



## Mission Statement

*“Caring For The  
Needs Of Children  
& Families In Crisis  
And Preparing Them  
For Success In Life”*

The Children’s Home of Reading has over 120 years of experience providing 24 hour care to boys and girls.

Each year, over 400 clients are served by the following programs:

- ✓ Acute Partial Hospitalization Program
- ✓ Adolescent Treatment Center
- ✓ Berks Parents Services Collaborative
- ✓ Residential Treatment Facility
- ✓ Specialized Foster Care



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Specialized Foster Care  
Foster Parenting

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Our families serve approximately 120 children from birth to 18 years old, providing a nurturing and caring environment within a family setting to children from Berks and surrounding counties. The agency provides the support of a caring and knowledgeable staff. Foster families work closely with an agency casemanager and have access to clinicians and consulting psychiatrists as well as 24 hour emergency on-call services.

## CHOR Foster Family Benefits:

- ✓ Bi-weekly reimbursement for room, board, and expenses
- ✓ Foster child coverage for medical and dental expenses
- ✓ Intensive casemanagement services
- ✓ Access to professional services
- ✓ Extensive pre-service training
- ✓ On-going training



## Basic Requirements for Foster Parenting

- ✓ Must be 21 years of age or older
- ✓ In good physical and emotional health
- ✓ Meet the PA requirements for housing safety, space, and equipment
- ✓ Complete the required Preservice Training
- ✓ Provide copies of Child Abuse and Criminal Background checks
- ✓ Provide required references
- ✓ Have a reliable, regular income
- ✓ Possess valid driver's license and own reliable vehicle

## Reasons Children May Need Foster Care:

- ✓ They have been emotionally, physically, or sexually abused
- ✓ The physical or mental incapacity of their parents
- ✓ Abandonment by or death of parent(s)
- ✓ Drug and/or alcohol abuse within the family
- ✓ Parent/child conflict
- ✓ Child's behavioral or emotional health

Children and youth needing foster care placement come from a variety of social and economic backgrounds; from every race, religion and nationality – and every age from birth to young adulthood.

## We are in need of foster families to open their homes to:

- ✓ Children from infant to 18 years
- ✓ Teen mothers and their children
- ✓ Teen preparing for independent living
- ✓ Sibling groups
- ✓ Children and teens who have completed a therapeutic residential program

## Rewards:

- ✓ Make a difference in a child's life
- ✓ The satisfaction of helping other families
- ✓ A special role in the community
- ✓ New learning experiences
- ✓ The opportunity to develop new parenting skills
- ✓ An opportunity to make new friends
- ✓ A remarkable challenge
- ✓ The opportunity for adoption

## Become a Foster Parent

- ✓ Please call our Foster Parent Recruiter at (610) 478-8129, for more information and upcoming training sessions.