

WHAT IS CEO?

The Commission on Economic Opportunity for the Greater Capital Region is an “umbrella” agency that provides the overall leadership, policy guidance, coordination, and support necessary to successfully deliver a wide range of human services. The programs at CEO are designed to empower individuals and families to build self-sufficiency in all life areas and rise out of poverty. CEO works in partnership with individuals, families, and the larger community to improve the quality of life for all community members by addressing their social, emotional, economic, and educational needs. CEO is part of a larger system of Community Action Agencies across New York State and across the country. Community Action Agencies are independent non-profit private and public organizations established under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964.



The Foster Grandparent Program is funded by the Corporation for National and Community Service and is administered by the Commission on Economic Opportunity.

For an application or for more information contact CEO's Foster Grandparent program at 518-272-6012, Ext. 288.



Commission on Economic Opportunity

2331 Fifth Ave., Troy
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FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

*Give a child
that much-needed
attention that can
change a life.*



FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Economic Opportunity
at 272-6012, Ext. 288
or 800-455-6014

What is a **FOSTER** GRANDPARENT?

Foster Grandparents are nurturing seniors who:

- ♦ *are over 55 years of age;*
- ♦ *are able to volunteer an average of 20 hours a week (15 – 40 hours per week);*
- ♦ *are income-eligible, and*
- ♦ *love children.*

The Foster Grandparent Program

is a wonderful opportunity for you to share your many life experiences with the younger generation. Seniors, 55 years and older are assigned to sites close to their homes, including: schools, Head Start programs, after-school programs, day care centers, hospitals and any other site where children need you!

As a Foster Grandparent you will...

- ♦ Work with children inside and out
- ♦ Assist them with puzzles, crafts, activities, coloring
- ♦ Help them learn their letters and numbers
- ♦ Read to them
- ♦ Help with tying shoes, brushing teeth
- ♦ Be a comfort to those who are sad or miss their parents
- ♦ Help out with lunch and snacks

As a Foster Grandparent you will not...

- ♦ Change diapers
- ♦ Be left alone with children
- ♦ Discipline children

As a Foster Grandparent you will...

- ♦ Earn an hourly tax-free stipend (that does not affect other benefits), plus partial reimbursement for travel expenses.
- ♦ Have twelve paid holidays.
- ♦ Enjoy annual recognition events with other Foster Grandparents.
- ♦ Be part of a program that has over 31,000 national members
- ♦ Experience the joy of knowing you are making a difference for children.

You may choose one of our sites...

- ♦ **Senator Joseph L. Bruno Family Resource Center**
2328 Fifth Ave., Troy
- ♦ **Children's Center at Family Court,**
1504 Fifth Ave., Troy
- ♦ **Family Resource Center,**
2245 Old Sixth Ave., Troy
- ♦ **Hoosick Family Resource Center,**
75 River Rd., Hoosick
- ♦ **Rensselaer Family Resource Center,**
1641 Third St., Rensselaer
- ♦ **Stepping Stones I,**
754 Fourth Ave., Troy
- ♦ **Stepping Stones II,**
300 Valley View Blvd., Rensselaer

Or, choose a site that is most convenient for you. Work in any one of the following seven counties...

- ♦ Albany,
- ♦ Rensselaer,
- ♦ Saratoga,
- ♦ Schenectady,
- ♦ Schoharie,
- ♦ Warren, or
- ♦ Washington.