



Scope of Service

Adoption Program

Service Area:	Northern California Counties
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Program Philosophy
Well-trained resource and adoption families encouraged and supported by an effective Adoption Agency can improve a child’s adoptive experience and enhance the likelihood of a successful adoption into a permanent family.

Program Goal
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with local agencies in meeting the needs of adoptive children and young adults. • Providing professional training and support to resource and adoption families and thereby improving the experience of children in the adoption process. • Providing a continuum of care to children in concurrent placement from foster care to adoption. • Incorporating transitional counseling and family therapy to ensure successful stabilization in adoption. • Providing healthy and supportive post-adoption opportunities for children and families to assure long-term stability for the entire family.

Program Description	
Service Type:	Out-of-home care and support provided in a resource and adoptive home.
Service Location:	Housing locations throughout Northern California.
Administrative Location:	260 Cohasset Rd. Suite 120 Chico, CA 95926 (530) 877-1965
Population Served:	Children, teens, and young adults who qualify for foster care and who may be neglected, physically abused, sexually abused, and who may have parents who are incarcerated or require drug rehabilitation.
Hours of Operation:	24/7 support. In case of emergency contact the Foster Care on-call line: (530) 415-4139 Non-emergency: (530) 877-6764

Service Abstract
The Youth for Change Adoption Program provides comprehensive support services to resource and adoption parents as well as safe, nurturing, and supportive relationships with youth in need of a stable home. Adoptions provides the resources and support required to assist the child and adoptive family to complete the state process to finalize an adoption.

Adoption Program staff consist of Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists, Licensed Clinical Social Workers, Associate Marriage and Family Therapists, Associate Social Workers or exempt through Community Care Licensing (CCL) with supervision by the FCS Administrator and Director of Social Services.

Entry and Exit Criteria

Entry to the adoption program is based on referral and placement with a county social services department and matching to assure an appropriate placement based on adoptive child needs and program services. The child and family exits services based on county of origin placement planning and completion of the adoption process in the state of California.

Referral, Transition, and Discharge

All referral, transition and discharge decisions are the responsibility of the services provider and applicable treatment team(s). Referrals will be made and documented throughout treatment, considering clients' and families' abilities and preferences. Transition planning will occur throughout the course of treatment, be discussed with clients and applicable treatment team(s) and be documented. Transition plan will include review of clients' wellbeing, gains achieved, and client and family strengths. Discharge paperwork and client history reports will be completed and reviewed at the end of treatment with clients and caretakers as available and appropriate.

Agency Website:	www.youth4change.org
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