

Profiles of Special Needs Children in Recruitment



EMOTIONAL/BEHAVIORAL NEEDS LEVELS

Mild: Characteristics of individuals with mild emotional disability include, for example: functioning well in school, at home, and with peers. If symptoms are present, they are transient and may be a result of developmental stage or expected reaction to external stressors (such as anxiety, sadness, or behavioral difficulty related to introduction to new situations, losses, or changes in the child's environment); able to communicate needs and understand rules as well as consequences of behavior (depends on developmental stage); may use substances; does not require medication or therapeutic mediation at this time but may benefit from counseling in dealing with emotions and behaviors that may be causing difficulty.

Characteristics of individuals with mild behavioral disability include, for example: redirectable; behavior will likely change with therapy; amount of adult attention is age appropriate; can be left unsupervised (at age-appropriate level).

Moderate: Characteristics of individuals with moderate emotional disability include, for example: symptoms are present but child is able to function with some assistance in school, at home, and with peers; displays anxiety, depression, behavioral problems that can be mediated by medication, behavior therapy, or counseling as needed (these behavioral problems can include: occasional panic attacks or severe anxiety that is not precipitated by external stressors; sexually inappropriate behavior but not sexual abuse of others; episodic use of substances; some conflicts with teachers, peers, or others in authority; fighting; occasional theft or lying; depressed mood without suicidal ideation; encopresis or enuresis; poor judgement or impulse control; hard-to-manage behaviors that are not destructive or violent; isolating behavior; difficulty maintaining friendships; difficulty in communicating needs in an appropriate fashion, sometimes losing sight of consequences of behavior (depends on developmental stage).

Characteristics of individuals with moderate behavioral disability include, for example; displays acting-out behaviors, but not destructive or hurtful; has risky behaviors without the understanding of consequences; will benefit from therapy but likely will not show immediate progress.

Severe Characteristics of individuals with severe emotional disability include, for example: serious impairment in social and academic functioning; occasional to persistent danger of severely hurting self or others; recurrent violence that appears unprecipitated; a pattern of cruelty to animals; fire-setting behaviors; inability to maintain personal hygiene; sexual abuse of others; gross impairment in ability to communicate (largely incoherent); inability to see consequences of actions or show empathy for others; significant destruction of property; gross impairment in reality testing, judgement, and thinking; persistent use of substances; self-mutilating behavior; presence of hallucinations or delusions (that are not related to substance abuse or organic difficulty); may require repeated psychiatric hospitalizations or 24-hour monitoring; requires medication and consistent psychiatric assistance; may have poor prognosis for adult level of functioning.

Characteristics of individuals with severe behavioral disability include, for example: needs line-of-sight supervision; likely has one-on-one support or alternative school setting; has been physically and verbally aggressive toward adults and peers; has tendency to be a danger to self or others; would benefit from therapy, but it may not change behaviors; may be in detention or have juvenile justice involvement.

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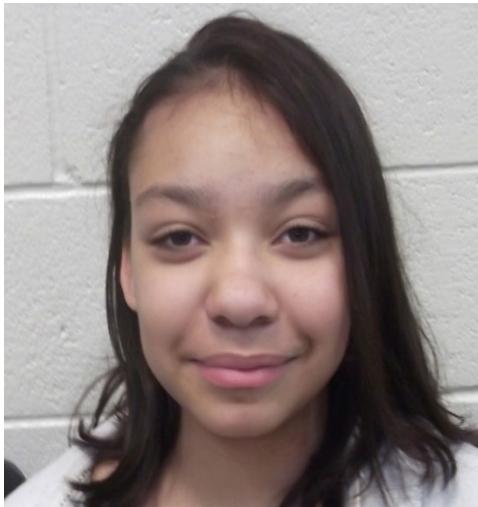
Single Girls

	<p>Name(s): Brianna Age(s): 13 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Grade(s): 8th Interests: hair, nails, makeup. Loves candy, Coca-Cola, chips, playing card games, and singing. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@ClarkCountyNV.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Malicia Age: 3 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate w/Developmental Delays Interests: She loves watching Cocomelon on TV. She enjoys being silly and laughing. She loves to play and be held. Malicia loves one on one attention. Grade: Pre-Kindergarten Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist Karen.Bломquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Heavenly Age(s): 14 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe. Grade(s): 9th for 2022-2023 School Year Interests: Heavenly is very outgoing, she loves arts and crafts. Heavenly loves animals. She loves to ride her bike. She hopes to be a cosmetologist when she grows up. She loves to fix hair. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@ClarkCountyNV.gov</p>

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	<p>Name(s): Gabriella Ages(s): 13 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Severe Grade: 8th grade for 2022-2023 School Year Interest: Song writing, singing, eating Mexican food, interest in philanthropic activities, reading Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Miracle Ages(s): 10 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Severe Grade: 5th Interest: Singing, reading, arts and crafts Legal Status: Legally free Recruiter: Liz Sanchez liz.sanchez@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Saniya Ages(s): 12 y/o Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Grade: 6th Interest: loves to play outside with peers, play on her iPad, dance and sing and paint her nails. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

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	<p>Name(s): Truly Ages(s): 13 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Mild to Moderate Grade: 2022-2023 7th Interest: Talking on the phone and using the internet, reading, spending time with friends. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Erica Ages(s): 14 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Grade: 9th Interest: Anime, Baking, Art. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Liz Sanchez liz.sanchez@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Makayla Ages(s): 5 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Grade: She is in a Pre K school program and her favorite subjects in school are gym class, art, and music. Interest: Makayla is a sweet 5- year- old girl who loves to smile and be silly. She loves to dance, listen to music, and play Ring Around the Rosey. Other favorite things to do are riding a scooter or tricycle outside and going to play at the beach. Makayla is a little small for her age and is working on communicating her wants and needs to her caregivers. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Liz Sanchez liz.sanchez@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

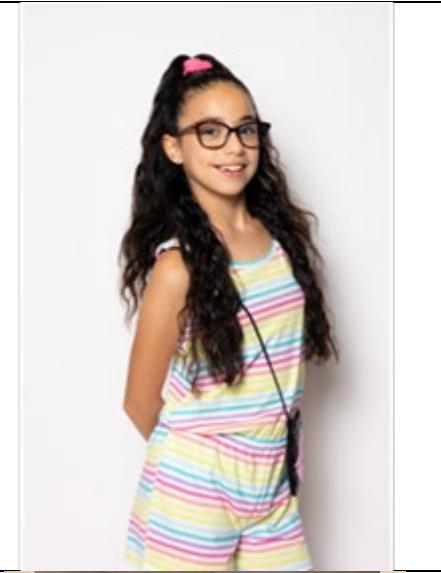
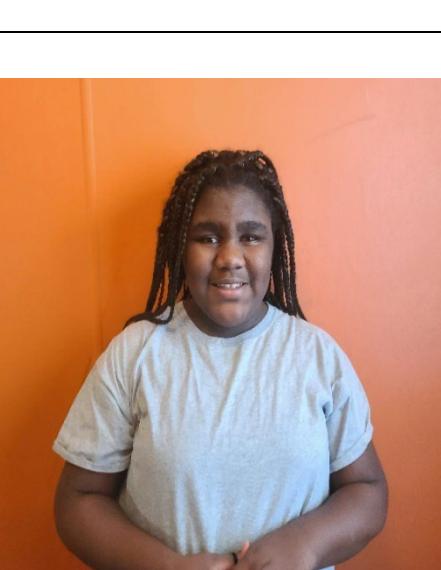
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	<p>Name: Bryanna Ages: 14 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Grade: 9th grade for 2022-2023 school year. Interest: Bryanna loves Karate, Anime, drawing, coloring, painting, learning to skateboard. Bryanna is a fearless and brave kiddo! Bryanna has a speech impediment so speaking to strangers makes her shy at times. Bryanna loves animals, especially cats. She would love to find a forever family who loves animals as much as she does. She would like to have a big family that is very active and fun. Legal Status: Legally free Recruiter: Liz Sanchez liz.sanchez@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Shelby Ages(s): 6 y/o Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate - Severe Grade: 1st Interest: loves to be the center of attention. She enjoys dancing and singing. She likes to wear dresses and play with puzzles. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): London Age(s): 8 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Grade(s): 3rd grade Interests: playing football, riding her bike, cheerleading, also enjoys singing and dancing. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

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		<p>Name: Kierrah Age: 13 Emotional/Behavioral/Medical Level: Moderate - Severe Grade(s): 7th grade Interests: Kierrah loves sports and being active. Kierrah enjoys riding skateboards and visiting the skate park. She really enjoys being outdoors. She loves Kobe Bryant. Her favorite times of the year are Halloween and Christmas. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
		<p>Name(s): Chaslyn Age(s): 14 Emotional/Behavioral/Medical Level: Moderate - Severe Grade(s): 9th Interests: Chaslyn loves to hang out with her friends and go shopping. She enjoys writing in school. Chaslyn hopes to have a dog of her own someday! Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist Karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
		<p>Name: Tristen Age: 10 Emotional/Behavioral/Medical Level: Moderate Grade(s): 4th grade Interests: Tristen is very caring, outgoing, energetic, talkative, helpful, and eager to learn new things. She loves to give hugs and is very creative and artistic. She has a great memory, is respectful, polite, and communicates with a lot of detail. She likes to dance, listen to music, and play the flute and violin. Legal Status: LEGAL RISK Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

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	<p>Name: Kimberly Ages: 10 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Grade: 5th grade for 2022-2023 school year. Interest: Kimberly is a fashionista and loves designing her own clothes. She loves BTS and K-Pop music. She loves all Mexican foods, especially enchiladas. She can be outgoing and active. She wishes to be a surgeon when she grows up. Legal Status: Legally free Recruiter: Liz Sanchez liz.sanchez@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name: Jaela Ages: 10 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Grade: 5th grade for 2022-2023 school year. Interest: Jaela is a charismatic, sweet girl who loves music, Disney's the Descendants, and pets. She loves pizza and sweets. She loves to sing and her favorite singer is SZA. Legal Status: Legally free Recruiter: Liz Sanchez liz.sanchez@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Zariah Age(s): 12 Emotional/Behavioral/Medical Level: Moderate - Severe Grade(s): 6th Interests: Zariah loves to draw, paint, and color. Her favorite colors are blue and red. She enjoys singing and crafting. Her favorite school subject is Science. She aspires one day to either be a hair stylist or become a professional singer. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist Karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

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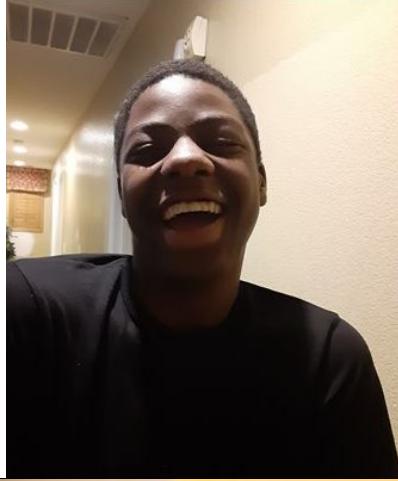
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	<p>Name(s): Ayden Age: 12 Grade: 6th Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Interests: He loves Pokemon, riding his skateboard or scooter. Ayden also loves playing video games. Favorite meals include chicken and pizza. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist Karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Matthew Age(s): 12 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Grade(s): 6th Interests: YouTube, Rap music, Swimming, basketball, playing games on his phone, watching movies and TV. Matthew wishes to go one day fishing in Australia. He loves spending time with his sister on the weekends. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

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	<p>Name(s): Brayden Age(s): 12 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Severe Grade(s): 7th grade Interests: Video games, water parks, movie theaters, keeping in contact with his sister. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Jayden Age(s): 12 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Grade(s): 7th grade Interests: Video games, you tube, sushi, watching movies, dogs. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Liz Sanchez liz.sanchez@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): William Age(s): 15 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate - Severe Grade(s): 8th Interests: Video games, snacks, watching movies, sports Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Liz Sanchez liz.sanchez@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

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	<p>Name(s): Paul Age(s): 11 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Grade(s): 5th grade Interests: Video games, riding bikes, swimming, remote control cars, snacks, watching movies, sports, picking out his outfits. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Cyrus Age(s): 14 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Grade(s): 9th Interests: Flag football, music Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Liz Sanchez Liz.Sanchez@ClarkCountyNV.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Damien Age(s): 16 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Grade(s): 10th Interests: Playing with remote control cars and playing on his tablet. Damien is looking for his forever home and longs for a permanent family. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

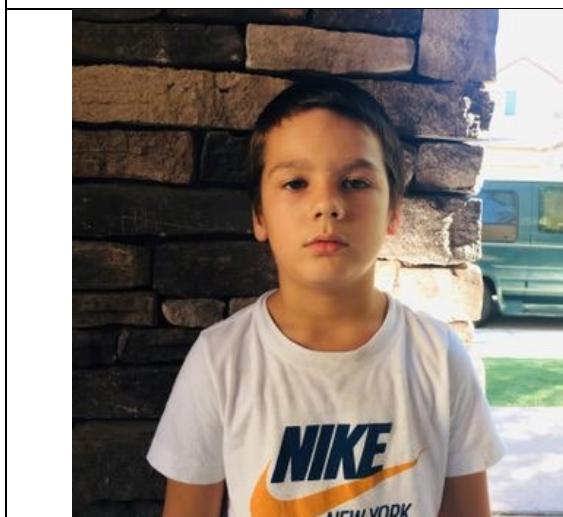
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	<p>Name(s): Jero'Sean Age(s): 9 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate -Severe Grade(s): 2022-2023 school year; 4th grade Interests: Loves to play basketball and football. Jero'Sean loves Marvel Movies and wants to be Wolverine someday. He is interested being the youngest child in his forever home. Red is his favorite color and he loves pizza! Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov </p>
 	<p>Name(s): Preston Age(s): 12 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Grade(s): 2021-2022 school year; 6th grade Interests: Go Karts, skating and learning to skate board. Preston loves attention and says he is interested in having a mom and dad who will actively engage in activities with him. Preston is a true artist; he drew this picture free-hand! Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov </p>

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Name: Curry
Age: 8
Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe
Grade: 3rd grade for the 2022-2023 school year
Interest: One of his favorite activities is burning off his energy at the park; he delights in being outside. Curry will tell you his talents when asked, "I can kick really hard. I run fast too." His kicking skills come in handy for his love of kickball. Curry is always up to go to the local theme park for thrills. When the weather or time only allows for indoor play, this kiddo turns to coloring and favors red and black. The characters from Paw Patrol make him smile; dogs are by far his favorite animal. Chicken fingers and McDonald's are Curry's ideal meals. Invisibility would be his hope for a superpower. Curry strives to be independent and is known to be a caring and kind child with caregivers. This fellow's aspirations for the future come with financial goals: "If I save my allowance every month, I will be a rich grown-up!"
Legal Status: Legally free
Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@clarkcountynv.gov



Name(s): Jordan
Age(s): 10
Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe
Grade(s): 5th
Interests: Loves science projects, playing sports, playing video games.
Legal Status: Legally Free
Recruiter: Karen Blomquist
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	<p>Name: Isaiah Age: 12 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Grade: 5th Interest: Video Games, football, YouTube Videos, reading, and basketball. "I like to read and learn new things". Favorite school subject is Social Studies. Isaiah is developmentally on track, can advocate for himself and let his likes and dislikes known.</p> <p>Legal Status: Legally free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Jery'ian Age(s): 15 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate - Severe Grade(s): 8th Interests: Jery'ian enjoys playing and watching basketball and football. His favorite team is the Warriors. He enjoys Math and does well in Spelling. Jery'ian likes to laugh and clown around. His favorite foods are sushi, pizza and spaghetti but he also likes to try new foods. He enjoys playing cards and riding bikes. He likes to help others and stay busy.</p> <p>Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Liz Sanchez Liz.Sanchez@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name: Thomas Age: 6 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Grade: 1st Interest: Loves superheroes and anime characters. He also enjoys playing outside and being active. He also likes dinosaurs and his exercise program at school. Thomas also enjoys learning about numbers.</p> <p>Legal Status: Legally free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

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	<p>Name: Isaiah Age: 3 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Mild Grade: PK Interest: He loves watching cartoons and playing outside on his balance bike! His laugh is contagious and he loves to see others smile. Isaiah likes to be independent and try things on his own. He likes to attend school and does well in this environment.</p> <p>Legal Status: Legally free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name: Mar'Leno Age: 5 Emotional/Behavioral Level: MODERATE Grade: K Interest: Mar'Leno's favorite foods are fish, rice, hot dogs, and pasta. He identifies his favorite candy as being popsicles. Mar'Leno likes routine and being given options to choose. At nighttime he likes to choose the color that his nightlight displays. Mar'Leno likes playing with toys. He thinks his teacher is the best. His favorite character is lightning McQueen.</p> <p>Legal Status: LEGAL RISK Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

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Sibling Groups

	<p>Name(s): Hakeem and Samira Age(s): 16, 14 Emotional/Behavioral/Medical Level: Mild - Severe Grade(s): 11th, 7th Interests: Both Samira and Hakeem do very well in school and like challenging themselves. Samira is an animal lover, is starting a track team in school and likes to sing. Hakeem likes to draw and journal. They both like to watch Netflix and YouTube. Hakeem likes to engage in sports and Samira likes to listen to music. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Names: Sirena & Ryker Ages: Sirena is 3 Ryker is 9 Emotional/Behavioral: Sirena is mild Ryker is severe Grades: Sirena is pre-K Ryker is 3rd grade Interests: Sirena is interested in watching cocomelon TV show, playing catch and soccer. Ryker is interested in playing, he enjoys playing army, trains, basketball and with legos. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist Karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

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Names: Neveah and Eli

Ages: 8y and 3y

Emotional/Behavioral: Mild-Moderate

Interests: Neveah loves having fun and playing with her OMG dolls. Neveah takes her time eating meals and is a picky eater.

Eli is energetic always happy and smiling. He loves to watch TV. He is very observant and questions everything. He greets visitor with hugs and excitement. Both kids are a lot of fun together. They play well together and also fight with one another but nothing out of the ordinary. Eli will often lay on his sister when playing and she will hold him.

Legal Status: Legally Free

Recruiter: Yesenia -

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Names: Edwin, Juan, and Nayareli

Ages: 13, 11, 5

Emotional/Behavioral: Mild

Interests: Edwin likes to play football, video games, and loves to draw. He enjoys doing odd neighborhood jobs to earn extra money. He is hopes to be a Fireman or join the Airforce someday. Juan also likes football and any other sport. He also hopes to join Airforce. Nayareli likes to play with her dolls and play with games and puzzles. Nayareli loves to learn and go to school!!

Legal Status: Legal Risk

Recruiter: Karen Blomquist

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CLARK COUNTY WEBSITE:

https://www.clarkcountynv.gov/residents/family_services/divisions/adoption_program/index.php
-Search Adoption Profiles

RAISE THE FUTURE WEBSITE:

<https://www.raisethefuture.org/>
-Click children we serve
-Click meet waiting children
-search Nevada

ADOPTUSKIDS WEBSITE:

<https://adoptuskids.org/>
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