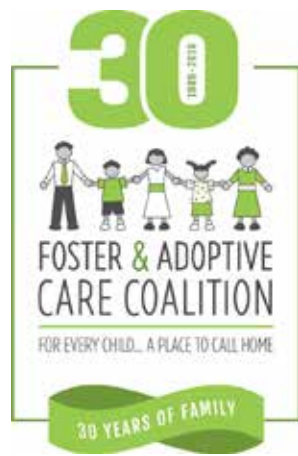


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Did you know about our FREE or very inexpensive clothing for children and teens?

Resource provides free gently-used clothing for younger children (ages 0-12) who are currently in foster care or were in foster care and now live with their adoptive/guardianship family. You must bring proof of your foster/adoptive status (for example, a current Children's Division check stub).

Hours: Wednesdays from 9am-1pm and Saturdays from 10am-1pm.

Location: 1750 S. Brentwood Blvd, Suite 130 (lower level), Brentwood 63144

ReFresh, our fashion forward resale clothing boutique, provides trendy clothing and accessories to youth in foster care at 90% off (adult sizes). Youth living with their adoptive/guardianship family receive 30% off. Verification is required to receive the discount – go to www.foster-adopt.org, and click on “Current Parents” and “ReFresh” for more details.

Hours: Monday-Saturday from 10am-6pm and Sunday from 12-5pm

Location: 1710 S. Brentwood Blvd, Brentwood 63144

Sign Up for Our E-Newsletters

We only send out a print newsletter 2-3 times each year, but we offer fantastic services, programs and free events year-round. To receive ongoing emails, please fill out the contact form at conta.cc/2LiHC15



News You Can Use



SPRING 2019

Nominate an Amazing Mom or Dad!

30 AMAZING MOMS & DADS

In celebration of our 30th Anniversary the Foster & Adoptive Care Coalition will honor 30 Amazing Moms and 30 Amazing Dads for your incredible service to our children.

To nominate an amazing foster/adoptive mom or dad (yes, that includes kinship/guardianship), simply write a 100 word essay explaining why they are truly remarkable. Nominations can come from spouses, partners, children, case managers, CASAs, etc. Submit to Emma Fitzgerald at emmafitzgerald@foster-adopt.org or 1750 S. Brentwood, Suite 210, St. Louis, MO 63144.

For the moms

- Nominations due April 19th (see above for instructions)
- Winners will be notified by April 23rd and invited to the celebration held on Saturday, May 4, 2019
- The award ceremony will be on Saturday, May 4th, from 2-4pm at our Brentwood offices

For the dads

- Nominations due May 24th (see above for instructions)
- Winners will be notified by May 28th and invited to the celebration held on Saturday, June 8, 2019
- The award ceremony will be on Saturday, June 8th, from 2-4pm at our Brentwood offices

📍 Looking for things to do with your kids this summer?

The Foster & Adoptive Care Coalition has set up dates with several area attractions so that foster/adoptive families can get group discount tickets. A RSVP IS REQUIRED to attend any of these events! To sign up your family, please email your RSVP to shelley@foster-adopt.org with your name, phone number, and the number of people attending. These events are listed throughout the newsletter and indicated with the orange star pin.

Date	Attraction	Time	Price
Saturday, June 22	City Museum	10:30am	\$8/person (50% off)
June 24-July 24	Six Flags	Daily	\$33/person \$15/parking pass
Saturday, July 13	Raging Rivers	10:30am	\$15/person (regular price is \$23-27)

City Museum **Saturday, June 22**



On Saturday, June 22 at 10:30am ONLY, we've organized a group discount for foster/adoptive families to visit the City Museum. To get the discount rate, you must meet the Coalition staff member at 10:30 am at the entrance of the City Museum with cash in hand. Late arrivals cannot get the discount. We must make one cash payment to City Museum and then she will distribute the wristbands to all of those who provided payment. Friends and extended family are welcome. RSVP is required - please email Shelley at shelley@foster-adopt.org with your name, email address, and the total number in your group.

Raging Rivers **Saturday, July 13**



Raging Rivers water park has water slides, a wave pool, a lazy river, and more. It's in Grafton, Illinois - about 35 minutes from Florissant. To get the group discount rate, you must meet the Coalition staff person at 10:30 am at Raging Rivers on July 13 with cash in hand. Late arrivals cannot get the discount. Your friends and extended family are welcome. RSVP is required - please email Shelley at shelley@foster-adopt.org with your name, email address, and the total number in your group.

Six Flags **June 24 - July 24**



We've organized a group discount to take your family to Six Flags - tickets are only \$33/per person and parking passes are only \$15. Tickets must be used between June 24 and July 24. You are welcome to purchase tickets for friends and extended family too. Admission to Hurricane Harbor is included, but meals, locker rentals, etc. are not included.

Please email Shelley at shelley@foster-adopt.org to RSVP with your name, phone number, email address, and the total number in your group. Shelley will contact you to make arrangements for you to pay for and pick up the tickets at our office in Brentwood. Only cash will be accepted as payment.



Stressed, Need Help? Call the Coalition

When a crisis erupts, get help 24/7 with our FREE crisis intervention services for families in St. Louis City, St. Louis County, and St. Charles County. Trained staff are available 24/7 to help. Our program, Family Works, is available now for you!

For 24/7 immediate assistance, call 314.367.8373 (800.FOSTER.3).

The Birthday Buddy Program



Do you know a child currently in foster care who is not going to receive anything for his/her birthday? If so, case managers, GALs, CASAs, and foster parents can make a referral to our Birthday Buddy program. The Coalition will post the foster child's profile on our website and try to match them with a donor to make sure the child receives something on their special day. This program is ONLY offered to children currently in foster care. Go to www.foster-adopt.org, "Current Parents," and "Support Services" for more information.

Magic House and HealthWorks are ALWAYS FREE to Foster Families!



Foster families get free admission to the Magic House and HealthWorks! Kids Museum year-round. Both museums offer hours of enjoyment for youth 11 and under. Foster parents just need to show their foster child's placement letter or their monthly stipend check stub/statement to the cashier.

Volunteers Will Take Your Kids to Circus Flora!



It's a win-win! The kids have fun at the circus and you get to enjoy a child-free evening! Our Foster Friends volunteers will take your kids (ages 6+) to Circus Flora (near the Fox Theatre) on Sunday night, June 23 from 6:30-9:30pm. This Parents' Night Out event is only for foster/adopted/guardianship families.

Circus Flora acrobats and trained animals have been thrilling St. Louis audiences for over 33 years. The lucky kids who get to attend this event will be chosen by random lottery. Email Shelley at shelley@foster-adopt.org and provide:

1. your name, email address, and phone number,
2. first names and ages of each child you want to enter into the lottery, and
3. if any of your children will need one-on-one attention or has special needs.

If the children in your family are selected by lottery, you will be notified around June 12.