



## *meet* **KELLEY HURST**

For the past 20 years, Kelley has been a road warrior consultant, a self-employed qualitative market researcher who translates consumer interviews into actionable insights for Fortune 500 clients. In 2017, Kelley was poised to break a miles-travelled personal best when the state of Kansas tracked her down during the Walnut Valley Festival to be a foster mom to an 11-month old baby. Kelley sought to make a career shift to balance the duties of “mom” with a meaningful career where she could apply her marketing and communications skills closer to home.

Kelley’s passion for nonprofits started with her first volunteering gig at an animal shelter before her teens and has continued through today, as a volunteer at Baker Wetland and a sighted volunteer through Be My Eyes. Her interest in wildlife and habitats has taken her to Oasi Bolgheri (WWF) in Italy, through game parks in Kenya, up Colorado mountains, on hiking trips in New Hampshire and Vermont, guided trips through The Konza Prairie, and many times to her favorite birding spot, Quivira National Wildlife Refuge.

Kelley looks forward to serving Audubon of Kansas as its Director of Philanthropy, and hopes that she can build on the efforts of the committed trustees, staff, volunteers and interns that have come before and contribute to its future success.



## *AOK thanks* **NATHALIE KIND-CHALMERS**

Nathalie joined Audubon of Kansas in 2020, and enjoyed working with a really great group of individuals who feel as deeply about conservation of wildlife and their habitats. Originally from San Diego, she grew up camping with her parents all over the United States and really fell in love with nature and all things wild and free. She was a docent for the Torrey Pines State Reserve for several years prior to moving to Manhattan, Kansas. She has been an invaluable resource while AOK transitioned to new individuals in both the Executive Director and Director of Philanthropy positions. We thank Nathalie for her efforts during this time of transition and her wonderful smile that brightened every room. We wish her the best.



*Hutton sunrise in February.  
Photo by Dr. Jackie Augustine*