



## Foster Parenting

Hamilton County Job and Family Services (HCJFS) is committed to ensuring quality local homes are available for children in agency care. To that end, HCJFS contracts with network providers of foster care services. When a child requires foster care, HCJFS staff will contact the networks to find a licensed home able to meet the child's needs.

If you are interested in becoming a foster parent for Hamilton County children, contact any of the network providers listed below and request their information packet. To partner with the network which best reflects your interests and goals, review the provided information and follow through on any questions or concerns you may have about the process and requirements.

Network Provider	Location	Phone Number
Adriel School	West Liberty, OH	(937) 465-0010
Agape For Youth	Dayton, OH	(937) 439-4406
Angels Guarding Youth	Springdale, OH	(513) 259-6174
* Bair Foundation	Cincinnati, OH	(513) 771-1606
* Beech Acres	Cincinnati, OH	(513) 233-4707
Beech Brook	Cleveland, OH	(216) 831-2255
* Buckeye Ranch/Square One for Youth	Cincinnati, OH	(513) 772-5800
Child Focus	Cincinnati, OH	(513) 752-1555
C.H.O.I.C.E.S., Inc.	Cincinnati, OH	(513) 521-8111
Envision	Cincinnati, OH	(513) 619-2961
* Focus on Youth	Cincinnati, OH	(513) 644-1030
* Lighthouse Youth Services	Cincinnati, OH	(513) 487-7135
* Necco	Cincinnati, OH	(513) 771-9600
* National Youth Advocate Program	Cincinnati, OH	(513) 772-6166
Oasis Therapeutic Foster Care Network	Albany, OH	(740) 698-0340
Oesterlen Services for Youth	Springfield, OH	(937) 399-6101, ext. 150
Ohio Mentor	Cincinnati, OH	(513) 221-0175
Pressley Ridge	Cincinnati, OH	(513) 559-1402
* Specialized Alternatives for Youth (SAFY)	Cincinnati, OH	(513) 771-7239
St. Joseph Orphanage	Cincinnati, OH	(513) 481-7350
The Village Network	Columbus, OH	(614) 253-8050

\* = Agency licenses for foster care and adoption. If you are also considering adoption, it is recommended that you work with one of these agencies.

### **Adopting a child placed in licensed foster homes:**

Sometimes children placed in foster care become available for adoption. Ohio law gives preference first to suitable family members of the child, then to a child's foster parents and finally to others who express interest in the child.

If a child placed with you becomes available for adoption and you are interested in adopting that child and have not already been approved as an adoptive parent, you can complete an expedited application to adopt. Your foster care agency will then work with JFS to complete the expedited home study and adoption process.