Pasos Program for Unaccompanied Minors

Unaccompanied Minors served in the LTFC Program (long-term foster care) arrive to the United States without a parent, relative or other adult to care for them. Unaccompanied Minors are under the age of 18, typically ages 14 to 17 and 75% male. They are most often Spanish speaking and come predominantly from the Northern Triangle countries (Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador) although Unaccompanied Minors can be from countries around the world.

Pasos means "steps" in Spanish; we see our role as helping young people step forward safely toward a successful future. As Unaccompanied Minors cope with all the uncertainties they face coming to the United States, our goal is to surround them with supportive teams and caregivers so they can focus on healing and just being kids.

Diakon Adoption & Foster Care is the only LTFC Program in Pennsylvania serving Unaccompanied Minors. During their time in foster care, Unaccompanied Minors receive clinical, case management, education and legal immigration support services. The Pasos Program operates out of the York area and focuses on helping Unaccompanied Minors build life skills and acclimate into their new communities.

Each child has a different story, but your compassionate care and support can impact their lives forever!

Please contact us at 717-845-9113 or visit us at diakon.org/adoptionpasos to learn more.

