



## Foster Care



**GLADE RUN**  
LUTHERAN SERVICES

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*When asked if you have ever seen the face of God or what He looks like, all you need to do is look into the face of one of our foster parents. They are courageous warriors who show unconditional love and compassion for hurting children. Some people hope to find treasure and search the oceans or beneath the Earth. Our foster parents look into the hearts and souls of their foster children to find undiscovered treasure. Their eyes pierce through the darkness and despair that has come to cloud these young lives to see the light that each child possesses. They are also the bridges that help children weather the storms. Our foster parents help to repair relationships and lives, while reminding the children that their lives have purpose and meaning - and together all things great are possible.*

-Karen Sims, Foster Care Coordinator



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*a bridge to a brighter future*

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### Foster Parent Information Request

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Best Time to Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

**Submit To:** Foster Care Recruiter, Glade Run Lutheran Services

1008 Seventh Avenue, Suite 210, Beaver Falls, PA 15010

E-mail: [kathy@gladerun.org](mailto:kathy@gladerun.org)



## QUALIFICATIONS

For consideration to be a foster parent, interested individuals must:

- Be at least 21 years of age
- Complete Certification Training Program
- Obtain clearances
- Participate in the home study process
- Be in good physical and mental health
- Communicate effectively
- Work as part of a team
- Be willing to work with children whose issues may include physical abuse, medical needs and mental health or behavioral issues.

## GLADE RUN FOSTER CARE OFFERS

- Supportive Case Management
- 24 hour on call emergency service
- Monthly clothing allowance
- Monthly per diem rate to assist in providing the child with basic necessities
- Medical card for foster children
- Orientation and training to help the foster parents meet the needs of the child placed in their home

## SUPPORT SERVICES

Mental health and other support services are available through Glade Run Lutheran Services or other community providers. These services may include, but are not limited to:

- Outpatient counseling
- Psychiatric services
- Family counseling
- Case management
- Crisis intervention
- Independent living instruction
- Wraparound or other-in-home services

## FOSTER PARENTS DEMONSTRATE



## ACCEPTANCE

The goal of our foster care program and our foster parents is to offer family care to all children whose lives are turbulent and in need of a nurturing, stable home environment; for as long as is needed. Foster parents take the time to build relationships and share every aspect of their lives with the children placed in their care. There is no bias in regard to age, race, religion or background. We provide a continuum of care ranging from Substitute Caregivers to Therapeutic Foster Care.

## TEAM WORK

Foster parents serve as important members of the treatment team along with the child's family, county caseworker, school personnel, mental health worker or other social services professionals.

## MENTORING

Foster parents receive professional training in the use of effective parenting skills. These special trainings assist our foster parents to recognize and encourage a child's unique abilities as well as their own; which enables them to resolve any problems that may arise.

