Outreach projects

The Michigan Heart Gallery is a traveling photographic exhibit featuring 131 photos of youth currently in the foster care system waiting for their “forever family.” The Heart Gallery travels to various statewide conferences, meetings and events to raise awareness of the need for adoptive families. The visually stunning display features the work of more than 70 professional photographers and is a great addition to any event. There are six retractable banner stands that are ideal for smaller spaces. MARE also has the main display (pictured at right) that is comprised of two pieces that stand 9’x7’ and one that’s 7’x7’.

To get involved, contact MARE Recruitment Specialist Jessica Thompson at Jessica_thompson@judsoncenter.org.

Prayer cards

Prayer cards are a great and easy way to engage your community. These 4x6 postcards feature the name and photo of a waiting youth on the front with a brief description and directions to the MARE website on the back. MARE will create, print and ship these to you free of charge. Please allow at least two weeks for the cards to be completed.

Waiting youth column

Any faith community can start a waiting youth column – whether you have a newsletter, website, bulletin or want to create your own poster! MARE will provide a waiting child’s photo and description on the first of the month. From there, a faith community can format it to best suit its needs.

The Michigan Heart Gallery

Children photographed above may not currently be listed, but they represent the children on MARE.

Zhaquandria (CO8367), Zadalynn (CO8365) and Zhaquaries (CO8366).