



# Epworth Foster Care Program

*Healing hurts and nurturing hope for all children*

## What Can I Expect from Epworth?

- To engage in a mutually respectful relationship
- To license qualified married and single adults
- To maintain your confidentiality
- To follow up with concerns or requests promptly
- To be available to you by phone or in person in times of need
- To advocate on your behalf
- To be honest in sharing information
- To keep you informed of trainings & services available to you
- To provide reasonable access, in many cases, to our on-campus health center & counseling services
- To be a constant source of support & encouragement to your family



## Why Epworth?

When you are licensed for foster care through Epworth, you become part of our Foster Care Support Network:

- **More than 1,000 SC Churches** partner with Epworth to support our foster parents with meals and other needs
- **Local Resource Closets** are stocked with everything you may need, including fire alarms, lifejackets, cribs, clothing, child and baby care products, and diapers for both kinship and foster families
- **Foster Parent Support Groups** provide childcare so you can attend and never feel alone as a foster parent
- **The Epworth Center for Counseling** in the Midlands and Upstate is a great place for foster children to get individual and family counseling. If you live in other parts of the state, our staff will find you services in your community.
- **The Epworth Early Intervention Center** provides in-home early intervention specialists who can help with any *BabyNet* services. Outside of the Midlands, we will find you professional services in your area.
- **Free Tutoring for Foster Children** is provided by volunteers provide right in your community!
- **You Can Receive a Referral Bonus** when you refer a new foster parent to Epworth and the parent or family gets their first child placement.
- **Epworth's Caring, Supportive Staff** are with you through every step of the process.

*"It's been great to have your own case worker in addition to the child's case worker. Throughout this time there have been some bumps in the road with our current foster child. I've been upset some days and I've been able to call my caseworker and say this is what's going on. And just hearing her say "I hear you" and letting me vent and being there . I was just blown away by the support."*

—An Epworth foster parent

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Greenville, SC  
29605

864-704-7863

### Midlands

2900 Millwood Ave  
Columbia, SC  
29205

803-828-7724

### Lowcountry

303 Central Ave  
Summerville, SC  
29483

843-670-4733

### Hilton Head

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Hilton Head Is, SC  
29928

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Florence, SC  
29501

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Rock Hill, SC  
29730

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