

## HOW TO BECOME A FOSTER CARE FAMILY

### Our Foster Care Families Receive Endless Support

Orientation and extensive ongoing training

Initial and yearly home assessments

Connection and support of case-worker and other foster parents

Monetary support to care for children

- 1 Contact an agency to complete the orientation process
- 2 Work with your licensing worker to learn more about you, your family and your home
- 3 Get your foster home ready with this list:
  - beds, infant care items and hygiene products (depending on age)
  - Working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors
  - Make sure your home is free of any safety hazards
- 4 Set up a good support system
- 5 Become a mentor to understand children who are already in care
  - Help children build healthy relationships with adults
  - Learn and engage with vulnerable children
  - Provide a nurturing and supportive relationship to be a temporary or forever family for a youth

## WHO WE NEED

We need LICENSED FOSTER PARENT(s) to:

- open their home for a child in need—especially ages 10 to 20!
- become licensed for respite care to help other foster parents.
- provide weekend care for children in the residential program.

We need MENTOR(S) FOR A CHILD to:

- spend time with a child one-on-one who is in foster or residential care.
- be a positive support for a child, help w/homework, reading, or just being there.
- engage in healthy relationships and take part in community activities.

We need SUPPORTERS FOR FOSTER PARENTS to:

- be a substitute care provider when needed.
- check in with the foster home to see if anything is needed.

We need ADOPTIVE PARENT(s) to:

- provide a safe placement for a child who needs a forever home.
- consider Foster Care, then Adoption.
- consider adopting a child, a teenager and/or siblings.

## BECOME A FOSTER CARE FAMILY OR ADOPT A CHILD IN NEED

Ask all the questions you have, learn more, or start the process by calling 231-305-6700.

## ENROLL A CHILD IN A POST-ADOPTION SUPPORT PROGRAM

Residential care or intervention services are available and some programs are eligible for Adoption Subsidy. Call 231-305-6700 for more information.

## DONATE · VOLUNTEER · MENTOR

Eagle Village relies on a network of donors and volunteers to carry out our mission. If you have the time or the means, please consider lending your support. Eagle Village is a qualified 501(c)(3) organization.

Through God's help and love, we use residential services, intervention, foster care, and adoption services to be THE solution for Michigan's struggling kids and families.

Learn more at [eaglevillage.org](http://eaglevillage.org).

## QUESTIONS? CONTACT:

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## FOSTER CARE & ADOPTION



Essential services  
for children and teens,  
newborn to age 20.



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## HELPING CREATE THE HEART AND SOUL OF FAMILY

We believe all children are meant to be raised in a home, with loving parents. While some kids are blessed to receive that gift from birth, others need help finding it. We can help.

Since 1968, Eagle Village has been changing the lives of youth and families in Michigan. Set in rural Hersey, Michigan, this peaceful 681-acre wooded campus has become a hub for the specialized services these families need such as residential care, intervention programs, foster care, and adoption.

## EAGLE VILLAGE FOSTER CARE & ADOPTION SERVICES

In Michigan, kids in foster care range from newborn to 20-years-old. These children and teens are not in foster care for anything they have done - they have been removed from unsafe situations, surrendered by their parents, or have been orphaned by deaths in the family.

Eagle Village Foster Care\* Families receive the following support:  
(Foster care only, not adoption)

- Orientation and extensive ongoing training
- Trauma training with foster parents by trauma-informed professionals
- Licensing and reviews
- Help setting up respite care
- Accredited by Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF)

**10,036**  
MICHIGAN KIDS  
ARE IN  
FOSTER CARE\*

**3,000**  
MICHIGAN KIDS  
ARE AWAITING  
ADOPTION\*

\* Statistics from 2024

**“You might not be the forever family of every kid that you bring into your home, but you’ll always be forever a part of their family.”**

- Isaiah, Eagle Village Foster Parent



The Eagle Village Foster Care Team works hard to match foster children with the right family. It is an important, collaborative process with great support from our team.

We sponsor events for foster care families throughout the year to help build a community and support group for everyone involved. All Eagle Village foster families are required to participate in ongoing training which is conveniently offered online.

**“There’s no greater feeling than welcoming a child in need into your safe and supportive home. It’s an experience like no other.”**

## ADOPTION

The Eagle Village Adoption Program works to find loving, permanent homes for children who will never be able to return to their biological families

Regardless of age, gender, or ethnicity, every child deserves a place to call home. Adoption is the beautiful beginning of a new family. Even if you don’t own your own home, you can still change the life of a child by providing a safe, stable and loving environment.

The Eagle Village Adoption Program will walk you through every step of the process. We are here to answer questions, assist with paperwork and licensing, and even offer essential post-adoption support services.