

Baptcare is a faith-based, not-for-profit organisation that draws on over 75 years' experience to deliver quality services with care and respect.

We are an inclusive service that welcomes diversity and promotes cultural safety. Baptcare respects people of different cultures, gender, sexual identity as well as age, ability and religion.

We respectfully acknowledge the Tasmanian Aboriginal people as the traditional and continuing custodians of this land.

We are a child safe organisation and take action to promote child wellbeing and prevent harm to children and young people. We ensure our staff and volunteers are responsible for children's safety across all areas of our work.

The Carer Support Services team works with Foster and Kinship Carers throughout Tasmania.

1800 000 123
ADVICE & REFERRAL LINE

**STRONG
FAMILIES
SAFE KIDS**

Become a foster carer and enrich your life!
**If you would like to help a child in need,
foster care is a great way to do it.**

There are lots of different options for providing foster care, depending on your lifestyle and needs.

Baptcare is here to support you from your first call or email.

Even if you don't think you're ready, we're here to talk to you about what's involved.

Start the Conversation today!


Call 0417 196 605

Email: fostercareTAS@baptcare.org.au

baptcare.org.au/foster-care

Baptcare provides interpreters upon request
如有需要, Baptcare可以为您提供翻译员

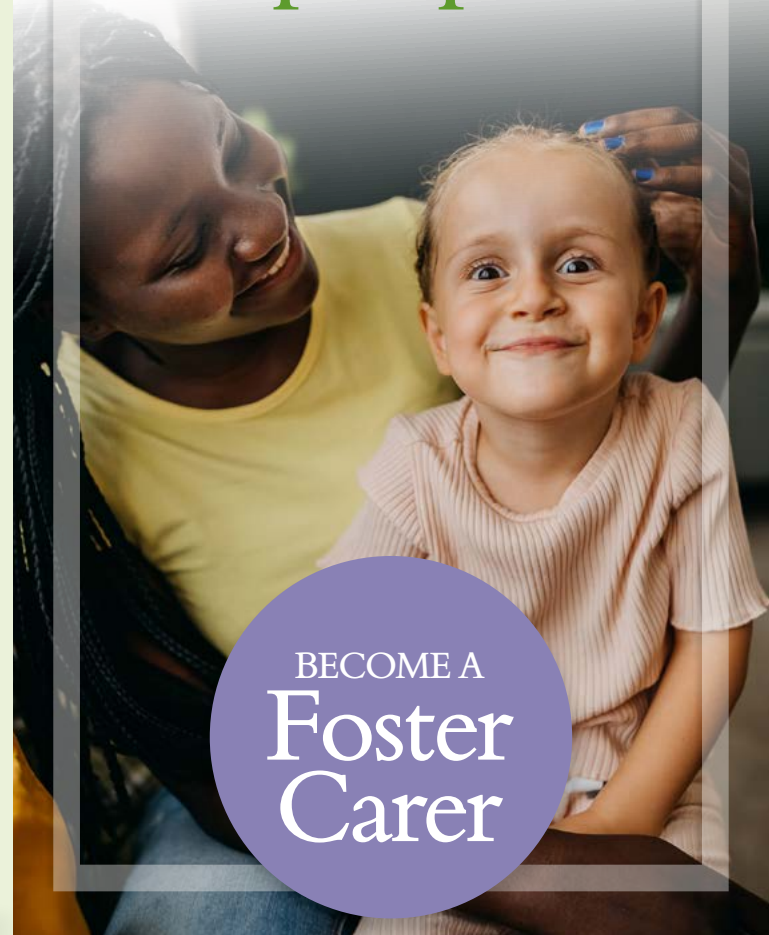
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**See a child
thrive, flourish
and prosper.**



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Baptcare recognises the support of the Tasmanian Government



Help a child thrive

Children need stability, to feel safe and have someone believe in them.

There are many types of foster care – long and short-term, respite and emergency care.

We are here to help you decide what will work best for you and your family.

While foster care can be challenging, it is extremely rewarding. From your first enquiry, we provide support and guidance.

Help a child flourish

Becoming a foster carer helps create a better future for a child in need.

Your role as a Baptcare foster carer is to create a secure and loving environment for a foster child, and take responsibility for their day to day care.

Steps to becoming a foster carer

Step 1: Get in touch

Register your interest and we will give you a call about becoming a foster carer.

Step 2: Attend an Information Session

Learn about becoming a foster carer and receive information to help you make an informed decision.

Step 3: Attend Shared Lives training

Receive information about fostering children and child safety as well as a range of comprehensive resources to support you throughout your foster care journey.

Step 4: Complete accreditation

To ensure the safety of children in care, the assessment will include Health, Police, Home Safety and Working with Vulnerable People Checks.

Step 5: Home visit assessments

This involves interviews with you and everyone who lives in your home. A detailed assessment report is submitted to an approval panel for review. Once accredited, we will provide you with ongoing support.

Step 6: Ongoing support

We will visit you monthly or more frequently if required, help you with any worries about your placements. We will also provide you with ongoing training and work with you to make sure that your registration with regulatory authorities are up-to-date.



Help a child prosper

Foster carers provide secure, nurturing environments for children.

As part of a cooperative team with the Baptcare worker, other professionals, and the child's family where appropriate, you will focus on the best outcomes for the child.

Foster care that suits lifestyle

You can choose the type of care that suits you.

We're here to support you in your decision-making.

Short-term care: up to six months

Long-term care: for longer periods

Respite care: providing other carers with short breaks so they can recharge.

Emergency care: providing care for a child to help protect them from risk.