

Dear Foster Parents,

I hope you are all settling in with school and the cooler weather. We are excited for the Christmas season just around the corner. This Christmas we will have parties in Kitsap, King, Whatcom, and Grant counties. Check page 2 of this newsletter for the times and dates.

I was passed along information about one of our state legislators (Rep. Caldier) who had this posted on her Facebook page:

"The foster care system in our state has improved drastically since I was a child. Unfortunately, there is still a lot of work to do. Serving in the legislature has opened my eyes to how much lawmakers care about improving the system. They want to meet one-on-one with foster parents and foster youth (current and former) and listen to their experiences. Please spread the word to make a difference."

Meeting times and locations are as follows:

South King - Oct. 12th, 6:30 to 8:00pm, 5112 South Kenyon St., Seattle

Bellingham - Oct. 12, 12:00 to 1:30pm, 4173 Meridian St, Bellingham

Kitsap County - Oct. 21, 6:00 to 8:00pm, 1410 Ohio Ave, Bremerton

Pierce County - Oct. 28, 6:30 to 8:00pm, Destiny City Church - 3102 S 23rd St, Tacoma

If you are able to make one of these meeting dates please do so. Please also let them know you are with a private agency since this is not something everyone is aware of.

October 10, 2015

Washington State Patrol Clearinghouse for Missing Children
1-800-543-5678

Training Website
Allianceforchildwelfare.org
Click on Course schedule to view

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

CCT (Core) Training Held in Burlington

We will be hosting the CCT training in our Burlington office starting on Monday Oct. 19th.

1st Part: Monday October 19th and Tuesday October 20th from 6pm-9pm.
Saturday October 24th from 9am-6pm.

2nd Part: Monday November 2nd and Tuesday November 3rd from 6pm-9pm.
Saturday November 7th from 9am-3pm.

Call the Burlington office for more info-
360-899-5471

Adoption Referral & Information Service
www.adoptionreferralservice.com

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

Christmas Party Information

It's about that time of year again to start thinking about where and when our annual Christmas Parties will be held. Each office has their own way of celebrating and more info will be sent out at a later date. For now:

Moses Lake: December 19th—12 pm—4 pm at Lake Bowl in Moses Lake.

Burlington: Bowling Party—date and time to be announced after Thanksgiving.

Burien: December 6th. The time will be announced at a later date. A light dinner will be served. The location is the Hampton Inn & Suites, Seattle Airport/28th Ave., SeaTac, WA 98188.

Port Orchard: December 9th—6 pm—8 pm—Elks Lodge in Bremerton. A light dinner will be served.

We hope to have Santa arrive bringing toys to each of our office parties. Invitations and emails will be sent for each office sometime in November asking for RSVP's and giving more details.

WAC Changes/Formal Testimony

Proposals have been submitted to change the WAC's for TB Tests and Influenza Vaccinations. CR-103E & CR-102 are emergency WAC's that went into effect on 9/10/15. The WAC is now more specific on how to proceed with an applicant with positive tuberculosis due to latent TB. The revised language in the WAC also allows for a medical exemption that would have a severe medical consequence due to the influenza vac. Anyone needing a medical exemption for influenza will need to have their medical Dr. complete the DSHS 10-565 Medical Exemption for Influenza Vac. Form and return it to their licensor. Public comment is now open through Oct. 27, 2015 at 5:00. The public hearing will take place at **10 am on Oct. 27th, 2015** at 1115 Washington St. Olympia, WA 98504 in Office Building 2 on the Capital Campus, 4th floor in the Lookout Room. If you would like to provide a written comment or have questions, go to:

<https://www.dshs.wa.gov/ca/foster-parenting>.

Please update any new info

If you move, change your email or phone number please remember to contact your licensor and case manager with your new contact info. For a move, let us know the date of the move so we can re-license your new home within the state timeframe.



Trunk or Treat

When: October 31st—5pm—8pm

Where: Safeway Parking Lot, Silverdale, WA

There will be candy, games & treats. Free to everyone. Please invite your friends.

Port Orchard CFSF Flu Shot Clinic

Where: Port Orchard CFSF Office

When: Thursday, 10/22/15 from 1 pm—3:30 pm

The clinic will be provided by Walgreen's but may not be able to bill some insurances. CFSF will not be paying for the shots. To self pay or if your insurance doesn't cover, the cost is \$32.00.



Office Closures

- 11/11/15 Veterans Day
- 11/26 & 11/27/15 Thanksgiving
- 12/25/15 Christmas
- 1/1/16 New Years Day

Kitsap Foster Care Association & Kitsap Live Steamers invite you to...

Ride the GHOST TRAIN!

Saturday OCT. 24
6-9pm
at Jackson Community Regional Park in Port Orchard

\$4 presale **\$5** day of

Fun and games for the whole family!
Delicious food, bounce houses, carnival games, trick or treating (at 5pm) with our community partners and more!

Train ride through the haunted park from 6-9 pm

Made possible through the generous support of many community sponsors. All proceeds to benefit Kitsap Foster Care Association.