

March 10, 2015

Dear Foster Parents,

As always, I want you to know what a blessing you all are to us. With all the troubles of this world I often thank God for you all and the work you do with His children.

With issues bombarding us like:

- The flu shot
- State budget issues
- Mandated investigations
- Training Requirements
- Increased expectations on foster parents and agencies
- Etc.

It can all take its toll causing anxiety to creep in and rob us of life's joy.

I was reading Psalm 37 and it encouraged me (7) "Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him; do not fret...". Take this to heart today and know you are doing God's work. You are caring for His children. You are loved and appreciated by the Creator.

Thank you all for the most important work you do.

Sincerely,

Mark Fullington

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Clearinghouse for Miss-
ing Children
1-800-543-5678

Training Website
[http://
www1.dshs.wa.gov/ca/
fosterparents/
ongoingvid.asp](http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/ca/fosterparents/ongoingvid.asp)

[www.independence.wa.
gov](http://www.independence.wa.gov)
Info and programs
available for youth (13-
21) in out-of-home care.

CPR/1st Aid/BBP
www.keepthebeatcpr.org
or call
1-888-704-6074

New Staff at CFSF

CFSF has added 2 new staff members, one in the Burien office and one in the Port Orchard office.

Rachelle Genuardi (Shelly) comes to us as a case manager to the Burien office. Shelly previously worked as a medical assistant in a pediatric clinic for 12 yrs and as a nursing supervisor handling case management since 2011. She started with CFSF last year as a case aide and became a case manager in Feb. 2015. Shelly has 2 children, a 17 yr old daughter and a 13 yr old son.

Lisa Crosswhite comes to CFSF as a licensor. Lisa previously worked as a Program Director for a Christian Child Care Center. She received her bachelor's degree in human services from Western WA Univ and interned with DCF in CPR/CWS and adoptions for a year. Lisa started as a case aide with CFSF in April 2014. She has been married for 28 years and has 4 children ages 25, 22, 16 and 13 yrs old. The Crosswhite's have adopted 2 children. Lisa grew up in the Seabeck/Holly area.

Please help us welcome both Shelly & Lisa to CFSF.

Adoption Referral &
Information Service
[www.adoptionreferral
service.com](http://www.adoptionreferral
service.com)

CFSF After Hours
Emergency Pager
1-866-281-9644
Website:
www.cfsf.net

Expirations

Please remember to send your licensor all items that expire such as driver's licenses, insurance cards, pet vaccinations, CPR, etc. It is mandatory that you have current CPR/First Aid. Please check your expiration dates regularly and if you're getting close to expiration, please schedule an appointment to renew. You can go to keepthebeatcpr.net to schedule a free CPR class.

Respite Needs

Please note that all respite needs should be requested 2 weeks in advance unless it's an emergency.

For Region 1 (Moses Lake office), please contact your case mgr to request a respite.

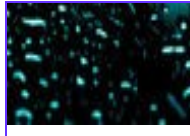
For Region 2 N (Burlington office) please contact Jackie or Angela by calling the office.

For Region 2 S (Burien office) & Regions 3 N & 3S (Port Orchard office) please contact Karen Davis at: respite@cfsf.net.

Notification Changes

Please contact your licensor or case manager if your email address or phone number changes. Also remember to send any cards that expire (CPR, WDL, auto insurance, etc) to your licensor.

Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass, it's about learning to dance in the rain.



Making one person smile can change the world. Maybe not the whole world, but their world. Start small. Start now.

Training—Port Orchard office

1st Thursday of each month there is a training held in the conference room of the Port Orchard office. Please call Michelle for times and listings. April 2nd there will be a training on Adoption presented by Brandy Otto. There are also video trainings in the middle of the month and emails will be sent.

Caregiver Core Training: Module One: 3/9/15—6 pm—9 pm 3/10/15—6 pm—9 pm 3/14/14—8:30 am—2:30 pm

Module Two: 3/23/15—6 pm—9 pm 3/24/15—6 pm—9 pm 3/28/15—8:30 am—2:30 pm

If you have a family member or friend thinking of getting licensed, the first Module is General and open to questions.

For more information, please call the Port Orchard office at 360-895-7889.

Training-Burien & Burlington

There will be upcoming PAY/SAY training in the Burlington office and Caregiver Core Training coming soon to the Burien office. Please watch your email for notifications of dates and times.

Current Happenings

Easter Egg Hunt: April 4th at 11 am. West Sound Community Church for toddlers thru 6th grade. There will be give-a-ways, refreshments, candy. Invite friends.

May 8th: Foster appreciation Day from 11—1 pm in the CFSF Port Orchard office. There will be snacks, appetizers and gifts for all foster parents.

Rainiers Baseball Tickets: Check with your local foster parent assoc. to see if there are still tickets available for the 6/5/15 baseball game.

Head Lice

Check out the latest web-sites: <http://www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/head/geninfo/faqs.html> Or

http://www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/head/geninfo/faqs_treat.html