

Our purpose

Step Up Parents was formed to offer financial assistance and support to relative caregivers in New Hampshire who have selflessly stepped up to be surrogate parents to kids whose biological parents are struggling with substance use disorder. In addition to taking on parenting again later in life, these kinship caregivers have suffered the devastating effects of addiction with their own child or relative which in many instances has led to his/her untimely and senseless death.



For any questions, call or email us.
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Step Up Parents relies on your generous donations.

MONETARY DONATIONS

No donation is too small, and we strive to give all proceeds directly to our kinship caregivers and their families.

NON-MONETARY DONATIONS

If you own a business, please consider donating your products or services to our kinship caregivers and their families.

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About kinship care

Kinship caregivers are relatives who have stepped up to care for, nurture and protect children who find themselves without a responsible parent or a safe place to live. Kinship care offers more stability for the child while minimizing the trauma of being separated from his/her biological parent. Sadly, the number of children in kinship care continues to rise with the explosion of the opioid epidemic.



7.8m

Children live in a household headed by a grandparent or relative

2.9m

Children live in a relative's home without a biological parent present

18k

Children in NH live in kinship care

Did you know?

The number of grandparents raising grandchildren in New Hampshire is estimated to be more than 12,000. This is above the national average and double the 2015 US Census. Of these grandparents, approximately:

49%

Live at twice the poverty level or lower

28%

Have a disability

55%

Are not employed

22%

Are over the age of 65

For every child in foster care with a relative, there are 20 being raised by grandparents or relatives outside the foster care system.

Studies show that children who stay with a grandparent or relative have much better emotional and behavioral outcomes than those placed in foster care or with a non-family member.

If you or someone you know needs assistance, please **contact us.**

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