

Have you....

Have you ever considered becoming a Foster Home?

If so, What's stopping you from helping a Aboriginal Child begin their journey home?



Long Beach, BC

Call a Resource Social Worker to find out more about becoming a Foster Home.



Support

Federation of Aboriginal Foster Parents.
Www.fafp.ca 250-924-0067

Foster Parent Support Services Society
www.fpsss.com 1-888-922-8437

Foster parent support line
1-888-495-4440



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Usma Nuu Chah Nulth Resource Home Info

*It takes a village to
raise a child.*

Usma Nuu chah Nulth
Family & Child Services

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APPLICATION PROCESS

- **Application Form.** *This is where you identify how many children, the age range, developmental abilities of children you are comfortable caring for.*
- **Medical Form.** *To be filled out by your GP, identifies any medical concerns that would impact your ability to care for children.*
- **Consent to Release Information.**
- **Criminal Record Check's**
- **References**

This allows us to gather the above mentioned information about you, regarding you as a caregiver.



Roles & Expectations

All Foster Homes have a assigned Social Worker (Resource SW). The Resource SW collects the application forms, completes the home study, signs a resource home agreement, monitors & supports the Foster Home.

Once a year, the Resource SW will complete an **Annual Review** with you, and sign a new **Resource Home Agreement**.

As a Foster Home, you are part of a guardianship team. It is expected that as a caregiver you will keep accurate records (monthly reports), a Life Book for each child in your care, participate in the CPOC.

As a foster parent you will be responsible for the day to day care of the child. However, the Director has guardianship of the child.

Training & Home study

As a Foster Parent you will need to attend an Orientation Session. Here you will learn about how children come into care, home study process, roles & responsibilities, Rights of Children in Care. You will also need to attend the BCFPEP, which is a 2 part series; 53 Hours in total.

The Home study is a series of home visits by your Resource SW. The following topics will be discussed: Reasons for fostering, family history, family rules, discipline, child care skills, aboriginal culture, relationships.



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