



FOSTERING  
connections



NOW OPEN

1ST SATURDAY  
OF THE MONTH  
10AM - 2PM



### WORD FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

*The year 2020 was one we will never forget. It included the good, bad, ugly, tragedies, and the constant pivoting. For those whose lives forever changed and were affected by the events of last year, our thoughts and sympathies go out to you.*

*As an organization, we were required to change the way we operated, the families we serve for some of our programs, and even underwent a complete rebranding. However, we never lost sight of our mission and our commitment to serve children in foster care in Tulsa and surrounding counties.*

*We will be forever grateful to you, our families and supporters, for standing by our side as we weathered through 2020 and made adjustments as needed. The need to support our children is even greater than ever as the pandemic has affected not only the children directly, but the families who provide for them. When working with our children, my mantra has become "love wholly, care deeply, and nourish richly".*

*We are almost half-way through 2021 and focusing on national foster care awareness month during May. Although our children need your support year-round, please follow us on social media for all our activities and events throughout this month as we are always striving to raise funds and awareness for our most vulnerable children.*

*Thank you for being loyal and supporting our mission in whatever way you can.*

*Forever connecting hearts,  
Chris Siemens, Executive Director*

### MARCH 2021 DATA

**Children Served:**  
**227**

**New Children:**  
**29**

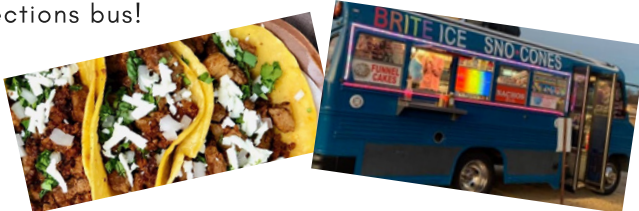
**Donations in:**  
**2210 lbs**

**Donations out:**  
**1153 lbs**

### SATURDAY, MAY 1ST FOOD TRUCKS AND FUN!



Join us this Saturday, May 1st from 10am-2pm for our first, 1st Saturday of the Month! Current Foster Parents and children in foster care will get free tacos and sno cones, to say "We appreciate you"! Come see our brand new Mobile Connections bus!



### RIBBON CUTTING! MAY 4TH



#### Facebook LIVE Event

Tuesday, May 4th at 8:30am

Officially launching "Mobile Connections"  
Hosted by the Tulsa Regional Chamber.  
You may even get a chance to see some  
cosplay characters from OK 501!



Emily is a Sr. Manager for Consumer Product Messaging at Cox. She began as a board intern through Leadership Tulsa in 2018, and became a member of the Fostering Connections board later that year. Emily is passionate about improving the lives of Oklahomans. Her hobbies include serving the community, gardening, singing on road trips, trying new foods, and spending time with her family.

### BOARD SPOTLIGHT: EMILY BRANDENBURG

*"I love Fostering Connections because foster families are so deserving of the community's support! That support plays an important role in growing and retaining foster families."*