



REWARDING OPPORTUNITY

We are seeking qualified, capable, competent families interested in becoming Foster Parents to children in Need.

If you are even a LITTLE interested, or know someone who might be, PLEASE read on!

What does it take to be a Foster Family?

- * Support and commit to your own family
- * Good self-esteem and an open mind
- * Good communication skills and a strong support system
- * Welcoming, caring and patient
- * Be in good health
- * Willingness to help children toward permanency, including visits with family resources
- * Have emotional room for others
- * Have the ability and the willingness to work with the Agency
- * Team player
- * Good listener
- * Consistent

What does the Agency expect from Foster Families?

- * Provide a comfortable bed of his/her own
- * Provide a place to store personal items
- * Shop for the children's clothes, arrange medical and dental care
- * Assure privacy when it is wanted
- * Take the child to appointments and extracurricular activities
- * Register the child for school
- * Make it possible for the child to have access to community services

Will I be paid?

- * It is not a job and does not pay a salary
- * There is a daily reimbursement for the cost of caring for the child
- * There is a monthly clothing allowance for each child
- * Each child receives an allowance from the Washington County Children's Committee
- * Medical costs will be covered

How to become a Foster Family

- * Attend our GPS II/MAPP Foster Parent Training Program and on-going training
- * Complete a criminal background check for all household members over 18 years of age
- * Provide a safe, loving and healthy home for a child
- * Contact Naomi Palmer, Caseworker at (518) 746-2300 ext. 3380 or Lisa J Boyce, Senior Caseworker at (518) 746-2284

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

