NOT EVERYONE CAN BE A FOSTER PARENT



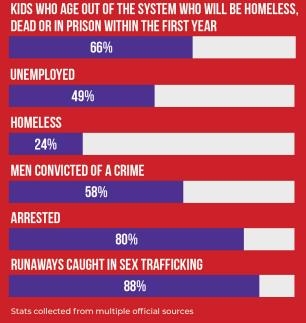


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STATISTICS DON'T LIE.

For adults who have been in Foster Care, the numbers are not only startling, but also heartbreaking. Finding the solution to a broken child welfare system is an overwhelming and daunting task. At The Sanctuary, we have a plan and a support infrastructure that work to supplement the system so our kids get the best care during this traumatic time in their lives. We believe no child is beyond help, and we are willing and able to take on that challenge. Can we fix the entire child welfare system? Probably not. But can we fix the broken system here in our community with our own foster children? Absolutely.



WE HELP CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WORK TOWARD HEALING AND PERMANENCY.

WE EXIST TO BREAK THE CYCLE.

An average foster child moves homes seven times during their stay in foster care. In some cases, a child will have been in 20 placements by the time they age out of the system. This cycle of multiple placements is often more harmful than the original trauma they endured.

Of the estimated 200,000 licensed foster homes, approximately 40% of them drop out of fostering each year. This dropout rate of foster parents is because they are not adequately supported within the current CPS infrastructure. We believe that equipping foster parents with additional support can help lower this dropout rate, thus lowering the amount of placements a child goes through during their time in foster care.

We are unique in that we offer three foundations of support for our families:

- Therapy and Counseling
- 24-Hour Crisis Intervention
- Respite and Alternative Care

Together, we are stopping the harmful cycle of multiple placements. Once children enter our care, we work with them toward healing until they are returned to their biological family or adopted.

HOW? WRAPAROUND CARE.

Wraparound care is the term we use to describe our comprehensive support to families and children:

THERAPY & COUNSELING

We provide licensed counselors trained in Trust-Based Relational Intervention (TBRI), so that families can have real solutions to the challenges they face.

24-HOUR CRISIS INTERVENTION

Outside of business hours, we have on-call staff to assist foster families in times of emergency and crisis.

RESPITE & ALTERNATIVE CARE

We train an army of volunteers to help give foster parents much needed breaks from fostering by providing babysitting as well as overnight stays.



WE NEED YOUR HELP TO BREAK THE CYCLE.



FINANCIAL DONOR To fix the system and break the cycle takes significantly more than what the state provides. We ask for your financial support as we offer sanctuary and wraparound services to the most vulnerable children in our community, and as we work to change the foster care system in our state.



FOSTER PARENT We will train and wraparound you as you care for a child who has been displaced due to abuse or neglect.



ALTERNATIVE CARE PROVIDER In other words, it's called babysitting! This allows for you to care for the children in their foster home.



RESPITE CARE PROVIDER We will train you to be approved to have children stay at your home for up to two weeks.



VOLUNTEERS We have numerous annual fundraising events, and we also assist in meeting the physical needs of our foster families.

TRUST-BASED RELATIONAL INTERVENTION

"About 4 years ago, my wife, Treanne, and I became focused in the legislature to change the Texas Foster Care system to ensure that anyone who touched the life of a foster child would be trained and equipped with the knowledge of the impact trauma has on these precious children and would be trained in trauma- informed care, specifically Trust-Based Relational Intervention (TBRI).

Today, serving on the The Sanctuary's Board of Directors, I could not be more proud that this vision is a reality with The Sanctuary. The staff and every parent in their care is trained in TBRI, setting this child placement agency apart from all others in caring for our precious children."

- Rick Miller, Texas State Representative





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