



Fostering Futures NY

Supporting foster families in building better futures for children and youth

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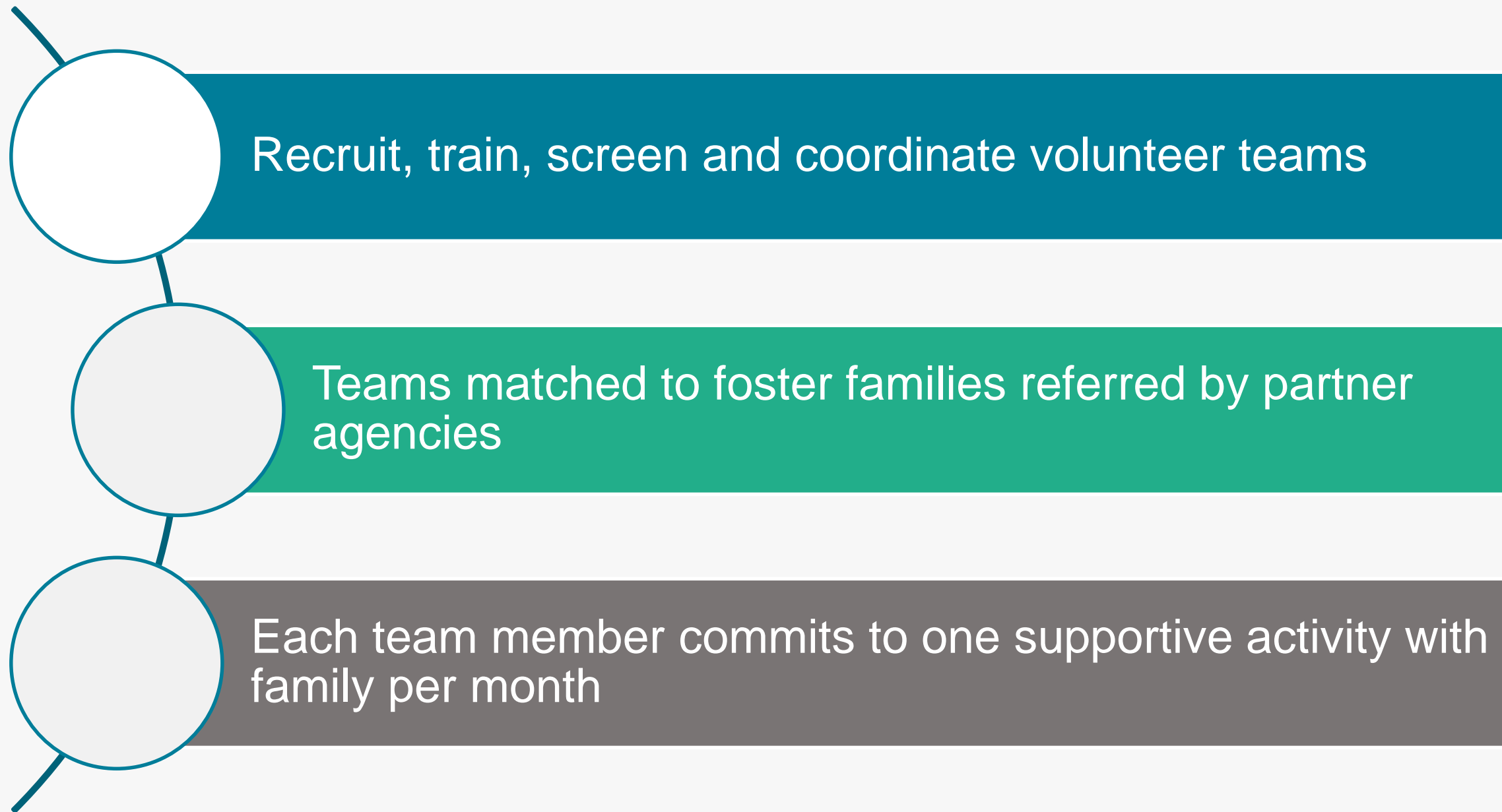


Mission of Fostering Futures NY (FFNY)

The FFNY program provides practical support and assistance to foster families who are responsible for providing safe, stable, and nurturing homes for the children in their care.

Most of these children have experienced abuse, neglect and trauma; foster parents are uniquely positioned to help them feel safe and begin to heal. FFNY teams of community volunteers support the foster parents in this critical role.

FFNY Program Model



Goals of the Program

Foster Parents

- Reduce foster parent stress
- Increase foster parent retention
- Create an “extended family”

Youth

- Increase placement stability
- Expand opportunities for youth: educational, athletic, recreational
- Additional, healthy relationships for children in care

Creating a Team: The Volunteers



Role of FFNY Coordinators

Each FFNY team has a coordinator

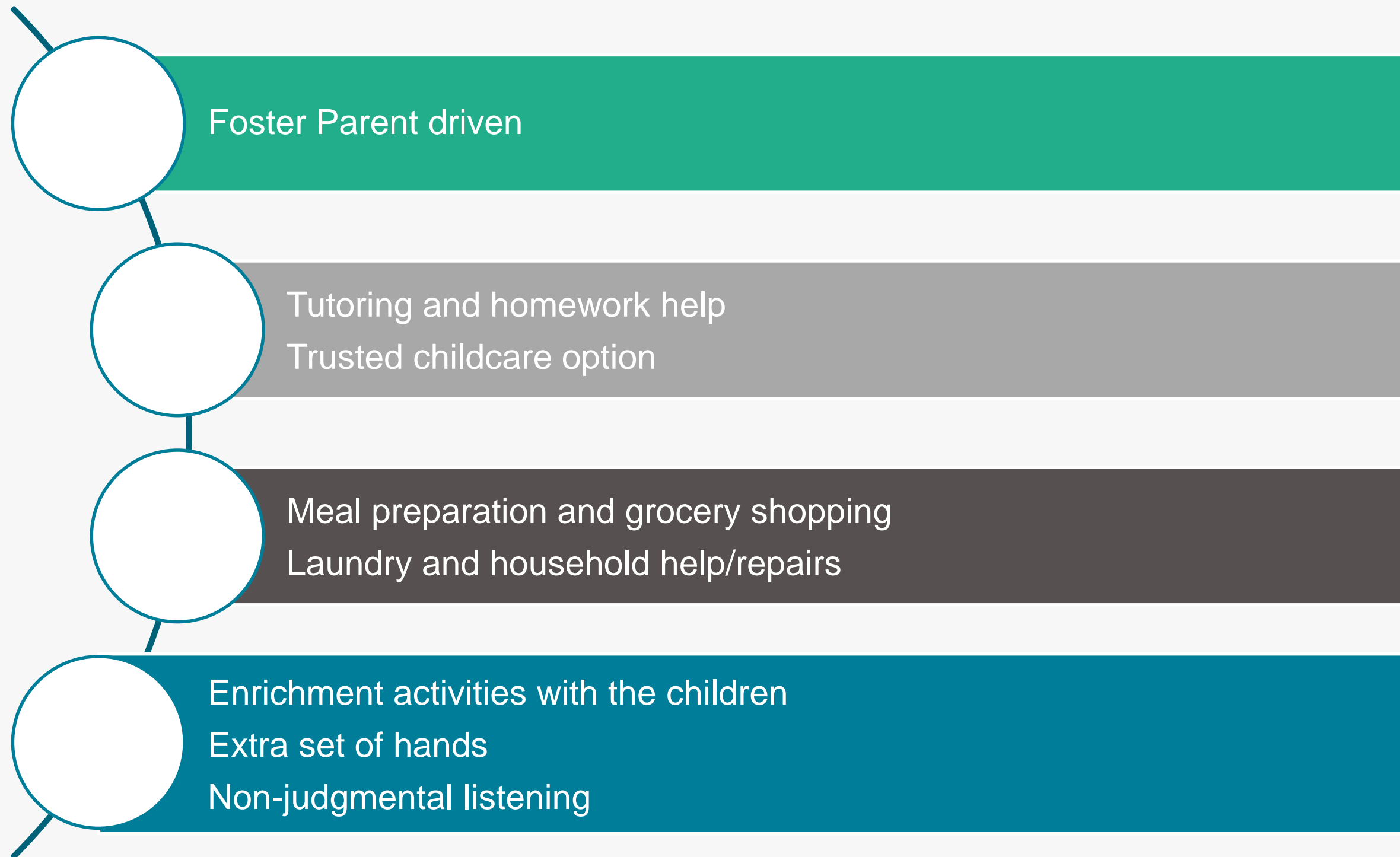
Schedules, facilitates, and documents monthly team meetings

Provides ongoing team development and support

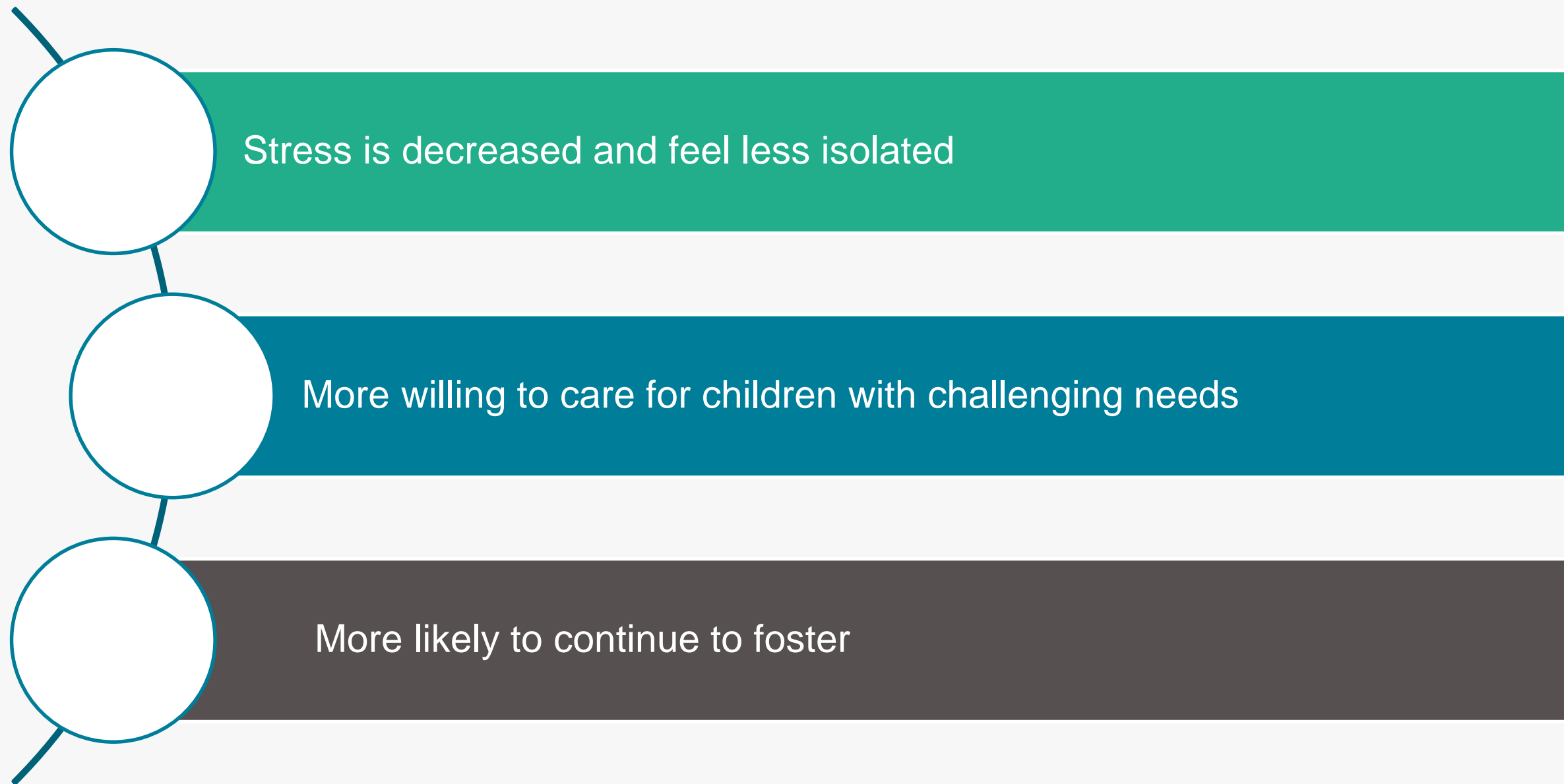
FFNY Foster Families



What FFNY Teams Do



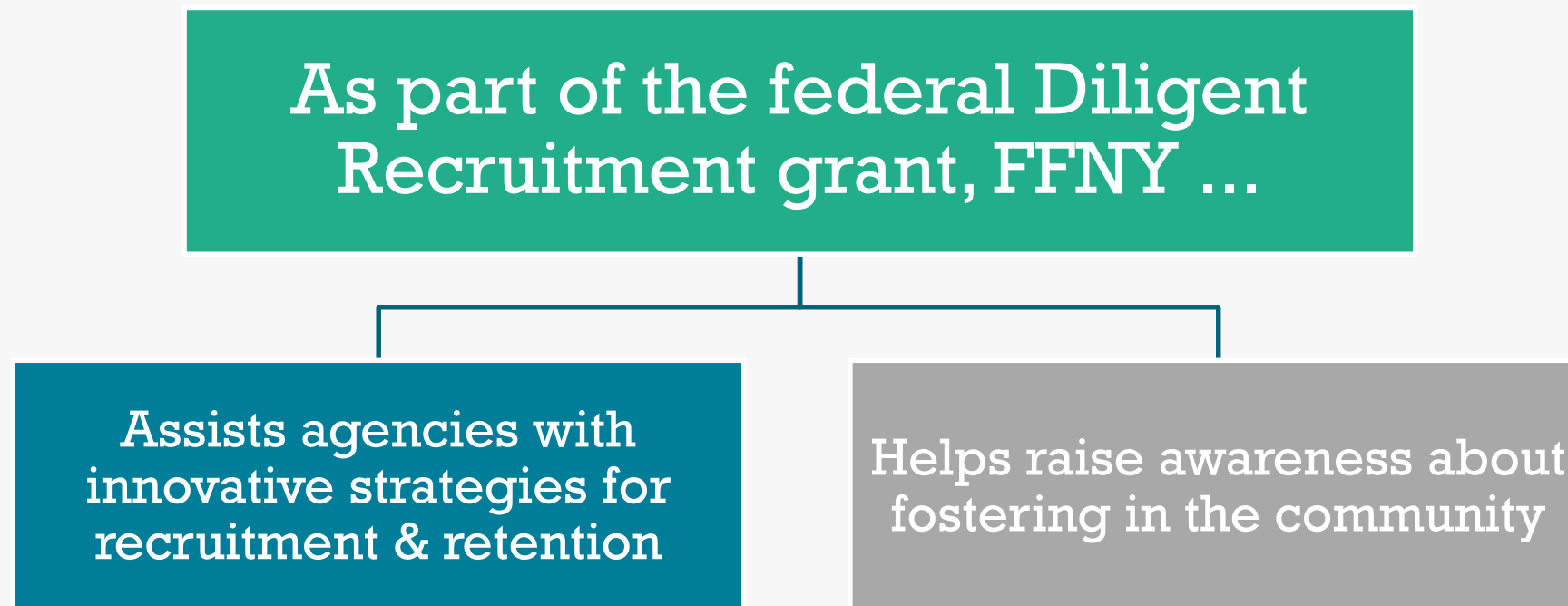
Foster Parent feedback



Foster Parent Voice

Marcia Andersen, Foster Parent and MAPP Trainer

Partner Collaboration



Agency Feedback

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