

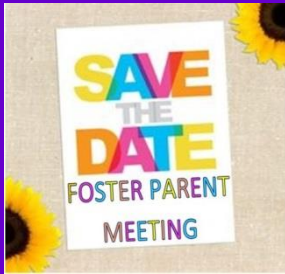


COMMUNITY RESOURCE GROUP

April 2019



March	April
2 YC	6 SW
6 JC	24 NS
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QUARTERLY FOSTER PARENT MEETINGS

Quarterly Foster Parent meetings are important to attend. You receive information about state updates, upcoming activities; receive training hours and opportunity to share with other foster parents. The next meeting's are :

Yakima Families

Yakima Foursquare Church
700 N. 40th Avenue
Yakima, WA
April 18
July 18
October 17

Wenatchee Families

CRG Office
640 S. Mission Street
Wenatchee, WA

Meetings for Wenatchee have been cancelled until further notice.

CHANGES AT CRG!

As you all know, we have had a very challenging season here at CRG. We hired new staff to fill vacant positions, some families transferred to a new agency and some are in the process of transferring (We wish them continued success!), new families are in process of being licensed (One was just licensed in Yakima!), CRG received a grant for a new residential program in Wenatchee and we are part of an accreditation team to confirm we have the expertise and are qualified to provide these services. And...there are more changes coming! Needless to say, we are very busy!

We want to thank our foster families for being there with us as the agency continues to transition; your dedication to children in need is much appreciated. We also thank our Wenatchee and Yakima staff for being fully committed to CRG and our families during this time and want to acknowledge their hard work and effort in their service to others.

A change you need to know is Brenda Esquivel in the Yakima office is now the Placement Coordinator. She will be taking care of all placements, respites and reimbursements. Please make sure to submit the Reimbursement and Mileage forms to her by the 2nd of each month; if the 2nd is on the weekend; then submit the following business day. In addition, Respite Requests need to be submitted **two weeks** in advance. Remember: respite will be provided if other foster parents are available, and based on the safety plans/needs of each individual child. Usually procuring respite is not a problem, but it's always best to have a back-up plan in case respite homes are not available.

If you have any questions at all, contact Brenda Sipes at 509.965.5310. Also, make sure to attend the Quarterly Foster Parent Meetings where you can ask questions. Yakima's next meeting is Thursday, April 18th, 5:30pm to 7:30pm. Make sure to confirm your attendance by calling Mary Hernandez at 509.965.5310 or by emailing her at mhernandez.crg@gmail.com. **Wenatchee's next few meetings are cancelled until further notice. Contact Brenda Sipes at 509.965.5310 if you have questions.**

WENATCHEE TEAM

Courtney Rucker, Case Aide	Deanne Blum Program Manager
Karen Sanchez, Case Aide	Tim Steffert Case Manager
Sarah Conway, Case Manager (New-Welcome!)	

YAKIMA TEAM

Amanda Cashion, Case Aide	Belen Carriedo, Case Manager (New-Welcome!)
Brandie Epperson, Case Manager (New-Welcome!)	Brenda Esquivel, Placement Coordinator
Brenda Sipes, Executive Director	Clara Coddington, Bookkeeper
Greg Reichenberger, Licensor	Josh Botsford, Program Manager
Manny Ceja, HR Manager	Mark Burnett, Case Aide
Martha Herrera, Case Aide (New-Welcome!)	Megan Bush, Compliance Specialist
Rosie Perez, Licensor	Salvador Gudino, Case Aide
Shane Kraxberger, Custodian	Mary Hernandez, Office Manager



To register for free CPR/First Aid Training in Wenatchee and Yakima, call Keep the Beat at 888-704-6074 or email keepthebeatdshs@aol.com. Provide the following information: Student name(s), contact email, contact phone, date of class, and city of class.

Wenatchee River West Retirement / 900 N Western Ave / Wenatchee WA

Date: 4/14/19	Time: 10am-4:30pm
Date: 7/27/19	Time: 10am-4:30pm
Date: 10/20/19	Time: 10am-4:30pm

FOSTER PARENT INFO

New Region 2 Mandatory Reporting Number is 1-855-420-5888

Foster Parent Paperwork

Reimbursement / mileage paperwork is due the **2nd of every month**. If the 2nd of the month is on the weekend, submit the paperwork by the Monday immediately following the 2nd.

Please submit the following forms to Brenda Esquivel:

- *Monthly Reimbursement Form
- *Travel Expense Forms (CPA uses DSHS Mileage form; submit to the Social Worker.)

Submit the following forms to your Case Manager monthly:

- *Monthly Progress Report,
- *BRS Daily Behavioral Tracking
- *Medical Dispensing forms (daily)
- *Receipts showing no less than \$45.00 per month spent on basic needs items.

RESPITE CARE

Foster Parents earn two (2) days of respite care per month when foster children are living in the home.

*Any use of Respite Care not accumulated will be approved on a case by case basis.

*A foster parent can save their respite care to use at a later date.

***If foster parents have unused respite care at the end of the year, CRG will cash parents out the 1st week in January.**

*Please remember respite needs to be filled out on a respite form and turned in to Brenda Esquivel **TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE.**

***Reminder: No respite care on holidays or holiday weekends.**

If you have any questions, contact Brenda Esquivel at 509.965.5310 or 509. 509 969.5219.



Yakima Virginia Mason Memorial Hospital Auditorium / 2811 Tieton Drive / Yakima WA

Use the main entrance; stop at security desk; they will give directions to classroom A in the basement.

Date: 4/6/19	Time: 10am-4:30pm	Date: 8/10/19	Time: 10am-4:30pm
Date: 5/11/19	Time: 10am-4:30pm	Date: 9/5&6/19	Time: 5:30-8:30pm
Date: 6/8/19	Time: 10am-4:30pm	Date: 10/12/19	Time: 10am-4:30pm
Date: 7/11&12/19	Time: 5:30-8:30pm	Date: 11/7& 8/19	Time: 5:30-8:30pm
		Date: 12/14/19	Time: 10am-4:30pm

ALLIANCE FOR CHILD WELFARE EXCELLENCE TRAININGS

Register at <https://allianceforchildwelfare.org/course-catalog>; 1-866-577-1915, or email help@acwe.on.spiceworks.com

WENATCHEE	YAKIMA
INTRODUCTION TO ADOPTION FROM FOSTER CARE* Date: May 6 Time: 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm Location: 1601 5 th Street	I-LABS: MODULE 10: LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT: FROM LISTENING TO SPEAKING* Date: June 4 Time: 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm Location: 1002 N. 16 th Avenue
WENATCHEE I-LABS: MODULE 05: UNDERSTANDING EMOTIONS* Date: May 8 Time: 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Location: 1601 5 th Street	YAKIMA I-LABS IN THE CLASSROOM: MODULE 11: BILINGUAL LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT Yakima: June 4, 2019 Time: 6:30PM to 7:30PM Location: 1002 N. 16 th Avenue
WENATCHEE I-LABS: MODULE 12: TEMPERAMENT IN EARLY CHILDHOOD* Date: May 8 Time: 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm Location: 1601 5 th Street	YAKIMA VERBAL DE-ESCALATION Date: June 8 Time: 9:00 am – 4:00 pm Location: 1604 W. Yakima Avenue

AFTER HOURS ON-CALL

On-Call is available to all CRG Foster Parents from 5pm to 8am of the following day. A staff person is assigned to accept calls during this time frame. If you need help from 5pm-8am, do not call the Case Managers or Case Aides; call the On-Call phone.

YAKIMA ON-CALL NUMBER: 509.930.9517. WENATCHEE ON-CALL NUMBER: 509.423.1500.

Use this number if you are experiencing a crisis situation in your home or if a reportable incident has occurred.

- If there is imminent danger to a foster child(ren), foster parent(s), and or family members, call 9-1-1; then contact the on-call staff person immediately afterwards. (See attached form)
- If the staff member does not answer please leave a detailed message.
- If the on-call staff does not return your call in 10 minutes, please contact the following back-up On-Call staff members:

Wenatchee
Deanne Blum
(509) 770-3732

Yakima
Josh Botsford
(509) 952-6822

Yakima/Wenatchee
Brenda Sipes
(509) 391.6665

HAPPY SPRING!!!

