

What's Your Interest?

Adoption

If you have an approved adoption home study and are interested in adopting children in foster care waiting for adoption, visit www.hckids.org to learn more about our waiting children. The next step is to have your agency send a copy of your home study and a list of the children from the website for whom you are interested to 946-2110 or call 632-6366.

If you do not have an adoption home study and are interested in adopting children under the age of 8 with no special needs – we encourage you to consider **foster-to-adopt**. The majority of children waiting for adoption in Hamilton County are over the age of 8, sibling groups, children with special medical, emotional or behavioral needs. Younger children are typically adopted by their foster family or relatives. You can also contact local private agencies that work with birth parents considering voluntarily placing their baby adoptively.

If you do not have an adoption home study and are interested in adopting an older child, sibling group or child with special needs (i.e. medically fragile, autistic, developmentally disabled) please contact the agency at 632-6366 to get more information about our adoption program or visit www.hckids.org to learn more about our waiting children.

Foster Care

Hamilton County will no longer license new foster homes, however if you are interested in becoming a foster parent there are many local private foster care agencies that you can explore and find one that is right for you.

Foster to Adopt

If you are interested in becoming a foster to adoptive parent you can become a licensed foster parent and be approved for adoption at the same time through several private foster care agencies. Just ask them if they are licensed by the state of Ohio to do both foster care and adoption.

You can also become a foster parent through agencies licensed by the state to do foster care only. If there is a child placed in your home for 6 months consecutively and they are or become available for adoption, you can complete an expedited application to adopt that child in your home.