



Resource of Hope Inc is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to providing resources to help meet the physical and emotional needs of foster youth living in Central Indiana.

The Resource

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Hello! We hope you all had a wonderful holiday season! We're super excited to offer a new program: [*Foster Parent Ongoing Education*](#). Every month will be a different topic that can help you, as foster parents. Check out the next page for more info!

We are on *USED CLOTHING DONATION HOLD* until we finish switching seasons and see what our need is. To keep up to date on our closet needs, please visit: www.resourcesofhope.org/donations

You can find our Pick Up form [HERE](#). If you prefer to come into The Closet to pick out items yourself, we ask that you contact us via Facebook messenger or at r.furnee@resourcesofhope.org to set-up an appointment.



Volunteer Spotlight

In each newsletter this year, we will recognize some of the wonderful individuals who help make the events and mission of Resources of Hope possible: OUR VOLUNTEERS!

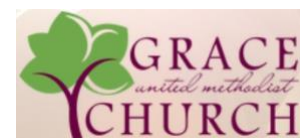
Meet Martha Lennon.

"I've been volunteering with ROH for 2 years. I'm pretty much a behind the scenes volunteer. I sort, match, hang, and clean items for the closet. I also have given Renae a few contact names to help with distribution of clothes and some names for volunteer candidates. I heard about ROH through VolunteerMatch.org. When I'm in service to others, I'm at my happiest. Knowing that even the simplest and smallest of things helps kids in foster care is my favorite part. I also really enjoy working with Executive Director, Renae Furnée. She makes the work fun. I used to be a CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) volunteer, and I know many DCS workers, so I'm pretty familiar with the foster care system. I have learned a few things along the way, however."

Martha's advice for potential volunteers for ROH: "A person needs to be prepared to work, clean, organize, and have fun. Then, also be prepared to feel good about making a difference in a child's life. Renae is so approachable, and very appreciative of any time given, so that instant gratification comes naturally. ROH is ALL volunteers. Without them, ROH couldn't/wouldn't exist. And that would be a shame, as there is a great need in our foster care system."

Big thanks to our sponsors and donors for our 2nd Night of Hope Fundraising Event!

We raised over \$15,000 at our Night of Hope! Thank YOU for providing hope for kids in foster care.



If you didn't catch our even LIVE you can check it out via our [youtube channel](#).

Caregiving Corner

Did you know that if a child has been placed in your home by DCS that you are entitled to five days of respite care per year while the child is in your care?

What is Respite?

The purpose of respite care is to provide a temporary relief from caregiving. Respite is important because it gives caregivers the opportunity for self-care and to refuel their own needs. Reach out to your case manager for more information.

You can't pour
from an empty cup.



For more immediate needs, contact: 1-800-CHILDREN (1-800-244-5373).

This is the Prevent Child Abuse Helpline which offers parenting advice and support for all caregivers.

Does your foster child have an upcoming birthday?

This program is meant to help you in providing an additional gift(s) for your littles on their special day. Birthdays can be a difficult time for children in care and we want to join you in making your foster youth's birthday extra special.

Click here for more information and to sign up your foster kiddo:

[Birthday Blessings!](#)



Foster Parent Ongoing Education

We've heard you, foster parents. We know the challenges of finding available and applicable training. We're very excited to be able to offer this new program in 2021. Each month we will be offering a training that you can use toward your annual requirements for your foster license.

Please register via our website.

Each training we offer is approved by Indiana Department of Child Services.

Please email our Director, Renae Furnée at R.Furnee@resourcesofhope.org with any questions.



QPR: Suicide Prevention Gatekeeper Training

Tuesday, March 16th, 5:30pm-7:30pm

New Hope Church: 5307 Fairview Rd., Greenwood IN

Question. Persuade. Refer.

The three simple steps anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide. As a QPR trained Gatekeeper you will learn to:

- Recognize warning signs of suicide.
- Know how to offer hope.
- Know how to get help to save a life.

[Click Here to Register.](#)



Diversity Training

Saturday, March 27th, 9:00am-11:00pm

New Hope Church: 5307 Fairview Rd., Greenwood IN

We hope you'll join us for this training lead by [Terri Roberts-Leonard](#). Terri will cover terminology, core concepts and resources that will aid participants in their learning about issues of diversity, equality and inclusion.

[Click Here to Register.](#)



Internet Safety

Saturday, April 24th, 9:00am-11:00pm

New Hope Church: 5307 Fairview Rd., Greenwood IN

Now more than ever it is important for us, as foster parents & guardians, to understand how to keep our kids safe online. Join Deputy Jim Engmark & Deputy Jeremy Pell as we explore popular social media outlets, the pitfalls of these programs and how to teach our children to safely explore the internet.

[Click Here to Register.](#)



Adopting Through Foster Care

Saturday, May 15th, 9:00am-11:00pm

New Hope Church: 5307 Fairview Rd., Greenwood IN

We hope you'll join us as we hear from Adoption Attorney, Grant Kirsh, as he explains the process of how to adopt through foster care. You'll hear about the adoption process, timelines, how to file for documentation after your adoption is final and much more.

*This training is pending approval from DCS.

[Click Here to Register.](#)

March 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	1 OPEN 10-6	2	3 OPEN 10-6	4	5 OPEN 10-6	6 OPEN 9-12 9:30-10:30 Volunteer Orientation
7	8 OPEN 10-6	9	10 OPEN 10-6	11	12 OPEN 10-6 6:00-8:00 Teen Connect: Guys	13
14	15 OPEN 10-6	16 5:30-8:30 QPR: Suicide Prevention Training	17 OPEN 10-6	18	19 OPEN 10-6 6:00-8:00 Teen Connect: Girls	20
21	22 OPEN 10-6	23	24 OPEN 10-6	25	26 OPEN 10-6	27 9:00-11:00 Diversity Training
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Teen Connect: Guys

March 12, 2021
6:00-8:00 PM

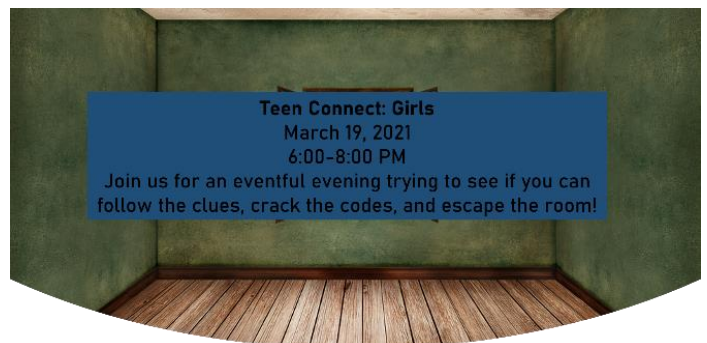
Join us for an evening of self-defense education!



Teen Connect: Girls

March 19, 2021
6:00-8:00 PM

Join us for an eventful evening trying to see if you can follow the clues, crack the codes, and escape the room!



April 2021

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28	29 OPEN 10-6	30	31 OPEN 10-6	1	2 OPEN 10-6	3 OPEN 9-12
4	5 OPEN 10-6	6	7 OPEN 10-6	8	9 OPEN 10-6	10 9:00-11:00 Internet Safety Training
11	12 OPEN 10-6	13	14 OPEN 10-6	15	16 OPEN 10-6 6:00-9:00 Teen Connect: Co-Ed	17
18	19 OPEN 10-6	20	21 OPEN 10-6	22	23 OPEN 10-6	24 8:30-12:00 Rock the Block 5K
25	26 OPEN 10-6	27	28 OPEN 10-6	29	30 OPEN 10-6	1



Questions about Programs, Donations or to find out how you can help support foster youth please email our Executive Director, Renae Furnée:
R.Furnee@ResourcesofHope.org

Do you want to keep up to date with Resources of Hope's latest happenings?



Facebook.com/ResourcesofHope



Instagram.com/ResourcesofHope

Clotet Hours

Monday	10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Wednesday	10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Friday	10:00 am - 6:00 pm
1st Saturday/month	9:00 am - Noon