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# Building *Brighter* Futures

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Thank you for giving me the  
best possible opportunity for  
a bright future.

Kenya (adopted at 15)

a lot. — Kenya My dad is so good, and he is very respectful. He teaches me a lot of  
matches theirs. — Arleigh When I started calling them mom and dad, I knew it was  
myself going in the right direction. — Brianna I can think about my future. — Dawson  
they were in court, and they said, "I want you to be our daughter, Ariana," I knew that I  
I want to be a part time YouTuber and a police officer. — Kai After I got into the family, n  
person. I became more outgoing. — Brianna I feel like myself, I feel good. — Willie Foste  
I got early acceptance. — Rhianna We play. We sing. We dance. — Willie After I was adopte  
I feel like I belong here. — Nathaniel I'm happier. I have a family, I have friends, and I can be my  
to move. — Nick I thought, if these people want me to be a part of this family, they must be the most  
He teaches me a lot of things that I didn't know. — Hannah After I got adopted, I felt good because I have  
calling them mom and dad, I knew it would stay that way forever. — Hannah We're going to take trips. We're  
I'm not scared anymore or frightened of anything. — Ariana I've just got to experience a lot of new things like ne  
Wow, I get to settle, and this is permanent. — LaShauna I feel safe when you feel loved. — Nathaniel I got  
together and just talk about our days. — Hailey All the struggle I can focus on school, work, my family, my friend

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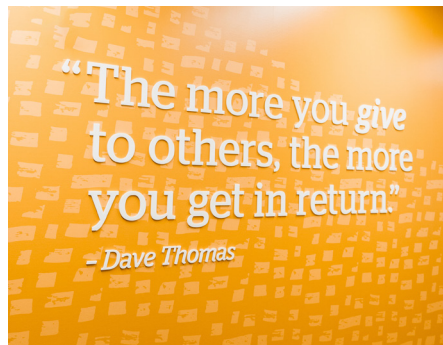
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From left: Lekeitha (mom) and  
Kenya (adopted at 15)