More ways you can help

Small efforts make a huge difference in the lives of children in foster care

- Make a monetary or item donation to Realities For Children (visit their website, realitiesforchildren.com, to see a list of accepted items)
- Volunteer to become a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) to watch over a foster child’s case and advocate for them in court
- Become certified to provide respite care for a foster parent
- If you know a foster family in your community in need, offer to provide them with meals or donated items
- Offer to give free lessons in music, dance or art to foster children
- Volunteer to run errands for foster families or help with household chores or tasks
- Thank and encourage foster families

“We chose to become foster parents because the need is so great, and we have the time and space in our home to provide a safe place to land for these kids. If we don’t do it, then who will?”
~Justine, foster mom

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“We do not need to know the beginning of a child’s story to change the ending.”
~Fi, foster mom
Whether for a month or a lifetime, it’s always worth it

Partner with Weld County Department of Human Services and make a positive, life-long impact on our community’s most vulnerable and hurting children. From toddlers to teenagers, these children offer you and your family a unique and rewarding opportunity. Celebrate their strengths and assist them in overcoming their obstacles. Help keep brothers and sisters together or give children with disabilities and special needs the care they deserve.

Basic requirements:

♥ 21 years of age or older
♥ Citizen or legal resident of the U.S.
♥ Financially stable (your family’s present needs are consistently met)
♥ Must be able to pass a background check and home study

Foster family responsibilities

You must learn about the needs of the child and receive ongoing training, as well as:

♥ Provide a safe, stable, supportive home for children in need
♥ Help children in difficult circumstances grow, learn, hope and thrive
♥ Model positive parenting and act as a mentor for biological families
♥ Provide non-physical discipline
♥ Provide transportation to appointments

Who can be a Weld County foster parent?

We understand that love and families come in many different shapes and sizes. Whether you’re single, married, widowed or divorced; currently with or without children; homeowner or renter; you can be a foster parent for Weld County. Our focus is to find foster families who are patient, loving and able to provide a safe, nurturing home.

“Weld County has been amazing. I feel like they really value and take care of their families by constantly asking how they are doing and offering support with anything we need help with. We can’t recommend Weld enough!” ~Beth and James, foster parents

Your support team

When you partner with Weld County to become a foster parent, you are not alone. You join an entire network of people absolutely committed to you and your family’s success. Our team offers ongoing guidance and resources to help you provide the support our children in foster care need.

Weld County offers your family:

♥ 24/7 on-call staff support
♥ An individualized treatment team
♥ Networking and support groups
♥ Colorado Medicaid to cover the child
♥ Ongoing free training opportunities
♥ In-home consultations
♥ Child care
♥ Annual appreciation/holiday events
♥ Monthly maintenance reimbursement for the care of the child (need-based)

“The best part about being a foster parent is being able to create a sense of love and security in these kids. Watching them let down their guards and start trusting is an incredible feeling.” ~Kelli, foster mom

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