

# MARLEY

is 13 years old and came into foster care at age 9 due to a failed adoption. Her adoptive family relinquished their parental rights due to her behavior and decided to place her in a facility until she turned 18. Thankfully, Marley had Whitney as her CASA. Whitney developed a strong relationship with the young teen and visited her regularly. She took her to “normal” kid activities and advocated for CPS to look for an adoptive family. She helped Marley through coping with another failed adoption placement and ultimately helped Marley find her home. Because Marley had been placed in so many treatment centers and psychiatric hospitals – it would have been easy for her to just be written off as an “unadoptable” child, but Whitney never believed that scenario and never allowed Marley to, either.

