

CONTACT INFORMATION

Community Family Supports

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TESTIMONIALS

Here's what we've heard from recent program participants and their families:

"Everything happens for a reason and I'm so thankful for what the foster parents and the Volunteers of America-MN social worker have done." —Birth parent of a teenage girl with a history of behavior and mental health issues

"When I graduated and moved away to go to college it was exciting. At Christmas time I went back to visit my foster parents and it was like coming home." —From a youth recently in our foster care program



FOSTER CARE & EMERGENCY SHELTER CARE

PROGRAMS FOR YOUTH AND FAMILIES WITHIN
OUR COMMUNITY FAMILY SUPPORTS

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VISION Uplift all lives

VALUES Collaboration, compassion,
excellence, integrity & respect

MISSION Help people gain self-
reliance, dignity and hope



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HOW WE HELP

The Social Workers and the Foster Parents within Community Family Supports at Volunteers of America provide exceptional care to the youths in the Foster Care Program. We believe that each person, regardless of limitations, deserves to be treated with respect and dignity. This philosophy is visible in every interaction.

EMERGENCY SHELTER FOSTER CARE

Provides short term foster care for children in Hennepin County who are in immediate need of a home.

FOSTER CARE

Provides residential care to children with emotional and/or behavioral difficulties who cannot live with their birth parents. We license, train, monitor, and support foster families who provide care. Our foster homes are located in the Twin Cities metropolitan area, within a 60 miles radius of our program office in Edina, MN. Many of the children we serve have led traumatic, chaotic lives and have rarely experienced stability. Our foster parents and experienced social workers work together to provide these youth with acceptance, guidance, nurturance, and a stable home environment that will encourage healing and growth. A plan is developed for each child with goals in the areas of mental and physical health, education, independent living skills, crisis support, and spiritual and cultural needs.

TEAM SUPPORT

Foster parents work with a team that may consist of social workers, therapists, court representatives, family members, school professionals, and others who have an interest in the well-being of the foster children in their care. Each foster family is assigned to an experienced social worker that visits a minimum of twice per month and provides support and consultation during the entire time of placement. On-going training is also provided on related issues.

FOSTER FAMILIES

Foster families are people who:

- May have children at home, grown children or no children of their own
- Are home during the day or have flexible work schedules
- Are couples or individuals
- Are of many cultural backgrounds

As a foster parent, you receive:

- The satisfaction of giving a child a chance for a better future
- Financial compensation
- Ongoing training, education and foster parent support groups
- Paid respite care
- An assigned social worker for support and consultation
- 24-hour/7-days a week emergency assistance
- Support from Vona, our mental health clinic

TO MAKE A FOSTER HOME REFERRAL,
PLEASE CALL: 952-945-4168

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE
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