

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.

If you are interested in any of these children, please email: DFSFIndMyForever@clarkcountynv.gov.

SINGLE GIRLS

	<p>Name(s): Brianna Age(s): 14 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Severe Grade(s): 5th Interests: Brianna loves to give and receive hug. She like to go on long walks and smell the fresh air. She loves to have her hair and nails done. She loves to play boardgames like Pictureka! Brianna loves to eat; she likes candy, drinking Coca-Cola, chips, playing card games, and singing to her favorite songs! Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@ClarkCountyNV.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Gabriella Age(s): 15 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Severe Grade: 9th grade for 2023-2024 School Year Interest: Song writing, singing, eating Mexican food, interest in philanthropic activities, reading Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Kerri Salomon Email: Kerri.Salomon@ClarkCountyNV.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Miracle Age(s): 12 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Severe Grade: 6th grade for 2023/2024 school year Interest: Miracle loves to sing and wants to be a ballerina. She enjoys reading chapter books and loves Olaf from Frozen because they both like "warm hugs!" Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Kerri Salomon Email: Kerri.Salomon@ClarkCountyNV.gov</p>

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	<p>Name(s): Saniya Ages(s): 15 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Grade: 9th 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 Email: karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Truely Ages(s): 15 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): 15 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Grade: 9th Interest: Anime, Baking, Art. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Liz Sanchez liz.sanchez@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

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	<p>Name: Bryanna Ages: 15 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Grade: 10th grade 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): Zariyah Age(s): 13 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>
	<p>Name: Legacy Age: 8 Emotional/Behavioral/Medical Level: Moderate Grade(s): 2nd Interests: Legacy enjoys watching television, running, bounce on trampoline, going to the park watch movies, coloring, drawing. Putting on jewelry, painting her fingernails and getting her hair done. She loves to make others laugh. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

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		<p>Name: Samira Age: 15 Emotional/Behavioral/Medical Level: Moderate Grade(s): 8th Interests: Samira likes to go by Sami. She has dreams to become a lawyer and help children in foster care. She wishes to travel and have a forever home soon. She loves to take photos and dress to express her personality. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
		<p>Name: Kierrah Age: 15 Emotional/Behavioral/Medical Level: Moderate - Severe Grade(s): 8th grade Interests: Kierrah enjoys being outdoors. She loves Kobe Bryant and fast cars. Her favorite food to eat are carne asada burritos. Her favorite times of the year are Halloween and Christmas. Kierrah has siblings that she would like to remain in contact with once she is in a forever home. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
		<p>Name(s): Heavenly Age(s): 15 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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Name(s): Jasmine

Age(s): 13

Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate

Grade(s): 7th

Interests: Jasmine is very outgoing, playing basketball and loves to draw! Jasmine loves to dress up very fashionably and hopes to one day be apart of the fashion industry! She loves getting her hair and nails done!

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Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford

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SINGLE BOYS

	<p>Name(s): Ayden Age: 13 Grade: 7th Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Interests: He loves basketball, riding his skateboard and scooter. Ayden loves to learn about insects and loves animals. In his free time, he loves playing video games. He also has a nurturing side and really cares about people. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist Karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name: Brayden Age: 13 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Grade: 7th grade Interests: Video games, water parks, movie theaters, keeping in contact with his sister. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Kerri Salomon Kerri.Salomon@ClarkCountyNV.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Paul Age(s): 13 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Grade(s): 5th grade Interests: Video games, basketball, 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>

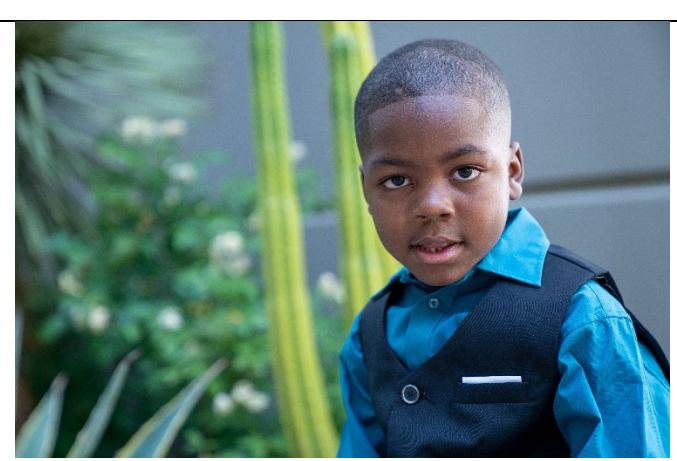
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	<p>Name(s): Jero'Sean Age(s): 10 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate -Severe Grade(s): 2023-2024 school year; 5th grade Interests: Loves to play basketball and football. Jero'Sean loves Marvel Movies and wants to be Wolverine someday. He is interested being the youngest child in his forever home. Red is his favorite color and he loves pizza! Legal Status: Legally Free</p> <p>Recruiter: Kerri Salomon Email: Kerri.Salomon@ClarkCountyNV.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Preston Age(s): 14 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Grade(s): 8th 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. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Kerri Salomon Email: Kerri.Salomon@ClarkCountyNV.gov</p>
	<p>Name: Curry Age: 9 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Grade: 3rd grade 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. When the weather or time only allows for indoor play, this kiddo turns to coloring and favors red and black. Chicken fingers and McDonald's are Curry's ideal meals. Curry strives to be independent and is known to be a caring and kind child with caregivers. Legal Status: Legally free Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

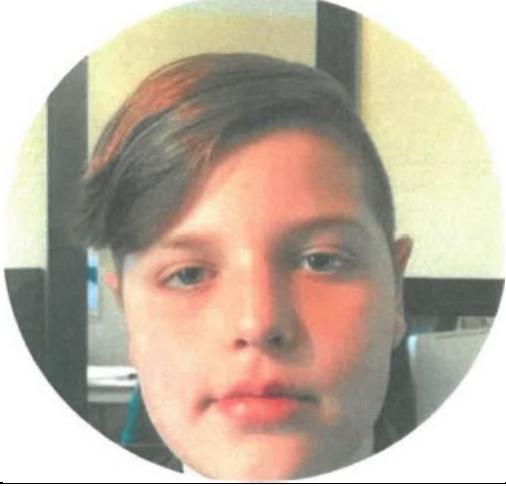
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	<p>Name(s): Jordan Age(s): 11 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Grade(s): 5th Interests: Loves science projects, playing sports, playing video games. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name: Christopher Age: 14 Emotional/Behavioral Level: MODERATE Grade: 8th Interest: Christopher has a big interest in rocks, and anything related to the study of rocks. He likes to play video games and eat all kinds of food. He enjoys playing basketball with his friends and going to the skate park. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name: Jesse Age: 12 Emotional/Behavioral Level: SEVERE Grade: 6th Interest: Jesse has a big heart, kind smile and contagious laugh. He loves animals and volunteers to care for them. He enjoys football, basketball, swimming, dogs, cats and lizards. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

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	<p>Name: Adam Age: 15 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Grade: 8th Interest: Adam enjoys music and is especially fond of the Backstreet Boys! His favorite foods consist of hot dogs, chicken fingers, and french fries.</p> <p>Legal Status: Legal Risk Recruiter: Liz Sanchez liz.sanchez@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name: Mar'Leno Age: 6 Emotional/Behavioral Level: MODERATE Grade: K for the 2022-2023 school year 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: LEGALLY FREE Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Cashis Age(s): 13 Emotional/Behavioral/Medical Level: Moderate Grade(s): 7th Interests: Cashis's favorite foods are fried chicken, pizza, and tacos. One day he hopes to be a professional basketball player or football player. He enjoys the outdoors and being with his friends.</p> <p>Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist Karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

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	<p>Name(s): Harold Age(s): 15 Emotional/Behavioral/Medical Level: Moderate Grade(s): 8th Interests: Harold hopes to be in the NBA when he grows up. He enjoys playing video games and his favorite sports are football and basketball. He also enjoys the outdoors and being with his friends. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist Karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Yonathan Age: 14 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Grade(s): 8th Interests: Sports, playing outside, swimming, video games Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Kerri Salomon Email: Kerri.Salomon@ClarkCountyNV.gov</p>
	<p>Name: Myckael Age: 16 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate-severe Grade: 10th Interest: Myckael loves basketball, video games, YouTube and socializing with his friends! Legal Status: Legal Risk Recruiter: Liz Sanchez liz.sanchez@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

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	<p>Name: Leodan Age: 11 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Grade: 5th Interest: Leodan loves video games, cub scouts, science and swimming!</p> <p>Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Liz Sanchez liz.sanchez@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Darryl Age: 11 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Grade(s): 6th Interests: Sports, playing outside, swimming, video games Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Kerri Salomon Email: Kerri.Salomon@ClarkCountyNV.gov</p>

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SIBLING GROUPS



Name(s): Gabriel, Nathaniel, and Isaiah

Age(s): 14, 12, 11

Emotional/Behavioral/Medical Level:

Moderate

Grade(s): 8th & 5th Grade

Interests: These boys are active and enjoy spending time playing sports and being outdoors. Soccer, football, and basketball are a few of their favorite sports. They also have blast playing video games on their computer or tablets.

Legal Status: **Legally Free**

Recruiter: Karen Blomquist

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Name(s): Emilia, Peter, Anthony

Age(s): 14, 12, 10

Emotional/Behavioral/Medical Level:

Moderate

Grade(s): 9th, 7th, 4th

Interests: Emilia is smart, independent, motivated, and caring. This girl likes to spend her days longboarding and daydreaming. Peter is a talented soccer player and is sure to show off his skills. An ideal day for Peter is spent going to church, followed by a trip to the park with his siblings.

Singing is a talent that Anthony is happy to show off. He loves it so much that he has expressed interest in performing in the talent show at school.

Legal Status: **Legally Free**

Recruiter: Liz Sanchez

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Name: Ja'Dynn & Tabitha

Age: 12, 11

Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate

Grade: 6th

Interest: These girls love makeup, YouTube and playing with their friends. They enjoy camp and watching movies.

Legal Status: **Legally Free**

Recruiter: Liz Sanchez

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	<p>Name(s): Jesiah and Jenai Age(s): 11 and 9 Emotional/Behavioral Level: MODERATE Grade(s): 5th and 4th Interest: Jesiah loves to learn about geography and math. He also enjoys playing on his tablet during his free time. Jenai is a free spirit – who loves to sing and dance. She also enjoys art and drawing. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Kerri Salomon Email: Kerri.Salomon@ClarkCountyNV.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Emmett, Brooklyn, and Scarlett Age: 9, 5, 4 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Mild/Moderate Grade: 3rd, Kindergarten, TK Interests: Emmett enjoys reading, playing outside, and attending church. He is a social butterfly. Brooklyn is a little on the shy side, but she is generally a happy kid and enjoys playing with her toys. Scarlett is a lovable child – she likes to stay busy all the time! Legal Status: Legal Risk Recruiter: Karen Blomquist Email: karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

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Name(s): Kaleigha, Kyler, Kaylani and Kenyon

Age(s): 1, 8, 5 & 5

Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe
Grade(s): 6th, 7th, Pre-K

Interests: These four superstars are full of energy and are deserving of a forever home! Kaliegha the oldest is the sweetest oldest sister. She is in the GATE program and participates in Cheer. Kyler is little Mr. Genius and loves reading chapter book in 2nd grade. Kenyon and Kayloni are the coolest twins ever. Kenyon loves outside activities and playing with his Hot Wheels. Kayloni is a social butterfly and loves playing dress up.

Legal Status: Legally Free

Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford

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Please feel free to check out the websites below for more information:

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/>
-search Nevada

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