



# Child Placing Agency Contact List

## Region 6

### What is a Child Placing Agency?

A Child Placing Agency (CPA) is an agency licensed by DCYF to complete home studies and supervise children and youth placed in the care of the families licensed by the agency. These agencies share DCYF's goal to reunify families, and they can assist families when a different permanent plan like adoption is needed. Washington is home to many Child Placing Agencies! We encourage you to learn more about the agencies listed in this resource. Here is some quick guidance to get you started!

1. Review this list and learn more about the agencies by visiting their websites.
2. Identify 2-3 agencies that you would like to know more about.
3. Contact the agencies and ask questions about their services to help you figure out which is the best fit for you! See a list of suggested agency interview questions at the end of this document as a helpful guide.

### Path Toward Licensure

- There is no right or wrong path.
- All paths lead to the same place - caring for children and youth experiencing foster care.
- Consider all options and the best fit for your family.

*DCYF's Licensing Division oversees the certification of all licenses, whether State or CPA*

### State Licensing

- Work directly with the local Licensing Division
- Foster families make placement decisions independently
- Foster parents work directly with DCYF staff
- Self-advocate for specific needs, services, and resources

### Child Placing Agency

- Work directly with a local private agency
- CPA and caregiver coordinate placement decisions
- CPA provides advocacy for family and child needs, services, and resources
- Services provided or coordinated by agency
- Families receive individualized support and case management from the CPA

### All Families

Foster families receive support from DCYF's contracted partners the Alliance and Amara CaRES.

- [For more information on the Alliance visit: https://www.alliancecarescommunity.org](https://www.alliancecarescommunity.org)
- [For more information on Amara CaRES visit: https://amarafamily.org/i-am/kinship-caregivers](https://amarafamily.org/i-am/kinship-caregivers)



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## Child Placing Agencies Serving Region 6:

### BOYS & GIRLS AID

Contact: Sarah Kopplin

Email: [skopplin@boysandgirlsaid.org](mailto:skopplin@boysandgirlsaid.org)

Phone: (503) 222-9661

Website: <https://www.boysandgirlsaid.org>

### CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES

Contact: Leah Barkell

Email: [leahb@ccsww.org](mailto:leahb@ccsww.org)

Phone: (253) 502-2745

Website: <https://ccsww.org/get-help/child-youth-family-services/foster-care>

### COMMUNITY & FAMILY SERVICES FOUNDATION

Contact: Dave Jenkins

Email: [jeda@cfsf.net](mailto:jeda@cfsf.net)

Phone: (360) 895-7889 ext. 404

Website: <https://cfsf.site>

### COMMUNITY YOUTH SERVICES

Contact: Nathan Lachine

Email: [nlachine@CommunityYouthServices.org](mailto:nlachine@CommunityYouthServices.org)

Phone: (360) 701-7050 or 1 (888) R-FOSTER

Website: <https://communityyouthservices.org>

### JMC – FOSTER FAMILIES

Contact: Joshua Kent

Email: [jkent@jmckids.com](mailto:jkent@jmckids.com)

Phone: (360) 210-1203

Website: <https://www.jmckids.com>

### KID SENSE LLC

Email: [interested@kidsensellc.com](mailto:interested@kidsensellc.com)

Phone: (360) 790-4114

Website: <http://www.kidsensellc.org>

### MULLEN-POLK FOUNDATION

Contact: Linda Weems

Email: [LindaWeems@mullen-polk-foundation.org](mailto:LindaWeems@mullen-polk-foundation.org)

Phone: (360) 695-1788

Website: <https://www.mullen-polk-foundation.org/child-placement-agency>

### OLIVE CREST

Contact: Angela Youtsey

Email: [Angela-Youtsey@olivecrest.org](mailto:Angela-Youtsey@olivecrest.org)

Phone: (360) 621-7978

Website: <https://www.olivecrest.org/pacific-northwest>

### PIERCE COUNTY ALLIANCE

Contact: Megan Toney

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Phone: (253) 502-5489

Website: <https://piercecounyalliance.org>

### SERVICE ALTERNATIVES

Contact: Crista Hendrickson

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Phone: (360) 553-2411

Website: <https://www.servicealternatives.com/foster>

### SOUTH PUGET INTERTRIBAL PLANNING AGENCY

Contact: Angel Van Brunt

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Phone: (360) 426-3990

Website: <https://www.spipa.org>

## QUINAULT INDIAN NATION

Contact: Veronica John

Email: [vjohn@quinault.org](mailto:vjohn@quinault.org)

Phone: (360) 276-8215

Website: <http://quinaultindiannation.com/socialservice2.htm>

## YOUTHNET

Contact: Alex Siefert

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Phone: (360) 202-4447

Website: <https://youthnetnw.net>

## ADOPTION ONLY CHILD PLACING AGENCIES

Services include international and/or domestic private adoptions. These agencies do not have foster care licensing programs.

### ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

Contact: Jodi Miyama

Email: [jmiyama@allgodschildren.org](mailto:jmiyama@allgodschildren.org)

Phone: (503) 327-7403

Website: <https://allgodschildren.org>

### AMERICAN WORLD ADOPTION ASSOCIATION

Contact: Leslie Knight

Email: [leslie.knight@awaa.org](mailto:leslie.knight@awaa.org)

Phone: (800) 429-3369 ext. 160

Website: <https://awaa.org/about/licensed-states/washington>

### CHOICE ADOPTIONS

Contact: Julie Webb

Email: [julie@choiceadoptions.org](mailto:julie@choiceadoptions.org)

Phone: (503) 232-1211

Website: <https://www.choiceadoptions.org>

### TREE OF LIFE ADOPTION CENTER

Email: [daniel@toladopt.org](mailto:daniel@toladopt.org)

Phone: (503) 244-7374

Website: <http://www.toladopt.org>

## AGENCY INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

- What locations do you serve?
- What kind of support do you provide to foster families? (e.g. assigned worker/case manager, support groups, trainings, etc.)
- What kind of additional training and enrichment opportunities are provided for foster parents?
- How will you help me navigate my relationship with a child's parents, siblings, and other family members?
- What is the licensing process through your agency including how long on average does it take to get licensed? Does your agency require any additional steps outside of DCYF's requirements?
- What do you consider when matching or placing children in a foster home? (e.g. What criteria does the agency use to match families with children?)
- Have you worked with other families like ours?
- What are your expectations of me as a foster parent?
- Does your agency charge fees? If so, what expenses do I need to plan for? When are they due?
- How do you support families when a child moves out of our home?
- Can you connect me directly with current foster parents as a reference to learn more?



If you would like copies of this document in an alternative format or language, please contact DCYF Constituent Relations (1-800-723-4831 | 360-902-8060, [ConstRelations@dcyf.wa.gov](mailto:ConstRelations@dcyf.wa.gov)). For the most recent contact information for Child Placing Agencies in your area, please visit : [www.dcyf.wa.gov/become-a-foster-parent](http://www.dcyf.wa.gov/become-a-foster-parent).

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