



Youth Services

For more than 40 years, Youth Services Agencies throughout Oklahoma have provided community based services such as counseling, shelter and other vital programs to children, youth and families in the child welfare system. We are proud to announce that many of our agencies are now offering Oklahoma Bridge Resource Family (Foster Care) recruitment and support services.

There are over 10,000 abused and neglected children in Oklahoma who need care and they need your help. ***Please consider becoming a foster parent today!*** For those who partner with us and become a part of our network, we ask that you embrace the following goals:

Every foster child deserves:

- A safe, comfortable place to live.
- Help with their educational needs and to participate in activities.
- Assistance throughout the adjustment process as a result of being removed from their home.
- Consistent, practical support and guidance.
- To be made a part of your family.

Biological parents deserve:

- Facilitated visitation with their children in foster care (if appropriate).
- To be shown appropriate parenting communication and behavior.
- Information about their child's growth and development.

Your family deserves:

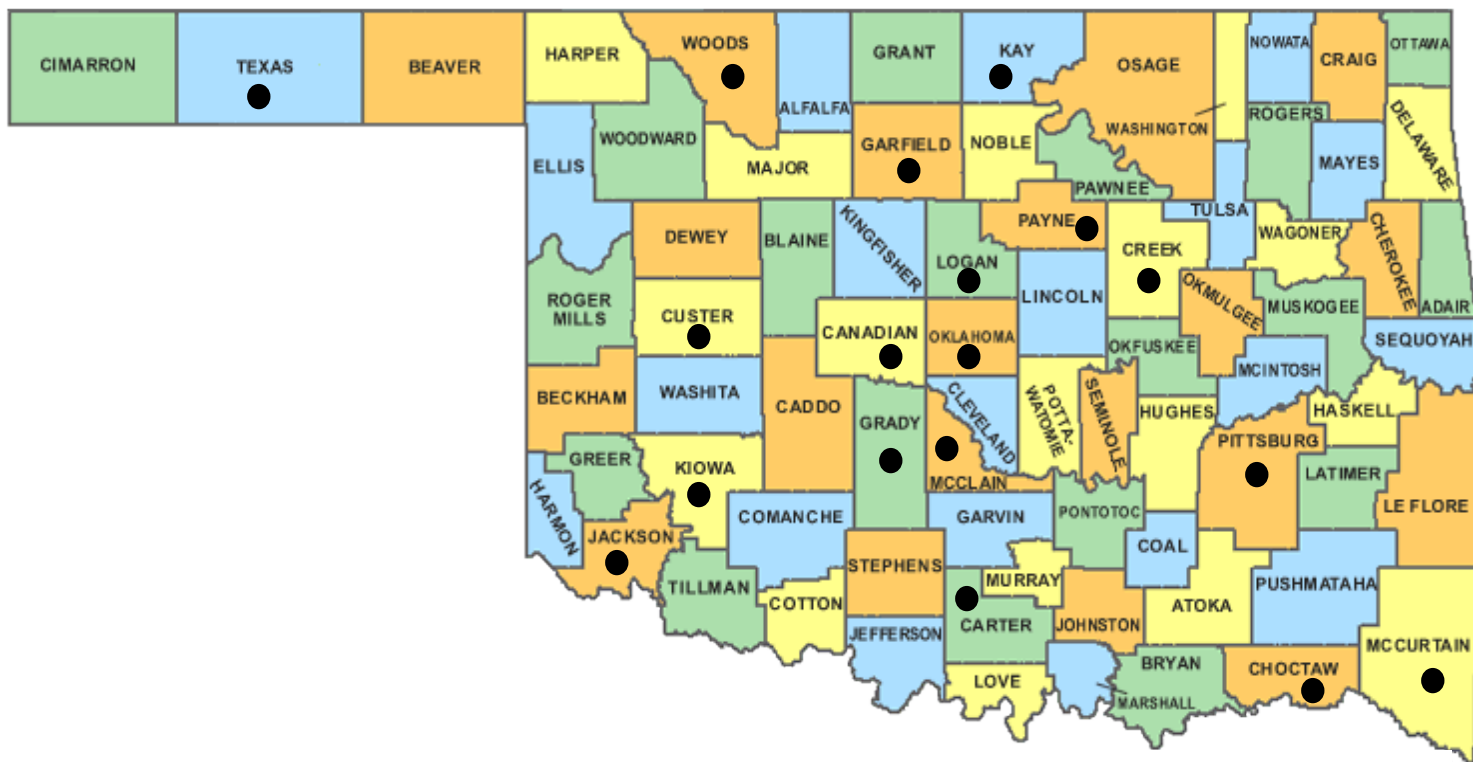
- Assistance in becoming certified.
- Training to help deal with any of your foster child's challenges and to meet program requirements.
- Support to help you be a successful foster family.
- Reasonable compensation to cover the foster child's basic needs.

You will be required to:

- Communicate any problems, child's progress, or other issues that may arise.
- Be available for meetings and calls concerning the foster child or biological parents.
- Comply with all state regulations.

We pledge to help you meet these goals, by providing you with 24-hour support. Our support includes case management services designed to help you navigate the child welfare system, respite care to give you a break, and other coordinated programming to help your family be successful caring for and supporting the foster children in your home.

Of the 42 Designated Youth Services Agencies throughout Oklahoma, 17 are certified to provide foster care recruitment and support services. Please help Oklahoma’s most vulnerable population – our abused and neglected children. To become a foster family, please contact one of the following agencies in a county near you.



Southwestern Youth Services	123 West Commerce	Altus	580-482-2809
Northwest Family Services	620 Flynn	Alva	580-327-2900
Community Children’s Shelter	15 Monroe NE	Ardmore	580-226-1838
Southwest Youth and Family Services	198 E. Almar Drive	Chickasha	405-222-5437
Multi-County Youth Service Center	600 Avant	Clinton	580-323-3322
Youth and Family Services	7565 E. Highway 66	El Reno	405-262-6555
Youth and Family Services of N. Central OK	605 West Oxford	Enid	580-233-7220
Logan Community Services	4710 S. Division	Guthrie	405-282-5524
Panhandle Services for Children	216 NW 4th Street	Guymon	580-338-7082
Great Plains Youth and Family Services	901 S. Broadway	Hobart	580-726-3383
Choctaw/Pushmataha County Youth Services	101 W. Jefferson	Hugo	580-326-3382
Kiamichi Youth Services	412 South Central	Idabel	580-286-6671
Youth Emergency Shelter	904 N. 9th Street	McAlester	918-423-8845
Northern OK Youth Service Center and Shelter	2203 N. Ash	Ponca City	580-762-8341
McClain/Garvin County Youth and Family Center	118 S. 2nd Avenue	Purcell	405-527-2424
Youth Services of Creek County	1025 East Grayson	Sapulpa	918-227-2622
Payne County Youth Services	2224 W. 12th Street	Stillwater	405-377-3380

For more information on how to become a foster care family with the youth services network:

- Call toll-free: 1(844) 692-7837
- Call or visit one of the Youth Services Agencies listed above.