

Caring for our Children

Care for a challenge?

**We urgently need
specialist foster carers for...**

New Opportunities Foster Care

Caring full or part-time for children with challenging behaviour and complex needs.

You'll receive preparation, training, support, fees and allowances. As a full-time specialist foster carer, you could even earn the equivalent of a full-time wage – It could be the career change you've been looking for!

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The children:

The current need is for carers for children between seven and thirteen years old. They've had troubled and disrupted family lives, with experiences of separation, loss or abuse. They may have been looked after by several other carers, or be in a residential home. They have a high level of need, will at times have challenging and difficult behaviour, and they might find it hard to show affection, stick to house rules or do well in school. It's a challenge, but could be one of the most rewarding things you'll ever do!

Lots of different people can provide care:

- you must be over 21 years old
- you can be single, married or part of a long-term relationship
- you can be a tenant or homeowner
- you might have children of your own (no other children under the age of 14 should be living in your home), or you might not
- you don't need to be well-off or in work.



What we need from you:

- experience of caring for children and enthusiasm to help young people
- the ability to manage challenging behaviour and provide a safe home environment with security, clear boundaries, advice and guidance
- an adult at home or available at all times to support the child
- willingness to work with parents, social workers and other professionals
- a bedroom for a young person in your home
- energy, patience, commitment and a sense of humour!



What we offer:

- a weekly fee of up to £361 for full-time specialist care (pro-rata for part-time)
- generous maintenance allowances for the child
- comprehensive preparation and ongoing training
- high quality professional support
- the chance to meet and share your experiences with other carers.

If you're up to the challenge, get in touch today and make a difference:

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