

Foster Care Awareness Resources and Support

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Indiana Foster Care - Consider Becoming a Foster Parent - information / inquiry form - <https://www.indianafostercare.org/s/> - Licensing through DCS should be 100% covered, with exception of a well water test (if needed), approximate cost \$25

Current Foster/Resource Parent Support Helpline: 1-888-631-9510

Benchmark Family Services - www.benchmarkfamilyservices.org

Family Compass - <https://family-compass.net/index.html>

Hands of Hope - *Consultation 1:1* - <https://handsofhopein.org/adoption-information-meetings/> - an unbiased support and resource to gather information personalized to your interests and needs. Learn about foster care, Safe Families and adoption. Find more information in the Resources for Potential Foster Parents tab including Beginning the Process - <https://handsofhopein.org/Exploring-Foster-Care/>, resources for current Indiana Foster Families also available here

Foster Together Indiana - www.fostertogetherindiana.org

America Kids Belong - <https://amewricakidsbelong.org/in/>

Bethany Christian Services - <https://bethany.org/locations/us/indiana/indianapolis>

Kirsh and Kirsh Adoptions - *Foster to Adopt* - <https://www.indianaadoption.com/hoping-to-adopt/foster-care-adoption/>

Indiana Foster and Adoptive Parents - <https://www.facebook.com/IndianaFAAP/>

The Forgotten Initiative - <https://theforgotteninitiative.org/>

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Jason Johnson - Renown blogger writes poignantly about how churches and Christians can find their place in foster care and adoption

<https://jasonjohnsonblog.com/#theblog>

Karen Purvis Institute of Child Development - *Trauma-Based Relational Intervention* -

<https://child.tcu.edu/#sthash.rs3sJbVt.dpbs>

<https://empoweredtoconnect.org/>

Backyard Orphans -

<https://backyardorphans.org/>

Family Interventions - Local training for foster families

office@familyinterventions.com

814 E Market St

765-361-0840

DCS Alternative Training List

<https://www.in.gov/dcs/files/Approved%20Alternative%20In-Service%20Training.pdf>

Podcast:

How to Impact the Foster Care Crisis with Terry Stigdon (Indiana DCS Director)

https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=oV_3b0x1Ino

Videos:

- **Removed** - Part 1 (of a 3 part series)
- **Remember My Story** - Part 2
- **Love Is Never Wasted** - Part 3

Movies:

Mully

The Drop Box

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Books:

- **All In Orphan Care** by Jason Johnson (*)
- **Everyone Can Do Something** by Jason Johnson
- **Reframing Foster Care** by Jason Johnson (*)
- **Honestly Adoption: Answers to 101 Questions about Adoption & Foster Care** by Mike & Kristin Berry
- **Confessions of an Adoptive Parent: Hope and Help from the Trenches of Foster Care and Adoption** by Mike Berry
- **She Is Mine** by Stephanie Fast (*)
- **The Connected Child** by Karen Purvis
- **The Whole Brained Child: 12 Revolutionary Strategies to Nurture Your Child's**

Developing Mind by Daniel Siegel and Tina Payne Bryson

- **No Drama Discipline: The Whole Brain Way to Calm the Chaos and Nurture Your Child's Developing Mind** - by Daniel Siegel and Tina Payne Bryson
- **The Out-of-Sync Child: Recognizing and Coping with Sensory Processing Disorder** by Carol Kranowitz and Lucy Jane Miller

Books (for Kids):

- **Maybe Days: A Book for Children in Foster Care** by Jennifer Wilgocki and Marcia Kahn Wright

Note: Books flagged (*) available at "In His Time Books and Gift Store, 113 S. Main St., Crawfordsville, IN

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