

WHAT DOES SHARE HOMES PROVIDE FOR FOSTER PARENTS:

- Professionally trained foster homes
- 24-hour on-call social worker
- Financial reimbursement
- Support services by highly trained social workers
- Transportation workers
- Therapeutic counseling
- Medical & Dental Coverage
- Location for supervised visits
- Coordination of subsidized daycare
- Weekly social worker contact
- Social activities

THE REWARDS

- An opportunity to make new friends
- New learning experiences
- A terrific challenge
- An opportunity to develop new parenting skills through monthly trainings
- A special role in the community
- The satisfaction of helping a child
- An opportunity to make a difference

We believe every child deserves a happy and healthy childhood.



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OUR MISSION

It is the mission of Share Homes Adoption and Foster Care Agency, through team advocacy with adoptive parents, social workers, and community organizations, to enhance the lives of children in need by providing loving, stable, and permanent homes.

WHO WE ARE

Share Homes, Inc. is a non-profit (Tax I.D. #94-3042623) public benefit corporation incorporated and licensed as a foster care agency in Lodi, California in 1987 (#390310451). The Elk Grove office was licensed in 1999 (#347001320). The adoption license was received in 2002 (#397001963).

WHAT WE DO

Share Homes provides foster homes to children between the ages of birth to 18 years. We are committed to providing a safe, nurturing environment through our network of caring foster parents. Our goal for the foster children is to become responsible adults and positive role models.

BACKGROUNDS OF CHILDREN WE SERVE

- Physically abused
- Sexually abused
- Emotionally abused
- Neglected

WHO CAN FOSTER:

- Married or single individuals
- At least 18 years old
- Rent or own your home
- Have sufficient income to support yourself
- Be in good health, physically and mentally
- Working or stay at home parents
- Parents with or without specific religious beliefs

FOSTER CARE APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be fingerprint and child abuse cleared for foster care, as well as, other adults living in the home
- Pass licensing and agency regulations
- Have a valid CDL, clean driving record, and an insured, safe, operating vehicle
- Complete the entire process, which includes: orientation, pre-certification training, paperwork, and a home study
- Live within two hours of our office



6 TYPES OF PLACEMENTS:

- **Respite**-up to 30 days, short-term care, like babysitting
- **Emergency Placement**-placements that need homes immediately may be short-term and may know only limited information on the children.
- **Reunification**-placements for a period of 6 months to two years with weekly visits. Goal is to reunify the children with their parents.
- **Long-Term**-children usually 6 and older who will stay in foster care until emancipation.
- **Concurrent Planning**-
Children with two plans:
 - 1) Child evaluated for adoption if birth parents do not comply with court order.
 - 2) Child reunified with parents who do comply with the court order.
- **Fost/Adopt**-foster children placements that lead to adoption.

The foster care certification process includes:

- A two hour orientation
- An eight hour pre-certification training
- CPR and First Aid training
- Fingerprint and background check
- Three home visits to complete a screening interview, a home safety inspection, and a home study.