

The New Mexico Children, Youth, and Families Department (CYFD) is interested in finding better ways to support individuals and families who serve as foster/adoptive parents. We understand that you are no longer serving as a foster/adoptive parent and we would like to know about your experience and why you chose not to continue. Your survey is completely confidential and we thank you for your help!

1. We would like to start with why you are no longer providing foster/adoptive parenting services. Please look at this list and check all of the reasons why you chose not to continue.

- Your financial circumstances changed.
- Your marital status changed.
- Your family decided that they did not want foster or adoptive children in your home.
- You decided you wanted to adopt a child privately.
- The type of child you thought you would foster or adopt was not available through CYFD.
- The types of children needing fostering or adoption have too many special needs.
- You had concerns that the children would have behavior problems or other problems.
- You decided you did not want all the responsibilities of a foster or adoptive parent.
- You had concerns about having contact with children’s birth families.
- You had concerns about having to work with attorneys and judges.
- The requirements to remain licensed as a foster/adoptive parent were too complicated or too long.
- There was too much paperwork involved.
- You did not like working with CYFD.
- Another reason. Please describe: _____

2. We would like to know how satisfied you were with the quality of service offered by CYFD. Can you please rate each of the following statements?

Statement	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
CYFD staff were respectful.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD staff responded to your phone calls and correspondence in a timely manner.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD staff answered your questions in a helpful manner.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD staff handled your paperwork in a timely manner.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD staff were courteous and professional in their interactions.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD staff gave you information about the children needing foster/adoptive placement.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD staff valued and appreciated you.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD staff considered you part of the team caring for children.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD staff supported your participation in case planning.	1	2	3	4	5
Your communication with CYFD was positive.	1	2	3	4	5

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CYFD did its best to get services like childcare and respite for you.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD did its best to provide you with supports when you were dealing with difficult problems.	1	2	3	4	5
You were satisfied with CYFD services.	1	2	3	4	5

Finally, we would like to ask you to answer a few questions about yourself.

- What county do you live in? _____
- How many children (biological and adopted) currently live in your home? _____
- What is your family's structure?
 - Single, never married Married
 - Single, living with partner in a committed relationship Separated or Divorced Widowed
- Where does your family income fit in these choices?
 - Less than \$20,000 \$20,000-\$40,000
 - \$40,000-\$60,000 \$60,000-\$80,000 \$80,000+

7. How do you identify your race?

Check (✓) one for each parent.	Parent 1	Parent 2
Black/African American		
White/Caucasian		
American Indian/Native American		
Asian/Pacific Islander		
More than one race		
Other: _____		

Check (✓) one for each parent.	
Are you of Hispanic or Latino ethnicity?	
Parent 1	Parent 2
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

8. How much education have you completed?

Check (✓) one for each parent.	Parent 1	Parent 2
Less than high school		
High school diploma or GED		
Post high school vocational training		
Some college		
College degree		

9. As a CYFD foster parent, how many children did you provide foster care for?

10. Is there anything else we should know about your experience?



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