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## OUR CHILDREN OUR FUTURE



TAKE THE FIRST STEP! MAKE A CONNECTION AND BECOME A FOSTER PARENT **Mission Statement** 

To enhance the emotional and social well-being of children in the least restrictive, most appropriate, normalized, community environment through intensive case management while promoting safety, health, and permanency. Managed Treatment Services for Children

# Specialized Foster Home Services



Specialized Foster Home Services will serve the following counties: Greenwood, Laurens, Newberry, Saluda, Edgefield, McCormick and Abbeville

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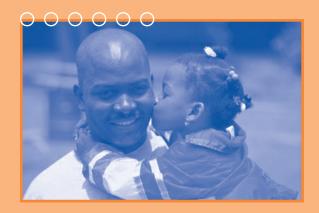


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#### **SPECIALIZED** FOSTER HOME SERVICES

anaged Treatment Services for children (MTS) is a division of the South Carolina Department of Social Services which was established in 1996 to provide intensive case management services to emotionally disturbed children in the custody of South Carolina Department of Social Services who are being considered for and who reside in out-of-home therapeutic placements.

In expanding its efforts to better serve children, MTS is offering Specialized Foster Home Services (SFHS). SFHS is substitute care for those children who require out-of-home care in a setting that is small, intimate and treatment oriented. Typically, these are children who are experiencing a variety of social, emotional and behavioral difficulties because of abuse and/or neglect.



#### **SFHS**

pecialized Foster Home Services is an intensive treatment program for foster children exhibiting special needs, which incorporates clinical treatment services provided within a supportive and specialized foster home setting. SFHS was originally known as Public Therapeutic Foster Care, and later become Specialized Foster Home Services which is a division of DSS and Managed Treatment Services. SFHS children are served in the least restrictive environment. appropriate to their needs.

Foster Parents of SFHS are licensed through the South Carolina Department of Social Services according to State standards and are offered extensive training and support. All SFHS foster parents are supported by a professional support team, who will work closely with you and your family throughout

the placement. During placement Specialized Foster Parents are provided with 24-hour on-call assistance and regular respite care.

#### **REWARDS OF BEING A** THERAPEUTIC FOSTER PARENT

- Being a positive influence in the life of a child
- Making a difference in families and communities
- Sharing in the growth of a child



• Contributing to the lives of children and families

### QUALITIES OF A SPECIALIZED FOSTER HOME SERVICES PARENT

- Desire to undergo an intensive training program
- Non-prejudiced
- Understanding
- A good role model
- Supportive
- A sense of humor
- Flexibility
- Desire to be part of a professional team
- Desire to help troubled youth
- Good parenting skills

For more information please call **Greenwood Specialized Foster Home Services** (864) 338-0807 or Toll Free: I-877-677-3578

