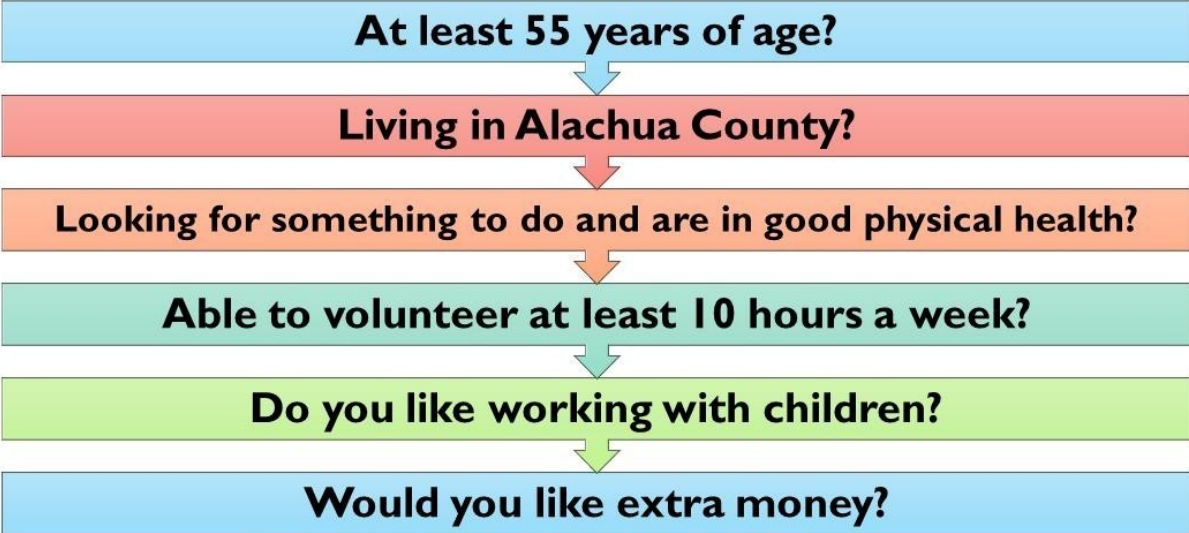




# Are You:



**If you say YES to all of the above, then apply to become a Foster Grandparent Volunteer!**

Our Foster Grandparent Volunteers are assigned to children in classrooms to mentor, teach and read to children with exceptional or special needs.

For more information: Call, email or visit us at:

**Alachua County Foster Grandparent Program**

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## WHAT IS A FOSTER GRANDPARENT?

Foster Grandparents are senior volunteers that provide one-on-one mentoring, nurturing, and support to children with special or exceptional needs, or who are in circumstances that limit their academic, social, or emotional development.



The volunteers serve in:



- ✓ Public schools
- ✓ Charter schools
- ✓ Head Start, and
- ✓ Child care centers.



### Can You Be The FOSTER GRANDPARENT A Child Needs?

#### Eligibility to become a Foster Grandparent:

- Enjoy working with children
- Alachua County Resident
- Persons age 55+
- Meet established income guidelines
- Pass a Level II Background Screening
- Be in reasonably good physical and mental health
- Complete 40 hours of pre-service training
- Able to serve a desired minimum of 5 hours per week

### BENEFITS FOR FGP VOLUNTEERS

- Be a part of a supportive team that witnesses improvements and success in children
- Receive a non-taxable stipend payment of \$3.00 an hour
- Transportation provided or reimbursed for mileage
- Daily meal provided by host site.
- Have opportunities to meet new people and enhance socialization.



### SPECIAL FGP ACTIVITIES FOR VOLUNTEERS

- Monthly educational training to share and gain new skills.
- Annual recognition ceremony to honor volunteer milestones and community service
- Educational day trips
- Participation in community service projects

