

Department of Child Safety Contractor Information Form

1. ADCS will be updating the www.azkidsneedu.gov website with contractor information. Describe your agency and its specialties. Include your agency website url and contact information. Do not exceed 500 words.

2. Casey Family Programs' mission is to provide and improve – and ultimately prevent the need for – foster care in the United States. The Arizona Field Office seeks families interested in caring for youth ages 11-17. Through a long-standing partnership agreement with the Department of Child Safety (DCS), Casey Family Programs provides day to day case management for approximately 45-55 youth each year, which allows our team of Masters Level Social Workers the ability to provide additional supports to our youth and families, leading to more individualized attention. Employing a family centered approach; Casey's goal is to reduce the number of youth in the foster care system by partnering with youth and families to expedite permanency through promoting and supporting reunification with birth family or guardianship or adoption with kin or non-relative families. Casey utilizes innovative and evidence-based practices with a keen focus on direct youth and family involvement. Casey also engages the larger community to bring about positive changes to the child welfare system and other systems that serve and support families. Casey places a priority on child wellbeing; specifically mental health, employment and education. We also employ innovative positions, connections and resources to assist youth and families in navigating the educational and behavioral health systems to implement action plans designed to achieve the best possible outcomes for our youth. Understanding that a good education is often a predictor of success and a meaningful life, Casey also supports post-secondary educational opportunities for youth in Casey Family Programs' care. To learn more go to www.casey.org

3. List and describe in detail any specific agency requirements or expectations of your agency that exceed the State foster home licensing rules. This may include additional requirements regarding pets or pool fences, for example. Also include anything that may be considered added value, such as offering additional respite hours or a faith-based perspective.

Name of Additional Requirement or Expectation	Is this Required? Yes or No	Reason
12 annual hours of advanced foster parent training to renew license.	yes	

TB Test for each parent	Yes	Casey Family Programs is and accredited agency and this is a Council on Accreditation requirement.
CPR and First Aid for all resource parents	Yes	
Casey offers up to 12 days of paid respite.		
Casey offers the expertise of an Education Liaison to help families navigate the education system for our foster children.		
Casey offers additional funding resources for the youth's needs.		