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## Hands & Voices Headquarters adds New Social Media Manager

Hands & Voices is pleased to announce a new Social Media Manager position and staff member, Brooke Montgomery. Brooke will drive and deepen Hands & Voices community engagement and initiatives by strategizing, creating, and experimenting with all things social media. Hands & Voices Executive Director Janet DesGeorges is excited to be adding this expertise and focus to the organization, "H&V has a vision for expanding our social media presence at the local, national, and international levels. We look forward to our work with Brooke as she brings innovation and creativity to the role."

## **About Brooke Montgomery**

Brooke Montgomery lives in Mount Washington, Kentucky with her husband Jeff and three sons, ages 13, 10 and 6. Her youngest son has bilateral sensorineural hearing loss. Brooke is dedicated to the mission of Hands & Voices and loves watching her boys connect with other children who are deaf or hard of hearing and their siblings. With an extensive professional background in creative arts including video production, editing and graphic design; she is committed to using these skills to bring positive attention to our organization and its families.

Brooke's educational background includes a Bachelor of Arts in Telecommunications from the University of Kentucky and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Louisville. Brooke began working with Kentucky Hands & Voices in 2017, and has served as a Parent Guide, Assistant Director, and Director of Media. She also serves on Kentucky's EHDI advisory board and is a Parent Coach for the University of Kentucky CHAMPS research project.

Brooke adds, "When our son, Luke, was born profoundly deaf in 2015, I didn't realize then that all of my previous trainings and jobs would culminate into one passion serving and connecting other families with deaf and hard of hearing children. As Director of Media, among other roles at Kentucky Hands & Voices, I have been able to grow awareness for our chapter across the state, connecting families through social media. I look forward to taking this experience to the Headquarters level."



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## **About Hands & Voices**

Hands & Voices began in 1996 to join families and professionals in the discovery of "What works for your child is what makes the choice right." ™ The parent-led, non-profit organization is dedicated to supporting families with children who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing without bias around communication modes or methodology. Their model has been replicated nationwide and globally in 47 chapters. Programs include Guide By Your Side (parent-to-parent support and DHH Adult-to-parent support); O.U.R. Project (children's safety); ASTra (educational advocacy); Leadership-to-Leadership (parent leadership training); Deafed.net; leadership conferences, workshops, chapter support, and a clearinghouse of information and resources.



Brooke and her 'why' for Hands & Voices



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