FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN FAMILIES

Foster Home Recruitment Needs: < 10% group home target Communities Connected for Kids

Bed Days (updated annually)				
FY 2017	220,825			
FY 2018	184,690			
% change	-16.36%			
Total needed	154,468			
Foster needed	44,307			

Foster Homes				
Current Total	89			
Unrestricted	84			
Expected closed	-35			
Usable	49			
Needed	64			

Subpopulation Breakdowns							
Age	0-2	3-5	6-12	13-17			
Total homes needed	38	23	21	32			
New homes needed	0	11	32	21			
			African	Native			
Race	White	Hispanic	American	American	Other		
% of child population	53%	16%	28%	1%	1%		
% of foster home population	70%	1%	22%	0%	8%		
Homes to recruit	30	14	19	1	-1		
Sibling Groups					Total		
Base homes needed with 4+ beds					21		
Homes needed with 4+ beds with	difficult placing	ng factored in			32		
Specialized			DDD	Med Complex	HT		
Total homes needed			3	2	8		
New homes needed			3	1	8		

Recruitment Needs Based on Statewide Licensing Rate	
Number of inquiries needed	412

These estimates were produced from a model designed by the Annie E. Casey Foundation and modified by the Department of Children and Families for recruitment purposes. The results produced are estimates only, to be used for forecasting and do not guarantee placement of a child in a recruited home. Several assumptions have been made to arrive at the current estimates: (1) the average number of beds per foster home is 2; (2) certain groups are more difficult to place than others and the number of foster homes needed for those have been scaled up; (3) due to data limitations, it is assumed that the current foster home placement proportionality will remain constant. Recruitment estimates, including the composition between groups and method of calculation, are representative of DCF's needs for 2018 and are likely to change in the future. They will be updated as necessary.