

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): 11 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Grade(s): 4th Interests: hair, nails, makeup Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Gabriela Garcia Gabriela.Garcia@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: Becky Robinson ROBINSBJ@ClarkCountyNV.gov </p>
	<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: Becky Robinson ROBINSBJ@ClarkCountyNV.gov </p>



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	<p> Name(s): Miracle Ages(s): 10 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Severe Grade: 4th Interest: Singing, reading Legal Status: Legally free Recruiter: Melissa Salazar Salazarm@ClarkCountyNV.gov </p>
	<p> Name(s): Janai Ages(s): 15 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Severe Grade: She participates in 1-2 hours of online schooling. Interest: She loves to laugh when around people, she would benefit from being in a family setting. She loves people, children and music. Legal Status: Legally Risk Recruiter: Brian Potts PottsBD@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): Shelby Ages(s): 6 y/o Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate Grade: 1st Interest: loves to be the center of attention. She enjoys dancing and singing Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@clarkcountynv.gov </p>
	<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: Becky Robinson ROBINSBJ@ClarkCountyNV.gov </p>
	<p> Name(S): Jaela Age: 10 Grade: 2021-2022 School year, 4th grade Emotional/Behavioral Level: Mild to Moderate Interests: She is a sweet child who enjoys comic books, Descendant and LOL dolls, she hopes to learn to bake, she is interested in cheer or theatre clubs at school. She loves pink and purple. She enjoys outdoor activities. Legal Status: Legal Risk Recruiter: Michelle Pollock M1P@ClarkCountyNV.gov </p>


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	<p> Name(s): Leah Ages(s): 14 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Mild to Moderate Grade: 8th Interest: Talking on the phone and using the internet, reading, spending time with friends. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Yesenia Crawford yesenia@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: Makayla is not yet legally free Recruiter: Brian Potts PottsBD@ClarkCountyNV.gov </p>




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	<p>Name: Bryanna Ages: 13 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Grade: She will be in the 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: Gaby Garcia Gabriela.Garcia@ClarkCountyNV.gov</p>
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Single Boys

	<p>Name(s): Matthew Age(s): 11 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Severe Grade(s): 5 Interests: YouTube, Rap music, Swimming 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: Melissa Salazar Salazarm@clarkcountynv.gov </p>
	<p> Name(s): William Age(s): 14 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate - Severe Grade(s): 8th Interests: Video games, snacks, watching movies, sports Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Alyssa Bradley Lyssa@ClarkCountyNV.gov </p>




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	<p> Name(s): Kyler Age(s): 7 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe. Grade(s): 2nd grade 2021-2022 School year. Interests: Kyler loves music, bouncing, drums, the IPAD, playing ball, watching movies, and stuffed animals. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Becky Robinson ROBINSBJ@ClarkCountyNV.gov </p>
	<p> Name(s): Paul Age(s): 10 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe. Grade(s): 4th grade Interests: Video games, remote control cars, snacks, watching movies, sports, picking out his outfits. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Gabriela Garcia Gabriela.Garcia@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: Michelle Pollock M1P@ClarkCountyNV.gov </p>

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	<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>
	<p> Name(s): Nathan Age(s): 13 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate to Severe Grade(s): 7th Interests: Any form of technology – very savvy on the internet, likes to read Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov </p>
	<p> Name(s): Allen Age(s): 13 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Mild to Moderate Grade(s): 7th Interests: Loves to play with bubbles, loves to bounce and swing. Allen also enjoys eating snacks and anything with teriyaki sauce. Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Karen Blomquist karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov </p>

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 	<p>Name(s): Preston</p> <p>Age(s): 12</p> <p>Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate</p> <p>Grade(s): 2021-2022 school year; 6th grade</p> <p>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!</p> <p>Legal Status: Legally Free</p> <p>Recruiter: Becky Robinson ROBINSBJ@ClarkCountyNV.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Logan</p> <p>Age(s): 3 years 10 months</p> <p>Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate</p> <p>Grade(s): Pre-K</p> <p>Interests: Swimming; playing with toy cars & trucks; being outside</p> <p>Legal Status: Legally Free</p> <p>Recruiter: Alyssa Bradley</p> <p>Email: Lyssa@ClarkCountyNV.gov</p>

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Name: Curry

Age: 7

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: Gaby Garcia Gabriela.Garcia@ClarkCountyNV.gov



Name(s): Justice

Age(s): 7

Emotional/Behavioral Level: Moderate

Grade(s): 2nd

Interests: Very active, loves to play sports, enjoys science

Legal Status: Legally Free

Recruiter: karen.blomquist@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 karen.blomquist@clarkcountynv.gov

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Sibling Groups

 <p>Darryl, Yasmeen, David, Davina, Yonathan</p>	<p> Name(s): Yonathan, Yasmeen, Darryl, David, Davina Age(s): 11, 10 ,8, 9 ,7 Emotional/Behavioral Level: Mild - Severe Grade(s): 5th, 4th, 3rd, 2nd, 1st Interests: Sports, dolls, playing outside, swimming, video games Legal Status: Legally Free Recruiter: Katey Bowden Kathryn.Bowden@clarkcountynv.gov </p>
	<p> Name(s): Hakeem and Samira Age(s): 15, 12 Emotional/Behavioral/Medical Level: Mild - Severe Grade(s): 10th, 6th 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>

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	<p>Name(s): Justice, Jahmer, Keilah, & Kierrah</p> <p>Age(s): 5,5,9,12</p> <p>Emotional/Behavioral/Medical Level: Mild - Severe</p> <p>Grade(s): Kindergarten, 3rd, 6th</p> <p>Interests: Look forward to sibling visits and phone calls, going to the park, water park, swimming, ice cream, ride bikes, scooters, music, pets, sports, Halloween, and Christmas time.</p> <p>Legal Status: Legally Free</p> <p>Recruiter: Damaris Mendoza Damaris.Mendoza@clarkcountynv.gov</p>
	<p>Name(s): Naila, Nayana, Taj</p> <p>Age(s): 8, 7, 3</p> <p>Emotional/Behavioral/Medical Level: Mild</p> <p>Grade(s): 2nd and 1st grade</p> <p>Interests: Looking forward to increasing their bike riding skills and playing outside. Naila loves to dance.</p> <p>Legal Status: Legally Free</p> <p>Recruiter: Melissa Salazar Salazarm@clarkcountynv.gov</p>

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



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ADOPTUSKIDS website:

<https://adoptuskids.org/>

-search Nevada

Thank you!