

Where do you, our partners, help youth on their journey?

Our responsibility is to temporarily place youth with family members, sponsors or foster parents currently in the United States as they go through immigration court.

BORDER CROSSED

Apprehended by U.S. Customs and Border Protection part of Homeland Security

Is the minor from a country other than Mexico or Canada?



Minor is screened; removal process begins.



Transferred within 72 hours to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Unaccompanied minors are handled by the Office of Refugee Resettlement, part of HHS.

Minors then moved into regional shelter

Children spend less than 35 days in shelter on average.

Will a related adult sponsor come forward to take the child?



Taken in by federal foster care

All foster care parents must be fully licensed by their state of residence, including agencies and individuals that take custody of unaccompanied minor immigrants.



Claimed by a family member

Most unaccompanied minors who enter the country without documentation are eventually placed with relatives.

Failure to appear at any assigned immigration court hearing prompts the removal process.

Once the minor receives a notice to appear in immigration court:

The initial immigration court hearing is scheduled within 21 days.

If they cannot find a lawyer within 30 days of the hearing being scheduled, they start the case without legal counsel.

There are multiple forms of immigration relief an unaccompanied minor can seek. These include asylum, Special Immigrant Juveniles (SIJ) Status, which applies to minors abused or neglected by their parents, and visas dedicated to crime or trafficking victims.

Is the minor granted some form of immigration relief?



The minor is allowed to legally remain in the U.S.



Deportation issue ordered



OUR PURPOSE

Enriching Communities,
One Family at a Time

CORE VALUES

SAFETY as a mindset

Act with **INTEGRITY**

Listen and respond with **EMPATHY**

IMPACT drives lasting change



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CAMINOS

Foster Care
Completing the
Journey

Heroes Give Children



Are You A Hero?



The Caminos Program has served hundreds of children, reuniting them with family members and Foster Parents.

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HOW CAN I HELP? FOSTER A CHILD!

Join the hundreds of foster care parents across the United States who are meeting the needs of vulnerable youth.

There are two ways to foster:

Transitional Foster Care

Youth to Foster: Males 9 - 17 years of age

You must possess a cultural competency that embraces and supports diverse cultures of Latin American youth.

Reside near the BCC Baltimore campus for the child to physically attend school at Board of Child Care. Spanish speaking preferred, but not required.

Long Term Foster Care

Youth to Foster: Male & Female 2 - 17 years of age

You must possess a cultural competency that embraces and supports diverse cultures of Latin American youth.

You can reside anywhere in the state of Maryland. Spanish speaking preferred, but not required.

What training will I receive?

While you are caring for a child you'll have access to our professional team every hour of every day.

Extensive Orientation | Training Sessions

Certification • Coaching

Guidance • Mentorship

4:1

Professional staff ratio flexibility for each one child placed in our care.

24/7

Access to our professional staff team every hour of every day.



Evidenced-based program

HOW CAN I PARTICIPATE?

Just answer a few hero questions below!

Can you read, write, speak both Spanish and English?

Yes No

Bilingual/fluent English and Spanish

Does mentoring a child at a pivotal life point appeal to you?

Yes No

Can you be creative and modify expectations as needed?

Yes No

Do you enjoy teamwork and learning new parenting skills?

Yes No

Do you have a private unoccupied bedroom?

Yes No

Can you use computers, software and web browsers?

Yes No

WHAT IS CAMINOS?

CAMINOS - from the Spanish language meaning (a path of travel) road-journey.

Board of Child Care's Caminos program provides safe, secure placement options for children who have recently migrated to the United States and are seeking opportunities for reunification with family as well as the chance to pursue their education and legal immigration cases. They are young and vulnerable, and have made the hazardous journey facing exploitation, abuse and human trafficking alone and have been placed into our care.

WHO WE ARE

Board of Child Care is a private nonprofit. We provide youth and their families with education, mental health, and therapeutic residential services across the Mid-Atlantic.

The Caminos program has served hundreds of children by reuniting them with family members, sponsors and Foster Parents.

Why are they coming?

48% are fleeing violence from drug cartels and gangs

other reasons include:

- coming to find family members already living in the U.S.
- to seek work to support themselves, their families, or their children.
- they were brought into the U.S by human traffickers.

NEXT STEPS

Check how your score compares at BoardofChildCare.org/CaminosHero and register to attend our next information session.

