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Help foster parents complete licensing requirements that can be cost prohibitive:

- ▶ Fire extinguisher
- ▶ Portable lock box for medications
- ▶ Child safety locks for cabinets
- ▶ First aid kit
- ▶ Smoke/CO2 detector

Make or sponsor a Safety Kit

Help ensure a child feels safe when they arrive in a foster home:

- ▶ Weighted blanket
- ▶ Night light
- ▶ Door alarm
(state requirement included in safety plan for all therapeutic foster children)

Other critical needs

- ▶ Twin sheet sets
- ▶ New towels
- ▶ New Pillows with New Pillow Case Covers
- ▶ New blankets
- ▶ Gift Cards for gas, grocery or fast food

5 ways to help

SUPPORT OUR foster families!



Sponsor the annual Foster Family Christmas Party

What is needed:

- ▶ Decorated Space for the party
- ▶ Santa to show up and hand out presents
- ▶ Food, meal for those attending
- ▶ Games, prizes, candy
- ▶ Music, live or recorded
- ▶ Door Prizes

School supplies

Foster children need school supplies throughout the school year.

Items needed include:

- ▶ Book bags
- ▶ Pens, mechanical pencils
- ▶ Journals
- ▶ Walmart gift cards to buy supplies



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Quite often, when children come into our care, **they show up with only the clothes they're wearing and any essentials they can fit into a trash bag.** The kids put their things in a bag like most people use to take out the trash.

No child deserves to leave their home and come to a strange place. But when this happens, **you can help!**



Children's Hope Alliance is the combination of **Barium Springs & Grandfather Home for Children** joining forces under a new name to help children and families throughout North Carolina.

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meet Jeremy, Josh & Joe

The family of five was facing a hardship. Jeremy, Josh, and Joe's parents weren't able to find work, and the family of five was living in their car. A few months later, the young family still had no income and no home. The three boys were placed with Children's Hope Alliance foster families.

It's sometimes difficult to find foster homes for sibling sets, especially sibling sets of three. But two sets of foster parents in the same town were able to team up and give homes to Jeremy, Josh, and Joe. The three boys live close enough to each other for frequent sibling visits, as well as visits with their birth parents.

Today, all three boys are settled, they are doing well in school and in daycare, and they each look forward to the day when their parents have a home once again, and they can live together as a family.

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