

### Ever thought about fostering?

Fostering can provide a positive new way of life for your family. It offers children and young people a safe and supportive environment to develop and thrive. We are a busy, established fostering service and we are recruiting **NEW** foster carers in this area now.

We match children and young people with our own foster carers first, offer competitive new rates of pay and support you 24/7 every step of the way.

Get in touch with us and take that first step... eastsussex.gov.uk/EastSussexFostering



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## **Transfer to East Sussex Fostering Service**



#### We'll make it easy...

We will talk everything through confidentially to make sure a move is right for you and give you time to consider this step (we're used to doing this, it happens quite a lot).

You can transfer with a child already in placement, even if they are placed with you by another local authority. We will guarantee that you continue with the same rate of payment.

#### Why change agencies?

- Want more support?
- Long periods of time when you do not have a child placed?
- Feeling undervalued by your agency?
- Training and support groups not local?

#### Benefits

- We always have local children waiting to be placed and offer all placements to our in-house carers first to make the best matches and ensure better outcomes for the children. 81% of placements made in 2022/23 were with ESCC's own carers.
- Regular 1:1 supervision with constant support.
- 2024 new training packages tailored to foster carer needs.
- Out-of-hours support so you're never alone facing difficult situations.
- Local support groups who meet up regularly.
- Knowing that we don't make a profit from vulnerable children who need to be looked after. We're a local authority, not a private company. No shareholders.
- If you have your own children, they
  can join our established YPWF (Young
  People Who Foster) group where
  they can enjoy events and activities
  which we fund throughout the year.
  We recognise and reward the positive
  impact they make to your fostered
  children too!
- You can join our established and active East Sussex Foster Care Association and get membership to Fostering Network.

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