



2019 Agency Overview

Our Mission – Lilliput exists to ensure every child has the opportunity to be part of a safe, nurturing, lifelong family.

Who We Serve and Why – Lilliput serves children and families impacted by foster care, adoption and kinship care. There are over 66,250 children in foster care in the state of California, many of whom were removed from their homes due to abuse or neglect. When children are unable to safely return to their birth parents, their healthy development depends upon finding a committed and nurturing family. When children linger in foster care, they are at great risk of aging out. The following are some of the statistics we are passionate about changing for our children:

- 50% or less, of our children in care will not graduate from high school
- 25% of our children in foster care will grow up to have PTSD
- 70% of females in foster care are pregnant by the age of 21
- 80% of our children in foster care enter the system due to neglect

Since opening our doors in 1980, Lilliput Families has helped over 9,600 children find loving families of their own through adoption. Lilliput holds a statewide adoption license and has thirteen offices across the state which serve over two dozen counties.

“Resource Family” is the new term California applies to caregivers who provide out-of-home care for children in foster care. Resource families may be single or two-parent households. They may be related to the child (kinship) or have a familiar or mentoring relationship with the child, or no previous relationship with the child.

Our Kinship Support Services Program (KSSP) is a program designed to provide services and support to help improve outcomes for families formed through kinship care. Over 600,000 grandparents in California are raising their grandchildren – the highest such statistic in the country, and it’s not just grandparents tackling this responsibility, but other relative and family friends as well.

Our Family Finding services are when we conduct an exhaustive search for relatives and other people close to the child in foster care (i.e. godparents, family friends). The goal is to reconnect children to important people in their life as an alternative to being placed in the home of strangers. We strive to establish ongoing connections between the child and known adults, regardless of whether the child is able to live with them.

Post Adoption Services (PAS) are offered in eighteen counties and provide a variety of support groups and classes for families, regardless of whether the adoption was completed at Lilliput. We want to ensure the continued success of families that were created through adoption.

For more information about how you can become involved, please visit our website at www.lilliput.org, Facebook at LilliputChildrensServices, Twitter at Lilliput4Kids or call us at (855) 912-2622.

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