



Imagination Library of Kansas 501(c)(3)

Overview

Following the state partner model for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library set forth by The Dollywood Foundation, the Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund received approval from the Kansas Legislature to establish an Imagination Library of Kansas 501(c)(3). The Imagination Library of Kansas 501(c)(3) will serve in the capacity of a fundraising entity for the statewide program of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library as a non-profit, tax-exempt organization. The 501(c)(3)'s purpose is to ensure the sustainability of the Imagination Library of Kansas by facilitating partnerships with the private sector at the state level.

Purpose

The role of the 501(c)(3) is distinct from the Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund, which operates as the official state partner for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library in Kansas by supporting local community affiliates to promote enrollment and guarantee programmatic coverage across every zip code in Kansas. The Children's Cabinet Board comprises the 9 voting members, all of whom are directed in statute to serve as the Board of Directors for the Imagination Library of Kansas 501(c)(3). The work of the 501(c)(3) remains separate from the day-to-day agency operations of the Kansas Children's Cabinet. The board of the 501c3 can grow by up to an additional 6 voting members. The board may also vote to add ex officio non-voting members as deemed necessary.

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