

Community and Family Services Foundation

# FAMILY CONNECTION SUMMER 2026

Dear Foster Parents,

We have finally hit the month of May, and summer is just around the corner. Woohoo! For Foster Parent Appreciation in the month of May, CFSF is distributing gift cards to homes with active placements. We also participated in the "We Are Family" celebration and Mariner's event on May 3<sup>rd</sup> with 100 of our foster parents and children.

This summer we will be having get togethers all over the state from water parks to picnics to back to school events. We are looking forward to celebrating summer and hope to see you there. Keep an eye out for details!

We know that being a foster parent has been quite challenging over the last several years. Covid brought isolation and fear; HB 1226 brought serious safety concerns for children, tighter licensing requirements competing for more of your time, and the pressure to transition children to guardianship placements.

These challenges have complicated your lives and we empathize with you as we remain committed to walking by your side. You are messengers for good; you are the good Samaritan willing to nurture and care for children in need while making a difference in our state and in your community.



God Bless You All!  
Sincerely, Mark Fullington

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## CONFIDENCE & GROWTH

When Charlie joined the Cameron family two years ago, he was a quiet boy who mostly experienced the world through his tablet and echoed the words of those around him. Since then, his world has opened up beautifully. Today, he greets his foster mom with a "good morning," sings along to Bluey, and has found the confidence to share his voice with his family and case manager alike.

While challenges remain—including a period where he needed a helmet for safety during bus rides—the recent silence from the school regarding behavioral reports is a testament to his progress. Charlie's journey over the last two years is more than just growth; it is a heartwarming transformation of a boy finding his place and his voice.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

We are pleased to announce that we have a new **Secretary on our Board of Directors, Susan Fullington!** A retired Director of Engineering for Boeing with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering, Sue has a strong history in planning, leadership and finance, and calls Kitsap County home. Sue was formally elected during a recent Board meeting, by process of proposal, nomination, and approval. In the short time since Sue's election, she has brought a fresh perspective and invaluable business insight to the Board. Welcome, Sue, we are so happy to have you!

## SUMMER EVENTS

June 12	<i>Moses Lake</i>	Kiwanis Golf Fundraiser
July 18	<i>Tacoma</i>	Wishing Well Farm Event
Aug 5	<i>Port Orchard</i>	Lake Days
Aug 7	<i>Burlington</i>	Splash Pad
Aug 8	<i>Moses Lake</i>	Water Park
Aug 8	<i>Spokane</i>	Skating Rink
Aug 12	<i>Port Orchard</i>	KFCA Back-to-School
Aug 13	<i>Vancouver</i>	Summer Event
Aug 15	<i>Tacoma</i>	Summer Event
Sept 12	<i>Port Orchard</i>	KFCA Farm Event

## FOSTER CARE APPRECIATION

Thank you foster parents for the steady care, patience, and love you give every day. You open your homes and hearts during some of the hardest times in a child's life, and the impact you make reaches far beyond what is often seen. Your support, encouragement, and consistency can change a child's future in lasting ways.

## RECENT DONORS

Daffodil Festival • Poulsbo Candy Shoppe • Lions Club Nifty Thrifty • Rotary Club of Three Creeks • Benevity Bethany Lutheran Church • Olive Garden Silverdale Kara Kelley • Frances Moore • Moses Lake Kiwanis Club Janet Caesar & the Port Orchard Kiwanis Club • Ini-Tram Sound Elite Athletics • Olive Crest Silverdale • Kara Moss Alliance Cares • Sherry H. & friends • Karsse Sisemore Payless Construction • Ticket to Dream Foundation Columbia Basin Eagles • Fort Vancouver Lions Club Kitsap Great Give • Jessica Babka • Kimberly Roberts Naomi Nichols • Sally Carmen • Katherine Paynter • Kroger

## LICENSING CORNER

### Summer Water Safety and WAC Compliance

As temperatures rise and the summer season approaches, please be advised that the installation of any swimming pool—including inflatable, framed, or "kiddy" pools—must adhere to WAC safety standards. To ensure your home remains in full compliance with licensing requirements, please contact your licensor.

## STAFF CHANGES

### Departures

Clinical Consult **Scott Hanauer**

#### MOSES LAKE

Case Manager **Johanna Haile**

#### PORT ORCHARD

Case Aide **Cassie Crover**

#### SPOKANE

Case Manager **Erin Sartell**

### Changes & Welcomes

ADDED ROLE Clinical Spec **Sally Carmen**

Clinical Consult/Trainer **Kimberly Riley**

Clinical Consult **Jennifer King**

#### BURLINGTON

ADDED ROLE Placement Coord. **Rochelle Godin**

#### PORT ORCHARD

<sup>TO</sup> Asst. Executive Director **Sean Kelly**

<sup>TO</sup> Program Supp. Spec. **Catherine Marbella**

<sup>TO</sup> Case Manager **Katie Rice**

Case Aide **Dawn McMakin**

Case Manager **Allie Marccone**

#### SPOKANE

ADDED ROLE Placement Coord. **Michelle Munns**

Licensor **Mari Bradbury**

<sup>TO</sup> Case Manager **Keara Baker**

#### TACOMA

<sup>TO</sup> Asst. Program Director **Shelly Genuardi**

<sup>TO</sup> Office Supp. Spec. **Amity Preston**

Admin Supp. Spec. **Chanel Sterba**

<sup>TO</sup> Case Manager **Jocelyn Hughes**

Case Manager **Mattie Garcia**

Case Manager **Sydney Shead**

#### VANCOUVER

Case Manager **Natalie Karnath**