

**SevenDays**<sup>®</sup>  
MAKE A RIPPLE, CHANGE THE WORLD

# Ripples OF Kindness

BREAKFAST

THURSDAY,  
APRIL 23, 2026  
7:30 - 9:15 A.M.

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Resurrection,  
A United Methodist  
Church,  
The Foundry

## About the Organization

Born from tragedy, SevenDays® was created in response to the devastating loss of three lives to hate in April 2014. In the face of darkness, two families and the Kansas City community came together to inspire kindness, civil dialogue, education and human connections. Through responsibility, resilience and respect SevenDays® empowers individuals—especially youth—to promote kindness and understanding. Guided by our mission to overcome hate, we strive to create ripples of change that foster a better, kinder world.

Our vision is simple: Make a Ripple to Change the World by Connecting Communities. Through initiatives in youth development, interfaith dialogue, lifelong learning, and well-being practices, we promote a world where division is overcome by kindness.

## Why We Gather Each Year

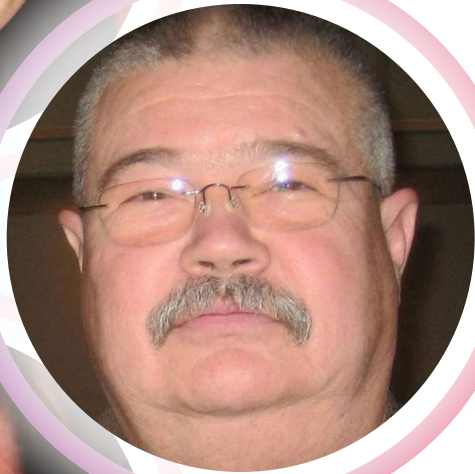
SevenDays is more than an organization—it is a movement, a platform for kindness, understanding, and unity. Through education and meaningful connections, we inspire individuals to embrace kindness as a way of life.

At the heart of our mission is the Kindness Youth Leadership Team (KYLT), where we mentor and empower young leaders to create lasting change in their communities. Kindness knows no boundaries and we honor those who independently cultivate compassion and positivity through our Kindness Action Scholarships, Art Competition and Ripple of Kindness awards. By holding space for these changemakers, we recognize and amplify their impact, ensuring that kindness continues to ripple outward, shaping a more understanding and inclusive world.

Together, we've established a movement and are building a legacy.

## Remembering Our Why

Each year, we gather to remember the lives lost on April 13, 2014, honoring their legacy by turning tragedy into a commitment to kindness. By coming together, we not only pay tribute to those we lost but also strengthen our resolve to build a more understanding and united community—starting with one another.





# Ripples of Kindness

## BREAKFAST

**Featuring:** Kelly Eckerman and Lara Moritz – KMBC 9 News Anchors

**7:30 a.m. Breakfast and Networking**

**8:00 a.m. Program**

**Welcome**

**Blessing** *Pastor Cheryl Jefferson Bell*

**Kindness Youth Leaders**

**SevenDays Story**

**Mindy Corporon** *Co-Founder SevenDays*

**Kindness Youth Leaders**

**Barbara Unell** *Honorary Chair*

**Ripple of Kindness Honorees**

**Musical guest** *Barnaby Bright*

**Themed Art Winner Recognition**

**Kindness Action Scholarship Recognition**

**Kindness Youth Leaders**

**Jill Andersen** *Director of Youth Engagement*

**Closing**

**Musical Presentation** *Blue Valley HS Show Choir*

**Thank you for celebrating kindness with us!  
Now is your moment! Choose kindness, take action  
and Give SevenDays!**

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# Building stronger communities through kindness.

At CommunityAmerica, we believe small acts can spark powerful change. That's why we're proud to support **SevenDays** in promoting kindness, education, and dialogue to bridge differences and build understanding.

Together, we can turn everyday moments into something meaningful.



# Thank You Barbara Unell

RIPPLES OF KINDNESS BREAKFAST CHAIR

We're honored for Barbara Unell to chair the 2026 Ripples of Kindness Breakfast. A devoted mother and grandmother, Barbara has embodied kindness throughout her life as an entrepreneur, author, adjunct professor and nationally respected parenting and health educator. She founded the annual Kindest Kansas Citian Essay Contest and Awards Celebration, now in its 36th year, in which over 200,000 kindergarten through high school students from across the region have expressed how the kind words and actions of the adults they nominate for this Award have made an enduring, positive impact on their lives. Barbara is known for her ability to turn science into hope-filled, actionable solutions. Her leadership of the 2026 Breakfast for SevenDays reflects a lifelong commitment to community, learning, and creating systems that help people and families thrive.



Lamar Advertising is happy  
to spotlight the work of kindness  
and SevenDays.



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in their mission  
to make a ripple  
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# 2026 Ripple of Kindness WINNERS



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Big Sonia and so much more

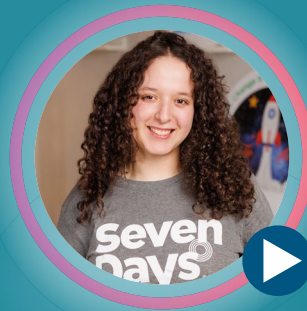
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# Kindness Scholarship WINNERS



**AKSHAT AGARWAL**

Olathe Northwest  
Cranes of Care



**LAMIS HAMANI**

Olathe East High School  
Kindness Across Borders



**AUDREY JENNINGS**

Shawnee Mission West  
The Dot Spot



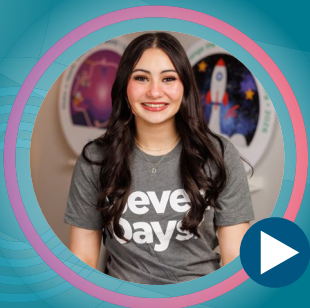
**ABHINAV KAMBHAMPATI**

Blue Valley North  
A Soundtrack of a Lifetime



**LIZ NOEL**

Lees Summit West  
Eye See You



**ERIN RUDER**

Hays High School  
Beyond Awareness: Building a Kinder, Stronger  
Community Through Mental Health Advocacy

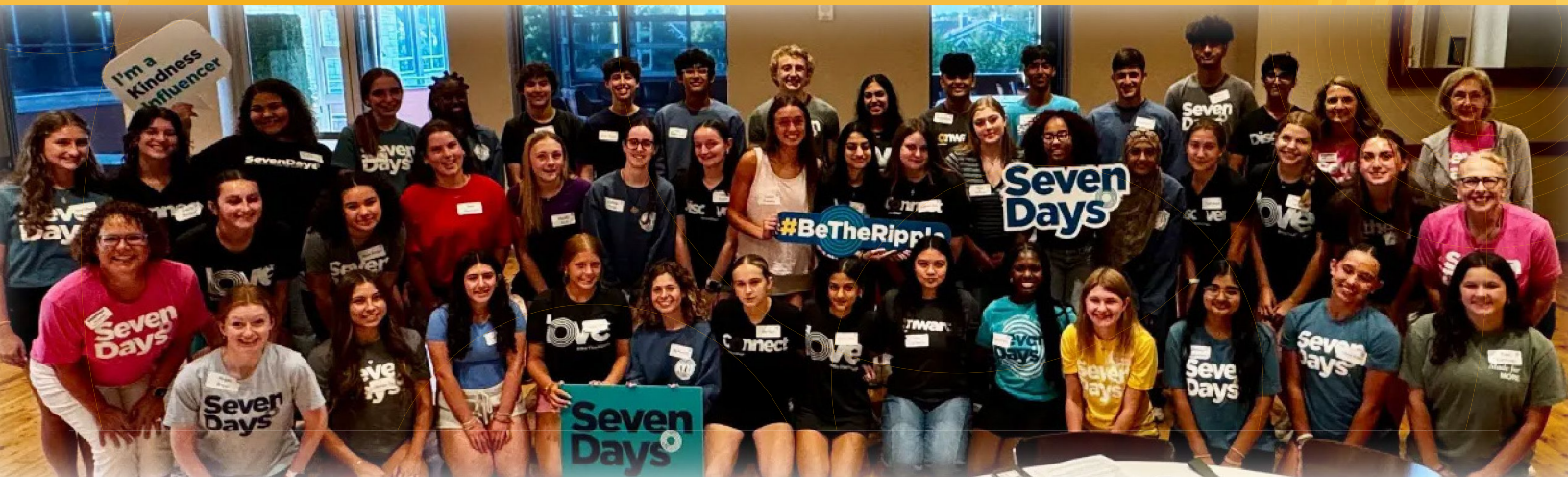


**BROOKLYNN ZERR**

Louisburg High School  
Project Helping Hand

**2026**

# Kindness Youth Leadership Team



Chosen through an application process to participate in a year-long mentoring program, the Kindness Youth Leadership Team (KYLT) is a select group of high school students from across the Kansas City area. As dedicated kindness influencers, they actively engage in learning, leadership development, and community outreach. Through their commitment, KYLT members create a culture where kindness is a way of life.

## Meet This Year's KYLT Students

**Nyah Akright**

9th grade, Notre Dame de Sion High School

**Shreyas Amireddy**

10th grade, Blue Valley West High School

**Ashley Ardon**

12th grade, Shawnee Mission South High School

**Grant Aschentrop**

10th grade, Blue Valley High School

**Megan Briggs**

12th grade, Blue Valley High School

**Kate Carmody**

11th grade, St. James Academy

**Kayla Chege**

10th grade, Shawnee Mission Northwest High School

**Bea Colbert**

12th grade, Pembroke Hill School

**Djenabou Diallo**

12th grade, Raytown South High School

**Shreela Duggempudi**

12th grade, Blue Valley West High School

**MC Dunn**

12th grade, Bishop Miege High School

**Kathryn Forge**

12th grade, Saint Thomas Aquinas High School

**Lauren Freberg**

12th grade, Blue Valley North High School

**Dani Glickman**

11th grade, Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy

**Riley Hanks**

12th grade, Raytown South High School

**Teah Heald**

12th grade, Olathe Northwest High School

## Meet This Year's KYLT Students *(continued)*

### Ellery Hoffman

11th grade, Lincoln College Preparatory Academy

### Saket Jagannath

12th grade, Blue Valley Southwest High School

### Lorraine Jay

11th grade, Lincoln College Preparatory Academy

### Michael Jiang

11th grade, Blue Valley West High School

### Varun Kabra

10th grade, Blue Valley North High School

### Kat Kalic

11th grade, West Platte High School

### Abhi Kambhampati

12th grade, Blue Valley North High School

### Maddie Koch

11th grade, Blue Valley North High School

### Caitlyn Kratofil

12th grade, Saint Thomas Aquinas High School

### Anjali Krishnakumar

11th grade, Olathe North High School

### Mia Mondry

12th grade, Blue Valley High School

### Devamayi Nair

12th grade, Olathe North High School

### Sophia Naronov

12th grade, Blue Valley North High School

### Emerson Oberle

11th grade, Olathe East High School

### Merrill Patt

12th grade, Notre Dame de Sion High School

### Maeve Riley

12th grade, Notre Dame de Sion High School

### Sami Sandler

12th grade, Blue Valley High School

### Aarav Shah

11th grade, Blue Valley West High School

### Nishi Shah

12th grade, Olathe North High School

### Shriya Shah

11th grade, Blue Valley Northwest High School

### Claire Solis

11th grade, St. Teresa's Academy

### Lucy Souan

10th grade, Notre Dame de Sion High School

### Drew Squire

11th grade, Blue Valley North High School

### Jonah Stein

12th grade, Blue Valley North High School

### Leora Stein

9th grade, Blue Valley North High School

### Hannah Storey

11th grade, Bishop Miege High School

### Erica Strathman

12th grade, Saint Thomas Aquinas High School

### Amaya Thi

11th grade, Shawnee Mission North High School

### Leia Thomas

10th grade, Olathe East High School

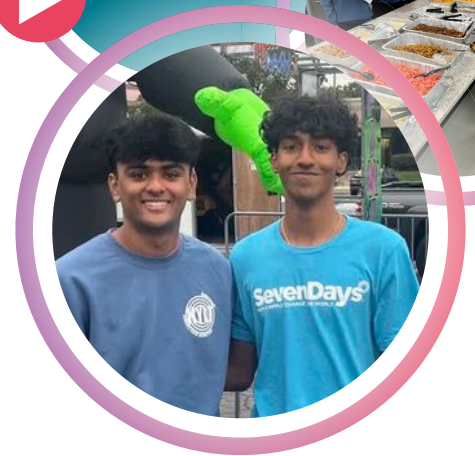
### Jamie Wilborn

11th grade, Shawnee Mission East High School

### Max Yeretsky

11th grade, Blue Valley North High School

The  
2026-2027  
KYLT Application  
is now open!  
Applications due  
June 1<sup>st</sup>



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# Art Competition

## WINNERS

April 2026 marks the 12th year of the transformative work of SevenDays. Each of the seven days is centered around a unique pillar, represented by meaningful artwork that inspires action and reflection. Through our annual Art Competition, students submit eight renderings, each reflecting the SevenDays pillars. One student is selected for each pillar, and the winners receive a \$500 award for their impactful and inspiring artwork.



**SHEFER RUDNICK**  
Sophomore  
Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy  
Love Image Design Winner



**SAHASRA RAYARAO**  
Junior  
Blue Valley West High School  
Discover Image Design Winner



**ROSALYN WILEY**  
Freshman  
Olathe South High School  
Others Image Design Winner



**JULIANA MOORE**  
Senior  
Liberty High School  
Connect Image Design Winner



**HOPE HERNANDEZ**  
Sophomore  
Liberty High School  
You Image Design Winner



**MOLLY BREWER**  
Senior  
Blue Valley High School  
Go Image Design Winner



**RIVER SCHLUNG**  
Junior  
Liberty High School  
Onward Image Design Winner



**LEIA THOMAS**  
Sophomore  
Olathe East High School  
SevenDays Image Design Winner

# Continued Recognition

## Kindness Action Scholarship Sponsors

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**Dr. Ben and Debra Rubin Family**  
The Stifel Foundation

## Foundational Donors

In recognition of a significant commitment to support the ongoing operations and programs of SevenDays. Their benevolence will empower countless students to learn about kindness and, in turn, inspire them to be a ripple of kindness.

**Ann Baum**  
**Dr. Gary Morsch**

**The Stanley J. Bushman**  
**Charitable Supporting Foundation**  
**V&H Charitable Foundation**

## Monthly Donors

Monthly donors fuel the work of SevenDays. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our monthly donors, whose ongoing support sustains the mission of SevenDays. Your consistent support allows us to expand our programs, reach more people, and grow a culture where kindness is a way of life. Join us by becoming a monthly donor today!

**Darrin and Jill Andersen**  
**Dr. Kent and Dena Berquist**  
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**Mindy Corporon**  
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## Art Competition Judges

**Dana Corporon**  
Family Member, NBKC Bank

**Melinda Corporon**  
Family Member, Co-Founder

**Kevin Kight**  
GM, Subaru of Olathe

**Ashley Lindeman**  
JCCC Art Instructor

**Aaron Liversedge**  
Creative Services Director, KSHB

**Jennifer Livingston**  
Designer, Demdaco

**Gael Martin**  
Family Member

## Kindness Action Scholarship Judges

**Maria Benevento**  
The Beacon Education Reporter

**Niels Daschler**  
Documentary Producer, CNN

**Kalie Hans**  
KCPBS Chief Content Officer

**Kris Ketz**  
Anchor, KMBC9

**Brad Stephens**  
Anchor, KCTV5

**Matt Stewart**  
Anchor/Reporter Fox 4

**Yvette Walker**  
VP-Editorial Page Editor, KC Star

## Special Recognition

**Blessings Abound**  
Tote Bags

**Becky and Nathan Bliss, Barnaby Bright**  
Inspiring and soul-touching music

**Hai Chen, Photobus**  
Provided the festive and highly Instagrammable photo booth

**Church of the Resurrection**  
For the gorgeous venue

**Samuel Dollins and the Blue Valley Show Choir**  
Beautiful uplifting voices

**Karen Houck, #Alyssa's Wishes**  
For 600 hand-painted kindness rocks

## Heart Behind the Ripple

SevenDays® is driven by a board and staff united in the mission to build kindness, understanding, and connection in response to hate and division. Their leadership turns values into action that strengthens our community and extends far beyond it.

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*Kindness Operations Specialist*

# Kindness Communities

We are grateful for the ongoing support of our dedicated partners, whose commitment help us expand the ripple of kindness each year. To become a Kindness City or County, please contact Ruth Baum-Bigus at [Ruth@sevendays.org](mailto:Ruth@sevendays.org).

## Kindness Cities

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### Missouri

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North Kansas City  
Parkville  
Raymore  
Raytown\*  
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Johnson County, Kansas  
The Unified Government of Wyandotte County/  
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Heartland Black Chamber of Commerce\*  
Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Greater Kansas City\*  
MidAmerica Regional Council (Represents 119 cities across the  
counties on both sides of the state line of Missouri and Kansas)  
The Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce

## Kindness States

The State of Kansas\*

*\* Indicates new 2026 partner*

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Pediatrician,  
who was, above all,  
**kind.**

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