



2018-19 ORIENTATION REGISTRATION FORM

How to Become a Foster and/or Adoptive Family Resource

Step 1: Attend Orientation (Part 1 & 2):

- Register by contacting Armida Marinov at 248-443-2116, or via email at amarinov@spaulding.org or visiting our website www.spaulding.org
Two parent households, such as husband & wife, partners, 2 adults, etc., must attend Orientation & all trainings.
PRIDE referral completed at end of Orientation (Judson Center referral)
Application & Fingerprint clearances, copy of DL & SSN, Inquiry & Enrollment
PRIDE sessions 1-9, Safe Sleep & Prudent Parent Training
Licensing worker assigned
You can now attend Parent Empowerment Group (PEG) at the agency monthly. See website for dates.

Step 2: Foster/Adoptive Home Assessment:

- Home Assessment will be completed at NO COST (have all documents by due date requested by worker)

Step 3: Approval:

- After an approved home assessment, you will become a licensed foster and/or approved adoptive family resource.
Licensure process and approval can take 4-6 months

Step 4: Fostering and/or Adopting:

- When your license is opened, you will receive calls and requests for possible foster placements
You can choose to adopt these children when and if they become available
View the following websites profiling waiting children: http://www.adoptuskids.org, http://www.mare.org, and http://www.spaulding.org (if you are interested in adopting)
You can foster and adopt at the same time

Step 5: Waiting Period:

- Once a child become available for adoption, the adoption process can begin (a MARE child or SFC child)
MARE children – you will be notified by licensing worker, a conference will be held, and history of the child will be shared. If still interested, visitation period can begin

Step 6: Placement

- MARE child – Child has to be in the adoptive home at least 6months prior to finalization.

Step 7: Post Placement (supervision period)

- During the 6-month supervision period, the child(ren)'s case manager will address any needs during monthly visitation prior to finalization.

Step 8: Adoption Finalization

- After the supervision period, Spaulding's Adoption Specialist files a petition for final adoption custody.
Children who are placed in your home as foster care placements for more than 6 months and do not have a competing party to their adoption can be finalized immediately after the adoption petition filing with the court.

Step 9: Post Adoption Services

- Spaulding for Children's Adoption Specialist can assist in providing you referrals as needed.

Yes, I would like to register for the following Pre-Service Orientation:

- Grid of dates and times for Pre-Service Orientation, including Wed.10/10/18, Thurs.10/18/18, Wed.11/14/18, Thurs.11/29/18, etc.

Name(s) _____ Date _____

Address _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____ Telephone(s) w/Area Code _____

How did you hear about us: _____ Community Ambassador: Yes _____ No _____

(Please fill form completely & return to Armida Marinov)

