Midwest Family is offering \$500 to any successful referral of Foster Care Applicants who complete the process and become a licensed Foster Parent! This is a great opportunity to not only receive extra cash, but to also give a deserving child an opportunity to have a family and a great start to life.

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Midwest Family Services is accepting applications to become a Foster Care Parent.



If you are an adult committed to sharing your home with children who would benefit from your special talents for fostering, please contact Midwest Family Services.

Questions about our foster care program, please contact Regina Parrish at rparrish@midwestpsych.com or 317-921-3936.

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Midwest Family Services is fully licensed by the Indiana Department of Child

Services and provides Foster Care Services in Marion, Allen, Lake, Delaware, Hamilton, Johnson, Hendricks, Boone, Shelby and Vigo Counties. Our partnership with the Indiana Department of Child Services seeks to increase the number of Foster Care parents in Central Indiana, link youth with appropriate mental health providers, and focus on reducing the number of failed placements for youth in foster care.

Midwest Family Services focuses on the recruitment of foster care parents and specialization of foster care services for youth in the community.

For a detailed look at Foster Care Parent requirements and the placement process, please contact Regina Parrish at 317-921-3936 or via e mail: rparrish@midwestpsych.com

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Midwest Family Services Foster Care Highlights

- Monthly reimbursements
- Weekly or bi-weekly in-home support visits
- In-home support & parenting skills training
- Coordination and supervision of birth parents' visits and interactions
- Coordination of medical, psychological and educational needs and referrals
- 24-hour crisis availability
- Individual orientations with prospective foster parents.
- Pre-certification educational classes



Regina Parrish , LSW Midwest Family Services

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Steps to becoming a Foster Parent

- 1. Call Regina Parrish at Midwest Family Services at 317-921-3936 to request an informational/training packet.
- 2. Register for Paperwork orientation/Pre-service Training. Make sure to make arrangements for childcare and time-off work (if applicable).
- 3. Successfully complete Pre-service Training, Therapeutic Training, and First Aid / CPR certification.

- 4. Successful Completion and agency review of background checks. The following Background Checks must be completed:
- National & State wide Criminal (Adult & Juvenile) History
- Local Law Enforcement Agencies (LEA)/County Sheriff Records
- Sexual Offenders Registry
- Child Protection Services History
- Provide verification of health for all residents of the household
- Provide positive references from at least 4 non-family individuals whom you have known for at least 3 years Foster Family Home Preparation Assessment Summary (Home study)

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Midwest Family Services **Qualifications for Foster Parents**

The State of Indiana has minimum requirements for becoming a licensed foster family

Listed below are minimum standards that a home must meet in order to become a licensed therapeutic foster home with Midwest Family Services:

- Parents must be at least 21 years to provide foster care services and 25 years of age to provide Therapeutic Foster Care Services.
- Parents must be able to financially support themselves without public assistance
- Parents may be single, divorced, married/non-married couple, or partnered couple
- All residents of the household, over the age of 14, must pass local, state, national criminal background checks and child abuse checks
- Parents must have reliable and insured transportation, as well as, a valid driver's license
- Your home must have sufficient bedroom space

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Foster parents in this program will receive:

- Ongoing support and education in their efforts to provide life changing care for children placed in their home
- Regular foster home visitation from the case manager assigned to their home
- Mileage reimbursement for transporting children to required appointments
- Competitive Daily Per Diem Payment via direct deposit
- 24/7 Crisis support services
- Free ongoing training

If you are considering becoming a foster care parent, or have questions about our foster care program, please contact Regina Parrish at rparrish@midwestpsych.com or 317-921-3936.

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