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INform, INspire, INGage

2024 Press Kit

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About 2INgage

2INgage brings the best of two experienced community, nonprofit organizations to serve our most vulnerable children and families.

Through a contract with the State of Texas, 2INgage is the Community-Based Care (CBC) contractor in Region 2, a 30-county area that includes Wichita Falls and Abilene.

Partnership Synergy

This partnership has combined child welfare experience of more than 95 years and will further our community's pursuit of caring for our children and families with integrity and success.

2INgage is committed to these core principles:

1. **INform** and empower network agencies to see themselves as part of that community and therefore take responsibility along with the community for those children.
2. **INspire** a more positive, performance-driven system for families and children.
3. **INgage** Community to understand that the children entering the foster care system from their community are their children.



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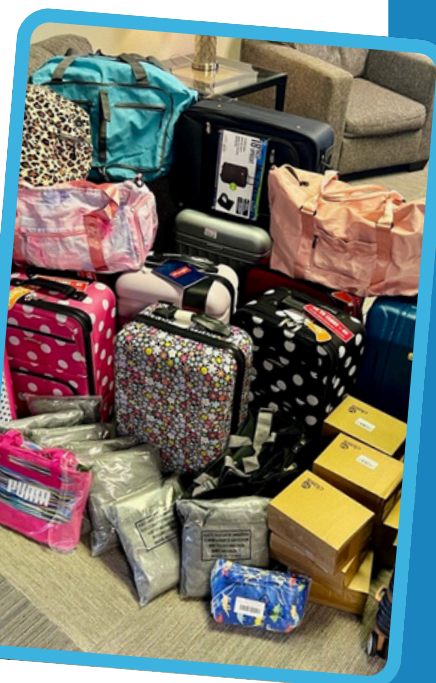
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GIVING A SENSE OF SECURITY & DIGNITY

2INgage hosted a luggage drive for local children in care. In the U.S., approximately every 45 seconds, a child enters the foster care system and often must pack all their belongings into whatever is available, from an old backpack to a grocery bag.

"We firmly believe all children deserve better, and each child should be accorded dignity even through these difficult, life-altering transitions," said Kaycee Robles, VP of Permanency for 2INgage.

To ensure all children receive their very own piece of luggage, 2INgage asked community members to contribute a new piece of luggage to this drive. As per a new legal requirement, every child entering foster care should have their own piece of luggage.

2INgage received a total of 391 pieces of new luggage for local children in care!

About the Partners



Texas Family Initiative brings strength through their extensive national experience providing foster care, adoption, case management, placement and family preservation services, as well as providing agency oversight to ensure accountability and quality services within a provider network. The Texas Family Initiative has experience in Texas community-based care and will bring their knowledge to promote industry innovation and grow resources in the communities within Region 2. TFI Family Services, Inc. (TFI) serves as the parent company to Texas Family Initiative LLC. TFI, founded in 1965, is a multi-state child welfare, behavioral health and administrative support organization with licenses in good standing in five states. TFI is a 501(c)(3) private, non-profit organization accredited by the Council on Accreditation (COA).



New Horizons has strong relationships with Region 2 DFPS staff, community leaders, and community providers extending over many years. They are recognized leaders in the provision of quality services and have been involved in the development of Community Based Care for more than a decade. Their strength and focus lies in their individualized and trauma-focused services for every child and family they serve, community engagement that maximizes investment in and support of children, and development of a robust network of child and family focused organizations.



Social Statistics

1,483

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80

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90

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294

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2INGage's Impact in FY23

Children Served

1390

+629 Removals



89 ADOPTIONS



1302 PLACEMENTS

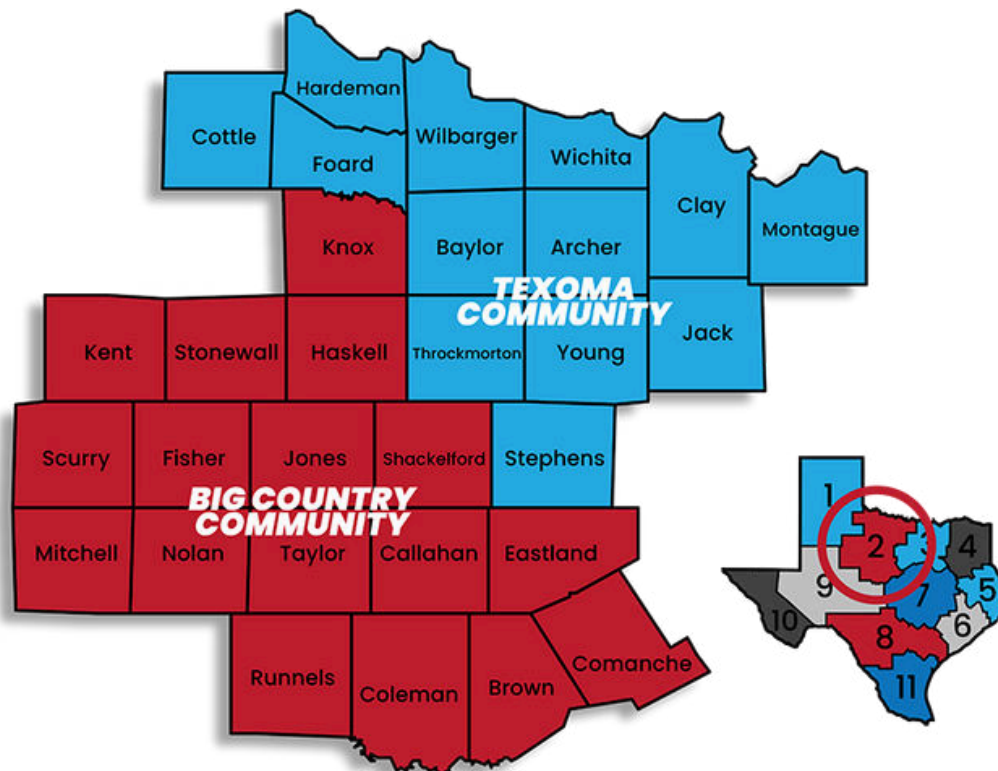
TEXAS REGION 2

Serving the 30 Counties of Texas Region 2

2INgage partners with the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services to offer case management, foster care placement, and support services to children and youth in Region 2, a 30-county area that includes Abilene and Wichita Falls.

2INgage serves as the Single Source Continuum Contractor for foster care and support services, while also providing case management services through Stage II of Community-Based Care. Stage II of CBC includes services for families and increased permanency outcomes for children.

When children are removed from their homes by the courts in Region 2, they are placed into DFPS custody and referred to 2INgage in these counties for case management services. 2INgage works with children and their parents towards addressing the risk and safety issues that led to the removal, with the goal of returning the children home safely and quickly. For children who cannot return home, 2INgage works toward a timely adoption or other permanency option.



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2ingage.org/press-kit

CAPTURING HEARTS, ONE PICTURE AT A TIME

2INgage recently received Heart Gallery Grant. This brings renewed hope and visibility to children in the Big Country and Texoma regions searching for their forever families.

The program's magic lies in its dedicated network of volunteer photographers who generously donate their time and talent. These gifted individuals capture heartfelt portraits and candid moments of children waiting to be adopted, showcasing their individual personalities, interests, and dreams.

The program extends beyond beautiful photographs. The captivating portraits are strategically displayed at local events, businesses, and even medical facilities – places frequented by individuals and families. This strategic visibility ensures that the children waiting for adoption become familiar faces within their own communities, fostering a sense of connection and familiarity.

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