



Foster Adoptive Resource Center

CRITICAL SUPPORT SERVICES FOR FOSTER & ADOPTIVE FAMILIES

Resource and Referral

KidStore

Resale shop for foster and adoptive families.

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.

ShelleyThomas-Benke - Director of FosterServe

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Book Fair

Annual donations from Barnes & Noble.

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Case-Based Advocacy

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

Denise Kelley - Director of Family Advocacy

denisekelley@foster-adopt.org

Training Extravaganza

Quarterly workshops for foster and adoptive families (7.5 training hours) sponsored by Daughters of Charity. Childcare provided.

Nickie Steinhoff - Director of Family Development

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Parent Support Groups

Monthly groups for foster/adoptive parents. Childcare provided.

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Youth Support Groups

Monthly groups for teenagers dealing with adoption issues.

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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, tutoring, and school transitions.

Leslie Lewis - Director of Educational Advocacy

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Del Vinson - Director of Educational Advocacy (City)

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FOR EVERY CHILD... A PLACE TO CALL HOME



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Recruitment Services

“A Place to Call Home”

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

Sheila Suderwalla - Director of “A Place to Call Home” and Project Teen Plus

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Child in Need

Child recruitment articles published in eleven Illinois newspapers.

Tom Kircher - Co-Director of Illinois Recruitment

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Extreme Recruitment™

Child-specific recruitment that is a highly intensive permanency program.

Gayle Flavin - Extreme Recruiter

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Ian Forber-Pratt - Extreme Recruiter

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Project Teen Plus

Youth-specific recruitment for teens and pre-teens.

Sheila Suderwalla - Director of “A Place to Call Home” and Project Teen Plus

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Wendy’s Wonderful Kids

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

Dawn Milburn - Wendy’s Wonderful Kids Recruiter

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Liz Johnson - Wendy’s Wonderful Kids Recruiter

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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 fun events and activities for foster and adopted children.

KidStore Volunteer

Work as a cashier or clothing sorter.

Little Wishes Volunteer

Help fulfill wishes (seasonal).

Mentor

Be a friend to a child in foster care.

Provide a Meal

Drop off a meal to a foster family.

Tutor

Help foster children build reading skills.

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