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Foster 360 Arizona
Helen’s Hope Chest
• **Support Group** – AKSS offers support groups for kinship caregivers where they can learn from other caregivers going through similar situations. Caregivers can expand their social support system and build long-lasting connections to other kinship families.

• **Basic Needs** (clothing, beds, safety items) – Since AKSS is surrounded by a network of organizations that serve kinship caregivers, items such as clothing, hygiene, school supplies, toys, and other similar items can typically be obtained through partnered organizations. AKSS also has a small emergency fund available for approved requests.

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• **One-to-one services** – Typically, most requests can be resolved through a phone call or office visit. However, in cases where additional support is needed for an extended period of time, AKSS will recommend navigation services to provide assistance for 90 to 120 days. A kinship navigator can attend CFTs, go to court, or attend meetings with a caregiver to support the children in their care.
Informal family recognizes kinship families that:

- Do not have DCS involvement
- May or may not have Guardianship or Power of Attorney
- May not have an agency they work with
- Have no official standards of caregiving

Arizona Kinship Support Services (AKSS) can:

- Provide support groups and educational opportunities to kinship families.
- Provide information on the issues surrounding kinship families.
- Advocate and connect kinship caregivers to financial, educational, medical, legal, and mental health services.
- Help caregiver connect to agencies who will assist in obtaining legal guardianship.
- Assist with / provide as-needed case management.
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¿Qué es el Cuidado por Familiares?

El cuidado por familiares se refiere al cuidado de los niños por parientes o, en algunos casos, amigos cercanos de la familia (conocidos como parientes ficticios). Los tipos de cuidado por parientes son padre de crianza con licencia, padre de crianza sin licencia y familia informal.

La familia informal reconoce a las familias de parentesco que:

- Que no tenga participación con DCS
- Puede o no tener tutela/custodia o Poder Notarial
- Puede que no tengan una agencia con la que trabajen
- No tener estándares oficiales de cuidado

Los Servicios de Apoyo para Familias de Arizona (AKSS) pueden:

- Proporcionar grupos de apoyo y oportunidades educativas a las familias de parentesco.
- Brindar información sobre los problemas relacionados con las familias de parentesco.
- Abogar y conectar a los cuidadores familiares con los servicios financieros, educativos, médicos, legales y de salud mental.
- Ayude al cuidador a conectarse con agencias que lo ayudarán a obtener la tutela legal.
- Ayudar con / proporcionar administración de casos según sea necesario.
Definición del Servicio de Apoyo para Familiares de Arizona:

- **Grupo de Apoyo**: AKSS ofrece grupos de apoyo para cuidadores familiares donde pueden aprender de otros cuidadores que atraviesan situaciones similares. Los cuidadores pueden expandir su sistema de apoyo social y construir conexiones duraderas con otras familias de parentesco.

- **Necesidades Básicas** (ropa, camas, artículos de seguridad): dado que AKSS está rodeada por una red de organizaciones que brindan servicios a los cuidadores familiares, artículos como ropa, higiene, útiles escolares, juguetes y otros artículos similares generalmente se pueden obtener a través de organizaciones asociadas. AKSS también tiene un pequeño fondo de emergencia disponible para solicitudes aprobadas.

- **Información y Referencias** (a menudo servicios legales, organizaciones gubernamentales, salud conductual, necesidades médicas y básicas con las que no podemos conectarnos): AKSS ha aumentado las asociaciones con los tribunales y los servicios legales comunitarios para ayudar a las familias a recibir el apoyo legal adecuado.

- **Servicios uno a uno**: por lo general, la mayoría de las solicitudes se pueden resolver mediante una llamada telefónica o una visita a la oficina. Sin embargo, en los casos en que se necesite asistencia adicional durante un periodo prolongado, AKSS recomendará servicios de navegación para brindar asistencia durante 90 a 120 días. Un navegador de parentesco puede asistir a CFT, ir a la corte o asistir a reuniones con un cuidador para apoyar a los niños bajo su cuidado.

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**Servicio de Apoyo para Familiares**

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Kinship@ArizonasChildren.org  
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GET ANSWERS. GET RESOURCES.

AZfamilyresources.org
An online guide for Arizona foster parents

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ARE YOU A PROSPECTIVE FOSTER FAMILY FACNG FINANCIAL HARDSHIP?

CONTACT US DIRECTLY AT:
BoostAFosterFamily@gmail.com
Or by calling us at: 480-298-5665

Have your licensing agency contact us on your behalf.

Visit the resource page on our website
boostafosterfamily.org/foster-family-resources

To learn more about how to become a foster parent visit
www.dcs.az.gov or call 1-877-KIDS-NEED-U

ABOUT US

Boost a Foster Family was created to meet the needs of low income kinship families applying for foster care licensure. We receive referrals from licensing agencies that are working with families experiencing financial difficulties. We believe that by providing in-kind donations and services, we can remove obstacles that slow down the licensing process.

Our hope is that our work will help foster children to be placed in a home in a timelier manner, avoiding lengthy stays in shelters and group homes. Prospective foster families will fulfill their state requirements and be granted licenses quicker, thus allowing them to begin receiving much needed resources only available to licensed caregivers.

Boost a Foster Family is a 501c3 non-profit and an Arizona Qualified Foster Care Charitable Organization
QFCO Code: 10043

Arizona donors may qualify for an AZ tax credit up to $500 (single filers) or $1000 (joint filers).

Donating by check or Facebook insures that we receive 100% of your donation. Contributions can also be made through PayPal, Venmo or the donate link on our website.

Mail checks to:
Boost a Foster Family, Inc
1402 E. Catamaran Drive
Gilbert, AZ 85234

PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO ARIZONA FOSTER FAMILIES AND THOSE SEEKING FOSTER CARE LICENSURE.

www.BoostAFosterFamily.org
Duet assists grandparents raising grandchildren and other kinship caregivers. Since 1994, Duet has strived to improve the lives of kinship caregivers and their families. The service area we serve is Maricopa County.

**Kinship Care Services** include:

**Grandparent Sharing Groups:** Sharing groups support grandparents during times of crisis – especially when they have no other place to share feelings, experiences and challenges. These groups help us identify grandparents’ needs, as well as link them to critical resources. Raising grandchildren often creates lifestyle changes and friendships are put on hold. Family members may not fully support or understand the challenges grandparents face each day and grandparents often feel alone. Support groups help combat feelings of isolation and burnout. We have seven sharing groups in greater Phoenix.

**Educational Workshops:** We coordinate periodic workshops that focus on issues relevant to raising a second family. These workshops both support and empower grandparents who are facing difficult situations. Educational topics may include financial decisions, legal questions regarding custody, guardianship and adoption, medical care, choosing appropriate childcare, and more.

**Legal Guidance and Assistance:** In Maricopa County, we help grandparents determine appropriate legal options for their unique situations. We offer quarterly **Guardianship Clinics** and funding to pay for the preparation of legal documents (restrictions apply). Informal caregiving begins when grandparents assume temporary parenting responsibilities while their adult child “gets it together.” However, grandparents may face difficulties in raising their grandchildren without formal custody. Securing formal custody helps grandparent’s access support services and provides greater stability for grandchildren.

**Respite:** Financial assistance is available to pay for a portion/all of fees associated with extracurricular activities, which many grandparents cannot afford because of budget restrictions. Grandparents find appropriate summer programs, classes, lessons, daycare, etc. that provide enrichment activities for their grandchildren. While the children’s lives are enriched, grandparents are given a much-needed break – which supports their emotional and physical health.

**Monthly “Grandfamilies” activities:** We offer recreational outings or events for children who are being raised by grandparents or other relatives. We encourage and support them as they adjust to new living situations. These children may participate in fun activities with other children and families experiencing similar family challenges.

**Information & Referral:** We provide ongoing referrals and information to eligible grandparents who need support and services. We offer one-on-one benefits and entitlement counseling to help identify available services. Also, a quarterly newsletter is available to kinship caregivers.

**Services are provided free of charge** (with the exception of occasional admission fees for events).

**Contact:** Patricia Dominguez, Director of Kinship Care Services, (602) 274-5022 or dominguez@duetaz.org
“Are you raising your grandchildren…”

 “…I did not know where to turn, then I found Duet.”

 — Maria
Compassionate Help Free-of-Charge

Duet supports grandparents as they face the challenges of providing a safe home and better life for the grandchildren they are raising. Explore how Duet may help you.

* Support groups
* Educational workshops
* Social activities for families
* Benefit and legal guidance
* Monthly guardianship clinics
* Respite assistance
* Resource information and referral

Duet’s Mission:
To promote health and well-being through a broad range of services to homebound adults, caregivers, faith communities and grandparents raising grandchildren.

Major Funding Partners:

(602) 274-5022
www.duetaz.org
Who we are
Family Involvement Center is a Family-Run Organization. This means our staff are primarily parents who have "lived" experience navigating, advocating for and receiving services and supports to help their own children and families be successful.

Who We Serve
We help parents and family members navigate child-serving systems such as schools, the Department of Child Safety, Juvenile Justice, the Division of Developmental Disabilities, behavioral and physical health care, foster care, adoption, and more.

We also help adult members navigate their needs with life stressors such as housing, employment, behavioral and physical health, legal systems, child welfare involvement, and more.

Adult & Family Support Services
FIC offers care coordination and direct support services to assist individuals with life skills, employment, housing, physical health, behavioral health, substance abuse, family relationships and support, counseling, and more.

Parent Support & Education
FIC offers Parent Peer Support to help parents meet children's needs at home, in school, and in the community. We prepare parents and caregivers for meetings such as school IEP’s, 504’s, court hearings, Child and Family Team meetings, and more. By increasing positive and effective communication, parents can better understand and navigate juvenile justice, child welfare, systems serving people diagnosed with disabilities, and more. Parents also get opportunities to engage with other parents navigating a similar journey.

Counseling
FIC offers counseling services to adults and their family members experiencing stress or challenges in negotiating life transitions. Common topics include stress, anxiety, depression, understanding a diagnosis, substance abuse, domestic violence, trauma, self-esteem, and more.

Youth Support Services
FIC offers living skills mentoring programs for youth. The program is site-based, after-school and school-break program designed to build skills; cultivate healthy relationships; and provide trauma-informed, strengths-based support. Our youth programs are designed to meet the individual needs of youth within their community and home setting.

Respite
FIC offers respite services to provide parents or caregivers a break from the strain of parenting a child with complex needs. Respite services are provided in the setting that works best for the family. This may include a person's home or community settings.
Attention Parents/Caregivers of Children With Behavioral Health Challenges!

Start speaking up for change today.

- Use your life experience to change how children receive services.
- Network with other parents/caregivers who share your parenting journey.
- Connect with committees, workgroups and boards who want to learn from your experiences.
- You can meet with us on-line.

4th Thursday of the Month from 12:00 to 1:30

Contact: Diane Taylor (602) 412-4083 or diane@familyinvolvementcenter.org
Atención
Padres / Cuidadores de niños con retos de salud y comportamiento

Comience a hablar por el cambio hoy.

- Comparta su experiencia para cambiar la forma en que los niños reciben servicios.
- Conéctese con otros padres / cuidadores que comparten su experiencia.
- Conéctese con los comités, talleres y juntas que desean aprender de sus experiencias.
- Puede reunirse con nosotros en internet.

Cada 4to jueves del mes de 12:00 pm a 1:30 pm.

Contacto: Sarah Fleming (602) 412-4095 o sarah@familyinvolvementcenter.org
Obtenga AHCCCS para usted y sus hijos

1-877-568-8468

Contáctenos hoy y lo ayudaremos a usted y a sus hijos a inscribirse en la cobertura de atención médica AHCCCS del estado de Arizona. De hecho, nos ocuparemos de todo el proceso de forma gratis.

Como miembro de AHCCCS, se beneficia de una gama de servicios relacionados con el comportamiento, la salud mental y la salud, que incluyen:

- Chequeos médicos
- Vacunación
- Asesoramiento
- Cuidado dental
- y mucho más

Incluso nos encontraremos en un lugar que sea conveniente para usted o podemos ayudar por teléfono.

Contáctenos hoy para que pueda comenzar a utilizar esta cobertura de atención médica gratis y de bajo costo para usted y su familia.

www.familyinvolvementcenter.org
Get **AHCCCS** health care for you and your children

1-877-568-8468

Contact us today and we'll help you and your children enroll in Arizona State AHCCCS health care coverage. **In fact, we'll take care of the entire process for you for free.**

As an AHCCCS member, you benefit from a range of behavioral, mental and health-related services, including **free:**

- Medical check-ups
- Shots
- Counseling
- Dental care
- And much more

We'll even meet you at a location that's convenient for you or we can help over the phone.

**Contact us today, so you can start using this free and low-cost health care coverage for you and your family.**
As a parent, you sometimes need more support. Yet knowing where to turn for information and resources to help you isn’t easy.

FIC is a safe place for you. We provide support for the challenges you face as a parent. Our programs and services help you navigate the systems such as:

- the Education System
- Juvenile Justice and Probation
- Child Welfare (DCS)
- Division of Developmental Disabilities
- Physical and behavioral health
- Assistance with enrolling in AHCCCS

We offer:

- Parent Assistance Telephone Support
- Parent-to-Parent Support
- Group or one-on-one Parent Education & Training
- Support Groups
- Respite Care Services
- Adult Family Support
- Family Leadership Opportunities
- Information and Referral

Learn more about how we can support and assist you by calling 602-288-0155 or email pac@familyinvolvementcenter.org
If you’re feeling stress, anxiety or general loss due to the COVID-19 pandemic, you’re not alone. In times like these, feeling overwhelmed is normal.

The good news is, no cost help is available to you right now.

As a provider of Resilient Arizona, our staff are trained to help with recovering from the effects caused by Covid-19. We do this through community-based outreach, emotional support and educational services.

You can receive confidential help at no cost. This includes supportive disaster relief counseling, education and development of coping skills.

Of course, we can connect you to resources for other challenges you’re facing too, including finding food, paying house bills, accessing free childcare, or other essential services.

So if you’re feeling stress related to COVID-19, contact us today.

We’re here for you. Call Lourdes Rodriguez at (602) 704-0440 or email: lourdes@familyinvolvementcenter.org

www.familyinvolvementcenter.org.
Si te sientes estresado, con ansiedad o tuviste una perdida general debido a la pandemia de Covid-19, no estás solo. En tiempos como este, sentirse abrumado es normal.

La buena noticia es que la ayuda está disponible para ti ahora mismo.

Como proveedores de “Resilient Arizona”, nuestro personal está preparado para ayudarte a recuperarte de los efectos psicológicos; causados pro el Covid-19; lo hacemos dando a conocer el programas en la comunidad, ofreciendo apoyo emocional y servicios educativos.

Puedes recibir apoyo confidencial sin costo; esto incluye consejería para aliviar la crisis, educación y desarrollo de habilidades para afrontarla.

Por supuesto, te conectamos a los recursos necesarios para los retos que estás afrontando, que pueden incluir encontrar comida, pagar billes de casa, tener acceso a cuidado gratuito de menores y otros servicios esenciales.

Si te sientes estresado debido a Covid-19, comunícate hoy.
Estamos aquí para ti.
Comunícate con Erika Montano (480) 209-5935
E mail: COVIDHelp@FamilyInvolvementCenter.org
www.familyinvolvementcenter.org

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GreyNickel Inc. was created to help support Kinship Families. We currently run two programs, KinshipHelp55 and Invisible Kinship Families. Both programs provide support, resources, and valuable information to give stability to families going through a transitional period.

**The KinshipHelp55** project is for families with placement through the state. Our program gives resources and support within the first 48 hours of placement. We offer five home visits to complete five tasks within four weeks. We make phone calls and appointments for the family. We help with the financial paperwork to start payments sooner and information on other resources. We found that families take in other family member’s children to give support but will not receive the same support as a child placed in Foster Care with strangers. The state gives the family a placement packet, but the family has no time to go through it. The first thing on their mind is getting beds, clothing, and additional food. The family uses their saving account and credit cards to get what is needed and find themselves in debt.

**Kinship placement should not be a financial hardship.**

**The Invisible Kinship Family** project is to help families that have taken in family member’s children and kept them out of the state system. These families are incredibly supportive of the child’s parents but lack resources that would help. These families provide safe homes for the children whose parents are unable to care for them due neglect, abuse, or drugs. The family finds themselves struggling to provide clothing, beds, and food. In addition, if the parent cannot be found the family is unable to register the child for school or give permission for medical, dental, or behavioral treatments. They want to help but now find that they need some legal assistance or the state’s help.

**Family helping family should be supported not punished.**

Our mission is to help support kinship families that provide a safe and stable home for the children that have been removed from their parents.

Please help us provide the needed resources to the families that have stepped up to help the children of our future.
Throughout the United States and especially in Arizona, some parents have problems that may prevent them from safely caring for their children. Sometimes relatives step up to help and sometimes the state, Department of Child Safety (DCS), will step in.

If you are providing full-time care to a child not born to you like a grandchild, cousin, niece/nephew or a child of a friend, don't be afraid to ask questions to get help and resources for your family. Let us remove the fear that someone will take the children away from you if you ask for help.

If you are caring for these children, please contact KinshipHelp55 at 602-448-7808 or GreyNickelInc.com. We are a 100% free service that will talk with you about what help and services are available for your family.

You are not alone and there is help.

**FAMILY HELPING FAMILY SHOULD BE SUPPORTED, NOT PUNISHED**

GreyNickel Inc. wishes to acknowledge that these materials are made possible by a grant and support from Casey Family Programs

KinshipHelp55
Invisible Kinship Families

Support For Kinship Families

602-448-7808
www.greynickelinc.com
As a Kinship Caregiver you may need various kinds of help for the child(ren) such as:

- Medical/Dental coverage
- Ability to consent for Medical/Dental procedures
- Register the child(ren) in school
- Financial Resources for the additional cost of caring for the child(ren)
- Contact with others in the same situation for support

Are you caring for a family member child(ren) so they are not put into Foster Care?

Have the bio parents left and will not return for the children?

Have the bio parents come and took the children only to return them within the week and leave again?

Has adding these children to your family cause you and other family members stress?

Has this affected your work, missed time?

How has your life with friends and other family members (sister, daughter etc) changed?

Who can you talk to, that really understand what you are feeling?

What are some of your fears about these child(ren) like Behaviors or Trauma?

We can help with these and other questions that are on your mind.

We have been through this and are willing to help so you don't have to struggle to make a safe and secure home for child(ren) you are caring for.

ABOUT US
We offer a 100% free service to families that have opened their hearts and home to care for other children.

KINSHIP PLACEMENT SHOULD NOT BE A FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

FAMILY HELPING FAMILY SHOULD BE SUPPORTED, NOT PUNISHED
Serving foster, kinship and adoptive families since 2014

MTaB is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that provides essential items to foster, kinship and adoptive families for the children in their homes at no charge.

Visit Us
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & the 3rd Saturday of each month 8:30 am - 12:30 pm
Email morethanabed@gmail.com for large furniture donations.

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American Woodmark Foundation
Angel Charity for Children
Angel Heart Pajama Project
Arizona Community Foundation
Arizona State Employees Charitable Campaign
AZAFAP
Bashas Corporate Giving Program
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Community Foundation for Southern Arizona
Complete Furniture
Connectivity Systems
Connie Hillman Family Foundation
Costco
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Gilbert Electric, Jeff Emerson
Hamstra Helping Hands
Holy Needles
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The Lawler Team- Nova Home Loans
Ticket to Dream Foundation
Treasures 4 Teachers
Tucson Electric Power
Vail Christian Church
Walmart: Welmore, Tucson Marketplace & Sahuarita
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Wheels for Kids
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Board of Directors
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Executive Director & Founder
Grace Stocksdale

“Because every child deserves to be valued”

MTaB
Foster & Adoptive Family Resource Center
Qualified Foster Care Charitable Organization

More Than a Bed
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Tucson, AZ 85719
morethanabed.org

520-428-5280
MISSION
To provide essential items to foster, kinship and adoptive families for the children in their homes because every child deserves to be valued.

VISION
To inspire the community to get involved in the life of a foster child, support the families providing care, encourage new families to become licensed and existing ones to remain licensed.

GOAL
For every child to have a safe place to call home.

IN 2020
2,393 CHILDREN in foster care received essentials such as beds, clothing, shoes, baby gear, toys and more.

27+ NEW FAMILIES per month were welcomed at MTaB to experience shopping at the warehouse for the first time.

426 BEDS were given to children with nothing to sleep on: 88 cribs, 56 toddler beds, 246 twin beds and 36 bunk beds.

796 FAMILIES WERE SERVED at MTaB.

6 COUNTIES SERVED: Pima, Pinal, Maricopa, Santa Cruz, Cochise and Greenlee county.

More Than a Bed (MTaB) was founded in 2014, serving five families. In 2017, we were blessed with a donated 5,000 sqft. warehouse to serve what is now over 900 families.

DONATE
There are many ways to donate!

Monetary
Donations are used directly to benefit the children that have been removed from their homes and placed with foster or kinship parents.

In-Kind
Gently used and new clothing, baby essentials, toys and household items are gladly accepted.

Volunteer
Become a volunteer on your own, as a group or apply as an intern. Volunteers assist with sorting donations, organizing the store, helping families shop and more.

Partner Programs
Shop with Amazon Smile and Fry's Community Rewards.

Wish List
Fulfill an Amazon wish list that contains the most needed items.

Tax Credit
MTaB is a Qualified Foster Care Charitable Organization. You can claim a tax credit up to $1,000 for couples filing jointly or $500 for individual taxpayers.

Sponsor an Event
There are three annual events to sponsor; the Golf Tournament, Christmas Party and Parent's Night Out. Or host a fundraiser drive to collect diapers and wipes, school supplies, toys and more.

Check the website for more details on donations.
Help us Give Away 25,000 Pairs of Glasses to Those in Need!

At National Vision, we believe that everyone deserves to see their best so that they can live their best. That is why we are excited to launch a company-wide philanthropy program, National Vision Cares. We are on a mission to give away 25,000 pairs of eyeglasses to individuals in need around the country by the end of 2021.

This is a BIG lift, and we are asking for your help to make it happen. Each of our stores has committed to providing 24 complimentary pairs of eyeglasses for underserved individuals within the community by the end of 2021. And we have chosen your organization to receive special vouchers to pass along to individuals you serve. Each voucher is valid for one (1) comprehensive eye exam (by a licensed optometrist) and one (1) pair of eyeglasses.

We ask that you share these vouchers with those you identify as having the greatest need for assistance in affording eye care.

How do recipients (or the parents/guardians of recipients) redeem the voucher for themselves or their child? It’s easy!

- The voucher recipient (or parent/guardian) should schedule an appointment for the complimentary eye exam. Vouchers will be honored at any America’s Best store, so the recipient may contact the store location noted on the voucher or visit www.AmericasBest.com to find the closest store location.
- The recipient should let the store know that they will be redeeming the National Vision Cares voucher.
- The store associate may make them aware of safety protocol information they need to know before the visit.
- PLEASE NOTE: the recipient must bring the physical National Vision Cares voucher with them on their visit to receive the free pair of glasses.

Appointment times can book up quickly, so please encourage the recipient to contact the store as soon as possible.

Thank you for your support,

Your Local America’s Best Team

National Vision Cares Organization Info Sheet 2020
FOSTER & KINSHIP FAMILY FACTS / 65,872 ARIZONA CHILDREN IN FY2019

10,872 of these children were under the formal care and legal custody of the state child protective service system, the Arizona Department of Child Safety (DCS). DCS foster, kinship, and pre-adoptive families are expected to arrange for the routine and specialized care these children and youth need as part of their caregiver responsibilities.

- Licensed foster families cared for 4,431 non-relative children (34% of the total out of home care population (OOHC).
- Licensed kinship families cared for 6,412 relative children (49% of the total OOHC population.
- Pre-adoptive families cared for 29 children (<1% of the total OOHC population).

Up to 55,000 children were cared for by informal kinship families on behalf of parents who were not involved with DCS (e.g., grandparents caring for their grandchildren).

These families do not have access to the same types of supports and information as the families who are formally connected to the child protection system.

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Data sources for FY2019 Statistics
https://datacenter.kidscount.org/
Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System (AFCARS) and Current Population Survey Annual Social and Economic Supplement
MISSION: The mission of One by One Foster & Kinship Solutions is to provide family-centered comprehensive care to meet the special needs of children and youth, ages birth to 26 years, who are or have been involved with the state’s public child welfare system, or who may be at risk of involvement.

VISION: We envision a future where children with a history of trauma do not view themselves as broken, but instead experience the support and care needed to heal and build the executive functioning skills so many of us take for granted.

THE CHALLENGE: Eliminate the service and support gaps that exist for foster and kinship families, specifically around provision of physical and mental health (both routine and specialized).

OUR TRIFOLD APPROACH:
1. Ease the medical burdens on foster/kinship children and their caregivers by integrating the many different types of medical and therapeutic care that foster and kinship children need, and providing a safe space where all are wanted, known, and loved.

2. Bridge the gap between the general public and foster/kinship families by creating small and large events that inspire the uniting of both communities while providing normalcy for the children at risk.

3. Increase public awareness and provide opportunities for the general public to make a difference, one person at a time for one child at a time. Further, we will promote greater camaraderie and connection between agencies, businesses, and organizations that already serve this marginalized population.

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Fosterkinship411.org is your go-to starting place for anything foster care or kinship care related, providing information and know-how on a variety of topics including self-care, educational care, medical and behavioral navigation, foster care licensing process, and more. Our mission is to ease the transition to caring for foster and kinship children by providing access to extensive information and resources via an easy-to-use website.

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We achieve this mission every day by helping you provide for the children in your care at no cost.

Helen’s provides more than just clothes for kids in foster care. It is important that every youth who comes through our door feels a sense of confidence, acceptance, and dignity. The boutique environment allows kids to choose their favorite items and feel like they are shopping at a regular store. Our extensive donation sorting process guarantees that kids and youth are receiving new and like-new items that are current and stylish.

Our K to College program ensures that youth are prepared with the essentials to return to school in the fall. Through our partnership with ASU’s Bridging Success Program, we are able to outfit the dorm rooms of incoming freshmen who have experienced foster care.

JaKelle’s Christmas Box provides foster and kinship parents the opportunity to pick out quality gifts, books, and stuffed stockings for each child in their care.

“We often have kids arrive in our home with only the clothes on their back...Helen’s is a major benefit to the children as it gives them comfort to have their own things again.

They are a life saver and the staff always do their best to fit all the needs of the children. We are very thankful to have this resource.”

- Foster Mom

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NUESTRA MISIÓN Y VISIÓN

Los niños y adolescentes en hogares de crianza merecen lo mejor.

En Helen's Hope Chest, nuestra misión es involucrar a la comunidad para satisfacer las necesidades básicas de los niños y adolescentes en hogares de crianza y familiares.

Logramos esta misión todos los días al ayudarlo a proveer para los niños bajo su cuidado sin costo alguno.

Helen’s ofrece algo más que ropa para niños en hogares de crianza. Es importante que todos los jóvenes que entran por nuestra puerta sientan una sensación de confianza, aceptación y dignidad. El entorno boutique permite a los niños elegir sus artículos favoritos y sentirse como si estuvieran comprando en una tienda normal. Nuestro extenso proceso de clasificación de donaciones garantiza que los niños y jóvenes estén recibiendo artículos como nuevos y nuevos que son actuales y elegantes.

Nuestro programa K to College asegura que los jóvenes estén preparados con lo esencial para regresar a la escuela en el otoño. A través de nuestra asociación con el programa Bridging Success de ASU, podemos equipar los dormitorios de los estudiantes de primer año entrantes que han experimentado el cuidado de crianza.

Jakelle’s Christmas Box ofrece a los padres de crianza y parientes la oportunidad de obtener regalos, libros y artículos de primera calidad para cada niño bajo su cuidado.

“A menudo tenemos niños que llegan a nuestra casa solo con la ropa que llevan puesta... Helen's es un gran beneficio para los niños, ya que les da la comodidad de tener sus propias cosas de nuevo.

Son un salvavidas y el personal siempre hace lo mejor para satisfacer todas las necesidades de los niños. Estamos muy agradecidos de tener este recurso”.

-Madre Adoptiva

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In many cases, children are removed from their parent’s homes and placed with another family member. If a child is no longer being cared for by their parents but does not have a case with DCS they may receive services from HHC. In order to qualify, the kinship caregiver must bring Notice to Provider paperwork to each appointment.

**CHILDREN AND TEENS IN UNLICENSED KINSHIP CARE**

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**OTHERS**

Helen’s Hope Chest also provides an outfit, books, and gifts for biological and adopted children if the family has a current foster/kinship placement (birth certificates required).

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"We are now a family of 7, and HHC has helped us financially provide Christmas gifts this season! Thank you so much!"

- HHC Client

**WHAT WE GIVE**

- CLOTHES & SHOES
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- SCHOOL SUPPLIES
- BIRTHDAY & CHRISTMAS

**TRANSITION AGE SERVICES**

**FOSTER360**

Foster360 offers a Personal Development Program that includes housing and wraparound services to youth aging out of foster care to help build a successful and fulfilling life after foster care.

Learn more about Foster360 at foster360az.org
En muchos casos, los niños son retirados de las casas de sus padres y colocados con otro miembro de la familia. Si un niño ya no está siendo atendido por sus padres pero no tiene un caso con DCS ellos pueden recibir servicios de HHC. Para poder calificar, el cuidador de parentesco debe traer un aviso a proveedor o conectarse con un programa de parentesco en pareja y recibir un número de parentesco para usar en HHC.

“Ahora somos una familia de 7 y HHC nos ha ayudado financieramente a proporcionar regalos de Navidad esta temporada! ¡Muchas Gracias!”

- Cliente HHC

Foster360 ofrece un programa de desarrollo personal que incluye servicios de vivienda y envolvente para jóvenes que salen del cuidado de crianza temporal para ayudar construir una vida plena y satisfactoria después del cuidado de crianza.

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