

Media Release

Call to Arms for South West QLD Foster Carers

Foundations Care is this week sending a call to arms for potential foster carers in the South West Queensland region in response to an increase in children and young people in the region requiring out-of-home care.

There are limited options for many children and young people in the area because of a lack of foster carers, sometimes contributing to the children's experiences of trauma and abuse.

"We've seen an increase of children in need in out of home care across South West QLD and each one needs a safe and stable home", said Melissa McCallum Service Manager Foundations Care.

"When provided with appropriate care from a foster carer and the specialist support of professionals, the improvements in a foster child's physical, social, and psychological health and ability to achieve different long term life outcomes in regards to education, employment, housing and financial security are significant.

"If you can provide a safe and stable home, you may have what it takes to be a foster carer. What these children need most is a safe and nurturing place to call home so that they can begin to heal.

To find out more about becoming a foster carer please call 1300 395 005 or visit www.foundcarekids.org.au

Foundations Care is an organisation that truly understand the reality of foster care and what is needed to make the experience a rewarding one for both the foster child and the foster family. We recruit, train and support foster carers for children who can no longer live at home because their family is unable to look after them or they may be at risk of harm.

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