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Help make a difference by being a foster parent

The approaching holidays, even today with our unusually compressed and often uncertain lives, still stimulate times of reflective contemplation. It's an emotional time. The nice things around us tend to seem exceptionally good and we find ourselves feeling intensely aware of and deeply thankful for them. The bad things in our lives—around town and across the world—can sometimes be almost crippling.

For these few short days, the precious time with our family and friends compels us to truly treasure and appreciate who we are and where we came from. We know that, no matter what the future may bring, it will not have to be faced alone. We're so lucky to be able to take these emotions for granted and to watch our cherished children truly laugh.

Others, around the block and a few streets over, perpetually try so very hard to imagine the same feelings and dream of times they'll be loved as well. Who are they? Where did they come from? Who can they trust and what does their future hold? Please, as you embrace the wonderful spirit of giving during this time, think about what a difference a foster parent can make forever in these still precious and trustful lives.

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