

RESOURCE FRIENDS FACT SHEET



NHAT is a Resource Friend?

A Resource Friend provides tangible goods and services to assist families through the Circle of Support. Donating these goods and services help support families during this critical time. A Resource Friend also provides needed support to Host Families. Resource Friends are an integral piece of the Circle of Support!

GIVING MOUR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

While hosting may not be an option, there are many opportunities to come alongside of families by providing resources that help alleviate stress and stabilize a home situation.

Resource Friends assist Host Families, Family Friends, and Placing Parents through using their personal resources, networks, or professional services to provide support and encouragement to approved Safe Families volunteers or placing parents.

While relationships are key to our model, concrete resources can help build bridges to establish trust and positive rapport. When parents are experiencing difficulties caring for themselves or their children, Resource Friends can help by providing support for families as they take essential steps towards stability. Research consistently shows that when on-going relationships are connected with resources, families can manage crisis circumstances and situations with more resiliency.

Resource Friends also come alongside of Host Families in providing goods and services to assist with the hosting of children. Oftentimes, hostings can be spontaneous leaving a Host Family little time to prepare for multiple children and specific needs. The Resource Friend plays an important role in assisting the host with meals, clothing, car seats, etc. Oftentimes, professional services might be needed for the children, as well.







PROVIDE OR COLLECT DONATIONS OF NEEDED RESOURCES:



Toys and books



Formula



Gift Cards



Clothes



Gas Cards



Car Seats



Material items for families

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:



Hair Salons/Barber



Home Repair/Painting



Physicians



Cleaning Services



Dentists



Tutors/Teachers



Mental Health Professions



Daycare Providers



Mechanics



Financial Services

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