



How to Become a Foster or Adoptive Parent in Texas

A foster home is issued a verification to provide foster care services after a child-placing agency evaluates the home. Verification includes interviews with the household members, reviewing results of background checks, and inspecting the home to make sure the home meets [Minimum Standards](#).

An adoptive home is issued an approval to provide adoption services and accept adoptive placements after a Child-Placing Agency evaluates the home through interviewing household members, reviewing results of background checks, and inspecting the home to make sure it meets [Minimum Standards](#).

Learn more about how you can become a foster/adoptive parent in Texas at:

- **Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS):** [Steps to Become a Foster/Adoptive Parent \(TARE\) \(texas.gov\)](#)
- **Child Placing Agency (CPA):** [Private Adoption Agencies \(TARE\) \(texas.gov\)](#)

To review Minimum Standards compliance history for any child-placing agency, visit [Search Texas Child Care](#).

Note: Foster homes and adoptive homes are regulated by child-placing agencies, not by CCR. Because of this, the [Search Texas Child Care](#) website doesn't include regulatory information for individual foster or adoptive homes.