





FOSTER PARENT SHOUT OUT!

Mary and Tyler Bimrose have been a traditional foster family with The Baby Fold since August of 2019. Mary and Tyler have had multiple placements and have helped with some short-term placements which have turned into long term placements. Mary works full-time as a nurse and Tyler works full-time in insurance. Mary and Tyler have two biological sons and a daughter. Mary and Tyler have been a great resource for The Baby Fold and the children in which they have served. The family had first helped with a set of sisters whom they had in their home for three years before they were successfully reunited with their birth family. The Bimrose family works well with the birth families helping maintain contact to best help the children in their care. Mary and Tyler are currently caring for a sibling group of three whom they will be adopting. Mary and Tyler do a great job of caring and loving for the children in their care, meeting all their needs and making them a true part of their family. Mary and Tyler enjoy traveling and having different experiences with their children. Thanks Mary and Tyler for all you did for The Baby Fold. We really appreciate you and your children!

Don't forget about our Referral Incentive Program!

If you refer a family for licensure that successfully becomes licensed, you will be rewarded \$150! Referred families must identify you within the first 3 days of the licensing process. Please reach out to your licensing worker if you have any questions or concerns.



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Foster Parent Rights and Responsibilities #10

Foster Parents have the right to be provided, in a timely and consistent manner, with any information a caseworker has regarding the child and the child's family which is pertinent to the care and needs of the child and to the making of a permanency plan for the child. Disclosure of information concerning a child's family shall be limited to that information which is essential for understanding the needs of and providing care to the child in order to protect the rights of the child's family. When a positive relationship exists between the foster parents and the child's family, the child's family may consent to disclosure of additional information. Foster Parents also have the responsibility to know the rewards and benefits to children, parents, families and society that come from foster parenting and promote the foster parenting experience in a positive way.

Upcoming Trainings & Support Groups

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN MEETING

Join us at the **Foster Parent Implementation Meeting January 30th at 10:00am**; Join in person at **1500 Fort Jesse Rd.** or join on **Zoom: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88107015856?pwd=fdy7V2PW5ONxn7y4iBS5UliEn7nTqX.1**

Meeting ID: 881 0701 5856 || Passcode: 629371

FOSTERING STRONG TRAINING PROGRAM

The foster care staff is excited about our core training program, Foster Strong! Twice each month we offer a virtual, trauma-informed training topic that may help guide you in your foster parenting efforts. Please reach out to any foster care staff members if you have questions. RSVP is preferred but not necessary. Upcoming dates TBD.

TBRI TRAINING & SUPPORT GROUP

Trust-Based Relational Intervention is a trauma informed program that focuses on meeting relational and developmental needs of children, while supporting caregivers in building healthy attachments and effective interventions. Join our 12-week virtual training designed for caregivers and professionals working with children from hard places. Learn traumainformed strategies to help children heal, grow, and thrive.

SIDE BY SIDE MINISTRIES

This ministry exists to engage the church & local community in consistent loving support of families involved in foster care by providing access to physical, relational, & spiritual resources.

DADS SHARPEN DADS

A safe place for dads to share their unique challenges, as well as education and support for each other to be their very best. Meets 2 times a month. For more in Ken Summers at Ksummers@thebabyfold.org for more information

WEDNESDAY NOON GROUP

Provides education and support related to parenting, trauma, and self-care within the context of adoption and foster care. Meets 2 times a month. Email Melissa at MLEGENDRE@thebabyfold.org for more information.

GRANDPARENT CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Fostering a grandchild? This group is for you! Meets once a month at Community Care, located at 3601 General Electric Rd. Suite #2 Bloomington, IL 61704. Caregivers & children are able to meet together to do activities, crafts, share a meal, and get acquainted. If you would like more information, please call Angie Raymer at 309-661-6400.

Please reach out to your worker if you have any questions:

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