

Foster & Adoptive Care Coalition



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FOR EVERY CHILD... A PLACE TO CALL HOME



FOSTER & ADOPTION RESOURCE CENTER PROGRAMS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Resource and Referral

KidStore & [RE]FRESH: A Fashion Coalition™

Resale shops for foster and adoptive families.

Jen Frey - Director - [RE]FRESH

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Cindy Ysaguirre - KidStore Manager

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Little Wishes

Experiences for children in foster care.

Rossi Summers - Director of Operations

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Birthday Buddy

Birthday presents for children in foster care.

Shelley Thomas-Benke - Director of FosterServe

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Case-Based Advocacy

Help with policy research, community resources, and emerging best practices.

Nickie Steinhoff - Dir. of Training & Community Support

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Denise Kelley - Director of Programs

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Training Extravaganza

Quarterly workshops for foster and adoptive caregivers to receive 7.5 in-service training hours in one day. Childcare provided.

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Support Groups

Parent Support Groups

Monthly groups for foster/adoptive parents.
Childcare provided.

Youth Support Groups

Monthly groups for teenagers dealing with adoption issues.

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Crisis Intervention

For St. Louis County adoptive & pre-adoptive families.

Dawn Milburn - Lead Family Intervention Specialist

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Joshua Fantroy - Family Intervention Specialist

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Parent-to-Parent Network

Temporary relief for adoptive families through a social network.

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Educational Advocacy

Help with school enrollment, special education services, IEPs, suspensions, educations resources, and school transitions.

Leslie Lewis - Director of Educational Advocacy

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Recruitment Services

“A Place to Call Home”

Weekly segment on KSDK NewsChannel 5 featuring children waiting to be adopted.

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Extreme Recruitment

Child-specific recruitment that is a highly intensive permanency program (through support from the Adoption Opportunities Grant)

Denise Kelley - Supervisor of Extreme Recruitment
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Gayle Flavin - Extreme Recruiter
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Ian Forber-Pratt - Extreme Recruiter
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General Recruitment

Recruiters explain the approval and child placement process to inquiring individuals and families. Recruiters assist those interested parties in beginning the licensure process.

Tom Kircher - Foster & Adoptive Home Recruiter
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Jan Joeckel - Foster & Adoptive Home Recruiter
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Wendy's Wonderful Kids

Child-specific recruitment through support from Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption.

Liz Johnson - Wendy's Wonderful Kids Recruiter
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30 Days to Family

Finds safe, appropriate, relative placements for children entering foster care.

Melanie Ohmes - 30 Days to Family Program Coordinator
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FosterServe

Connects volunteers with experiences to match their skills and interests. A few examples of volunteer opportunities include:

Birthday Buddy

Provide birthday presents for a child in foster care.

Foster Friends

Help host Parent's Day Out events and activities for foster and adopted children.

[RE]FRESH Volunteer

Help at our teen resale clothing store by organizing clothing drives, selecting merchandise, sharing your talents!

KidStore Volunteer

Work as a cashier or clothing sorter.

Little Wishes Volunteer

Help fulfill wishes (seasonal).

Mentor

Be a role model to a child in foster care.

Tutor

Help foster children build reading skills.

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