

## Changing Lives ...

Foster care is a temporary living arrangement for children who cannot safely remain at home with their parents. When a child is placed in foster care, that child's life changes forever. For the foster parents who choose to nurture and care for them, there are also lifelong changes.

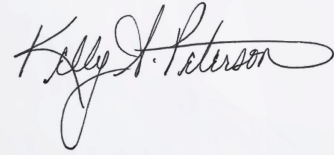
As families start on their foster care journey, Utah Foster Care provides training to prepare them to accept children into their homes. Kinship families also care for children, and consistently comprise one third of the graduates from Utah Foster Care training.

Once licensed, families are invited to support groups where they interact with other foster parents going through similar experiences. Through these support groups, families can access special funds for children, available only because of generous donations to Utah Foster Care.

Though we *cannot* change what has happened in a child's past, we *can* provide support and training to educate foster families to nurture children and help them prepare for a brighter future. Utah Foster Care was created to serve children in foster care. And that's what we've been doing for more than 13 years.

**KELLY A. PETERSON**

Chief Executive Officer



*"Nancy (my foster and adoptive mother) is probably one of the best things that's happened to me. I love my biological mom and I love Nancy. I love that she's capable of getting along with my biological mom — they have Thanksgiving dinners together!"*

*"It's been a wonderful thing to have Nancy in my life."*

**AUBRIANNA** *Pictured on front cover, with Nancy*



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# Utah Foster Care Changes Lives.

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## Financials

### INCOME

Investment Returns	(\$5,630)
Interest & Other Income	\$5,672
Contributions	\$589,021
State Contract	\$2,715,977

### EXPENSES

Fundraising	\$30,838
Support	\$411,852
Education	\$696,482
Retention	\$813,798
Recruitment	\$1,343,850

**DIFFERENCE: \$8,220**

## Major Gifts

Your donations make special programs such as the Wishing Well Fund, Foster Family Camp, and the Giving Tree possible.

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*thank you!*

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## Meaningful Work

983

### PROSPECTIVE FOSTER FAMILY CONSULTATIONS

*"The best way to get your questions answered about foster parenting is to talk to someone at Utah Foster Care — knowledge is power!"*

142

### COMMUNITY EVENTS

Utah Foster Care knows there are myths about children in foster care. We look for opportunities at local events around the state to dispel those myths and offer valuable information.

309

### FOSTER PARENT SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS

*"I don't know how I could have made it through the foster parent experience without the support of other foster families."*

3,239

### HOURS OF TRAINING

*"I wish I'd had this training 20 years ago when we were raising our daughter!"*

718

### NEW FOSTER FAMILIES, INCLUDING 214 KINSHIP

## Foster Parents Speak

### KIM

*"As we went through the training, we were really impressed with Utah Foster Care's whole program. We knew we wanted to be a part of that and build our family through foster care."*



### CHERYL

*"Horseback riding lessons funded through UFC's Wishing Well Fund really helped our teen daughter in foster care overcome her fears and gain confidence. Over time, we saw her come out of her shell."*



### ROB

*"When we brought children into our home to foster them, we learned quickly that you can love them and feel like a 'normal' family. To be a foster parent is to be a parent."*



For more conversations with Utah foster parents and teens in foster care visit us online:

[utahfostercare.org/changeslives](http://utahfostercare.org/changeslives)



*"All children deserve to be safe from abuse and neglect. When children aren't safe to remain in their own homes, state caseworkers first seek a relative for placement. When a relative isn't available, children are placed with foster families who have been recruited, trained, and supported by Utah Foster Care. Utah Foster Care has contracted with the Division of Child & Family Services since 1999. To date, more than 8,200 quality families have completed the process to become care givers. We want to thank Utah Foster Care for years of invaluable service to Utah's children and the families who care for them."*

**PALMER DEPAULIS** Executive Director, Utah Department of Human Services

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We can offer more to the thousands of vulnerable children in Utah because of **you**. Many thanks for these generous gifts — received from July 1, 2011 thru June 30, 2012.

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