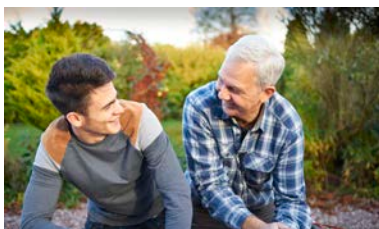


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Steps to Becoming a Licensed *Resource Parent*

RFA Orientation

Our three-hour in-person meeting provides basic information to help you as you begin your journey as a foster parent.

21st Century Caregiver Training (8- 3 hour classes)

- Introduction to Foster Parenting/Overview of Child Family Services
- Introduction to Child Trauma & Trauma-Sensitive Care
- Normalcy, Culture Competence/Children's Rights, Voices of Youth
- Positive Parenting
- Overview of Sexual Abuse & Health Issues
- Transitions & Grief & Loss
- Self-Care, Resources, Foster Panel

To learn more about these courses, visit fostervckids.org/events. *If you miss a session, you can make it up, but please understand that this lengthens the licensing process.*

Application*

Completing our application provides critical information about you, your family, and your preferences for foster parenting.

Live Scan + background check *

A background check is legally required to help ensure safety for foster children.

TB Test and Medical Physical*

A Tuberculosis test and a medical physical exam are legally required to help ensure safety for foster children.

CPR/First Aid Training*

This course provides critical training that will help you feel more confident as a caregiver. For more information, visit www.redcross.org.

Comprehensive Resource Family Assessment

The Comprehensive Assessment includes, the Home environment assessment, required background checks, psychosocial assessment, pre-approval training and any other factors as deemed appropriate and necessary by the county. This information is utilized to determine an applicant's suitability as a Resource Family and helps the agency understand the family to support stability and high quality care.

***Tip:** Complete your Live Scan, TB test, medical physical exam, and CPR/First Aid training while attending your Pre-Placement Training Courses to shorten the application process.

If you have any questions regarding these steps, please do not hesitate to contact us at **(805) 654-3220** or visit fostervckids.org.



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