

KINSHIP PERMANENCY INCENTIVE:

The Kinship Permanency Incentive (KPI) Program provides financial support for minor children in the legal custody of kinship caregivers. KPI is temporary and time limited. It is meant to promote a permanent commitment by kinship caregivers.

LICENSED FOSTER PARENTS:

Kinship Caregivers may be eligible to become licensed as foster care providers while caring for kinship children. To find out more, please contact your Kinship Caseworker.

Please contact the Placement Service Supervisor at
(330)297-3462

All kinship assessments are approved on a case-by-case basis



Job & Family Services

Child and Adult Protective Services

449 S. Meridian Street
Ravenna, Ohio 44266

24/7 Abuse/Neglect Hotline (330)296-CARE
Adoption (330)297-3809

Public Assistance and Administration

449 S. Meridian Street
Ravenna, Ohio 44266
(330)297-3750

Child Support

449 S. Meridian Street
Ravenna, Ohio 44266
(330)297-3791

OhioMeansJobs Portage County

253 S. Chestnut Street
Ravenna, Ohio 44266
(330)296-2841

Hours of Operation:

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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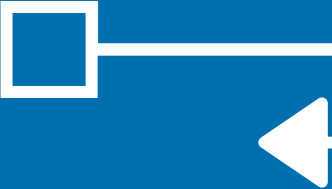
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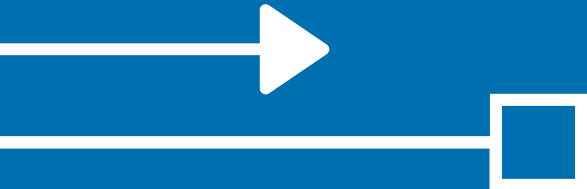
A photograph of a young child with curly hair and an older man with a mustache, both looking down. The child is wearing a pink shirt with a floral pattern. The man is wearing a dark jacket. The text "KINSHIP CARE" is overlaid in large blue letters.

KINSHIP CARE


**Portage County
Job & Family Services**
Child and Adult
Protective Services
Division



Portage County Job and Family Services is committed to placing children who can no longer reside with their parents due to abuse or neglect with kinship caregivers. Children benefit from ties to extended family who can meet their financial, emotional, social, and educational needs.



TO BECOME A KINSHIP CAREGIVER YOU MUST:

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- Allow access to your home for a state mandated safety assessment
 - Complete a background check for all adult household members
 - Have no significant child abuse or neglect history as a parent or caregiver
 - Have no significant criminal history that would impact the safety of a child
 - Participate in an interview and demonstrate financial stability to care for a child

KINSHIP CAREGIVERS MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE:

- Medical coverage for the child in their care
- TANF child-only cash benefit
- Childcare assistance
- Clothing, furniture, and other supports



KINSHIP CASEWORKERS CAN HELP LINK YOU TO SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITY:

- Counseling
- Case Management
- Social Services
- Educational Services
- Transportation