# **Every Child Lane County**

## THE NEED AND OUR MISSION

4,035

Reports of abuse or neglect that required an ODHS investigation

986

Kids spent at least one day in foster care

343

Certified foster homes

Every Child Lane County mobilizes our community to radically support kids and families impacted by foster care. ECLC actively recruits, equips, and supports resource (foster) parents; meets tangible needs of kids in crisis; and creates positive childhood memories. We believe everyone can do something to positively impact a child in foster care.



# HOW YOU CAN HELP: CARING FOR KIDS.

# LONG-TERM FOSTER CARE

Providing a home for a child in foster care until they can be reunified with a birth parent or adopted by a relative, foster (resource) parent or other individual.

Est. Time in Care: 18 - 24 mos

# SHELTER FOSTER CARE

Caring for children in foster care when a long-term placement is unavailable or the Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) office is closed.

Est. Time in Care: < 20 days

# THERAPEUTIC FOSTER CARE

Children with the highest level of needs or most complex behaviors are served through private agencies across Oregon in proctor or therapeutic resource (foster) homes.

Est. Time in Care: 18 - 24 mos

#### **BECOME A "SAFE FAMILY" THROUGH SAFE FAMILIES**

Temporarily care for a child before ODHS is involved. Birth parents choose to partner with a "safe family" to care for their child(ren) while they regain stability. Learn more at safe-families.org

Est. Time in Care: Several hours to several weeks

### HOW TO GET CERTIFIED TO FOSTER











GET CONNECTED TO LOCAL ODHS CHILD WELFARE TEAM





ODHS INITIATES
CERTIFICATION
PROCESS





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BECOME CERTIFIED
AND RECEIVE CHILD
PLACEMENT





RECEIVE ONGOING
SUPPORT THROUGH
EVERY CHILD & ODHS

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## 2022 VOLUNTEER MPACT

In 2022, our volunteers gave 2,045 hours and distributed \$123,500 worth of in-kind goods to families. Take a look at the impact, below:



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kids in crisis shopped at Brighter Side Giving Store



122

families received items through My NeighbOR



362+

families made positive memories together



**257** 

kids received Christmas presents



# HOW YOU CAN HELP: VOLUNTEERING

### "EVERYBODY CAN DO SOMETHING"

We believe each person has a unique mix of time, talents, and resources. Do you want to bring your organizational skills? Your creativity? Maybe you don't have time to give, but you can donate clothing or purchase a pack of diapers on occasion. Not everyone can be a resource (foster) parent, but everyone can do something to help kids in care!

### **GIVING TIME CAN LOOK LIKE:**

- Sorting & Organizing Donations
- Event Support
- Office/Admin Support
- · Bringing a Talent to an Event
- Delivering Items to Families
- "Respite:" Babysitting for Foster Families
- Volunteering at Foster Parents Night Out



### **GIVING ITEMS CAN LOOK LIKE:**

- Meeting a need of a local child in foster care today or sign up to be notified weekly of new needs requests
- · Donating new or like-new clothing
- Donating new or gently-used baby equipment or furniture
- Making a Flash Box or Welcome Box

### CONTACT US TO GET INVOLVED

"Whether you are an individual family, church, business, or group, there are many ways that you can make a positive impact on kids in care in Lane County."

- Kelly Fountain, Every Child Lane Community Engagement Coordinator

CONTACT OUR COMMUNITY

ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR, KELLY, TO LEARN MORE:

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WANT TO DO SOMETHING TODAY? CHECK OUT OUR VOLUNTEERS' QUICK-LINKS