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Additional Sponsorship Benefits

Long-Term Agreements
- Additional benefits based on dollar amount and length of commitment

Our Fellow Nonprofits
- Discounts or those registered in KS or MO
- Over 90% or our members give to other causes

Access to Audience
- Your message delivered directly to phones, tablets and inboxes from a trusted source

Gratitude and Recognition
- Sponsor recognition on our site
- Special recognition in our Impact Report
- Unique sponsor events to connect directly with our team

Sponsorship vs Advertising
Creating a brand link between your business and organizations that are doing the right thing is not just the right thing to do.
It’s the right thing to do for your company!

Email Sponsorship – KC & Wichita
- Four placement options
  - Header, Mid Email, Two Footers
- Graphic Size Options (in pixels)
  - Billboard (970 x 250)
  - Leaderboard (728 x 90)
  - Tall Rectangle (300 x 600)
  - Med Rectangle(300 x 250)
- Quick Stats
  - Opt In email subscribers
    - 8700+ (KC)
    - 4100+ (Wichita)
  - Open Rate
    - 37% KC & Wichita
      - Avg. over several months

Web Marketing – KC & Wichita
- Sponsor Topic of Coverage
- Run of Website Placements
- Targeted Placements
- Monthly Quick Stats
  - 55K+ Unique Users
  - 81K+ Unique Page views
- Graphic Size Options (in pixels)
  - Same as email options above

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- Brand Recognition
  - Logo placements
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  - Your message delivered
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Mission
The Kansas City Beacon is a non-profit online news outlet focused on in-depth journalism in the public interest. It launched in March 2020 and is part of The Beacon, a regional nonprofit news network serving Kansas and Missouri. Beacon stories are revelatory, contextual, data-driven and solutions-driven. Our reporting centers around issues in health care, education, economics, environment and civic engagement.

Madison Hopkins
2022 Pulitzer Prize Winner for Local Journalism!

Madison Hopkins is the health care accountability reporter at The Kansas City Beacon, focused on the intersection of health policy and people. Previously, Madison worked as an investigative reporter for the Better Government Association, a nonprofit newsroom in Chicago covering recycling program failures, the absence of regulatory enforcement at Illinois nuclear plants and more. In 2022, her reporting on Chicago’s bureaucratic breakdowns that contributed to fatal fires was honored with the Pulitzer Prize for local reporting.

Awards

Nonprofit News Awards
WINNER
Community Champion Award
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Lion Publishers
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From the judges:
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