

Oneida Nation Foster Care Program is a state licensed, tribal run Child Placing Agency developed to facilitate out of home placements for only Oneida children when no family is available to care for these kids. It was established in response to the Indian Child Welfare Act which was passed in 1978, giving tribes authority in placement and adoption of their own children. The Child Placing Agency began in 1992 under the direction of the Oneida Tribe.

The mission of the Oneida Child Placement Agency is to recruit, license, train and support the American Indian foster homes and the Oneida children they care for.



Please take the time to understand the need we have for more foster homes, especially for people willing to take teenagers when they are placed outside of their family homes. Although the teenagers can be some of the more challenging of children placed, the experience can also be the most rewarding and life changing for you and your family.

Please take some time to read and have some of your questions answered about being a foster parent with the Oneida Tribe.

### **Contact Information**

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### **Services offered to licensed foster parents**

As part of the Foster Care Program, we offer

- ❖ 36 hour foster parent training to help prepare you to become a foster parent
- ❖ Availability on call for foster parents in crisis situations from the Foster Care Coordinator
- ❖ Help and continued support in finding services for children and foster parents to ease the stresses of foster parenting.
- ❖ Ongoing training to keep you up to date on any changes in the foster care system and to help you care for the kids in your home.
- ❖ Appreciation Events honoring foster parents
- ❖ Resource Library
- ❖ Respite Program