



Contact Information for Foster Care Inquiries (By State)

State	Organization/Agency	Telephone Number	Website
Alabama	Alabama Department of Human Resources	1-866-4-AL-KIDS	http://www.dhr.alabama.gov/
Alaska	Alaska Office of Children's Services	1-800-478-7307	http://www.hss.state.ak.us/ocs/FosterCare/ready.htm
Arizona	Arizona Department of Economic Security, Division of Children, Youth and Families - Foster Care & Adoption	1-877-KIDS-NEEDU	https://www.azdes.gov/dcyf/adoption/
Arkansas	Arkansas Department of Human Services	Contact information is available online at: http://www.fosterarkansas.org/contact.htm	http://www.fosterarkansas.org/
California	California Department of Social Services, Children and Family Services Division, Child and Youth Permanency Branch	1-800-KIDS-4-US	http://www.childsworld.ca.gov/PG1347.htm
Colorado	Colorado's County Departments of Human Services and Social Services	303-866-3546 (Mary Griffin/ info about foster care)	http://www.changealifeforever.org/
Connecticut	Connecticut Department of Children and Families	1-888-KID HERO	http://www.ctfosteradopt.com/fosteradopt/site/default.asp
Delaware	The Department of Services for Children, Youth and their Families	800-464-4357	http://www.state.de.us/kids/fs/fostercare.shtml
District of Columbia	Washington District of Columbia Child and Family Services Agency	202-671-LOVE	http://cfssa.dc.gov/DC/CFSA/Support+the+Safety+Net/Open+Your+Heart+and+Home
Florida	Florida Department of Children and Families	For information on becoming a foster parent, contact local agencies by county of residence; see contact list at: http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/programs/fostercare/docs/contacts.pdf	http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/programs/fostercare/
Georgia	Georgia Department of Human Resources, Division of Family and Children Services	1-877-210-KIDS	http://dfcs.dhr.georgia.gov/portal/site/DHR_DFCS/menuitem.76e501556de17147077a8110da1010a0/?vgnnextoid=046d8c1260021010VqnVCM100000bf01010aRCRD
Hawaii	State of Hawaii Department of Human Services	808-441-1117 (Oahu) 1-888-879-8970 (Neighbor Islands)	http://www.hawaii.gov/dhs/protection/social_services/child_welfare/Foster
Idaho	Idaho Department of Health and Welfare	1-800-926-2588 or dial 2-1-1 for Idaho CareLine	http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Children/AdoptionFosterCare/tabid/75/Default.aspx

Illinois	Illinois Department of Children and Family Services	800-572-2390	http://www.state.il.us/dcfs/foster/index.shtml
Indiana	Indiana Department of Child Services	Foster care helpline: 888-631-9510 Complete an inquiry form and a DCS Regional Foster Care Specialist will contact you: http://www.in.gov/dcs/3028.htm Or contact a local DCS Office; see contact list at: http://www.in.gov/dcs/2372.htm	http://www.in.gov/dcs/2341.htm
Iowa	Iowa KidsNet	1-800-243-0756	http://www.iowakidsnet.com
Kansas	The Children's Alliance of Kansas	877-345-6787	www.childally.org Fostering FAQs: http://childally.org/faq/
Kentucky	Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services - Department for Community Based Services	1-800-232-KIDS	http://chfs.ky.gov/dcbs/dpp/faqfostercare.htm
Louisiana	Louisiana Department of Social Services - Office of Community Services (OCS)	For information on foster or adoptive parenting, contact your local Office of Community Services; see contact list at: http://www.dss.state.la.us/index.cfm?md=pagbuilder&tmp=home&pid=199	http://dss.louisiana.gov/index.cfm?md=pagbuilder&tmp=home&pid=120
Maine	Maine Department of Health and Human Services Adoptive & Foster Families of Maine, Inc.	Contact your local DHHS District Office for more info about foster and adoptive parenting; see contact list here (last page): http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ocfs/cw/resource_parent_info.pdf or 1-800-833-9786 (AFFM)	http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ocfs/cw/fosteradopt.shtml or http://www.affm.net/Home.aspx
Maryland	Maryland Department of	1-888MDKIDS2 or	http://www.dhr.state.md.us/how/chldprnt/fo



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Massachusetts	The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Social Services, Department of Children and Families (DCF)	Local: 617-748-2000 Toll Free: 1-800-KIDS-508 or 1-800-548-4802	http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/consumer/family-services/foster-care/
Michigan	Michigan Department of Human Services (DHS)	List of local DHS county offices: http://www.mfia.state.mi.us/compositedir/report.asp	http://www.michigan.gov/dhs/0,1607,7-124-5452_7117-16476--,00.html
Minnesota	Minnesota Department of Human Services	Contact your county or tribal social service agency for information on becoming a foster parent; See contact list for county social service agencies: http://www.state.mn.us/portal/mn/jsp/content.do?az_type=description&subchannel=-536879913&programid=536879800&sc3=null&sc2=null&id=-8494&agency=NorthStar or tribal agencies: http://www.state.mn.us/portal/mn/jsp/content.do?subchannel=-536888182&programid=536906700&sc3=null&sc2=null&id=-8494&agency=NorthStar	http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET_DYNAMIC_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&dDocName=id_009780
Mississippi	Mississippi Department of Human Services - Division of Family and Children's Services	1-800-345-6347 for public information. For a list of agency services visit: http://www.mdhs.state.ms.us/infoques.htm	http://www.mdhs.state.ms.us/fcs_howfos.html
Missouri	Missouri Department of Social Services - Children's Division	The Adoption Exchange 1-800-554-2222	http://www.dss.mo.gov/cd/fostercare/index.htm or www.moheartgallery.org
Montana	Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services - Child and Family Services Division	1-866-936-7837 (866-9FOSTER)	http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/cfsd/relatedtopics/fostercare.shtml
Nebraska	Nebraska Department of Health and Human	1-800-7PARENT (1-800-772-7368)	http://dhhs.ne.gov/children_family_services/Pages/foc_focindex.aspx

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Nevada	Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child and Family Services	In Washoe County (Reno): 775-337-4470 In Clark County (Las Vegas): 702-455-0181 All other counties in Nevada: 775-687-4943 or (888) 423-2659 (toll free inside Nevada)	http://www.dcss.state.nv.us/DCFS_PlaceRes.htm
New Hampshire	New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services - Division for Children, Youth & Families	(603) 271-4711 or (800) 852-3345 (toll free)	http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/dcyf/index.htm Training for foster parents is provided by Granite State College Education and Training Partnership. Learn more at: http://www2.granite.edu/students/fostertraining.php
New Jersey	NJ FosterCare - a program of the New Jersey Department of Children and Families	1-877-NJFOSTER	http://www.state.nj.us/njfostradopt/foster/
New Mexico	New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department	1-800-432-2075	http://www.cyfd.org/
New York	New York State Office of Children and Family Services	1-800-345-KIDS	http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/fostercare/
North Carolina	North Carolina Division of Social Services	1-877-NCKIDS (1-877-625-4371) or contact local County Department of Social Services; see contact list at: http://www.ncdhs.gov/dss/local/index.htm	http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/dss/fostercare/
North Dakota	North Dakota Department of Human Services, Children and Family Services Division	(800) 245-3736 (foster program main #); For inquiries, it is best to contact the Foster Care Agency in the county or region in which you reside.	http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/childfamily/fostercare/
Ohio	Ohio Department of Job & Family Services - Office for Children and Families/ Bureau of Family Services	Office of Families and Children (General #): 614- 466-1213 To find out how to become a foster parent, please contact your county Public Children Services Agency office. For a	http://jfs.ohio.gov/ocf/fostercarelicensing.stm



		listing of county offices, including phone numbers, please visit: http://jfs.ohio.gov/County/County_Directory.pdf	
Oklahoma	Oklahoma Department of Human Services - Children and Family Services Division	New Foster Care & Adoption Families Recruiting Hotline: 1-866-612-2565 Foster Parent Hotline: 1-800-376-9729 or 405-521-3438 Permanency Planning: 405-521-3779	Foster Care: http://www.okdhs.org/programsandservices/foster/ Permanency Planning: http://www.okdhs.org/divisionsoffices/hsc/cfsd/pail/permpln/default.htm
Oregon	Department of Human Services - Division of Children, Adults and Families	1-800-331-0503	http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/children/fosteradopt/
Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare- Pennsylvania Children & Youth Administrators, The Statewide Adoption and Permanency Network (SWAN)	For information about becoming a foster parent, contact a children and youth agency by county of residence listed at: http://www.pcy.org/Pages/ContactYourAgency.aspx	http://www.pcy.org/Pages/default.aspx or http://www.adoptpakids.org/
Rhode Island	Rhode Island Department of Children, Youth & Families	<i>Family Services Unit:</i> 401-528-3502 (Region 1 – Metro Providence) 401-254-7000 (Region 2 - East Bay) 401-792-5000 (Region 3 - South) 401-528-3820 (Region 4 - North) 401-528-3700 (Robin Perez, Foster Care Recruitment/ ARU Unit)	http://www.dcyf.ri.gov/foster/index.php
South Carolina	South Carolina Department of Social Services	1-888-CARE-4-US (1-888-227-3487); For inquiries or specific information about foster care in your county, contact your local DSS County	https://dss.sc.gov/content/providers/foster.aspx



South Dakota	South Dakota Department of Social Services, Child Protection Services (CPS)	Office. 605-343-2598 (Rapid City area) 605- 334-3431 (Sioux Falls area) All other areas contact a local CPS office; phone numbers listed at: http://dss.sd.gov/foster_care/cpslocaloffices/index.asp	http://dss.sd.gov/fostercare/parent/
Tennessee	Tennessee Department of Children's Services	1-877-DCS-KIDS	http://state.tn.us/youth/fostercare/becomefosterparent.htm
Texas	Texas Department of Family and Protective Services/ Texas Adoption Resource Exchange (TARE)	1-800-233-3405 or use the online contact form if appropriate: https://www.dfps.state.tx.us/Contact_Us/Default.asp	http://www.dfps.state.tx.us/ or http://www.dfps.state.tx.us/adoption_and_foster_care/
Utah	Utah Foster Care Foundation, in partnership with the Utah Division of Child and Family Services	1-877-505-KIDS	http://www.utahfostercare.org/
Vermont	Project Family, a partnership of the Vermont Department for Children and Families and the Lund Family Center	Contact one of the Vermont DCF Family Services district offices; phone numbers listed at: http://dcf.vermont.gov/fsd/contact_us/district_offices	http://dcf.vermont.gov/projectfamily/foster_care
Virginia	Virginia Department of Social Services	Contact your local Virginia Department of Social Services; phone numbers by county listed at: http://www.dss.virginia.gov/localagency/index.html	http://www.dss.virginia.gov/family/fc/index.cgi
Washington	Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, Children's Administration	1-888-KIDS-414 (1-888-543-7414)	http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/ca/fosterparents/
West Virginia	West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, Bureau for Children and Families	Complete the Foster/ Adoptive Care Inquiry Form on the West Virginia DHHR website http://www.wvdhhr.org/bcf/children_adult/foster/inquire.asp	http://www.wvdhhr.org/bcf/children_adult/foster/
Wisconsin	Wisconsin Department of	1-800-947-8074 or	http://dcf.wisconsin.gov/children/foster/ind



	Health and Family Services, Division of Children and Family Services	608-267-3905 (Main #) For general information regarding a specific program, please refer to the link: http://dcf.wisconsin.gov/contact_us.htm	ex.htm or http://www.wifostercareandadoption.org/
Wyoming	Wyoming Department of Family Services	Send inquiries via email to: http://dfsweb.state.wy.us/EmailUs.aspx?SecID=26 or Contact a Wyoming Foster Care Coordinator by county listed at: http://dfsweb.state.wy.us/dfs/contact.html#foster	www.wyomingfostercare.gov

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