



# Family Resource NETWORK

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## DIRECTOR'S CHAIR



The summer months are officially behind us, school is back in full force, and the holidays are upon us!! We are planning for the holiday party. It will be Saturday, December the 20<sup>th</sup>, from 10am-2 pm. Mark your calendars, and keep your

eyes open for the invitation, coming soon! I am hopeful you all will attend. ☺ It should be fun for all, with lots of food, fun, entertainment, and laughter....AND for the kiddos, of all ages, Santa will be there!!!!

These last few months have been exciting and eventful. As many of you have heard, and or seen, we have changed our name from Kids Resource Network to Family Resource Network. Over the past 17 years I have been truly honored and blessed to work with the most amazing people; people that make a difference in the lives of others on a daily basis. People that I am proud to say I know and work with. We have the most amazing foster and adoptive families, and staff, one could ask for. In efforts to honor you for all you do, and all you are, we changed our name to Family Resource Network, to capture what makes us stand out.....our families. We could not, and would not, be who we are without who you are!!!!!! I want to thank each and every one of you for being the most amazing team one could ask for. I look forward to our future, as we continue to make a difference.

With the updated agency name, our email addresses were also updated. Your workers can now be reached by their first [name@familyresourcenetworkco.com](mailto:name@familyresourcenetworkco.com), i.e. ([shawntel@familyresourcenetworkco.com](mailto:shawntel@familyresourcenetworkco.com)).

As many of you are aware, we have a fabulous support group, monthly, with one in the day and one in the evenings. There is great company, yummy snacks, and lots of support and helpful information. Recently, we have covered a host of requested topics, and received feedback that it has been helpful and informative for all. Beginning this coming month, we will be offering not only the adult group for the providers, but a co-occurring group for their kiddos, so they are entertained, informed, and educated in common topics. I invite you to not only share topics that may be helpful, but to join in. You won't regret it ☺

We are trying to be more diligent in keeping information and helpful hints on our Facebook, and encourage you all to "like" our page!

I am excited for what this coming year has in store for each and every one of us. I'd like to personally invite you to stop in and say hi, reach out and join me for a cup of coffee, or let me know a good time that I can stop by just say hello ☺

Thank you all for everything you do!

*Shawntel Tucker*



The Spotlight is on....

## Shirley and Tony Renner



Shirley and Tony are new providers with FRN. Shirley and Tony are very experience parents and have raised 4 boys. They have wanted to explore adoption and fostering for several years, and hope to add a little girl to their family. The Renner's have also been very available and flexible with accepting respite placements for youth that are in transition.

Shirley is a homemaker and has homeschooled all of her boys and Tony works full time for the United States Air force. The Renner family is very involved in boy scouts and they believe it is a great way to spend time with their boys. All 4 of the boys are very excited to hopefully welcome a sister into their homes; they have all been very helpful and have shown a great amount of empathy to the children that have already been placed in their home.

Shirley and Tony are very patient and are very accepting of differences, qualities that will make them very successful foster parents to every child that enters their home.



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### Mission Statement

To provide the best quality care, education, and programs for children and families; and to serve the community in which we live and work!

### About Us

Family Resource Network, formally Kids' Resource Network, was founded in 1985, moving into El Paso County area in 1992. Since the beginning it has been our goal to grow gradually and to focus on a solid and stable program. Our outstanding resources are proof of that. Family Resource Network is the exception! We work with many diverse children and families, who all have different and special needs. Our families and staff stand out above and beyond what could possibly be expected and provide an amazing service to the children and families in the community. We work with children from ages 0-18 and sometimes help young adults up to the age of 21 should there be special circumstances. Family Resource Network works to reunify children in a safe and stable family environment. Should a child be unable to return to their biological family, we help to locate and finalize a permanent placement. In addition to Foster/Adoptive services, we also have a host of services that we provide to the community, through our partnership with Kaleidoscope counseling, such as family, couples, individual, and play therapy, life skills, family preservation, parenting groups, foster and adoptive support groups, assessments, evaluations, and interventions and child and family investigations.

## Support Group

- ✚ November 25<sup>th</sup> 9-11am: **Supporting foster kids through the Holidays**
- ✚ December 20<sup>th</sup> 10-2pm: **Holiday Party**
- ✚ January 28<sup>th</sup> 9-11am AND 530-730pm: **LGBTQIA**
- ✚ February 26<sup>th</sup> 9-11am AND 530-730pm: **Building self worth and personal power**
- ✚ March 26<sup>th</sup> 9-11am AND 530-730pm: **Attachment**
- ✚ April 28<sup>th</sup> 9-11am AND 530-730pm: **Why kids lie**

**There will be an intern available at all support groups for childcare 😊**

**If you plan on attending evening support group please be sure to RSVP to Mallory at [mallory@familyresourcenetworkco.com](mailto:mallory@familyresourcenetworkco.com) or 227-7477 ext 17**

**A light Breakfast and Dinner will be provided!**

**I hope to see everyone there!**