

Tennessee Regional Foster Home Needs as of May 21, 2021

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Davidson	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age 13 + • Sibling Groups • Pregnant or Parenting Youth • Youth Adjudicated Delinquent 	All foster families for the Davidson County region must be willing to foster children/youth between the ages of 0 to 18. The region also needs foster homes for larger sibling groups (3+), teenagers and pregnant teens or teens with children.
East	
Anderson, Campbell, Loudon, Monroe, Morgan, Roane, Scott, Union	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age 0-3 • Age 4-12 • Age 13 + • Sibling Groups • Pregnant or Parenting Youth 	East region requests for all applicants to use legal first and last names only when applying.
Knox	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age 4-12 • Age 13 + • Sibling Groups 	<p>Knox needs homes that are willing to take a wide range of ages and are open to fostering ages 0 to 12 at minimum. The region will not proceed with applicants who are only interested in fostering infants. Homes willing to foster teens and sibling groups of 3 or more are needed.</p> <p>Knox region is participating in a new initiative and is currently seeking homes willing to work with the Safe Baby Court. Please click the link below to learn more about Safe Baby Courts.</p> <p>https://stateoftennessee.formstack.com/forms/safebabycourts</p>
Mid-Cumberland	
Cheatham, Montgomery, Robertson, Rutherford, Sumner, Trousdale, Williamson, Wilson	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age 13 + • LGBTQ • Sibling Groups • Pregnant or Parenting Youth • Youth Adjudicated Delinquent • Youth with Trauma History 	<p>Mid-Cumberland has a high number of teens to place initially upon entering foster care, as well as a need for homes that will foster youth needing to step down from group care into foster care.</p> <p>The region needs homes that can serve sibling groups of 3 or more. All foster homes must be willing to foster children and youth between the ages of 0 to 18.</p>
Northeast	
Carter, Greene, Hancock, Hawkins, Johnson, Sullivan, Unicoi, Washington	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age 0-3 • Age 4-12 • Age 13 + • Sibling Groups • Pregnant or Parenting Youth 	
Northwest	
Benton, Carroll, Crockett, Dickson, Dyer, Gibson, Henry, Houston, Humphreys, Lake, Obion, Stewart, Weakley	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age 0-3 • Age 4-12 • Age 13 + • Sibling Groups 	Northwest is in need of foster homes for sibling groups of 3 or more children/youth, as well as homes willing to foster teens.

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Shelby	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age 0-3 • Age 4-12 • Age 13+ • Sibling Groups • Pregnant or Parenting Youth • Non-English Speaking 	
Smoky Mountain	
Blount, Claiborne, Cocke, Grainger, Hamblen, Jefferson, Sevier	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age 13 + • Sibling Groups 	Smoky Mountain region is in need of homes that are willing to take a wide range of ages in a sibling group.
South Central	
Bedford, Coffee, Franklin, Giles, Grundy, Hickman, Lawrence, Lewis, Lincoln, Marshall, Maury, Moore, Perry, Wayne	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age 13+ • Sibling Groups • Hispanic and African American Youth • Youth stepping down from residential facilities 	
Southwest	
Chester, Decatur, Fayette, Hardeman, Hardin, Haywood, Henderson, Lauderdale, Madison, McNairy, Tipton	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age 0-3 • Age 4-12 • Age 13+ • Sibling Groups 	Southwest region needs foster families who are willing to foster sibling groups of 2 or more children and or teenage population. All applicants will need to foster up to 2 children from 0-12 or older.
TN Valley	
Bledsoe, Bradley, Hamilton, Marion, McMinn, Meigs, Polk, Rhea, Sequatchie	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age 0-3 • Age 4-12 • Age 13 + • Sibling Groups • Pregnant or Parenting Youth 	
Upper Cumberland	
Cannon, Clay, Cumberland, DeKalb, Fentress, Jackson, Macon, Overton, Pickett, Putnam, Smith, Van Buren, Warren, White	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Age 0-3 Years • Age 4-12 Years • Age 13 + Years • Sibling Groups • Pregnant or Parenting Youth 	