



## California Foster Families

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*A Rite of Passage Program*



Become a resource parent  
and change the life of a child  
**forever.**





## Becoming a Resource Parent

Resource parents are loving, caring, and committed individuals who provide a safe, stable home for children who are temporarily removed from the custody of their biological caregiver. They work as part of a team to reunify a child with his/her biological parent(s) or relative(s) if possible. Resource parents provide the support necessary to help a child deal with any issue they may be experiencing.

### Foster Parent Benefits Include:

- Monthly tax-free compensation
- Agency-paid background check (nominal rolling fee is charged to applicant)
- First Aid and CPR Certification
- Free initial Resource Family training (refreshments & lunch provided)
- Ongoing training provided by a Masters Level Social Worker and specialized for each Resource Family
- Continuous support for all child/family needs

## About Us

ROP's California Foster Families is a private non-profit Foster Family Agency licensed by the State of California (Community Care License #057006153) to recruit, train and approve Resource Families. Our agency has over 35 years of experience working with youth and families, and utilizes a youth-center approach and evidence-based practices to create positive and lasting outcomes for youth and families in the state of California.

California Foster Families focuses on providing safe, supportive and stable homes for children, while providing families with the resources and supports necessary to create a positive, nurturing environment. We believe that the success of a resource family and child is rooted in the match, so we ensure that every child is placed in the right home.



## Our Services

California Foster Families is licensed to conduct Resource Family Approval (RFA), which means that we provide the approval process for new Resource Parents, which may include biological family members, family friends, or other parties interested in assisting children in the child welfare and probation systems. This process has previously been known as the certification process for foster parents.

Our agency also provides professional support services and resources to ensure the success of every child and family.

### Our services include:

- Weekly case management by the assigned Social Worker
- Evening home visits
- Individual and group therapy
- 24-hour on-call support
- Treatment focused on skill building and meeting the concrete needs of the child and family
- In-home specialized training for Resource Families
- Family-focused agency sponsored events and outings

## Am I an Eligible Candidate?

Any individual, regardless of marital status, can apply to become a Resource Parent/Family. California Foster Families requires individuals to be at least 21 years of age, have a clean background check, be able to complete the required trainings, and provide a clean, safe, and nurturing living environment.

## Approval Process and Requirements

- Resource Parent Referral Form
- Initial Application Meeting (1 hour of training)
- Eligibility Meeting (1 hour of training)
- Initial Home Inspection and Policy and Procedures Review (2 hours of training)
- Final Home Inspection (1 hour of training)
- Pre-Approval Training (8 hours of RFA Orientation Class)
- CPR/First Aid Certification