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## Wake County Encourages Residents to Become Foster Parents

There are currently 698 children in foster care in Wake County, yet there are only 196 licensed foster parents. Wake County is looking for families interested in opening their homes and hearts to children and teens in need of foster care.

May is National Foster Care Month. During this month and throughout the year, Wake County encourages residents to consider changing a child's life by becoming a foster parent.

"We need more local families so children, particularly teens and groups of siblings, can remain in the communities and schools in which they were raised," said Kenisha Hinton, Wake County's Foster Care program manager. "All children yearn for caring parents who will cheer them on at sporting events and watch them graduate from high school."

Wake County Human Services is currently recruiting foster families to care for children, siblings and teens. Visit our [website](#) to learn more about becoming a foster parent.

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