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Be a **game changer.**

Be a **Gateway foster parent.**

We support
you.



Gateway knows raising children is expensive. That is why we provide the most responsive financial support for our foster parents.

FREE FINANCIAL COUNSELING

As a Gateway foster parent, you have free access to Gateway's Financial Freedom program. More information can be found at www.gway.org/gff.

GATEWAY FOSTER CARE SUPPORT PAYMENTS

Children 12 and younger:	\$34 per day
Children 13 and older:	\$40 per day

DHR BOARD PAYMENTS

In addition to Gateway's payments for therapeutic children, foster parents receive a daily board payment from DHR. Payments are based on age of the child and range from \$8-\$9 per day/child.

MILEAGE

To assist you with transportation, mileage is reimbursed for the following:

- All doctor, dental, therapy and counseling appointments.
- Taking the child to school in a location that is out of your home's school district or zone.
- Driving your foster child to and from extended care, biological visits, home/resource visits as well as alternative school.
- Driving your foster child to and from overnight camp.

CLOTHING

To assist with the costs of supporting a child, we provide the following clothing reimbursements:

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| • Children 12 and under: | \$100 every three months |
| • Children 13 and older: | \$150 every three months |

TRANSPORTATION

Need help transporting a foster child? Gateway provides two free transports per month.



“My success is because of **you.**”

95% of Gateway youth aging out of foster care have earned their high school diploma or GED compared to 55% nationally in similar programs.

Former Gateway foster youth Tracy Haynes said it himself, “I graduated when I didn’t think I could. It took my foster parents to help me realize my untapped potential.” Tracy recently won Volunteer of the Year in Tallahassee and is a valuable member of his community, because ordinary people chose to do an extraordinary thing: foster parent with Gateway.

The national statistics say it all.

- 48% of former foster youth are employed, compared to 76% of the general population.
- Children who are not in foster care are three times more likely to graduate from high school.
- Almost 40% of former foster youth have been homeless compared to 1% of the general population

As a foster parent with Gateway, you are part of the solution.

As the state’s leaders in therapeutic foster care, Gateway foster parents build Alabama children into strong, capable and contributing young adults. They are game changers, leaders, role models and champions who never give up, because the children we serve deserve nothing less. Each foster parent is committed to providing the unwavering stability, security and unconditional love that it takes to unlock a child’s potential. This commitment extends to the child’s biological family when that is the child’s pathway to permanency. The result is transformational, moving Alabama’s future leadership, workforce and communities forward.

In one year:

- 13 children were adopted into forever families.
- 88 children safely returned to their families.
- 41 foster youth got a job.
- 18 foster youth enrolled in college.



Interested? Let's **connect.**

Whether you are ready to fill out the foster parent application, attend an information session or you are wondering how you can help, let's talk more.

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