

Foster Care Awareness Month

Dear Foster Parents,

I hope you have all been able to enjoy a few rays of sunshine this spring. After a long, wet, cold and dark winter, a little sun goes a long way!

May is an AWESOME month! The birds are returning, the flowers are blooming and foster parents are being recognized. May is Foster Parent Appreciation month. With parties at some of our offices and gifts being handed out in others, it is great to have such a lovely month for you to be recognized in.

I am hoping to see many of you over the next month and thank you personally but if I don't, please know you are greatly appreciated by all of us at CFSF! Please also know that the work you do for and with these children is smiled upon by God.

Thank you all and God Bless you for loving our most vulnerable and needy children.

Sincerely,

Mark



Foster Parent Appreciation Events in Washington

- * Thursday, May 3rd "Fostering Together Night Out" 5:30pm at Cheney Stadium in Tacoma
- * Monday, May 7th "Hollywood themed Appreciation Dinner" from 5:30-7pm at Christ Lutheran Church in Walla Walla
- * Wednesday, May 16th "Kitsap Foster Parent Appreciation Dinner" from 6pm-8pm at Miracle Ranch in Port Orchard
- * Thursday, May 17th "Aloha Luau for Foster Parents" from 5pm-8pm at Asia Pacific Cultural Center in Tacoma
- * Friday, May 18th "Richland DCFS Caregiver Appreciation Dinner" 6pm at Bethel Church in Richland
- * Saturday, May 19th "Vancouver Family Bowling Day" from 11am-1pm at Crosley Lanes in Vancouver
- * Sunday, May 20th "We Are Family Day" at CenturyLink Field in Seattle
- * Wednesday, May 23rd "Foster Parent Cake & Ice Cream Social" from 4pm-6pm at CFSF Omak office
- * Wednesday, May 30th "Cake and Ice Cream Social" from 4pm-6pm at the CFSF Moses Lake office

Upcoming Classes

May 7, 14, 21 & June 4, 11, 18 @ 6pm-8:30pm at CFSF Port Orchard

"Parenting the Positive Discipline Way"

May 10 @ 6pm-8pm at CFSF Fife Office

"Hope for Healing" -PART ONE

May 19 @ 9am-4pm at CFSF Port Orchard Office

"Caring for Children with Sexual Behavior Concerns"

June 7 @ 6pm-8pm at CFSF Fife Office

"Hope for Healing" -PART TWO

July 12 @ 6pm-8pm at CFSF Fife Office

"Hope for Healing" -PART THREE





Wow! What a great turnout for 2018 Kitsap Great Give! CFSF is overjoyed by the 28 generous donations of over \$3000! Thank you to everyone who shared in making Kitsap Great Give so successful!

Caregiver Core Training

CFSF Office
1502 Roland Ave.
Port Orchard, WA 98366

When: May 30	6pm-9pm	Session 1
May 31	6pm-9pm	Session 2
June 2	8:30am-3:30pm	Sessions 3 & 4
June 13	6pm-9pm	Session 5
June 14	6pm-9pm	Session 6
June 16	8:30am-3:30pm	Sessions 7 & 8

CFSF Office
209 Ash Street
Moses Lake, WA 98837

When: May 31	6pm-9pm	Session 1
June 1	6pm-9pm	Session 2
June 2	9am-4pm	Sessions 3 & 4
June 14	6pm-9pm	Session 5
June 15	6pm-9pm	Session 6
June 16	9am-4pm	Sessions 7 & 8

Columbia Christian Church
907 NW 99th Street
Vancouver, WA 98665

When: May 31	6pm-9pm	Session 1
June 1	6pm-9pm	Session 2
June 2	9am-4pm	Sessions 3 & 4
June 14	6pm-9pm	Session 5
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Foster Parent Support Group

- ◇ 2nd Saturday of every month @ 4 pm
- ◇ One hour of training/WAC discussion
- ◇ Good, supportive conversation
- ◇ Potluck dinner & Kids are welcome!

Call our main office for details! 360-895-7889

SHOP OUR CLOTHING CLOSET!

Thank you to Eunice's birthday donations in honor of CFSF, has stocked the shelves with 118 items, including summer clothes, swim wear and jammies.

Please contact the main office if you plan to shop!



360-895-7889

Respite Care

Summer is coming and so are vacations. If you'll be needing respite this summer, please turn your request in as soon as you know the dates. It's never too early to let us know!

From January 2018 to April 2018, our agency has filled 217 respite requests and used 745 days of respite!

To notify us in an email please contact:

Western WA: Respite@cfsf.net

Eastern WA: keke@cfsf.net

Burlington, Vancouver, Fife, Port Orchard areas and all of Eastern WA CFSF offices.



Starting June 26th Regal Cinema are showing movies Tuesday & Wednesday at 10am all summer, for \$1. Find a Regal near you for a list of showings. This opportunity will last for 14 weeks, so mark your calendars!



May 28th, 2018

All offices will be CLOSED in observance of Memorial Day