

Foster Grandparent Program

The specific goals of the Foster Grandparent Program are:

To enable low-income persons 55 and over to remain physically and mentally active and enhance their self-esteem through participation in needed community services.

To enable children with exceptional or special needs to achieve improved physical, mental, emotional and social development, helping them attain independent living.



"Volunteers do not necessarily
have the time;
They have the heart"

Elizabeth Andrew



The Foster Grandparent
Program receives funds from :

- *The Corporation for National and Community Service*
 - *Direction Home Akron Canton Area Agency on Aging and Disabilities*
- and
- *Local Community Organizations*



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Benefits Overview



The Foster Grandparent Program offers volunteers:

An Hourly Stipend*

Transportation Reimbursement

Daily Meal

Annual Physical Exam

Accident Insurance

Uniforms

Flexible Schedules

Paid Personal Days

Paid Holidays

In-Service Training

Annual Recognition

* Stipend is not considered income and will not effect benefits

General Background

The Foster Grandparent Program began in 1965 and provides loving tutors to children and youth with exceptional and or special needs. The Foster Grandparents are assigned to volunteer stations such as Head Start/Early Head Start Childhood Development/School Readiness Centers, Preschools, Elementary Schools, Alternative Schools and Hospitals. The Foster Grandparents provide emotional support and assistance in developing basic skills to promote increased academic progress to eligible children. The Foster Grandparents also serve as role models and mentors.

Do You Enjoy Working With Children?

All you need to join is the ability to give the kind of comfort and love that sets a child on the path toward a successful future. If you are 55 or older and want to share your experience and compassion, you have what it takes to be a Foster Grandparent.

The Program helps exceptional and special needs children at the following locations:

***Akron Summit Community Action Inc.
Head Start Child Development Centers***

***Salvation Army Learning Zone Preschool &
Child Care Centers***

Akron Public Schools

Phoenix Alternative Program

***YMCA Child Care Centers
and
Akron Children's Hospital Medical Center***

For more information about the Program and how you can get involved, complete the form and return to the ASCA Foster Grandparent Program at the address below.

I'm interested in learning more about the ASCA Foster Grandparent Program. Please send me more information.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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