If your family
Provided foster care to children not related to you
or
Consisted only of biological siblings and parents

Please share your story!

The University of Massachusetts Lowell
Department of Psychology
Seeks volunteers age 18-25 to participate in
a study of perspectives on growing up in different types of families

Why? No one has ever studied the experience of growing up in families that provided foster care to children in need compared with growing up in traditionally related families. We need to understand what types of impacts the experience has on children—not just on the children in foster care—but also on the children already in the family. We believe the results of this study can inform social work policy to provide for better experiences for all of the children involved in foster care.

We need volunteers from two types of families:
_ Families consisting of biological members & unrelated children in foster care
_ Families consisting of biological members only

Interested? You will be asked to participate in one focus group and to complete some brief questionnaires. Later, you will be asked to rate the extent to which you agree with statements made across the groups. At the completion of the study, you will receive a pair of movie tickets with our thanks and you may request a summary of the findings.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
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