



September 2016

## *Who is your Superhero?*

### *Morrison staff get silly!*

On August 11, 2016, team members from all of Morrison's programs united to celebrate each other at the 9th Annual Employee Appreciation and 2nd Annual Sanctuary Kickoff event themed, "Who is Your Superhero?"

Dressed in costumes inspired by their favorite heroes, employees learned about the Sanctuary Model's successes from Year One (441 employees trained) of the three-year launch, plans for Year Two, and additional information about Morrison's programs and subcommittees. They also recognized each other with the CEO Award, the staff-nominated Stephen Blair Awards, the Equity Advisory Committee Awards, and the Longevity Awards.



A photobooth, youth art, and superhero-themed party favors rounded out the fun for one of the most successful events in recent memory. To view more photos of staff costumes and fun, click [here](#). The annual event is put on by Executive Leadership and funded by board donations.



## Foster Joy

If you understand that every child needs stability, comfort and love and if you enjoy the satisfaction that comes from helping a child move from a life of adversity and trauma to one filled with joy and possibility, consider being a foster parent.

Morrison supports our foster parents every step of the way. With our training program and ongoing consultation, we ensure that you and your foster child have every chance to succeed.

To learn more, contact Morrison Child and Family Services at 503-258-4200 or [morrisonkids.org](http://morrisonkids.org).

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## *Christopher's Journey*

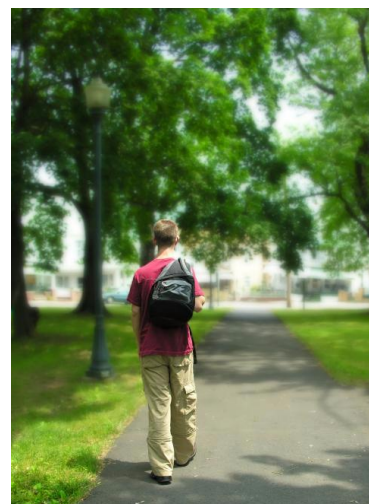
### Become a Foster Parent

For as long as he could remember, Christopher experienced a life of poverty, abuse, and neglect. Constantly existing in survival mode, he never knew a real sense of safety. As a way to deal with his anger and sadness, he abused alcohol and his younger cousins, which ultimately resulted in his incarceration.

When he arrived at Morrison's Counterpoint Day Treatment program, he expected to intimidate those in his new surroundings. Over time, Christopher learned appropriate social and coping skills. He learned that by voicing his feelings and opinions, he could actively participate in his treatment.

Over time, Christopher was able to be vulnerable and express empathy for others, something that was not done for him as a child. He is on a path to beat the statistics for youth who have served time, actively driving his own transformation.

Participate in youth like Christopher's journey by becoming a foster parent. For more information contact us at 503.542.4011 or [info@fosterfamilycarenetwork.org](mailto:info@fosterfamilycarenetwork.org).



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## Our Mission

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