

## *Respite Support & On-going Services*

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Dungarvin provides respite services to foster youth in one of the network's licensed treatment foster homes. This respite is for youth who are currently in foster care. Respite can also be provided through direct placement from a child-placing agency, county FCFC, or via Community Respite services.

For those young adults who age out of foster care and are eligible for the IO Waiver through Medicaid, services could continue by transitioning them into a Dungarvin supported living setting or they may be cared for by an Ohio Shared Living provider through the Dungarvin network.



## *Why Choose Dungarvin?*

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Dungarvin has a small foster care network and as such, can provide a personal and personable approach to foster care. You will never be just a number or get lost in the shuffle at Dungarvin. Instead, Dungarvin holds foster parents in the highest regard and recognizes the hard work that they do. As such, Dungarvin believes that foster parents should be supported and paid to reflect that hard work. The foster care network through Dungarvin provides a family-style approach to providing services.

**Contact us today to be part of making a difference!**

## *What Sets Dungarvin Apart?*

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Dungarvin's goal is to participate in the child service team by assisting in reunifying families and/or finding permanent placements for youth in foster care.

Dungarvin stands firmly on making quality matches for the youth in foster care. This includes matching the youth with the skills of the foster parents, but also with the needs and behaviors of the other youth in the home.

Dungarvin believes that the first placement should be the last placement for foster youth until the youth is discharged from our care.

Dungarvin licenses Treatment Foster homes throughout Franklin County, as well as in neighboring counties.

Dungarvin pays foster care providers a higher per diem than is required per ODJFS rules.

Dungarvin foster care providers receive more training than is required by ODJFS. This includes training on Medication Administration and Developmental, Learning and Physical Disabilities. All training utilizes a Trauma-Informed Care Approach.

# *Dungarvin*

*"Respecting and responding to the choices of those in need of supports."*

# *Dungarvin Foster Care Services*



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## About Our Program

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Treatment foster care (TFC) is a more intensive, comprehensive approach to the traditional family foster care system. Children ages 0-18 who are referred by county children services agencies for TFC have experienced trauma, abuse, neglect, or abandonment. Some children have additional medical needs while others have developmental delays or disabilities. As a result of these experiences, children may present behavioral and emotional challenges severe enough that they are most effectively addressed in a treatment foster home using a team approach.

At Dungarvin, we believe that well-trained and well-supported foster parents provide the most effective intervention possible to children in care and their families. With the help of our expert staff, Dungarvin treatment foster parents offer individualized treatment in their home where youth can participate in family and community activities, benefit from placement stability, and create meaningful relationships.

## About the Children

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Dungarvin Ohio serves children throughout the state ages 0-21. Many of these children come to us from troubled families, hospital placements, or are transitioning from intensive residential settings. Our experience and competence allows us to effectively care for children with developmental disabilities, mental health diagnoses, emotional and behavioral challenges, as well as those with a history of trauma.

## Qualifications

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- **You must be 18 years or older.**
- **You must have an acceptable criminal background check.**
- **You can live in a home that you rent or own.**
- **You must have income to meet basic needs.**
- **You can be a one or two parent family, with or without your own children at home.**

## Team Support

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Dungarvin believes that all foster parents deserve a team approach to support them and the youth in their home. Each foster home is assigned a Foster Care Social Worker (FCSW) who is a Licensed Social Worker (LSW). The FCSW supports the foster parent by attending meetings, advocating for additional services and providing moral support and encouragement. The FCSW provides support to the youth in care by making referrals for services, being an additional part of the service team, and by being available to the youth as needed.



## Quality Services

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- **Weekly visits with a Foster Care Social Worker**
- **Advanced skill development and ongoing education for Dungarvin Foster Parents**
- **Advocacy and support services with regard to home, court, and school**
- **24-hour after hours emergency on-call services**
- **Superior quality assurance tools used to provide continual program monitoring**
- **Centralized communication with a streamlined referral and intake process**



## Qualified Personnel

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As a leading child and family service provider with more than 20 years of success, Dungarvin Ohio's experienced team of human services staff includes:

- **Referral-based psychiatric and counseling services and support**
- **Licensed Social Workers**
- **Access to continuum of care and program-to-program transfers**
- **Exceptional training opportunities**