



Scope of Service

Foster Care Services

(Traditional, Intensive Services,
Transitional Housing)

Service Area:	Northern California Counties
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Program Philosophy
Well-trained resource families encouraged and supported by an effective Foster Family Agency can improve a child’s out-of-home experience and enhance the likelihood of a successful reunification of child and family.

Program Goal
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with local agencies in meeting the needs of at-risk children and young adults. • Providing professional training and support to resource families and thereby improving the experience of children in foster care. • Providing a continuum of care to graduates of other Youth for Change programs. • Incorporating transitional counseling and family therapy to ensure successful reunification following out-of-home placement. • Providing healthy, supportive, and stable long-term foster care or THP opportunities for youth and young adults who are unable to reunify with family members.

Program Description	
Service Type:	Out-of-home care and support provided in a family-like setting, resource home, supported housing, or independent living setting.
Service Location:	Housing locations throughout Northern California.
Administrative Location:	260 Cohasset Rd. Suite 120 Chico, CA 95926 (530) 877-1965
Population Served:	Children, teens, and young adults who qualify for foster care and who may be neglected, physically abused, sexually abused, and who may have parents who are incarcerated or require drug rehabilitation.
Hours of Operation:	24/7 support. In case of emergency contact the Foster Care on-call line: (530) 415-4139 Non-emergency: (530) 877-6764

Service Abstract
Traditional Foster Care provides comprehensive support services to resource parents as well as safe, nurturing, and supportive relationships with youth in need of a stable home. Intensive Services Foster Care is a short-term program with highly trained resource parent(s) that assist in stabilizing a youth’s behavior as they prepare to reunify with a family member or other long term placement option.

Transitional Housing (THP, THP Plus Foster Care, and THP Plus) assists participants with financial responsibilities and support for independence while helping gain the necessary skills to sustain themselves. Foster Care Services staff consist of Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists, Licensed Clinical Social Workers, Associate Marriage and Family Therapists, Associate Social Workers or exempt through Community Care Licensing (CCL) with supervision by the FCS Administrator and Director of Social Services.

Entry and Exit Criteria

Entry to any foster care program is based on referral and placement with a county social services department and matching to assure an appropriate placement based on foster child needs and program services. The client exits services based on county of origin placement planning, family reunification, or emancipation from the system of care.

Referral, Transition, and Discharge

All referral, transition and discharge decisions are the responsibility of the services provider and applicable treatment team(s). Referrals will be made and documented throughout treatment, considering clients' and families' abilities and preferences. Transition planning will occur throughout the course of treatment, be discussed with clients and applicable treatment team(s) and be documented. Transition plan will include review of clients' wellbeing, gains achieved, and client and family strengths. Discharge paperwork and client history reports will be completed and reviewed at the end of treatment with clients and caretakers as available and appropriate.

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