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OACAC Foster Grandparents recruiting seniors age 55+.

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OACAC's Foster Grandparent Program is recruiting low-income senior citizens, ages 55 and older, to work with children and youth in a fourteen-county area in Southwest Missouri.

Foster Grandparents are individuals age 55 and older who thrive on direct interaction with children and believe they can make a difference in their lives. They serve as a mentor, tutor, and loving caregiver to children and youth with special needs. Foster Grandparents help children develop the skills, confidence, and strength to succeed in life.

Foster Grandparents serve 20 to 40 hours per week at volunteer stations such as public schools, Head Start Classes, schools for exceptional children, youth community centers and day care centers. Benefits include a nutritious meal each day, annual physical exam, accident/liability insurance, monthly in-service training, and recognition trips and holiday parties. In addition, some volunteers may qualify to earn an hourly, non-taxable stipend; reimbursement for travel; holiday pay, and sick, funeral and vacation leave.

To become a Foster Grandparent and impact a child's life, call OACAC's Foster Grandparent Program at 417-864-3420.

OACAC PROGRAMS:

Neighborhood Centers, 417-873-3340; Weatherization, 417-865-7797

Housing, 417-864-3444; LIHEAP, 417- 873-3330; Family Planning, 417-864-3410;

Foster Grandparents, 417-864-3420; Head Start, 417-864-3430;

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