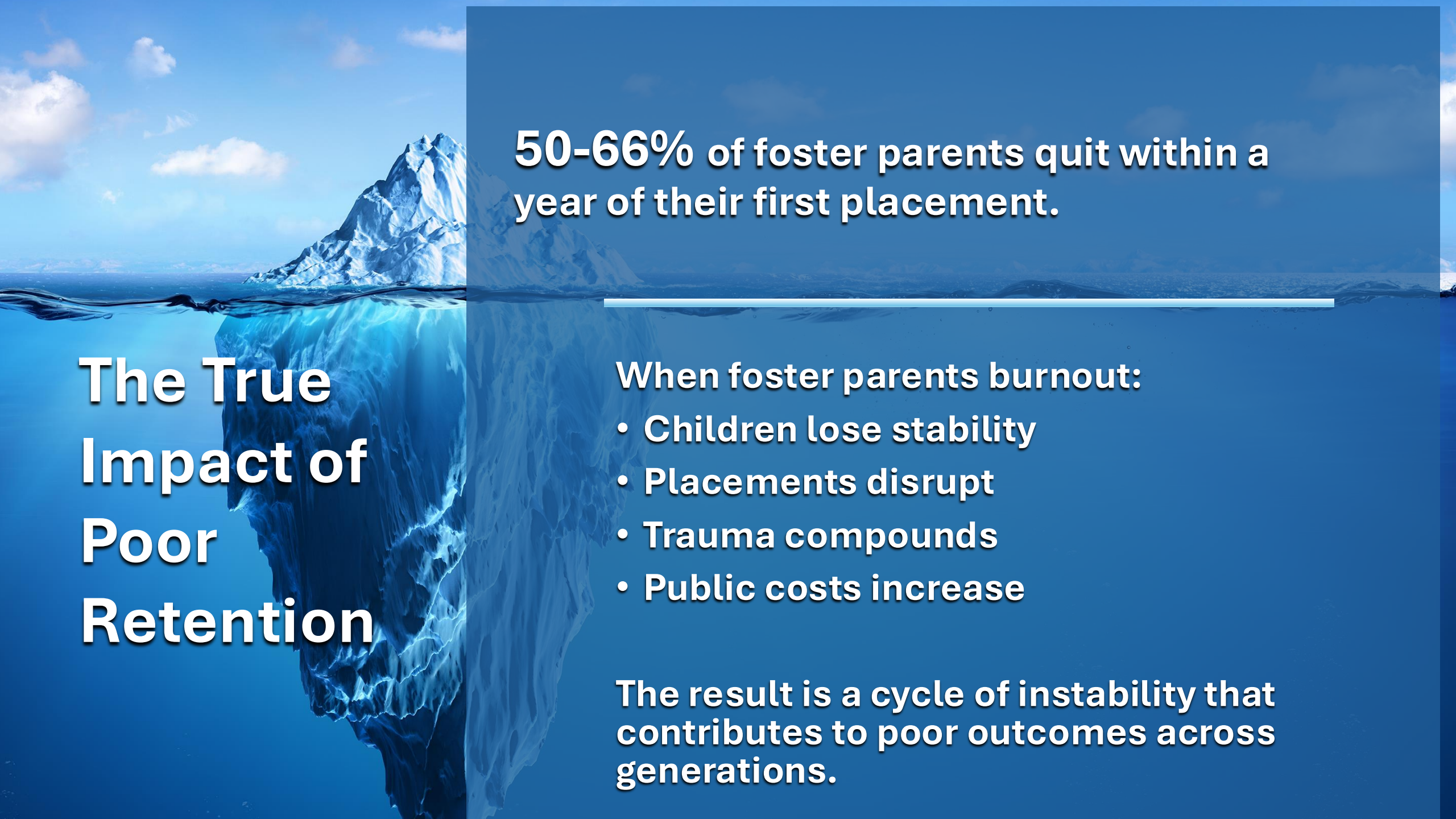




A proven, scalable model to
strengthening foster families
and changing child welfare
outcomes

An iceberg floating in the ocean. The tip of the iceberg is visible above the water line, while the much larger, jagged base is submerged below the surface. The sky is blue with some white clouds. The water is a deep blue.

50-66% of foster parents quit within a year of their first placement.

The True Impact of Poor Retention

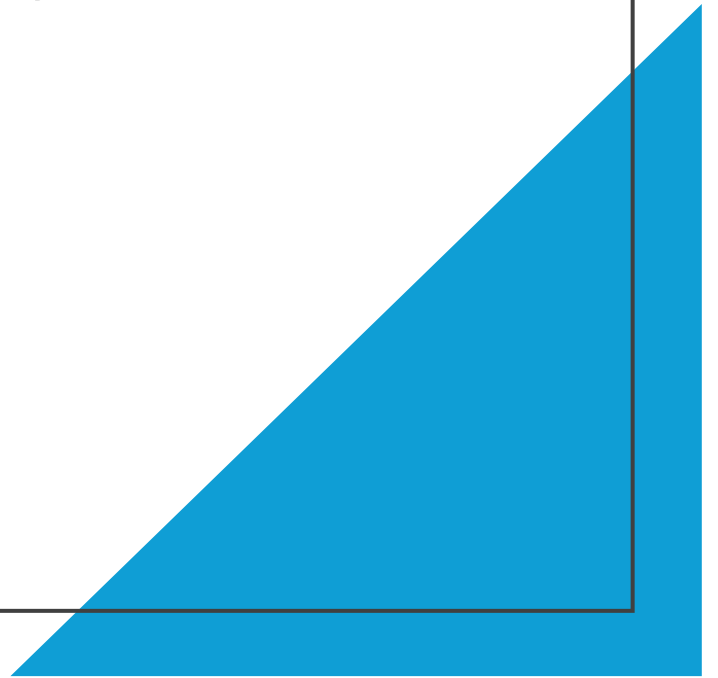
When foster parents burnout:

- **Children lose stability**
- **Placements disrupt**
- **Trauma compounds**
- **Public costs increase**

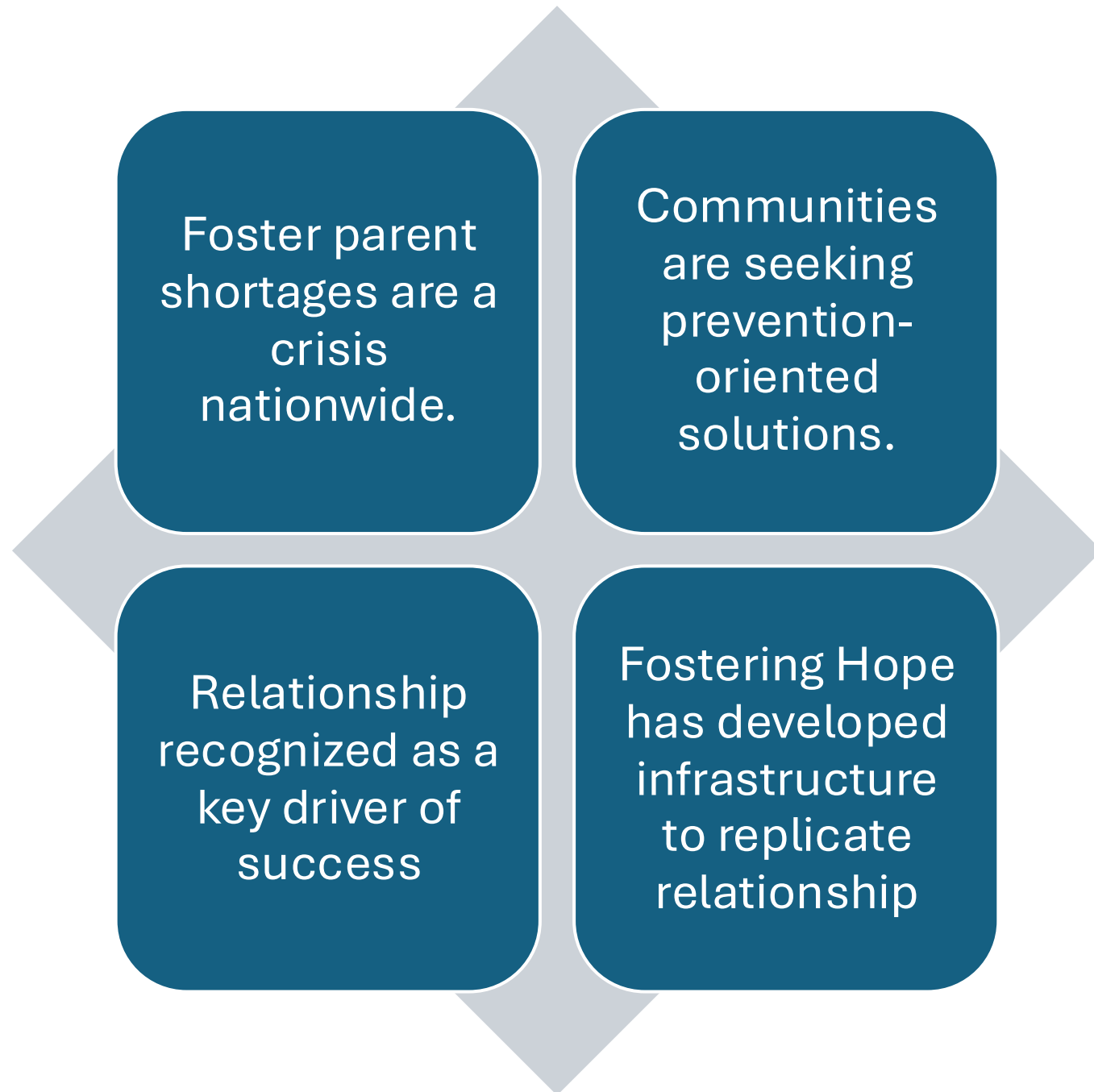
The result is a cycle of instability that contributes to poor outcomes across generations.

The Root Cause

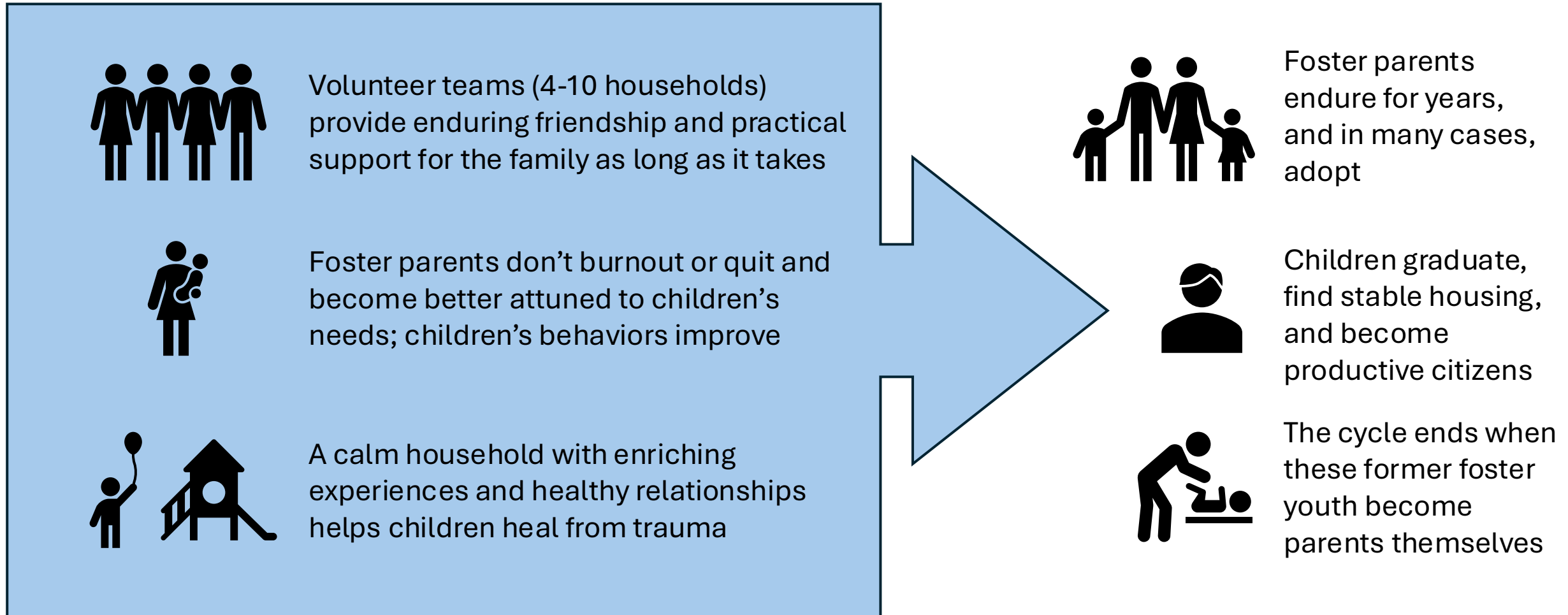
Foster parents don't fail because they lack services. They fail because they lack sustainable, relational support.



Why Now?



An upstream approach (logic model)



Proven Impact

20 years of operation

2.5x adoption rate compared to unsupported families

4.6% placement disruption rate (compared to national estimates of 26%)

\$2.79 single-year return on every dollar spent

Only 15% of foster parents quit due to burnout

58% of foster parents say they would have quit without support

100% graduate or get a GED compared to 46% in Colorado

Early evidence of inter-generational change

A cohort of former foster youth served by Fostering Hope are now parents themselves – none of their children are involved with the child welfare system.



What Makes Fostering Hope Unique?

Long-term, relationship-focused (functions like a family more than a program)

Whole-family approach (parents, foster children, bio and adopted children)

Volunteer-powered, staff led (creates safety and promotes depth)

Community-owned v. agency-owned (supports system with outside resources)

The team and family become friends and extended family members. This is quite unique.

-The Butler Institute for Families, in a 2020 Program Evaluation

A photograph of a rocket launch. The rocket is a tall, slender, white vehicle with a black band near the top, ascending vertically from a launchpad. A massive, bright orange and yellow fireball with thick white smoke billows from the base of the rocket. The launchpad is a complex of metal structures. In the background, there are dark, rolling hills under a clear blue sky with a few wispy clouds. The overall scene is one of powerful industrial activity.

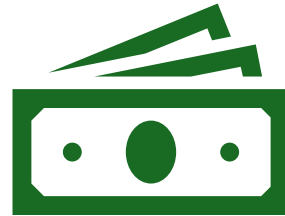
Ability to scale

- A national training model and curriculum developed over 20 years
- Proven affiliate ready for replication
- Three prospective beta sites in early-stage exploration – 50 cities identified
- A robust data system for tracking outcomes
- Experienced leadership team and governance board
- \$600,000+ already raised for national launch so far

What capital unlocks



National capacity-building and curriculum design



Seed money to accelerate launch of beta sites



New and improved systems to develop a national learning and innovation network