

Foster/Relative Parent Survey (July 2002 through December 2002)

Total surveys returned	103
Total surveys sent	300
Undeliverable surveys	3
Response rate	35%

		Strongly Agree	Neutral	Strongly Disagree		Blank
1. I have been provided adequate training to accomplish my role.	41%	42%	10%	5%	3%	0%
2. I have clear and open communication with DFS staff.	42%	34%	11%	5%	9%	0%
3. DFS staff are courteous and friendly.	40%	39%	14%	5%	3%	0%
4. Staff make me feel like an important partner in providing care to my foster child.	42%	25%	15%	6%	11%	2%
5. I feel supported by DFS staff in doing my job.	34%	33%	15%	6%	10%	3%
6. I am able to see or talk to my worker(s) as frequently as needed.	32%	32%	14%	9%	13%	1%
7. I received the supports and services necessary to provide good care to the children in my home.	31%	37%	14%	8%	9%	2%
8. I am informed of court hearings and invited to have input.	37%	27%	18%	7%	7%	4%
9. I have been a foster parent for DFS for:	#	%				
Less than 1 year	18	17%				
1 - 2 years	32	31%				
3 - 5 years	21	20%				
6 - 10 years	13	13%				
11 or more years	16	16%				
Blank	3	3%				

Overall, I would rate my experience with DFS as:

Very Good	28%
Good	41%
Fair	17%
Poor	6%
Very Poor	5%
Blank	4%