

Support Every Oregon Foster Family

Maximize every dollar spent by investing in programs which qualify for Title IV-B federal matching funds.

Invest \$3.1 Million - Extend the KEEP program to 3,000 families statewide.

KEEP - An evidence-based peer support and training program

- KEEP was developed in Oregon and implemented nationally and internationally.
- Piloted in Multnomah and Washington counties for the past two years with positive results:

Fewer placement changes: KEEP youth were 40% less likely to experience a placement move compared with non-KEEP youth.

Improved foster parent retention: 87% of KEEP foster parents have an active and open certificate, compared to 71% of control group families.

- KEEP pilot funding runs out in June 2019, and Governor Brown has recommended statewide implementation in her proposed budget.

Tele-KEEP - Rural communities need flexibility and quality

- Tele-KEEP is delivered online to fidelity while offering the same components that make it so successful in the classroom.



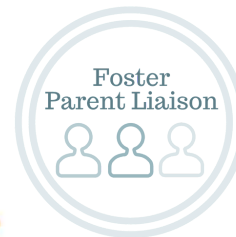
The KEEP model

Families enrolled in KEEP meet with 7 to 10 other foster families once a week to problem solve, support one-another, and gain skills through training provided by clinical support staff. The program includes child care and food for participants. While the program is 16 weeks long the peer support and skills last a lifetime.

***Oregon's foster care system needs a retention strategy.
KEEP is it. Vote yes on House Bill 5026.***



Foster Homes of Healing is a coalition of organizations from across the state that each touch the daily lives of youth in the foster care system. We're committed to elevating the quality of foster care by providing foster families with the supports they need to ensure all of Oregon's children have a safe place to call home.



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