# Who We Are!

**The Foster Grandparent** Program is a part of **AmeriCorps Seniors**, a federal agency that encourages adults 55 and older to share their skills, talents and experiences to meet a wide range of community challenges through three programs -Foster Grandparents, RSVP and Senior Companions. **The YWCA Tri-County Area** sponsors and administers the Foster Grandparent **Program for Montgomery** and Chester Counties.





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### Who are Foster Grandparents?

Montgomery or Chester County adults 55 years and older who meet income requirements will provide one-on-one services to children with exceptional and special needs and/or from disadvantaged backgrounds in K-12 schools, childcare centers or other community locations. Following the required orientation, Foster Grandparents are able to volunteer up to 40 hours per week.

## Who is eligible to become a Foster Grandparent?

# **Foster Grandparents MUST:**

- Be 55 years or older
- Meet income requirements
- Consent to a comprehensive criminal history check
- Adhere to our code of conduct and all other program policies
- Be physically and mentally able to perform assigned activities
- Have a willingness to learn and grow through on-going training
- Have a genuine desire to work with children and youth

## What benefits do Foster Grandparents receive?

- A small, non-taxable stipend to help offset the costs of volunteering
- Transportation for those 65 or older or reimbursement for travel costs
- Ongoing training and opportunities to connect with other Foster Grandparents
- Accident, liability and excess auto insurance
- Recognition for their service
- The joy of knowing they're making a difference in the lives of children and their community

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A FOSTER GRANDPARENT IN MONTGOMERY OR CHESTER COUNTY?

### CONTACT THE FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

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As a Foster Grandparent, you'll help children and youth in your community develop the academic and life skills critical to their development and future success. Sharing your time and experience can help children learn how to read and write, prepare younger students for school readiness, tackle tough subjects, and make decisions that keep them on the right path. We do our best to connect Foster Grandparents with a volunteer station and children who match their interests and skills.