

"God places the lonely in families." Psalms 68:6

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Fostering Family Ministries is celebrating its 5th year while realizing our communities in Ohio have seen a surge in the number of children in foster care during that same time. Over five years our counties have had a 300% to 600% increase in number of children in foster care. In response, we have partnered with local churches & communities, recruiting foster families, providing volunteer wrap around care, and sharing trauma informed care tools for all those on the frontline caring for children from hard places.

Continuing the community commitment to help these children in need, we will be hosting our third annual community wide **Stand Sunday** event on **November 7, 2021 from 5-6pm**. (in person and live stream) Our guest speaker will share her families journey into serving vulnerable children in foster care and the astounding ripples from their step of faith. The event will feature a **VIP reception** from **4-5pm** for our **sponsors** and the **volunteers** who work tirelessly to support our families and children in care.

This event will increase awareness, recruit more foster families and engaged volunteers while raising essential funds for the growing needs of our work. In the past 12 months we have added several partnering churches and foster parents who are served by care teams. Our ministry now spans three counties. *As a community minded business, we are asking you to become a financial partner with FFM to meet the needs of more children as a sponsor of* **Stand Sunday 2021**.

As foster families continue to serve through the challenges of Covid 19 we know our work is more critical than ever before. Care teams bridge the gap when unexpected changes occur in the lives of vulnerable children and their families. Our financial partners will help us train new lay leaders and volunteers as well as provide support for foster & kinship parents. As an expression of recognition, our sponsors will receive publicity, VIP access to the reception and additional benefits (per the level of sponsorship).

While you consider your level of participation you may contact us at: <u>info@fosteringfamilyministries.org</u> or **419-496-2507**. We will be reaching out to you to make a personal follow up and to share more about the impact this event will have in our community.

Thank you for your careful consideration of how your financial partnership can positively impact the needs of vulnerable children who are facing difficult circumstances which have been intensified by the ongoing challenges of Covid 19.

For Hope and a Future,

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