

## Kayleigh Graves Named Superhero – May 2021

Congratulations to the latest DCBS Superhero winner, Kayleigh Graves, Social Service Clinician II, of Christian County in The Lakes Service Region!

Kayleigh is the “go to person” in her office, her nominator says. She is not only knowledgeable of community resources and community partners, but she is also willing to assist colleagues on finding a placement, assisting with transporting a child, or assisting with the ins and outs regarding technology related to case managers’ job duties. It is because of Kayleigh’s positive attitude and dedication that others in the office feel comfortable asking for her help when needed.

The work of the normal day can become overwhelming, but Kayleigh continues to put forth every effort to find the best solutions for families to reunite. She does not put her own needs first but those of the families she serves. She does not give up on the families on her caseload. Kayleigh’s nominator wrote that she “truly believes that children belong with families and listens to relatives who are interested in seeking placement of their relatives. Kayleigh never gives up on looking for relatives to be placement for youth no matter how far away including out of the country.”



Kayleigh recently traveled to Germany to reunite two children with their mother even during a pandemic. The mother had to return to her native Germany while the children remained in out of home care in Christian County. Kayleigh worked with social workers in Germany, the German Embassy and American Embassy to obtain dual citizenship and passports for the children. She kept in close contact with the mother and ensured that the mother kept in contact with her children via phone calls and Skype, and when it was time for the children to return to their mother, Kayleigh was on top of the many COVID-19 regulations in place in order for the trip to Germany to be smooth and successful for the children.

We are so proud of you Kayleigh!

### How to Nominate for the DCBS Superhero Award

Anyone can nominate. Please make a nomination of a deserving colleague. Learn more about the Superhero Award [here](#). Get the Superhero Award nomination form [here](#).