



MISSIONS FOCUS

From bulletin: November 13, 2022

Our Missionaries, their health and ministries affected by Covid-19

BACBC Foster the City Advocate Team Stand Sunday 2022 - Alameda County

From today's bulletin / Missions Report from Missions Team

In Alameda County, we have approximately 1200 children in our foster care system,

- 228 of them are sent out of our county because there are not enough foster homes each year--away from their homes, relatives, schools.
- 130 teens age out of the system each year;
- 46% youth fail to complete high school and
- 25% will be in our justice system within two years of aging out;
- the rates of PTSD among these foster care "alumni" is 2x the rate of US war veterans who have experienced combat and the horrors of war.
- African American children make up 10% of our child population but 50% of the children in Alameda County's foster care are black.

There are over 700 churches in Alameda County. If half of them would help raise and support a foster family, the need for this county would be met with loving homes who have the additional support of prayer and faith.

November is National Adoption Month – the greatest adoptive parent is God who has loved us and brought us into his family with compassion and loving discipline.

How can you help?

Gift bags for Alameda County foster children; attend an interest or launch meeting.

BACBC.ORG

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Please pick up a gift bag tag in the Lobby and bring a filled bag back on 11/27 and 12/4!

Interest meetings: fosterthecity.org/rsvp - Wed, 11/16 (Walnut Creek), Sat, 11/19 (Union City), Fri, 12/2 (Pleasanton)

Launch meeting: fosterthecity.org/launchmeeting - Tues, 11/15 (Virtual)

Contact Caroline.Chen@bacbc.org or Melissa.Fong@bacbc.org for more info or to see how you can help.

To view the slides used in today's presentation, see next pages.

Thank you for reading about and praying for our missionaries, countries and people locally and globally!



November Is

NATIONAL ADOPTION MONTH

BACBC Foster Care Ministry Advocate Team:

Caroline Chen
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November 13, 2022



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11月是收养宣传月

BACBC 寄養事工团队:

Caroline Chen
Melissa Fong

2022年11月13日



Foster care is when a child cannot live with their parents anymore. They are moved into a foster home where they will be safe.

Neglect

Abuse

Mental Health Issues

Addiction

Alameda County Statistics



There are approximately

1,200

children in the Foster Care system in Alameda County.

- Approximately **228 children** are sent out of county each year, often due to lack of foster homes.
- On average, **130 teens** per year age out of the foster care system.
- There are **704 churches** in Alameda County.

If even half of these churches raise up one foster family with a team of support, there will be more than enough loving homes to meet the need.

Long Term Impact

- 46% of foster youth **fail to complete high school.**
- **1-in-4** will be involved in the justice system within two years of aging out.
- 33% of youth who age out of foster care **experience homelessness.**
- Rates of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder among foster care alumni are up to **twice the rate of US war veterans** who have experienced combat.

Did You Know?

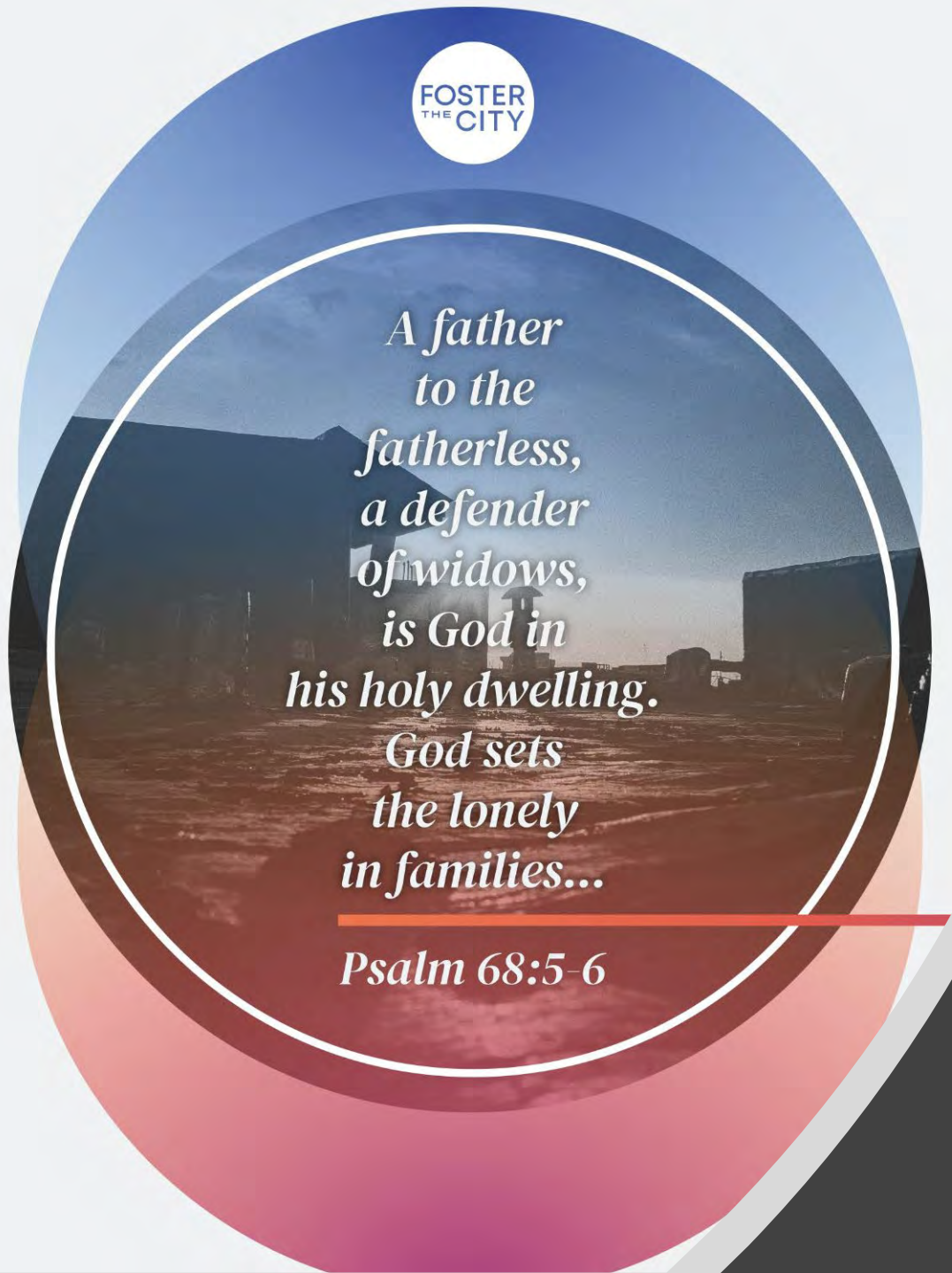
Although African Americans make up 10.7% of the child population, **50% of children in foster care in Alameda County are Black.**

Approximately 10% of Alameda County youth who reunify reenter foster care within 12 months.

There are more than 400,000 children in U.S. foster care, needing a home.

The logo for 'FOSTER THE CITY' is located at the top of the circular graphic. It consists of the words 'FOSTER' and 'THE CITY' stacked vertically in a white, sans-serif font, enclosed within a white circle.

FOSTER
THE CITY

A large circular graphic is the central focus. It features a background image of a snowy industrial or construction site with large buildings and a cloudy sky. The image is framed by a white circular border. The graphic is set against a background of overlapping circles in shades of blue, purple, and pink.

*A father
to the
fatherless,
a defender
of widows,
is God in
his holy dwelling.*

*God sets
the lonely
in families...*

Psalm 68:5-6

Families
loving
families

詩篇68:5-6

神在他的聖所作孤兒的父，作寡婦的伸冤者。神叫孤獨的有家，使被囚的出來享福；惟有悖逆的住在乾燥之地。

每年有超过 400 万儿童
濒临进入寄养系统。

40多万孩子已经在寄养系
统里需要有个家。

单阿拉米達縣就有1500个
儿童需要寄养家庭。



BACBC Foster Care Ministry

Ongoing Monthly Prayer Meeting



Foster the City

- Foster family & support friends
- Awareness/trainings



Collaboration with Tiny Treasure Preschool

- Tuition sponsorship



Service Projects (Foster Parent Association)

- Christmas gift drives
- Clothing/backpack donations
- Welcome Home kits



每月禱告會

BACBC 寄養事工



Foster the City

寄養家庭和支持的朋友



Collaboration with Tiny Treasure Preschool

与小宝贝幼儿园合作
學費資助



Service Projects

(阿拉米達縣寄養父母協會)

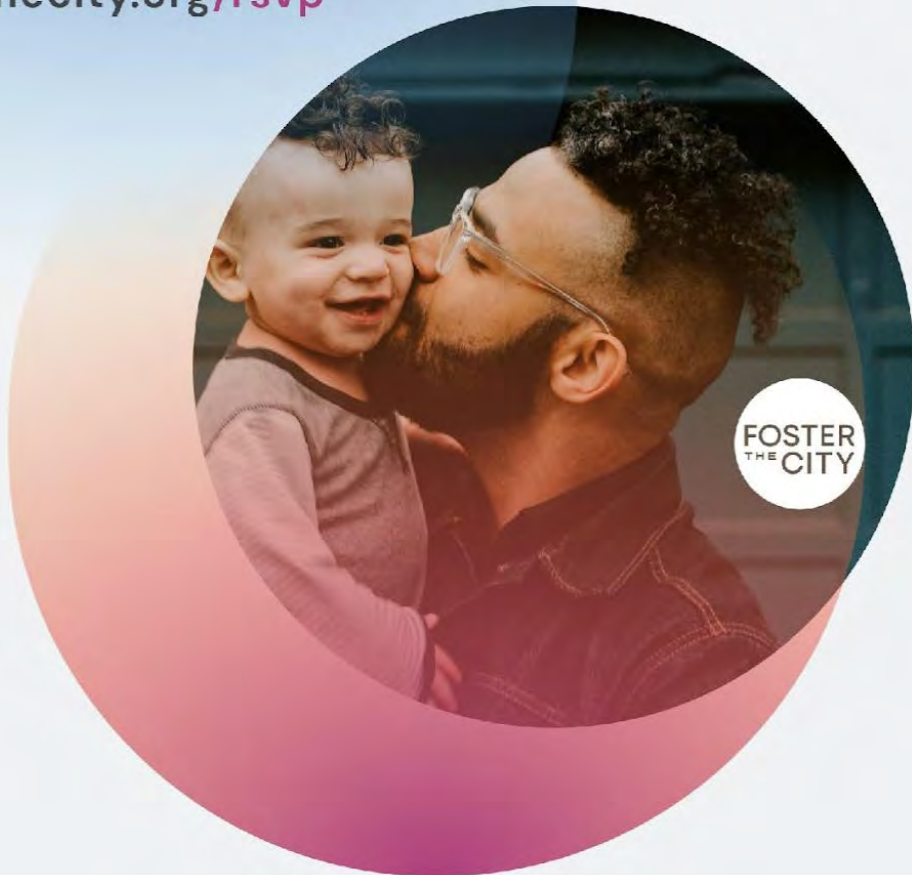
- 收集聖誕禮物
- 衣服, 书包捐獻
- 歡迎回家套件



Interest Meeting

Ready to learn more?

fosterthecity.org/rsvp



Interest Meetings:

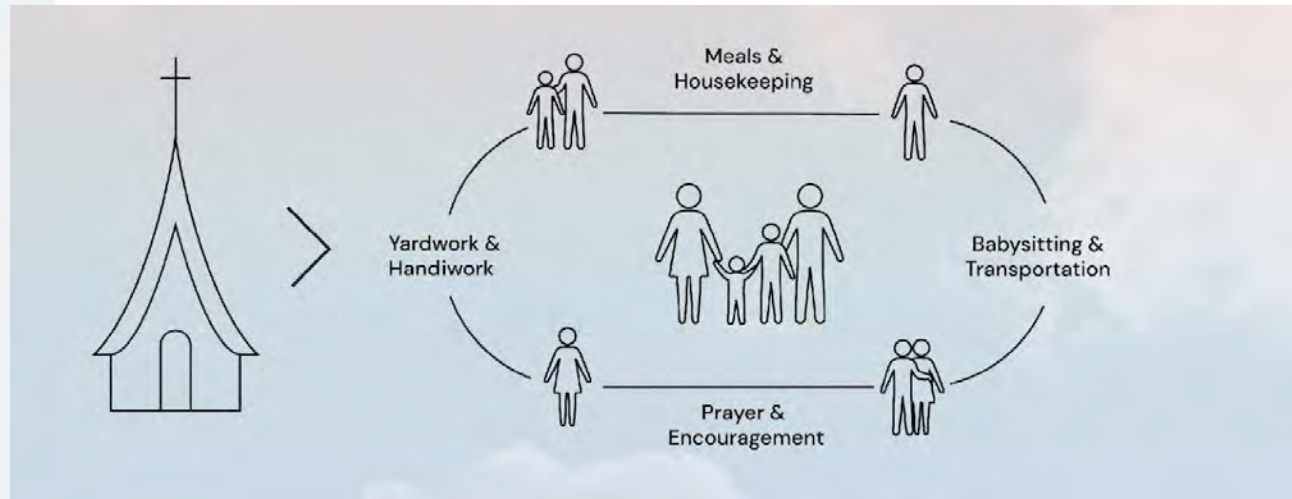
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- Wednesday, November 16th, 6:30-8pm, Mission Church, Walnut Creek
- Saturday, November 19th, 9:10-30am, Grace Church, Fremont
- Friday, December 2nd, 6:30-8pm, Valley Community Church, Pleasanton

Launch Meetings:

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- Tuesday, November 15th, 7-9pm (virtual)





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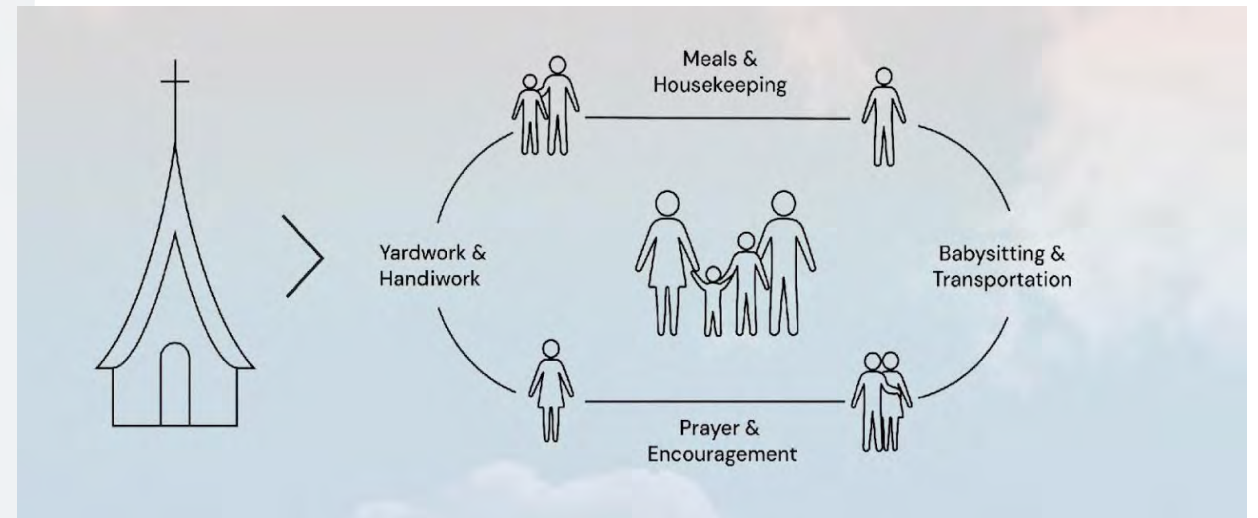
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stand
—
sunday

We're standing together—so no child or family in foster care has to stand alone.

Christmas Gift Drive for Alameda County Foster Parents Association

- **Pick up Christmas Gift Drive donation bags *today* in MC1 lobby**
- **Clothing bags are to be returned by **Sunday Nov 27 and Dec 04, 2022****

Questions? Contact Foster Care Ministry Advocate Team:

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11/13 維護寄養兒童日/孤兒日

收集聖誕禮物

阿拉米達縣寄養父母協會

Alameda County Foster Parents
Association

- 11/13 在禮堂外領取 衣物捐獻袋
- 收集日：11/27 (日) 和 12/4 (日)

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For those who are virtual or cannot come today to pick up gift bags, donate directly to Alameda County Foster Parents Association at alamedacountyfosterparentassociation.org/donations

GIRL

Provided to you by:

Alameda County
Foster Parent Association

**Teen Size:
Adult Large**

(New items only-Pjs, wireless earphones, sweatshirt, socks, journal with pen)

****Return to church
Sundays Only
Nov 27 or Dec 4, 2022**

**Online purchases ship to:
ACFPCA C/O: Rendy Orlando
21228 Gary Dr. Suite#214
Castro Valley, CA 94546

visit our website at:
www.alamedacountyfosterparentassociation.org

Unisex

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Size: 5

Children's clothes (New items only-pjs, pants, shirt, socks, underwear)

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如果您在网上或今天不能來領取捐獻袋，也可直接向阿拉米達縣寄養父母協會捐款：
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