Become a Foster Grandparent Today!

Becoming a Foster Grandparent is simple and easy.
1. Go to www.childrenserviceschicago.com and print a copy of the application form.
2. Complete the form and mail it in with a copy of your photo ID to:

Chicago Department of Family & Support Services
Foster Grandparent Program
Attention: Anita Broadie
1615 W. Chicago Ave., Third Floor
Chicago, IL 60622-5127

3. All applicants who are selected to become a part of the Foster Grandparent program must complete the City’s screening process, including a physical and fingerprinting.

For more information, please call (312) 746-8572.

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Chicago Department of Family and Support Services

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Share Today.  

--- Shape Tomorrow. ---

When you share your love, time, and experience, you have the power to help a child who needs you.

As a Foster Grandparent, you’re a role model, mentor, and a friend. Serving at Head Start sites, schools, and daycares across Chicago, you will help children learn to read, provide one-on-one tutoring, and guide children at critical times in their lives.

But simply, you give the kind of comfort and love that sets a child on the path toward a successful future.

You Have What it Takes

If you’re 55 and want to share your experience and compassion, you have what it takes to be a Foster Grandparent. It’s that simple.

Foster Grandparents serve at least 20 hours each week. Volunteers may qualify for a tax-free, hourly stipend, as well as transportation and meal reimbursement. In addition, with Foster Grandparents, you’ll receive pre-service orientation, training from the organization where you serve, and supplemental accident and liability insurance while on duty.

Join Foster Grandparents

Giving Back Helps You Too

When you volunteer, you’re not just helping others—you’re helping yourself. Volunteering leads to new discoveries and new friends. Plus, studies show that volunteering helps you live longer and promotes a positive outlook on life.