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MAY IS NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH

Racine County Celebrates Contributions to the Foster Care program

Racine – Racine County Executive Jonathan Delagrave is reminding the public that May is National Foster Care Month, an opportunity to show gratitude toward those who improve the lives of children and teens in foster care.

In appreciation of local foster families and supporters of the foster care program, Racine County will coordinate activities, including a signed proclamation from the Racine County Board and County Executive Delagrave. The proclamation recognizes the efforts of all community members who are improving the lives of children and youth who are part of foster care.

"We are so grateful for the tireless efforts of foster families, Racine County staff and community members that manage and coordinate the foster care program," Delagrave said. "Their compassionate and dedicated service changes the lives of kids and teens every day."

In Racine County, this year's Foster Care Month holds a special meaning. It comes on the heels of Racine County Foster Care launching its Bring Them Home Campaign, an effort to recruit and license new foster homes in Racine County and bring back local children who were placed in homes outside the county.

In 2017, 130 foster families provided homes to more than 525 Racine County children and youth in foster care. The number of local children and families impacted by foster care continues to rise annually.

To learn how you can use your time, talent and resources for Racine County Foster Care, contact Dan Chiappetta of Racine County Foster Care at 262.638.6509 or dan.chiappetta@racinecounty.com. You can also visit Foster Care online at racinecounty.com/fostercare or on Facebook at Facebook.com/RacineCountyFosterCare.