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Foster Care Alumni of America Establishes Tennessee Chapter

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Washington, DC —“Foster Care Alumni of America, the only national association for adults who experienced foster care as children, is proud to announce the establishment of a Tennessee Chapter. This Chapter will be a critical resource as Tennessee struggles to meet the needs of children and youth in foster care at a time of budget cutbacks and economic stress” stated Misty Stenslie, Deputy Director of Foster Care Alumni of America.

“The mission of Foster Care Alumni of America is to connect the alumni community and to transform policy and practice, ensuring opportunity for people in and from foster care,” explained Joshua Conner, President of the newly established Tennessee Chapter. “To provide healing and connection for those whose lives have been directly affected, we are working to establish support groups in every county,” Conner explained. “Our own individual healing is not enough,” Conner added. “We are also organizing a state-wide network of activists committed to making foster care a priority for state and local officials, community leaders and individuals.”

“This new chapter comes at a critical time, because the government alone cannot solve this problem. Despite the efforts of reform-minded administrators, too many foster children are shuffled from one placement to another. In Tennessee alone over 400 youth each year “age out” without adoption or reunification.

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