Dear 2INgage Kinship/Relative Family,

Welcome! We are excited to work with you to provide a safe and loving home for the child(ren) in your care.

As a kinship/relative home, you are eligible to receive a daily rate to help offset the cost of caring for the child(ren) in your home. The daily rate is available for approximately one year from the date you begin providing care. Kinship/relative care families also have the opportunity to be verified as foster parents for the child(ren) that have been placed in their home. The daily rate for foster care is approximately double the amount that you might be receiving as a kinship/relative caregiver.

The requirements to be a verified foster parent are that you be at least twenty-one (21) years old, pass a background check, can meet your own financial needs, and have a safe home. There are training and documentation requirements, but we are here to help you through it.

If you would like to know more about becoming a verified foster parent, please let your kinship worker know, you have many options of providers to work with. You can find information regarding all available Child Placing Agency providers at [www.weneedmorefosterparents.com](http://www.weneedmorefosterparents.com) .

Thank you again for providing a safe and loving home.

 Sincerely,

 Rachel Chillemi

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 Director of Permanency Support