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Tikinagan

Child & Family Services

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Foster Connection

Become a Foster Parent



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Everyone working together to raise our children

Foster Parents

Foster parents are everyday people who come from all walks of life - homemakers, band councillors, grandparents, etc. They work at the community store, the nursing station, the school or in the band office. The list is long. Foster parents can be married or single or separated. They can have their own children, or not. The key requirement is your willingness to help a child.

Foster parents are very important to us and are essential to successfully delivering our services. Although the legal responsibility for the child remains with the agency, the foster parents play a very important role in the child's life.

Foster Children

A foster child may be a baby, a toddler, a young child, or a teenager. A few of our children in care are physically, mentally or emotionally challenged and require special care to be able to enjoy the benefits of daily life.

Foster children need the kind of care and stability that a foster family can offer. Most require not only warmth and acceptance but also guidance, direction, structure, love and understanding.

Being a Foster Parent

Foster parents provide a nurturing safe home for foster children, many of whom have had traumatic experiences in their lives. Foster parents tend to the physical, mental, spiritual and emotional needs of the children. They provide nourishing meals, a warm place to sleep, a comfortable happy place to live, safe from harm. They listen. They love. They try to understand.

Foster parents do a lot of things for a child. Much depends on the individual child's needs. But much is just healthy role modelling and compassion for a child whose life might be in turmoil.

Fostering is a valuable community service and also offers a very rewarding experience for foster parents.



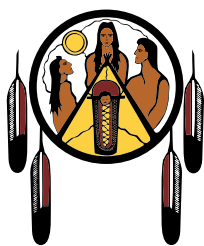
Supporting Foster Parents

Tikinagan has a Residential Services Unit focused on developing a range of foster care options for children and youth who need to come into Tikinagan care. This unit offers programs and services to foster parents to assist them in providing the best possible environment for our children.

We provide foster parents with:

- Orientation on the role of a Tikinagan foster parent
- Ongoing training and education, including meeting the special needs of children placed in your care
- Support services provided by an assigned residential care worker who will also advocate for the foster parent
- Emergency support and crisis intervention 24 hours a day
- Respite care options such as alternate placement of the child or alternate caregiver for the child
- Financial reimbursement by a daily rate for regular food and accommodation expenses as well as allowances for special expenses such as clothing, school, recreation and health care

You are not alone. Foster Parents are a valuable part of a team dedicated to planning and meeting the needs of children in care.



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