

FOSTER PARENTING

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BECOME A FOSTER PARENT

Help us make a difference in a
child's life.

*An opportunity.. to make a
difference in a child's life.*

*Caring for a child.. who has
been abused/ neglected until
his/her parent(s) can resume
the responsibility, or a
permanent home can be
found.*

*A commitment.. to help
children and their families
through a difficult period; a
foster parent must be able
to provide love and guidance
and then let go.*

*Learning and developing..
the parenting skills needed
to meet the unique needs of
each child.*

Benefits:

Reimbursement:

Foster parents receive a daily reimbursement to cover room and board, food, clothing, and any allowance for any foster children placed in their care.

Incentives:

Our foster program offers a variety of fun incentives for foster parents and foster children to build a relationship.

Process:

Approval:

All foster homes are approved by Lawrence County Children and Youth Services in accordance with the State of Pennsylvania, Departments of Human Services, and Foster Care Regulations.

Evaluations:

The Foster Program Care Specialist will visit each foster home annually to insure that each foster home continues to meet the requirements of the State Foster Care Evaluations

Training:

All foster parents are required to complete a minimum of 6 hours of approved training annually. The agency is required to provide this training in such areas as emergency medical first aid and approaches to child discipline.

WHO CAN BE A FOSTER PARENT?

Be single, married, divorced or in a partnership

Have children

Have a disability

Rent or own your residence

Have a modest income

Be a working parent

FOSTER PARENT REQUIREMENTS

Be at least (21) years of age

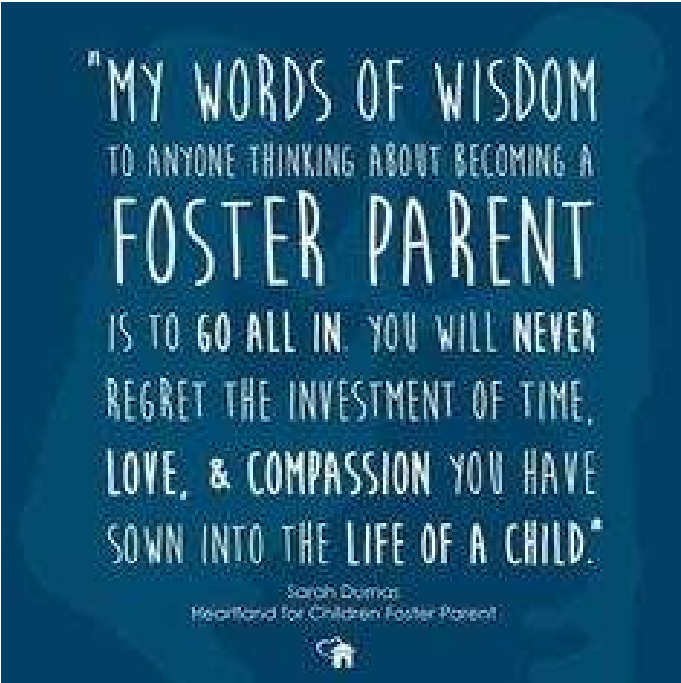
Pass a medical appraisal by licensed physician

Pass screening requirements related to child abuse and criminal history clearances

Lawrence County Children and Youth Services wishes to thank you for your interest in our foster care program. It is our objective to provide for and improve upon services and care for foster children and their families. You can become an integral part of the team trying to reach that objective.

It is not an easy task to be a foster parent. It requires opening your home to children with differing personality structures, possible emotional and/or physical handicaps. It also requires a capacity to work with the agency in accomplishing its primary goal of reuniting a foster child with his or her family as soon as possible

Being a foster parent requires a degree of understanding far surpassing that required of natural parents, as well as dedication of unlimited patients and energy. But, your efforts will be rewarding to you and any children placed in your care.



Interested in becoming a foster parent, return questions to:

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I learned about your agency from:

I would like more information by mail or phone:

Name, Address, Phone Number: