



Summer Permanency Newsletter

The Family Preservation and Parent Mentor Program



Since its launch in mid-May, the main focus has been to observe how our process works with those entering our program. No two families are the same, so it has been

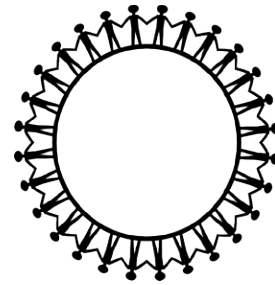
important that we make our program as flexible as possible. Developing the ways we address different obstacles families are experiencing has been imperative to the continuation of the program. As we continue improving our program, we have also worked on cultivating volunteers through community outreach. Our mentor programs staffed tables at events across our community, such as Art and the Vineyard, The Kids Celebration, and Eugene's Saturday Market, which allowed us to share more information about our programs to more community members. We hope that the more we share the mission of the program, the more people we will be able to effectively assist.

Our need for parent mentors is still great and we continue to need community support to maintain sustainability of the program. If you or someone you know would make a good parent mentor, click the link below and fill out our volunteer form.

[Click Here to Fill Out a Volunteer Form](#)

Becoming a Parent Mentor involves 10 hours of your time a month. Devoting just 10 hours a month to support an at-risk family will allow them to parent more effectively. We

are looking for individuals who are dedicated to making a difference in our community. Help make your community a safer and happier place for everyone; become a Parent Mentor



The Family Finding Program



After almost 10 years Family Finding continues...

As one of the longest standing programs at A Family for Every Child, Family Finding is continuing to reconnect foster children with their families. AFFEC takes nationwide referrals for youth in the foster care system and extensively searches for lost connections. By creatively navigating complicated family dynamics our Family Finding Program allows permanent placement options that are long-lasting and reliable. So as A Family for Every Child continues to grow and expand, Family Finding continues to work behind the scenes for permanency.

A Family for Every Child has recently partnered with a coalition of community resources who mean to directly address the issue of homeless and unaccompanied

youth in our community. This coalition is called 15th night because it has been proven that after a youth's 15th night on the street, there are more barriers to them reintegrating into a life off the streets. By combining elements from our Family Preservation and Family Finding Programs, AFFEC will be creating 15th Night's host home program. These host homes will provide a safe place for youth to live, while they



continue moving forward in school.

-If you are interested in becoming a host home, or want more information on the initiative, please contact AFFEC's Permanency Director, Emma Stahl

A Note From the Director:

This summer has been a fantastic opportunity to grow and learn as an individual.

By attending community outreach events, I have been able to make more connections and get input on our programs. It has been a privilege for me to spend time outdoors with my coworker, spreading information on what we're passionate about. Here are some pictures from our day at Art and the Vineyard:



(Left: Mavis- Youth Mentor Program Director, Right: Emma- Permanency Director)



Have a beautiful rest of your summer and thank you for continuing your support
Sincerely,

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