

CROSSROADS FAMILY SERVICES











Home Base Program

The Residential Home Base Program is a Group/Foster Care Treatment Transition Pilot Project. The pilot project is a collaborative venture designed to bridge the gap between group care and foster care, and will be implemented to transition children/youth who have demonstrated the readiness to be transitioned to a specialized and supportive foster care placement.

We are currently recruiting
Therapeutic Parents
to take part in the Pilot program.

Could I be a Therapeutic Parent?

Children with highly specialized needs require Foster parents with exceptional skills. To be a Home Base Parent, you must:

-  Meet all the regular requirements of being a foster parent (CYIM, CRIM, home-study, etc)
-  Be able to work collaboratively with a multi-disciplinary team to support a specialized child in your home
-  Be willing to take all the necessary on-going training that is required to meet an individual child's needs, and case plan.
-  Be physically, emotionally & financially stable
-  Be able to provide detailed documentation for tracking to determine progress of the child in the transition process
-  Have FULL family interest in taking on this level of fostering
-  Be positive role-models of solid values and healthy behaviors
-  Be open to strong, involved co-parenting with the Agency team
-  Have strong support networks
-  Ideally will have fostered for at least 5 years, have completed all core Foster Parent courses, or have suitable education / experience

Funding:

As compensation for their work Home Base Foster parents receive a daily non-taxable stipend. Parents in this pilot program will receive a stipend that is higher than current level 2 stipend. The amount of stipend depends on the needs and age of the child as well as the skill level of the foster family.

Foster Families also receive extensive wrap-around supports for themselves and the children in their care.

If you are interested in becoming Therapeutic parents through this Pilot Project or require more information please contact:

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