

**YOU ARE THE VILLAGE!**  
BECOME A FOSTER/ADOPTIVE PARENT!



# TOP 10

## THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE A FOSTER/ADOPTIVE PARENT!



- 1 It takes more than a bed, space, food and clothing to develop the next leader, teacher, social worker or attorney. Time, commitment and a good support system are the basic things you need to foster a child.
- 2 You can be single, married or in a civil union.
- 3 You must have enough space to accommodate children in your home.
- 4 You can work, go to school or be a stay at home individual.
- 5 You should have the support of family and friends in this endeavor.
- 6 Everyone in the household must pass a background check.
- 7 You will be required to attend training about the foster care system.
- 8 You may become a temporary home, a long term placement or an adoptive home.
- 9 You will need to participate in foster care activities and meetings.
- 10 Foster parents are one component of a Team that ensures the health, safety and overall well-being of children.

