



Foster
HOPE
so they can
THRIVE



KERN COUNTY TREATMENT FOSTER CARE OREGON

In Kern County Treatment Foster Care Oregon (KCTFCO), we believe that children do best in families.

Working with stable, caring resource families, this short-term program provides an alternative to residential group care for youth, between 12 to 18, in foster care or on probation.

Resource parents are the heart of the model. With you and a dedicated team, we can change the trajectory of a child's life.

WE PROVIDE

- ▶ Initial 12-hour and ongoing training for resource parents
- ▶ Support staff available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- ▶ Weekly resource parent meetings
- ▶ Daily contact between a member of the KCTFCO support team and the resource family
- ▶ A family consultant committed to working with the resource and the re-unifying family
- ▶ An individual therapist and skills builder committed to working with the foster child

YOUR COMMITMENT

- ▶ Ongoing training and education
- ▶ Attend weekly resource parent meetings
- ▶ Assist, guide and support children in a supportive and positive setting to help them work on their goals and plans
- ▶ Identify, praise and reinforce the child's strengths

PROGRAM GOALS

- ▶ Reunify youth with their biological or adoptive family or transition to independence
- ▶ Break the negative communication cycle between family members/resource parents
- ▶ Create a strength-based atmosphere for academic and community success
- ▶ Decrease problem behaviors and increase developmentally appropriate pro-social behaviors

PROGRAM COMPONENTS

- ▶ Consistent reinforcement of positive behavior with a point-and-reward system
- ▶ Limiting access to anti-social peers
- ▶ Developing a mentoring relationship between youth and resource parents
- ▶ Intensive and ongoing supervision of youth
- ▶ Support school success

For more information about becoming a KCTFCO resource family, call **661-868-8358** or **661-301-1878**.



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