

Commitments and flexibility – the balance

Foster parents are encouraged to have consistent routines and schedules so that children know what to expect. When Elizabeth committed to being a licensed foster parent, she anticipated some changes that are organic to the role of parents who foster. Elizabeth was realistic about the demands of serving as a temporary caregiver of children and youth in the foster care system. She remained committed and flexible as she moved along in the process.

Elizabeth soon began to see flexibility as a means to being open to new possibilities! She is a single foster parent who has done absolutely wonderful with an array of placements. She has been called on by other agencies who needed a good fit for a child in another county.

Elizabeth has truly embraced fostering and all it entails. She enjoys having children in her home and has been more than willing to care for sibling as well as single children. She is open to taking placements on short notice and has demonstrated what being a foster parent truly means - loving children no matter their race/ethnicity, age or gender.

