

Foster Care & Adoption is for

EVERYONE

Everyone can support children & families!

Here's how:

- Become a foster or adoptive family.
- Become a respite family to provide other families with a break.
- Babysit for foster or adoptive parents.
- Provide child care during support group meetings and foster parent trainings.
- Sponsor or organize a support group.
- Provide a location or snacks for a support group.
- Make a meal for a foster or adoptive family.
- Provide opportunities for kids to try new things, like horseback riding, visits to a farm, swimming, open gym, or other activities that you might have access to.
- Sponsor children's involvement in community activities – camps, sports, karate, swimming lessons, dance, gymnastics, music lessons/instruments, etc.
- Get involved with a local Royal Family Kids Camp or club (camp volunteer, mentor, donate, etc.).
- Sponsor a child to attend a church or community camp.
- Promote foster care and adoption in the community — talk about it! Help advertise agency events or information sessions.
- Host an information party for your family, friends, neighbors, or people in your church.
- Get involved in the Franklin County Adoption Coalition or a local agency (volunteer with events, help with fundraising, etc.).
- Provide supplies to agencies for Child Preparation services (Life Books, art/craft supplies, etc.).
- Provide Christmas gifts, back to school supplies, or entry to care bags or donate to a foster closet.
- Sponsor families to attend the PA Permanency Conference.
- Provide college scholarships or grants to foster or adopted youth.
- Become a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA).
- Do you have a skill you can use? Giving homemade blankets, stuffed animals, toys, or other items to children or families can be a very special gift. Or make homemade cards for children through an organization like www.cardsforcubs.org.
- Offer to help transport children you know to appointments or visits.
- Provide new (or like new) luggage for children.
- Send encouraging notes to foster and adoptive families.
- Mentor a foster or adopted child.
- Get creative! There are lots of ways you can show foster and adoptive families that you care!



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