



PARTNERSHIP FOR
STRONG
FAMILIES

Adoption Network Newsletter

July 2026



JOIN THE GROUP!

Don't forget to join our PSF Facebook group! This closed group is another way for parents to reach out to us and an easy way to post helpful information or upcoming trainings/activities that you might want to participate in, as well as lend support to one another if needed. To join, please search for "**PSF's Post Adoption Network**" on Facebook.



FOSTER & ADOPTIVE PARENT ASSOCIATION (FAPA)

Did you know there is a Foster and Adoptive Parent Association run by a foster/adoptive parent in the area? The North Florida FAPA is run by Jerrod Pfeffer and offers helpful information on their Facebook page, as well as in-person monthly meetings. If you are interested in joining the group on Facebook search "**North Florida FAPA!**"

Date Change for Post Adoption Subsidy Payments

As Partnership for Strong Families continues to align our financial and operational processes with the Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System (CCWIS), Florida's statewide child welfare case management system, we have determined that it is necessary to adjust the timing of monthly adoption subsidy payments.

Beginning in September, monthly payments will be issued on the **10th of each month.**

This change will help ensure our payment process aligns with CCWIS workflows, improves operational efficiency, and supports the accuracy and consistency of payment processing.

We understand that changes to payment schedules may require some adjustment, and we sincerely appreciate your patience and understanding as we implement this improvement.

Our commitment to serving you and your family remains our highest priority and we want to express our gratitude for your partnership and all that you do to make a lasting difference in the lives of your children.

Please don't hesitate to contact Kelsey Burnette at 352-244-1500 ext. 2063 (office), 352-210-6103 (cell), or kelsey.burnette@pfsf.org if you have questions. Thank you again for all you do and for your continued partnership.

Annual Baseline Assessment

Each year the Department must complete an Annual Baseline Assessment that includes requirements outlined in s. 409.1662(2)(a)(7) F.S. that provides feedback from prospective adoptive parents, adoptive parents, children in child welfare system, adoptees, and other stakeholders. The Annual Adoption survey will close on August 31, 2026.

To complete the survey, please go to

https://floridadcf.iad1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_egKMIJcp5w1evly.

Well Child Checks

Don't forget, make sure your child receives their yearly physical before school starts in August. Even if your child is not school aged, it is important that they receive their scheduled Well Child Checks. Please contact their pediatrician to schedule an appointment.

Children Looking for their Forever Families

Jose, 16 years old

Jose is a young person with tremendous potential who is looking for a forever family committed to helping him grow and thrive. He enjoys listening to music, which he finds calming and comforting, and he likes spending time playing video games. Jose benefits from a structured environment with clear expectations, consistency, and encouragement. With patience, guidance, and support, he can continue developing important life skills, build healthy relationships, and gain the confidence needed to become an independent and successful young adult. A nurturing family willing to invest in his future can make a lasting difference in helping him reach his goals.

Jose's adoption ID is 101039119. For more information on Jose, please contact Keisha Battles at Keisha.battles@pfsf.org.

Helpful Info

For post adoption services, tuition waivers, or tax documents, please contact Tricia Braitsch, Post Adoption Liaison, at (352) 244-1500 ext. 2106 or Patricia.Braitsch@pfsf.org.

For Medicaid needs, change of address (in or out of state), and subsidy payment questions, please contact Cheryl Williams, Eligibility Specialist I-ICAMA, at (352) 244-1500 ext. 2039 or Cheryl.Williams@pfsf.org.