You already have what it takes to be a great foster parent! Together we can make a difference for children in our community. You can do this, and they can't wait.

At People Places, we support foster parents every step of the way! Services for our families include:

- Comprehensive Pre-Service Training Program
- Careful Matching of Children with Foster Families
- Dedicated Case Workers with Small Case Loads
- One-on-One Individual Support for Families Monthly Stipend to Cover Expenses
- Ongoing Training and Support
- 24/7 On-call Assistance
- **Respite Services**
- Monthly Support Group Meetings for Foster Parents

Additional services include:

- Independent Living Skill Building
- Pygmalion School, our Alternative School for Children with Special Education Needs
- Ride with Pride, a partner in Therapeutic Horseback Riding
- Psychoeducational Groups

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It is awesome to get to be a part of someone's story... I can see **lives being changed** while we do the ordinary, everyday things that families do.

People Places Foster Parent



Do you have it in your heart to help a child? Discover the skills you already have to be a great foster parent!

Provide Hope. Foster Opportunity. Nurture Relationships.

Nurturing Relationships Through Guidance & Care

People Places provides foster care services to children from birth to 21-years-old.

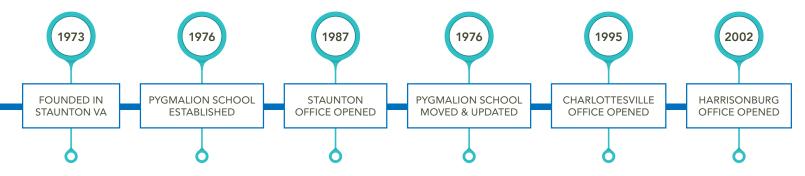
There are currently over 5,000 children in foster care in VA and in our communities. People Places is ALWAYS in need of foster families!

The primary goal, for children in foster care, is always reunification with birth parents or other family members. When this is not possible, foster to adoptive homes are necessary to provide long-term permanency. There are currently over 700 children waiting to be adopted in VA, and People Places can help you provide a forever home to a child in need!

Founded in 1973, in Staunton Virginia, People Places was instrumental in establishing Treatment

Foster Care (TFC) - locally and nationwide. Trauma informed research has proven that meaningful relationships make all the difference to children in need. We have over 40 years of experience connecting children to those who are willing to become certified as foster or foster/adoptive parents.

People Places is a private, nonprofit agency serving Staunton, Charlottesville, Harrisonburg, and the surrounding areas. We provide an array of foster care, adoption, and community based services. Call us today to learn more about changing a life and becoming a foster or foster/adoptive parent.



What are the requirements to become a foster or adoptive parent?

We work with a wide range of individuals and families of all compositions! Applicants must be physically and emotionally healthy enough to be caregivers while providing a stable and suitable home environment with appropriate space for children.

Do I need to be married and is there an age requirement to foster a child?

We certify parents based on their individual and relationship stability. You do not have to be married to become a foster parent. We certify single, married, and co-habitating individuals and couples. The minimum age to become a foster parent is 18 and there is no maximum age. We welcome you to call us today to learn more about joining the People Places family!

What age or types of children will we be matched with in the foster process?

People Places works with children of varying ages (up to 21 years old) and often with sibling groups. Every child's situation is unique. We look for foster and adoptive parents who can be understanding of all medical, behavioral, and emotional needs.

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What does it cost to become a certified parent? Do I need to be a parent already?

There is no cost associated with becoming a certified foster/adoptive parent. Additionally, you will receive a tax-free monthly payment based on the needs of the child. We do not require that you have children of your own or experience as a parent to become a foster parent to a child in need!