

At CTK, we value authenticity, simplicity, empowerment, relationship, and caring about the community we live in. One key way we serve is by empowering small groups to make a difference through our local partners who address important issues for those in the hardest life circumstances. The opportunity below is a chance to tangibly demonstrate God's care, compassion, and love for those around us. As your church, we hope this makes it easy for you to put the Great Commandment to love your neighbor as yourself into action!

Childcare for Caregiver Core Training (CCT)

Who are we serving?
Families who are attending the 8-session class necessary to become a foster parent. It is hugely beneficial for both parents to attend this class. To make that possible, we like to invite groups of volunteers to provide childcare for these families at Perch & Play.
Who is helping connect us to their needs?
Skookum Kids is a foster care focused charity in Bellingham. We believe the world is full of people who want to help but don't know how. Our mission is to help people like that (maybe like you!) find a way to participate in foster care that is a good match for their gifts and season of life.
How are we serving?
<p>We offer CCT 4 times each year. The dates in 2018 are:</p> <p>Jan 29-Feb 1 & Feb 12-Feb 15 May 21-24 & June 4-7 August 20-23 & Sept 3-6 October 29-Nov 1 & Nov 12-15</p> <p>Drop-off begins at 5:30p and class finishes at 9p, so you can expect to be finished around 9:30p.</p> <p>4-6 adults can cover a single evening of childcare, so larger groups may want to take on a whole week and subdivide their group across multiple evenings.</p>
Who do you contact to commit to this opportunity and work out the details?
<p>Abby Smith, one of the Program Managers at Skookum House. Best to reach her by email—abby@skookumkids.org.</p> <p>She will work with you on the specific day(s) that work for your group, and share with you an activity plan for those days so that it's pretty turnkey for you. We'll want to background check all participants. That can happen either in advance by email or on-the-spot when your group arrives.</p>

If you need help in the process, Wendy at CTK is available (wendyp@ctk.church or 733-1337 ext 212
 Please share your project with us by using the hashtag **#CTKserves** on social media!