A Note From Our Founder

The kids are back in school and we look forward to the weather changing to cooler temperatures. While it's been a hot summer, over 2,500 unique children have received a full wardrobe of clothing, toys, school supplies, and safe infant care items. Foster Care Support Foundation will soon serve an additional 2,000 to 2,500 children with fall/winter items. Many of these children will be coming for first-time support. Foster and displaced children throughout Georgia love receiving clothing, toys, and other items to call their own. Over 75% of the children served this year are being raised by grandparents or other relatives to keep them from entering the foster care system. The majority of these relative families receive no stipend or support to provide for the needs of unexpected children. Foster Care Support Foundation provides the only help many grandparents receive as they go through their senior years raising yet another generation of family members. It's impossible to know what children will choose to do as they become adults, but these grands are stepping up to care for grandchildren and keep them safe regardless of the cost.

A huge "thank you" goes out to all of you, our hardworking staff, volunteers, and donors who make it possible for Foster Care Support to help
A THANK YOU NOTE

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Thank you for helping thousands of vulnerable children throughout Georgia each year.

Please remember to share our information with others and like our Foster Care Support Facebook page. With your help, we have served over 56,000 children since incorporation.

Don't forget to "Smile, Be Happy" and May God Bless,
Rachel M. Ewald

3 Ways to Help

1) Donate time! We need over 10,000 volunteers per year to process and distribute donations to displaced children in GA. Email vol@fostercares.org to sign up for a time to help or call 770-375-0865. Volunteer hours at the distribution center are Tuesday through Saturday from 9:30-5:00. Individuals and groups of all sizes are welcome.

2) Donate funding! Foster Care Support does not receive any government money and depends on donations from the community to serve 4,500 children per year.

3) Donate goods! We accept anything in excellent condition except old TVs and used mattresses. New socks and underwear are always needed. Drop off hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00-3:00 at the 115 Mansell Place distribution center. Click here for our Amazon.com wish list.

New for 2018!

**Our 2018 Board of Directors**

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Rachel Ewald - CEO/Founder
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Help Foster Children With Your Everyday Grocery Shopping

If you use a Kroger Plus Card, link it to Foster Care Support (Community Rewards Program #11728) so that we receive a donation every time you shop. If you already have your card linked to us, it may be time to re-enroll.

Welcome to AmazonSmile

You can help foster children every time you shop on Amazon. Please sign up for the Amazon Smiles program at smile.amazon.com and choose Foster Care Support Foundation as your charity. This costs you nothing and it is the same prices and merchandise as the regular amazon.com but FCSF will receive a donation every time you make a purchase. Please

Help a foster child beat the odds.

For as little as $25 or $50 per month, you can help provide a full seasonal wardrobe, toys, safe infant equipment, and school supplies for a displaced child in need. To schedule a tour or to learn more, call 770-641-9591 or e-mail info@fostercares.org. Corporate and individual sponsorship opportunities are available. Please consider donating through your local bank's bill pay or by check to avoid card processing fees and make 100% of your donation count.

Over 75% of children served by Foster Care Support Foundation are being raised by a grandparent or other relative to keep them connected with family and prevent placement in the foster care system. Many relative caregivers are senior citizens who live on fixed incomes and receive little to no help to provide for children's needs. If you or your group would like to adopt a grands-raising-grands family this holiday season, sign up here. We will provide you with a child's wish list from a specific family in need of help.
make sure you log on to smile.amazon.com each time you make a purchase.

**Basketballs, footballs, soccer balls, playground, & 4-square balls**
**Heavy winter coats, all sizes**
**New socks for shoe size child 10 - teens**
**New underwear size 2/3t - teens**
**Khaki pants for boys, size 24mos - 10**
**Ink pads for stamps**

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**Free Clothing and Toys for Fall / Winter**

Foster and relative care families can request a free clothing appointment or mail order by going to fostercares.org/services.

Fall/winter clothing is available from September through March.

Free clothing, toys, infant equipment, and other basic care goods are for youth (birth through 21) in foster or relative care in all Georgia counties.

For more information call 770-280-7831 or email appt@fostercares.org.

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**Subject: Thank you!**

Dear Foster Care Support Foundation,

I am a grandmother with guardianship of my granddaughter. I received the clothes for her from you all and I cannot tell you how much they are appreciated. She is 6 years old and she was able to use every single item in that box. You all even got it right down to a pink unicorn stuffed animal and that is what she loves. Thank you so very, very much. I am forever grateful to you all!

-A grandmother in Rome, GA

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**Looking for a fun family activity?**

**Free admission** tickets are available to the Gracias Christmas Cantata musical concert
Foster Care Support needs boxes of all sizes. Please drop off at the donation center.

For more information and to register for an orientation session, please visit fostercares.org/mentoring. If you know a foster or displaced child age 10 and up in the Metro Atlanta area who may benefit from having an adult mentor, please email mentor@fostercares.org or call 770-317-3749.

Thanks to Amerigroup for hosting a back to school event at Foster Care Support this summer! The kids loved the school supplies, face painting, and delicious Italian ice!

Hope 4 Tomorrow is a one-on-one mentoring program designed to help teens in foster or relative care prepare for successful transition to young adulthood. Read what a mentor and mentee had to say about the experience:

"I joined the program to be an active member of my community. Enhancing the lives of underprivileged kids is a fulfilling experience. It is also a lot of fun. It allows you to share your life experience and inspire positive thought and action. It also allows you to provide guidance where necessary. Most importantly, it teaches you to be a good listener. Anyone who is willing to invest in a brighter future should join the program. After all, these kids are our future."
-Ahmet, Hope 4 Tomorrow Mentor

"My experience with Hope 4 Tomorrow has been literally life changing. I met adults that I could talk to and truly rely on. They’ve helped me through some of the toughest parts of the past couple of years. I am so
very grateful for everything they have done for my siblings and me. This is a great program with wonderful people."
-Hope 4 Tomorrow Mentee

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**Fostering Hope**

**Bargain and Resale Shop**

benefiting Foster Care Support Foundation

Open to the public & 100% of proceeds go back into Foster Care Support Foundation to fund the program for foster and displaced children.

- All items are 50% to 90% off retail
- Clothing for the entire family
- Wedding, flower girl, prom, and formal dresses
- Furniture, wall and room decor, kitchenware, antiques, artwork, tennis and sports clothing and equipment, cleats, dance shoes, and more!
- 20% discount on clothing for seniors 60+ on Wednesdays (Excluding Formals and Christening)

Open Monday - Saturday from 10am - 5pm
608 Holcomb Bridge Rd, Suite 210 (between Tuesday Morning and The Dollar Tree).
Please like us on our [Facebook page](#) and share it with others.
Below are photos of just a sample of people and organizations from our community who have helped foster children by donating their time, goods, or funding.

Thank you to our new sponsor, Ultimate Software!
Want to join the fun?

Come volunteer with us on National Philanthropy Day or any other day that fits your schedule! Email vol@fostercares.org or call 770-375-0865 to sign up.
Foster Care Support Foundation partners with the Georgia Division of Family and Children Services. Foster Care Support is not federally or state funded but is a public/private partnership.

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Help Georgia's foster and displaced children in need.

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Additional Programs

**Hope for Tomorrow Mentoring Program**

Annual event to provide free prom dresses and accessories for teens in foster care, relative care, and group homes.

Mentoring program to provide guidance and resources for foster pre-teens and teens to help ensure their successful future.

Non-paid partnership with the Georgia Division of Family and Children Services.

**Donation/Distribution Center**: 115 Mansell Place, Roswell, GA 30076

**Fostering Hope Bargain Resale Shop**: 608 Holcomb Bridge Rd. #210, Roswell, GA 30076
**Mailing Address Only:** 3334 Trails End Road, NE, Roswell, GA 30075  
**Main Office Phone:** 770-641-9591  **Cell:** 770-310-2919  
**Main Office email:** info@fostercares.org  
**Appointment Phone:** 404-729-3374 or 770-280-7831  
**Appointment Email:** appt@fostercares.org  
**Volunteer Phone:** 770-375-0865  
**Volunteer Email:** vol@fostercares.org  
**Website:** [www.fostercares.org](http://www.fostercares.org)  
**Videos:**  
"Grands Raising Grands"  
"They Come In The Night With Nothing"  
"It Works"  

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