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Resource Parent (noun):

- 1. A kind, loving person who provides care & support
- 2. One who nurtures, encourages & comforts children

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Not yet a Resource Parent? Interested in

Becoming a Resource Parent?

Call 888-811-1121 or check out

https://dcfs.lacounty.gov/caregivers/becomea-foster-parent/

for more information



Los Angeles
County DCFS
Resource Family
Support Liaison
Unit

We're here for you!

## Who We Are

We are a team of DCFS Children Social Workers within the Resource Family Support Division (RFSD) assigned to the eight Service Planning Areas (SPAs) within Los Angeles County. In addition to our small team, there are also Resource Family Support (RFS) Social Workers who will be assigned to Resource Family Homes to address biennial renewals, relocations, capacity increase/decrease and any significant changes in the home.



### Office Locations/SPAs (Service Planning Areas)

SPA 1 (Antelope Valley): Lancaster & Palmdale SPA 2 (San Fernando Valley): Van Nuys, West San Fernando Valley, Santa Clarita SPA 3 (San Gabriel Valley): Pasadena, El Monte, Glendora

SPA 4 (Metro Los Angeles ): Metro North SPA 5 (West Los Angeles ): West LA SPA 6 (South Los Angeles): Compton-Carson, Hawthorne, Vermont Corridor, Wateridge SPA 7 (East Los Angeles): Belvedere, Santa Fe Springs

SPA 8 (South Bay): Torrance, South County

#### What We Do

The Resource Family Support Liaison Unit's (RFSLU) goal is to engage the Resource Parent & Service Provider community within LA County to act as a bridge between the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and Resource Families providing a safe space for children in out-of-home care.



# SUPPORT 🦃



The RFSLU's goal is to engage the Resource Parent community and enhance their caregiving experience through support services such as:

- Linkage to community events and resources
- Resource Parent support groups
- Promoting Resource Parent networking
- Linkage to education resources
- Bilingual support services
- Provide a "listening ear"
- Training support



## RESOURCE SHARING



Our team helps identify resources in your community. Various resources are shared through our e-mail distribution list. Some of the resources below are:

- Support groups facilitated at places of worship and community facilities.
- Grief and loss support linkage (everyone needs someone to talk to when a child leaves their home).
- Community events such as appreciation events, awareness events, festivals etc.
- Foster education classes including linkage to Foster Kinship Care Education (FKCE) classes.
- LGBTQ+ awareness.
- Tangible support linkage to community partners.
- And more!

# THANK APPRECIATE THANK

We show our appreciation by saying "Thank You!" However, our gratitude doesn't end there. We coordinate:

- Resource Parent Self-Care Events
- Resource Parent Appreciation Events
- Educational Opportunities
- Resource Parent Roundtable
- Resource Family Community Events

And much more! Whether you are in need of support, wish to share your ideas with us or simply want to be added to our resource and event notification email list, we want to hear from you. Most of all, we want you to know that we appreciate you!