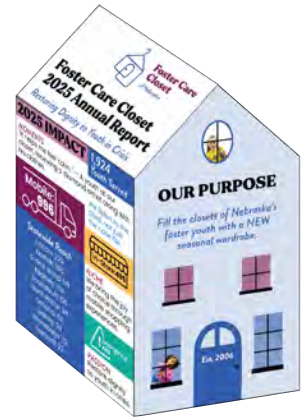
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We bring the joy of choice through mobile shopping experiences.



PASSION

Restore dignity to youth in crisis.

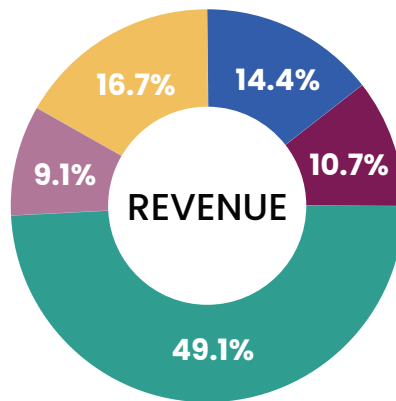


Original Mailer Format: Mailed flat and designed to be cut, folded, and taped together to form a 3D house.

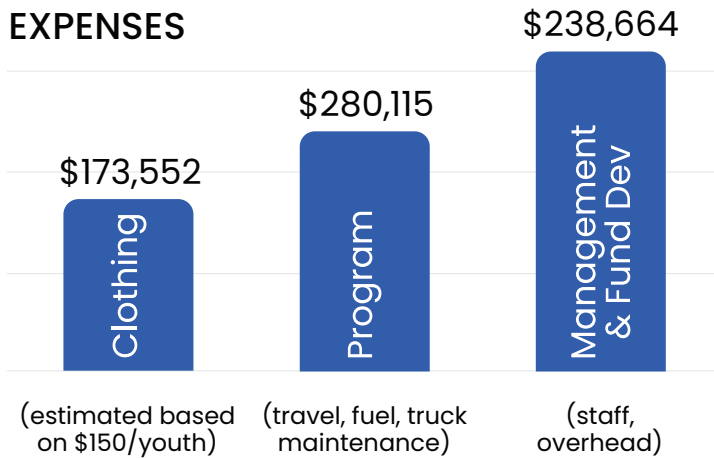


2025 FINANCIALS

- 14.4%** Individual Donations
- 10.7%** Corporate Donations
- 49.1%** State or Federal Grants
- 9.1%** Foundation Grants
- 16.7%** Events



EXPENSES





LEADERSHIP & LEGACY

From the Founder, Leigh Esau

"This year, we faced a major funding cut. We lost our state contract, but not our purpose. I am a product of the foster care system; I know the system changes, but a child's needs do not. We are unyielding. We went mobile. We stayed in the fight."

From the Executive Director, Tim Balzer

"2025 was a year of resilience. We transitioned fully to a mobile model to ensure geography doesn't dictate dignity. Serving 1,924 youth proves our community is stronger than any contract."

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