

Do you want to change a child's life?

Islington fostering is looking for more foster carers to make the difference to local children.

Fostering is an amazing and rewarding journey. When you choose to foster with Islington you'll receive a generous financial allowance up to £815 a week, 24/7 support and fantastic training opportunities .

Fostering is a rewarding way to make a positive difference to a child's life and a wonderful way to enrich your own. By providing a stable and welcoming home for a child you're giving them the chance for a better future.

We're looking for people who can:

- give children and young people a safe, caring and supportive home
- work with us as part of a team

We welcome people of any ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, age, religion. It doesn't matter whether you're married, in a civil partnership or single, whether you have a job or if you have a disability or long term health issue. There's no typical foster family, just as there's no typical child.

There are different types of foster care available, so you can choose the one that suits you best.

What you need to become a foster carer

All you need to become a foster carer is to be over 21 and have the space in your home and time in your life to care for a child. You'll also need to be in good enough health to care for a child.

It also helps to have:

- the support of your family
- a desire to help others learn
- a sense of humour
- a desire to learn new things
- patience and understanding

Don't rule yourself out, even if you feel you might not have everything it takes.

If you have questions about any aspect of fostering or would like to talk to us about it before making a decision, call us on **020 7527 7933** or drop us an email at fostering@islington.gov.uk
We'd love to talk you through any questions you have, and help you with next steps.