



• COULD YOU CHANGE THE LIFE OF A CHILD? •

If you have a spare bedroom, and are over 21 years old, you could foster for St Helens.

Get in touch, to find out more
sthelens.gov.uk/fostering
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YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Q. Can i foster?

A. Anyone over the age of 21 can apply to foster

Q. Am i too old to foster?

A. There is no upper age limit to foster

Q. Do i need experience with children to foster?

A. No! Not everyone has experience with children. We provide ALL the training and support that you will need to foster.

Q. Can i foster if i am gay?

A. Yes! Anyone can apply to foster, regardless of sexual orientation. What is important is the life that you could offer a child.

Q. Can i foster if i work?

A. Yes! Working carers can provide a structured family life for children.

Q. I'm on benefits - can i foster?

A. Yes! Anyone can apply to foster, whether you are living on benefits, working part time, working full time or are retired.

Q. Do i need a spare room?

A. Yes. All children requiring foster placements require their own bedroom. However, foster carers can care for a baby in their bedroom up until the child reaches 24 months.



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