



SEPTEMBER 2019 NEWS-LETTER

Fresno office

ATTENTION: If you have any emergencies at all please call (559) 452-9500 and the ER person on call will assist you.

Please take note that ALL Resource parents must have 12 training hours completed by the end of the year 2019 to be in compliance with K4K and CCL. Also you must complete the Trauma Base Training by the end of 2019 to continue being a resource parent and to be in compliance with K4K and the State of California. If you have any questions on you hours please feel free to call the office or ask your FFA social worker.

Save the Date

Sept 2, 2019 Office close for Labor Day

Annual Certification Requirements

Please Read and sign below you acknowledge

CPR FIRST AID If you need **CPR/First Aid or Water Safety** please call the office *before it expires* call the office to schedule an appointment (559) 452-9500 or call Abel Luevano at (559) 394-2788.

ALL DOCUMENTS NEED TO BE CURRENT: DMV reports, Driver license, Auto Insurance, CPR/1 Aid, Pet shots records, for everyone who lives in the resource home and care for foster children. Finger prints/background checks for all over the age of 18 who live in the home must be submitted to our office. * All children's binders must be up to date.

Annual Certifications Annual *certifications need to be completed before they expire* to stay in compliance with K4K FFA and with CCL. If you have your certification completed in your certification month with no deficiencies your \$100.00 certification bonus will be issued in the following monthly reimbursement. If you do not pass your Annual certification and have deficiencies, you will forfeit your annual bonus.

QUARTERLY HOME INSPECTIONS

(Every 3 Months) Need to be completed in a timely manner, please make yourself and your home available so the FFA Social Worker or assigned K4K staff member can complete and keep you in compliance with Karing 4 Kids FFA regulations and CCL.

Karing 4 kids completes four quarterly home inspections a year, therefore when your annual is due, you should remain in compliance.

TRAINING HOURS You must have your training hours up to date by the time your certification is due. If you have completed training hours outside of Karing 4Kids FFA please remember to turn them in to our office so you can get credit. Must be within the same year of your annual certification.

NOTIFY CHANGES If any resource homes have any changes phone number, moving, new people moving in or out, etc., Resource parent(s) need to notify Karing for Kids or the social worker ASAP! It is CCL regulation that every foster home has a landline telephone available within reach for children. *You may be able to get discount assistance thru California Lifeline Program 1-877-858-7463 for landlines and cell phones service.*

**If you have any questions feel free to call our office at 559-452-9500 Fresno or 559-583-9500 Hanford*

Foster Care

Thousands of children in California's foster care system require temporary out-of-home care because of parental neglect, abuse, or exploitation. The largest percentages are African American and Latino children. Some stay in foster care for weeks; some for years. The children are of all ages and varying needs. Foster parents provide a supportive and stable family for children who cannot live with their birth parents until family problems are resolved. In most cases, foster parents work with social services staff to reunite the child with birth parents. Foster parents often provide care to many different children.

A license is required to operate a resource home. The process requires a licensing worker to visit your home and meet with you and other family members. Minimum personal, safety and space requirements are required by law. Foster parents work with social services staff to determine the type of child best suited for their home (i.e., age, health issues, and gender). Foster parents receive a monthly reimbursement to feed, clothe, transportation, and meet the material needs of the children placed in their care. Medical and dental coverage is provided through the Medi-Cal program. For working parents, appropriate child care arrangements must be made by the foster parents.

<http://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/Foster-Care>

