

CFSF Family Connection SUMMER 2024

Dear Foster Parents,

This month is CFSF's 24th Birthday – Can you believe it!? A lot has happened over that time. CFSF has licensed hundreds of foster parents and seen thousands of foster children come into care. We have been blessed to see many children reunified with family, as well as over 600 adoptions. So much good is wrapped up in those memories. Thank you all!

CFSF has had the same Business Manager, Maciana, from the beginning. For years she has devoted herself to making sure foster parents and staff are paid correctly and on time. From NEVER taking vacation from the 1st through the 10th of the month, to always being available, Maciana has taken her job seriously and loved and cared deeply for our foster parents and staff. Maciana looks to retire at the end of June. You are amazing and will be missed, thank you for over 24 years!

The CFSF Board has selected Jacquelyn Citizen, Maciana's daughter and part of the Fiscal team for the last 8 years, as her successor. Jacquelyn did not fall far from the tree. She is dedicated and committed to CFSF's values and the people who are connected to it.

God Bless you Maciana you will be missed in the office. Thank you for your dedication to CFSF foster parents.

Sincerely,

Mark Fullington



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Success Story

Before Jeff moved in with his amazing foster mom, he wasn't quite ready to conquer the classroom. But guess what? His foster mom and the school teamed up like dream team detectives to figure out the best way for Jeff to shine. Even though Jeff should be a 1st grader whiz, he started kindergarten a reading and writing rookie. But hold onto your hats! This little learner rocketed to the top of his class and just snagged an award for improvement in reading and writing. Keep it up, Jeff, you're a superstar scholar in the making!

LICENSING CORNER

A friendly reminder from your Licensing team...

As summer approaches, if you put up a pool (new or repeat), please reach out to your Licensor to make sure it is in compliance with the WACs.

This also applies to adding trampolines.

Licensors also need to know about the addition of animals in and around the home, including reptiles, chicken, fish, and farm animals

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Our Foster Kids have been blessed by so many! Thank you for your support and generosity!

- King's Mens Club - monetary donation
- Bonnie - diapers & new clothes
- Kelly Asher - sippy cups
- Wendi Sumner - totes
- Young Professionals - clothing
- Kara Kelley - monetary donation
- Bethany Lutheran Church
- Gig Harbor Quilters

Congratulations Class of 2024!

Please let your Case Manager know if you have a **graduating senior** (currently or formerly in care)! **CFSF & Ticket to Dream** would love to help **celebrate** their **success!**

Want Online Training? Check out the many options at

[The Alliance for Professional Development, Training and Caregiver Excellence \(risewiththealliance.org\)](http://TheAllianceforProfessionalDevelopment,TrainingandCaregiverExcellence(risewiththealliance.org))

SUMMER FUN

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| Fly a Kite | Have a Picnic |
| Build a Sandcastle | Blow Bubbles |
| Go to the Park | Play Boardgames |
| Visit the Zoo | Pick Berries |
| Draw with Chalk | Build a Blanket Fort |
| Enjoy the Pool | Have a Dance Party |
| Make S'mores | Go on a Hike |
| Watch a Sunset | Have a Pillow Fight |
| Eat Ice Cream | Go to a Festival |

COMMUNITY & FAMILY SERVICES SUMMER FAMILY

BURLINGTON

Splash Bash AUGUST 16TH

FIFE

Farm Days JULY 13TH

MOSES LAKE

Water Park JULY 27TH

PORT ORCHARD

Lake Days JULY 25TH & AUGUST 8TH

SPOKANE

Picnic in the Park AUGUST 10TH

VANCOUVER

Picnic in the Park AUGUST 15TH

Staff Departures:

- PORT ORCHARD caregiver SUPPORT AIDE Jaime Brooks
- SPOKANE caregiver SUPPORT AIDE Michele Long
- FIFE case manager Albert MacArthur
- FIFE case manager Paula Luttrell

Changes & New Additions

- PORT ORCHARD CM -TO- LICENSOR Karesse Sisemore
- FIFE CM -TO- CLINICAL DIRECTOR Jessica Rice
- W-WA RESPITE ADMIN COORD -TO- W-WA RESPITE ADMIN COORD + FISCAL SUPPORT Catherine Wade
- FIFE case manager Regina Nelson
- BURLINGTON case aide Kellie Hamilton
- FIFE case manager Lybia Chun