

The Road to Fostering



1 Inquiry

Express interest in foster care or adoption licensing. **Call 1-888-KID HERO (543-4376)**

2 Information Sessions

Attend an information session to receive information necessary to consider becoming a licensed caregiver.

3 Personal Home Visit Interview

A home visit assesses the physical/safety aspects of your home environment and your motivation to become licensed. You have the opportunity to ask additional questions about the process. Preliminary background checks will be completed.

4 Supplemental Online Training

Complete preliminary online training and begin the paperwork process (References, physicals, financials, vet, CPR/First Aid, well water, smoke detectors, etc.)

5 Pre-Licensing Training

Attend classroom training: 30 hours virtual, in-person or hybrid, including homework assignments.

6 Assessment/Home Visits

Follow-up home visits and interviews with all household members to complete the home study. Full background checks including fingerprinting.

7 Licensing

Once licensed, you may provide care to children. You will need to maintain licensing requirements including ongoing training.