

Foster Care

the need

Children and youth deserve a loving home; the record number of kids entering foster care far outweighs the quantity of available foster homes.

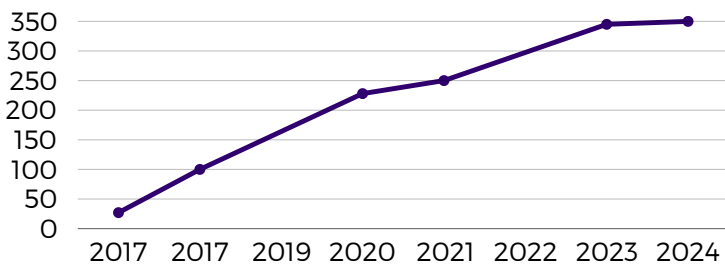
our approach

Thompson's approach to foster care is straightforward: we recruit, select, train, & support foster parents who are willing to care for children & youth with the most challenging needs and behaviors – oftentimes, adolescents who have already been in multiple placements and experienced multiple ACEs (Adverse Childhood Experiences).

our methods

- Employ top tier foster care talent (most have 10+ years foster care experience) and train them in the trauma-informed Children and Residential Experiences (CARE) model from Cornell University
- Simplify and streamline the licensing process for identified foster parents
- Equip foster parents with in-depth parental coaching & skill building through the evidence-based Together Facing the Challenge model
- Train foster parents on how to build nurturing relationships with vulnerable youth through the trauma-informed practice of Trust-Based Relational Intervention®
- Place youth in foster homes specific to the type of service needed – individualized care equals better outcomes
- Provide superior 24/7 support for foster parents to lessen their stress and worry

our results



Number of Thompson Foster Homes

With our approach & methods, Thompson ensures placement stability. Stable foster homes empower youth to live healthy lifestyles, receive quality physical and mental healthcare, and experience educational stability. High rates of stability lead to high parent & youth satisfaction resulting in existing foster parents recruiting new ones.

our impact

FY23/24 results



99%

foster parent satisfaction

GOAL: 90%



97%

foster child satisfaction

GOAL: 90%



75%

mental health gains

GOAL: 70%



96%

placement stability

GOAL: 90%

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our service array

type of foster care offered	ages served	summary
Traditional Foster Care	0-21	Children who are in need of a loving & stable home.
Medically Fragile Foster Care	0-21	Children with additional medical needs, requiring a foster home equipped to support those needs.
Therapeutic Foster Care	0-21	Children who are in need of interventions/treatment to help them be successful.
Teen Supports Foster Care	7-18	Short-term (90-120 days) placement for high needs youth providing daily therapeutic support for the youth & family.
Transitional Foster Care	0-21	Youth stepping down from a higher level of care who need a safe & structured home to practice their life skills before moving to a regular therapeutic home; typical stay is 30-60 days.
Professional Foster Parents	0-21	Foster parents who can commit to working with therapeutic foster children and their identified permanent placement for 90-180 days before reunification. Foster parents are paid a salary vs. a stipend.
Respite Foster Care	0-21	Short-term care for another foster family's foster child, providing them with a break, or allowing them to attend an obligation.

parent feedback

“ Our coordinator answers all our questions, makes us feel supported, encourages us and continues to check on us frequently. ”

“ The Thompson Foster Care team provided great training support that resulted in strong relationships. ”

“ We have never felt like we didn't have multiple people that we could call when we needed help. ”

“ We love our licensing worker! The process was so much easier than we thought it would be. ”

hear their stories



Vicky is a foster care mom. Hear why she is so passionate about helping others.



Jay & Patrina are foster care parents. Hear about their experiences and how Thompson helped them connect with a support group.