



Could you change Harry's future?

Harry is an 11-year-old boy. He is approximately 4ft 10 inches tall and of slim build. He has short brown hair and has the most infectious smile.

Harry is a shy boy; however, he grows in confidence when he gets to know you. He loves spending time outdoors on walks, country drives, gardening and woodwork. Harry takes an interest in his appearance and enjoys shopping for the latest fashion including skinny jeans and top of the range trainers.

Harry is interested in Football, Hot Wheels (miniature cars) and PC games. He enjoys to talk about these hobbies enthusiastically. Harry enjoys sensory activities involving water, sand and soil and can use these activities to help regulate his emotions if he feels overwhelmed.

Harry benefits from having set routines throughout the day such as getting ready in the morning, meal times and bed times. Harry can be a fussy eater however he has some meals that he really enjoys such as prawn curry. He requires encouragement to expand his palette to include more fruit which he loves especially Kiwis.

Harry attends school and excels at subjects he enjoys such as Maths and is very engaged with this work. Harry has been described as very intelligent however sometimes the trauma he has experienced in his young life prevents him from reaching his full potential.

Harry has experienced a lot of trauma, loss and instability in his life and he struggles to make sense of it. Harry responds very well to one to one attention from adults and when they take an interest in his life and hobbies.

Harry really needs a foster carer(s) who will give him plenty of love and affection. He finds it challenging emotionally if the attention of adults is divided between him and other children and reacts strongly to this. Therefore he would need a foster carer(s) with no children of their own and someone who can provide him with care and attention he needs.

Could you provide a foster home for Harry?

You will receive 24-hour social work support along with a comprehensive training package and annual fee provided monthly, alongside the additional fostering allowance to cover day-to-day expenses. Further support will be made available from

other appropriate professionals to enable you to understand Harry's needs at different stages in his development. There will be a short-break carer identified for Harry to support him and his foster carer.

You will not be on your own, [we will support you by:](#)

- Providing a named social worker who will be available to you
- Out of hours social work services
- Training to enable you to understand Harry's particular needs
- A fee of £ 14,600 per annum attached to Harry's care placement, in addition to a monthly allowance to cover the costs of his day to day needs

If you feel you could be Harry's* foster carer or want more information to help you decide, please get in touch by calling us on 0800 0720 137 or [fill in our online form](#). We would love to hear from you.

If you'd like to find out more about [Foster Care please click here](#). To contact the HSC Northern Ireland Adoption and Foster Care for [any general queries please click here](#).

**Harry's name has been changed to protect his identity.*