

Angela and her siblings became clients of *Child Advocates* after years of living in and out of shelters with their parents, who mostly left them to fend for themselves. Angela did her best to protect her siblings, even when they went to live at a youth shelter after their parents abandoned them. All of the children needed immediate clothing, medical attention and schooling. Even though Angela did her best, she could not obtain these necessities for herself, much less two other children.

After meeting Angela and hearing her story, our *Child Advocates* team went to work. Our Empowering Older Youth Attorney and staff Social Workers helped Angela and her siblings secure important essentials-- obtaining emergency clothing, scheduling their first doctor visits in over a year, and finalizing school enrollment after several missed school years. In an even better outcome, Angela's *Child Advocates* team was able to ensure that all the siblings were placed together in the same home. They are excelling at home and in school, receiving regular healthcare and new clothes, taking trips and planning a future! Angela and her Staff Attorney have even begun to plan for her college options!

*Name changed to protect client confidentiality