

OUR COMMITMENT

- ◆ Extensive training for foster parents.
- ◆ Support staff available 24/7.
- ◆ Regular foster parent meetings.
- ◆ Daily contact between a member of the KCTFCO support team and the foster family.
- ◆ A family therapist committed to working with the biological family.
- ◆ An individual therapist committed to working with the foster child.

YOUR COMMITMENT

- ◆ Twenty hours of training.
- ◆ Attend a weekly foster parent meeting.
- ◆ Assist children in setting and working on goals and plans.
- ◆ Identify and reinforce the child's strengths.

KIDS DO BEST IN FAMILIES!

MISSION Statement

Working together to achieve hope, healing and a meaningful life in the community.

VISION Statement

People with mental illness and addictions recover to achieve their hopes and dreams, enjoy opportunities to learn, work, and contribute to their community.

VALUES Statements

Hope, Healing, Community, Authority
 We honor the potential in everyone
 We value the whole person – mind, body and spirit
 We focus on the person, not the illness
 We embrace diversity and cultural competence
 We acknowledge that relapse is not a personal failure
 We recognize authority over our lives empowers us to make choices, solve problems and plan for the future



KCTFCO

KERN COUNTY TREATMENT FOSTER CARE
 OREGON
 (Formerly MTFC)

For more information on how to become a KCTFCO (Formerly MTFC) foster family call Vija A. Turjanis at 661-868-8343 or Cindi Lane-Pompa at 661-868-8322

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Strengthening families and making positive changes for youth in Kern County



Commission on Accreditation
 of Rehabilitation Facilities

Kern County Mental Health has been accredited by CARF for the following programs: Mental Health Programs- Case Management; Children and Adolescents-Case Management & Crisis Stabilization; Integrated Alcohol & Other Drugs-Case Management & Children & Adolescents-Case Management; Employment Services-Community employment Services



Kern County Mental Health Department

*Working together toward
 Hope, Recovery and Independence*

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WHAT IS KCTFCO? (Formerly MTFC)

Kern County Treatment Foster Care Oregon (KCTFCO- formerly MTFC) is an alternative to residential group care for foster youth and youth on probation.

This is a short term (6-9 months) program that focuses on the strengths of the child and is based on the idea that kids do best in families. Twenty years of research shows that foster youth have a much higher success rate after participating in KCTFCO.



- ◆ We are looking for special families who are willing to open their hearts and homes to foster youth in Kern County
- ◆ Youth in foster care may face many challenges that require the support and expertise of various agencies. KCTFCO is a joint partnership between the departments of Kern County Mental Health, Human Services, Probation, and most importantly the child, their family and the foster family. These groups work together as a team on behalf of the child.

PROGRAM GOALS

- ◆ Reunify youth with their biological or adoptive family
- ◆ Break the negative communication cycle between family members
- ◆ Create an atmosphere for academic and community success



PROGRAM COMPONENTS

- ◆ Consistent reinforcement of positive behavior with a point and reward system
- ◆ Limiting access to anti-social youth
- ◆ Developing a "mentoring" relationship between youth and foster parents
- ◆ Intensive and ongoing supervision of youth



*Serving Kern County Youth
Ages 13 to 18*

