## STEPS FOR RESOURCE PARENTS

### **Step 1 Attend an Orientation**

KFAM FFA conducts orientation meetings for prospective resource parents. These meetings will acquaint the resource parents with our foster care and adoption process and help families learn more about the children. To register for an orientation meeting, families should call (213)235-4856.

- a) For those who want to proceed, they must complete the application packet.
- b) Live Scan (Fee:\$89+)

## **Step 2 Attend Pre-Approval Training**

Prospective resource parents are required to attend pre-approval training to begin the family assessment (home study) process. The pre-approval training is an interactive group process that helps prospective caregivers learn if foster care or adoption is the right choice for them. The pre-approval training is lead by a KFAM social worker.

a) Complete CPR & First Aid

## **Step 3 Complete Family Assessment (Interview Process)**

During the pre-approval training, all of the necessary paperwork and documents must be submitted to the KFAM FFA social worker by the prospective caregivers after the training, the social worker will meet in the family's home to have individual interviews and gather required information. The purpose of this assessment is to discuss the family's personal history, interests and lifestyle, childcare experiences, the types of children you feel would best fit in your family, and your strengths and skills in meeting the children's needs.

### **Step 4 Complete Physical Home Safety Inspections**

All resource homes are required to complete an in home safety inspection in order to meet the health and safety standards required by the state.

# **Step 5 Approval of Home for Placement (Report)**

After the above steps are completed, the social worker will write a report and whether or not our agency believes that the family is able to meet the needs of the child.

a) Ready for the Placement of Children

#### **Step 6 Annual Continuing Education**

Annual training is required to remain approved.