Welcome

2018 ANNUAL REPORT

NFPA
NATIONAL FOSTER PARENT ASSOCIATION

Presented at the Annual Membership Meeting
Delta Hotels by Marriot Anaheim Garden Grove
June 15, 2019

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INTRODUCTION

It is a pleasure to provide the 2018 Annual Report for the National Foster Parent Association. This report is presented at our annual membership meeting on June 15, 2019, in Garden Grove, CA. The NFPA will make this presentation available on the NFPA website after the meeting.

The past year has been a time of continued change and growth for NFPA. The two most significant changes before 2018 occurred in 2015 with the reorganization of our Board of Directors via Bylaw revisions and the hiring of an executive director in January 2015 and an Administrative Coordinator in August 2015.

The reorganization resulted in a small reduction in the number of Board members and a new process for selecting Board members and officers. As we adjust to the restructuring, we believe the new structure is helping our Board be more focused on strategic direction for the organization; we have been able to create a strategic plan in 2018. The Board of Directors is working to implement that three-year plan at this time.

The coming years offer many opportunities for our association and the foster, kinship, and adoptive families we support. We hope you will continue to be a part of our movement to support the families who support kids and families within the child protection systems across this country.
BACKGROUND

The National Foster Parent Association (NFPA) was founded in 1972 and is incorporated as a private non-profit organization (501c3). Anyone supporting the work of the association is welcome to be a member. This includes foster parents, adoptive parents, kinship caregivers, social workers, and advocates. The organization is led by a board of directors which is representative of the members. Most activities of NFPA are organized and led by our board directors who are volunteers, and supported by our two part-time staff.

NFPA maintains a relationship with independent state foster, kinship and adoptive parent associations through its Council of State Affiliates (COSA). At present, 31 state associations are affiliates under the leadership of Jim Hatch, COSA Chair. NFPA also maintains relationships with numerous national organizations through cooperative working agreements, partnerships and collaborations.
EDUCATION

One of the most important activities for NFPA is the annual educational convention. The 2018 conference, jointly sponsored by the NFPA and the Florida Foster and Adoptive Parent Association brought together 600 foster care resource parents and staff from across the country, to share information and innovations, and to support each other.

In addition to the annual education conference, NFPA supports an array of education endeavors. We are proud to have a long-standing relationship with the Foster Parent College, which provides outstanding web-based training. We also partner with Centene to promote their excellent web training programs. Centene makes its training available to foster parents across the country at no charge. The NFPA also provides some in-person trainings to foster care team members, to include United Health Care staff, as requested by United Health Care.
CONFERENCE LOCATIONS

2018 – Orlando, FL
2017 – Houston, TX
2016 – Las Vegas, NV
2015 – Norfolk, VA
2014 – Orlando, FL
2013 – Long Beach, CA
2012 – Oak Brook, IL
2011 – Mobile, AL
2010 – Baltimore, MD
2009 – Reno, NV
2008 – Atlanta, GA
2007 – Washington, DC
2006 – San Antonio, TX
2005 – Garden Grove, CA
2004 – Orlando, FL
2003 – Des Moines, IA
2002 – Las Vegas, NV
2001 – Cincinnati, OH
2000 – Minneapolis, MN
1999 – Albuquerque, NM
1998 – Orlando, FL
1997 – Lexington, KY
1996 – Los Angeles, CA
1995 – Chicago, IL
1994 – Grand Rapids, MI
1993 – Salt Lake City, UT
1992 – Atlanta, GA
1991 – Minneapolis, MN
1990 – Phoenix, AZ
1989 – Parsippany, NJ
1988 – St. Charles, IL
1987 – Anaheim, CA
1986 – Wilmington, DE
1985 – Fort Worth, TX
1984 – Denver, CO
1983 – Norfolk, VA
1982 – Bismarck, ND
1981 – Detroit, MI
1980 – Kansas City, MO
1979 – Boston, MA
1978 – Houston, TX
1977 – New York, NY
1976 – Honolulu, HI
1975 – Atlanta, GA
1974 – Spokane, WA
1973 – Philadelphia, PA
1972 – Denver, CO
1971 – Chicago, IL
NFPA has strengthened its advocacy efforts over the past three years. The addition of an executive director has provided a focus for public policy requests and has allowed us to increase our presence in Washington, DC. It has also improved our ability to partner with other organizations such as the Child Welfare League of America, NACAC, Generations United, Adoption Exchange Association, the Foster Family-based Treatment Association, Foster Care Alumni of America, CHAMPS, Creating A Family, NCTSN, Project Foster Care and others. We are members of the Washington-based Foster Care Coalition and we maintain contact with the Congressional Foster Care Caucus. NFPA serves as one of the three organizations that plan and implement nationwide National Foster Care Month activities and develop information for inclusion on the National Foster Care Month website.

NFPA maintains a list of position statements on broad public issues that are available on our website. The Public Policy Committee recommends new public policy statements to the Board of Directors, reviews and updates current position statements.
Walk me Home is a unique program of NFPA that helps to both raise awareness of the local needs related to foster care and helps raise money for local and state foster care associations, child placing agencies and other entities and helps to build community support for children in foster care and the foster families and kinship families who support them. These events are great for recruitment efforts. Contact Marion Rhines, our Walk Committee Chair, if you, your foster parent association or your agency is interested in organizing an event. 2018 was the Walk Me Home program’s 11th birthday!!! We made some important changes to the program that may result in even more successful events in the future.
The NFPA and United Health Care collaborated in 2016 for the development of training curricula for their staff who work with foster families/children through their Medicaid Managed Care contracts in many states. 2017 saw this curriculum demonstrated in several states by trainers representing the NFPA and UHC. 2018 encompassed an update of the training curriculum as well as additional in-person trainings facilitated by UHC and NFPA representatives to UHC staff, foster and kinship parents and agency and county foster care staff.
The NFPA and Centene Corporation partnered together to promote quality training for foster parents and kinship caregivers provided for free through their FosterCare.edu program as well as their free in person trainings available to local and state foster parent associations and child placing agencies.

This partnership has grown into working together to:

- identify topics of value to foster caregivers,
- develop training curricula for co-facilitators on those topics,
- identify trainers and others to serve as co-facilitators to train with Centene Foster Care Trainers,
- provide training topics and presenters for live webinars on a quarterly basis
- develop and maintain a repository for recorded trainings accessible by NFPA members,
- strive to provide quality training to foster caregivers across the country free of charge.
NFPA takes an active role in promoting National Foster Care Month. During the month of May groups across the country highlight the work of foster families. The month includes a proclamation from our sitting U.S. President, as well as hundreds of proclamations from governors and mayors. The Federal Children’s Bureau provides the National Foster Care Month web site, which is loaded with information about foster care. The website is located online.

NFPA takes an active role in planning the website content and promoting local and national activities. NFPA also provides blue wrist bands in support of the month. Contact us at info@nfpaonline.org to order wrist bands.
United Healthcare training project for their staff and others who work with foster, kinship and adoptive families through Medicaid Managed Care programs in various states and is a major sponsor of the NFPA education conference.

Centene Corporation is a major sponsor of NFPA activities including the education conference and by providing free trainings for foster caregivers across the country.

York & Zacharia LLC of Palm Beach, FL. donates the time to update the Federal Tax Guide for Foster, Adoptive, and Kinship Caregivers on an annual basis

Combined Federal Campaign participation provides much needed funding through donations from federal employees on an annual basis

CHAMPS Campaign provides opportunities to work with other national partners to enhance the recruitment and retention of foster families across the nation.
## Financial Summary

### Assets

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The following are the NFPA Board members at the time of the annual meeting. The Board meets in-person twice per year and meets by conference call or video conference 8-10 additional times per year.
2018 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Developed a Strategic Plan for 2019-2021 with implementation start date of 1-1-19 and projected end date of 12-31-21. Strategic Planning is being led by an oversight group and day to day work is being accomplished by three workgroups: Board Development, Membership and Operations, all composed of Board members and one representative of the Council of State Affiliates.
- Participated in a research project with Rutgers Institute for Health, Healthy Care Policy, and Aging Research for PCORI funded research on Antipsychotic Medication Oversight for Children in Foster Care.
- Established the Code of Ethics for Foster Families Advocacy Project led by Eileen Pasztor.
- Three in-person meetings with Jerry Milner, Associate Commissioner, Children's Bureau.
- Participated in FFTA Public Policy Institute and CWLA Hill Day in Washington, DC.
- Participated in Think Tank on Peer to Peer Interventions and Constituent in Engagement System Change: Elevating the Evidence.
- Premiered the 2nd Edition of KinCare Magazine for Fostering Media Connections at the annual education conference.
- Presented workshops at the CWLA and SAFE conferences.
- Exhibited at the CWLA and FFTA conferences.
- Designed and ordered new NFPA Exhibit items.
- NFPA authored articles in the Chronical for Social Change.
- Numerous articles in magazines and newspapers that mentioned the NFPA.
- The NFPA Scoop, NFPA’s online blog. http://blog.nfpaonline.org
- Published Federal Tax Benefits – Foster, Adoptive and Kinship Caregivers – 2017 tax year.
- Developed additional Board of Director policies for sound fiscal management and numerous forms to assist with risk management.
- Sale of National Foster Care Month blue wristbands through our online ecommerce form.
- Walk Me Home events held in 5 locations across America.
- Fostering Families Today magazine highlights NFPA articles in each edition of the magazine.
- Continued referral relationship with FosterParentCollege.com.
- NFPA exhibits at numerous National conferences.
- Thirty-one state foster parent associations affiliated with NFPA.
- Six academic scholarships awarded to seniors living with foster/adoptive families.
- Ten Helen Stone scholarships to foster/kinship parents to attend the 2018 convention.
- Promotion of Giving Tuesday requesting donations.
- Outstanding national conference held in Orlando, Florida, with 600 attendees.
- Participation in national groups -National Foster Care Coalition -National Foster Care Month Planning Group -CWLA Practice of Excellence Commissions.
- Redesign of website providing important information to resource parents, students, researchers, and members of the general public.
NATIONAL FOSTER PARENT ASSOCIATION

To be a respected national voice for foster, kinship and adoptive families through networking, education and advocacy.

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