



## CELEBRATING FOSTER CHILDREN ONE BIRTHDAY AT A TIME!

**Your Birthday Wish** works with social workers and foster parents to provide an unforgettable birthday party for a foster child. We must be contacted by either of those parties to begin the process of planning a party.

The party must be wanted by the foster child. We understand that birthdays and parties can be triggering for some children in care. For this reason, unless specifically requested by the child, **Your Birthday Wish** does not plan or provide surprise parties.

All volunteers of **Your Birthday Wish** are required to complete a background check.

**Your Birthday Wish** parties are made possible through the donation of goods and services of vendors. We allow vendors to display their name and/or business information.

Because **Your Birthday Wish** parties are made possible by the generosity of vendors and donors, there is a limit of 40 attendees. If you anticipate more than limited, please discuss with us.

Any pictures taken by **Your Birthday Wish** will be of décor and displays only. Said photos will not contain any images of guests or birthday child. If a child has requested some type of imaging as part of their birthday wish, the foster parents will need to approve and sign any contracts with the hired media professional.

Our mission is to provide unforgettable birthday parties, without added stress for the foster parents. **Your Birthday Wish** does not plan or provide birthday parties at private residences. The location will be determined after discussion with the foster parents and finding out the child's birthday party wish.

Birthday party wishes and themes must be child appropriate. **Your Birthday Wish** will not plan, design or provide any party that includes images or themes of anything deemed as inappropriate, to include but not limited to: drugs, alcohol, foul language, sexual references or political affiliation.

**Your Birthday Wish** strives to create lasting memories. We feel that birthdays are special and are a day to remind children in foster care that they are loved, and worth being celebrated. Although foster care can have a lasting effect on any age, **Your Birthday Wish** requires the birthday child to be at least 4 years old (turning 5 years old).

It does take time to contract and coordinate with vendors, volunteers, and foster parents to create an amazing and unique party. For this reason, **Your Birthday Wish** does require a minimum of 30 day from the time we are contacted to the date of the party.



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Once contacted, **Your Birthday Wish** will:

- Immediately provide foster parent/social worker with a simple questionnaire to be filled out with the help of the birthday child. This questionnaire will contain basic questions that will give us an insight of what type of party the child is wanting. This will also be the time we can choose a date and time of the party.
- Once the questionnaire is completed, we can then secure a location for the party. Once this has been done, we will immediately notify the foster parents so they may begin inviting people!
- **Your Birthday Wish** handles the rest! We can provide invitations if needed (digital and/or physical), secure vendors for food, design décor, games, favors, entertainment... the possibilities are only limited by the child's wish!
- **Your Birthday Wish** will be in communication with the foster parents during the entire process. We will touch base with the foster parents 2 weeks prior to the party, 1 week prior to the party and then again the day before. This is to make sure there are no questions, requests or changes needed.

**Your Birthday Wish** understands that foster care can be unpredictable. We do ask that foster parents/social workers contact us immediately if the living situation of the child changes or if a party is no longer needed.