## **Become A Foster Carer**



Carers are paid a weekly allowance for the child, which covers such items as clothing, food, recreational activities, school uniform and equipment, transport, and pocket money. The amount depends on the child's age. This allowance is not a wage and does not affect tax or benefts.

We run an introductory training course, which all prospective foster carers must attend. The training helps people understand the task of fostering and gives lots of information and advice. Further training is offered after carers have been approved, and all carers must attend a specifed number of basic training sessions. We also provide opportunities for foster carers to obtain NVQ Level 3.

All sorts of people can foster. You must be over 21. You can be employed or unemployed, single, married, or living with a partner, with or without children of your own. You can own or rent your home, but you must have space for a child, who should have his/her own bedroom. We welcome applications from

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