

## **Foster Care Wish List**

There are some things that are needed by foster parents on a periodic basis. Due to the high level of placements at this time, there is often a likelihood that foster parents may not have enough of basic items. For example: They may have 2 extra beds for foster kids, but they don't have 4. Or they may have an infant car seat, but not a 5 pt. toddler car seat. For this reason we would like to help them with these "extra" needs. Storage is an issue so we are requesting gift cards for foster parents to be able to use toward the purchase of the items below (and others that may occur).

- **Cribs**
- **Beds/Mattresses**
- **Car Seats (both infant and toddler 5 pt.)**
- **Strollers**
- **Pillows**
- **Linens**
- **Play Pens**

Other things on our list include support to foster parents so they can do things in the community with the kids in their care. Foster parents receive a small reimbursement for the kids in placement with them. Support from the community to allow them to get out and do things at a free or reduced cost would be very helpful. The foster parents would also be supporting the local businesses by talking about them and sharing with other people who would hear these positive things about the business' support of foster parents and will then want to support the business also. These things could include:

- **Tickets to Movie Theaters**
- **Tickets to the Capitol Civic Center**
- **Tickets for Sporting Events**
- **Attendance at museums such as Pinecrest Historical Village, Woodland Dunes, Maritime Museum**
- **Memberships to places like the YMCA**
- **Fair Tickets**
- **Ice Skating Passes**
- **Grocery gift cards**
- **Opportunity to attend places/events outside of the county (Bay Beach, Timber Rattlers, New Zoo, Packer Hall of Fame, etc., to name a few)**
- **Gift Certificates to restaurants throughout the county**

This Wish List is certainly not all encompassing, but it includes many things that are often discussed. Thank you for your consideration of our thoughts.