

The New Mexico Children, Youth, and Families Department (CYFD) is interested in finding better ways to recruit and support individuals and families who serve as foster/adoptive parents. We understand that you are currently licensed as a foster/adoptive parent and we would like to know about your experience. Your survey is completely confidential and we thank you for your help!

1. We would like to know why you continue to provide foster/adoptive parenting services. Please look at this list and check (✓) all of the reasons that fit for you.

- You want to provide children with a good home.
- You want to help children with special needs.
- You want to make a difference in the life of a child.
- You contribute to society by fostering.
- You would like to adopt a child or children.
- You like having children in your home.
- You like helping families.
- You care about the foster child(ren) currently in your home.
- You need the income.
- You like being part of a larger community of foster/adoptive parents.
- You view this service as part of your religious or spiritual practice.
- Your own children are grown.
- You want to have a larger family.
- You were a foster child and this is a way to help others.
- You need help with household chores.
- CYFD provides services and supports when you need them.
- Another reason. Please describe: _____

- 2. Have you fostered any children with special needs? (Such as a child with emotional or behavioral problems or a child with a developmental disability, and other special needs.) Yes No
- 3. Have you fostered any children from a different racial or ethnic background? Yes No
- 4. Do you plan to continue fostering? Yes No Maybe
If NO, why not? _____

5. We would like to know how satisfied you are 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 are respectful.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD staff respond to your phone calls & correspondence quickly.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD staff answer your questions in a helpful manner.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD staff handle your paperwork in a timely manner.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD staff are courteous and professional in their interactions.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD staff give you information about the children needing foster/adoptive placement.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD staff value and appreciate you.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD staff consider you part of the team caring for	1	2	3	4	5

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children.					
CYFD staff support your participation in case planning.	1	2	3	4	5
Your communication with CYFD is positive.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD provides services like childcare and respite for you.	1	2	3	4	5
CYFD does its best to provide you with supports when you were dealing with difficult problems.	1	2	3	4	5
You are satisfied with CYFD services	1	2	3	4	5

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

6. What county do you live in? _____
7. How long have you been a foster parent? _____
8. How many foster children are currently placed with you? _____
9. How many children (biological and adopted) currently live in your home? _____
10. What is your family's structure?

<input type="checkbox"/> Single, never married	<input type="checkbox"/> Married
<input type="checkbox"/> Single, living with partner in a committed relationship	<input type="checkbox"/> Separated or Divorced
	<input type="checkbox"/> Widowed
11. Where does your family income fit in these choices?

<input type="checkbox"/> Less than \$20,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$20,000-\$40,000
<input type="checkbox"/> \$40,000-\$60,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60,000-\$80,000
	<input type="checkbox"/> \$80,000+

12. How do you identify your race and ethnicity?

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		

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

13. 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		
Other:		

14. As a CYFD foster parent, how many children have you provided foster care for? _____

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



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