

1ST ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

Lights On! Deaf Up!

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH, 2024



KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF, INC.

455 East Park St.
Olathe, KS 66061

August 2, 2024

Dear Friend,

Warmest greetings from the Kansas Association of the Deaf (KAD)! We are reaching out to you with an invitation to embark on a journey that weaves the threads of community recognition, elevation, and celebration into one vibrant kaleidoscope!

For 115 years, KAD has been a steadfast bastion for the culturo-linguistic Deaf Community in Kansas, championing the civil, human, and linguistic rights and opportunities for Deaf* individuals. Our history is deep-rooted with triumphs and advocacy that connect with more than 242,000 Kansans who look to us for leadership and a sense of community in a world where language barriers often create walls too high to scale alone.

On November 16th, we aspire to bring our vision to a triumphant height with our upcoming fundraiser, the first annual "*Lights On! Deaf Up!*", hosted at the Olathe Club of the Deaf. We anticipate welcoming hundreds of Deaf individuals, families, and allies, all united in an afternoon of celebration and elevation. **All funds raised will go towards keeping KAD going strong for another one hundred years with its advocacy efforts to illuminate a path to inclusivity and an equitable future for all!** To make this fundraiser as exciting and extravagant as we hope, we will need your help!

We believe partners like you make this event possible and will serve as a beacon that recognizes supportive businesses as essential for a thriving shared signing community. Your partnership in this endeavor is not just welcomed—it is celebrated!

We exuberantly invite you to consider supporting our fundraiser by becoming an investing partner for KAD's future! In exchange, you will receive some excellent community exposure and advertising through our social media platforms highlighting your mutual respect, solidarity, and

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shared vision for an inclusive and equitable society where every perspective is seen, every heart is touched, and every life is cherished.

Will you join us? Please fill out the attached **Partnership Package Form** and mail or drop it off to KAD at 455 E. Park St., Olathe, KS. **Your donation is tax deductible, we are a nonprofit organization with tax-exempt 501(c)(3) status in good standing and our federal tax identification number is 48-6282776.** If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Kim Anderson at president@deafkansas.org.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration! We look forward to your positive response and hope to welcome you as our valued partner in our endeavor to light up lives and uplift spirits.

With sincere gratitude,

The KAD Board

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PARTNERSHIP PACKAGE FORM

Yes, our company would like to partner with KAD in making the *Lights On! Deaf Up!* Fundraiser possible! (please check one and return with payment):

	<p>HUMAN RIGHTS INVESTOR \$1,000</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Company logo listed on event promotions and announced on KAD social media • Recognition as an invested partner at the event • Distribute company swag favors (provided by your company)
	<p>LINGUISTIC RIGHTS INVESTOR \$500</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Company logo listed on event promotions • Recognition as an invested partner at the event • Distribute company swag favors (provided by your company)
	<p>CIVIL RIGHTS INVESTOR \$250</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribute company swag favors (provided by your company)

COMPANY NAME	
CONTACT PERSON	
ADDRESS	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	

If your company is unable to invest in the above categories, your company is welcome to provide a monetary donation in any amount.

Partnership and payment Due September 14, 2024.

Make check payable to:	KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF
Mail check with this form to:	Kansas Association of the Deaf 455 East Park Street Olathe, KS 66061

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2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

OLATHE CLUB OF THE DEAF
221 SOUTH CHESTNUT STREET, OLATHE, KS 66061

Celebrate & Elevate!

CELEBRATE KAD's deep-rooted history of advocacy and triumphs in preserving, protecting, and ELEVATING a vibrant close-knit community in a world where language barriers often create walls too high to scale alone.

SILENT BASKET AUCTION

KAD Board Skit

SURPRISE RAFFLE

Social Mixer

APPETIZERS

SHOP EARLY FOR THE
UPCOMING HOLIDAYS!

**BID ON BASKETS
FULL OF ITEMS!**

ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT

EVENT ADMISSION \$10

AT DOOR ONLY

**SURPRISE
RAFFLE TICKETS**

(come to the event to see what it is!)

1 ticket for \$1

15 tickets for \$10

25 tickets for \$15

