

**The Heart Gallery exists to bring efficiency,
and innovation to the foster and adoption process.**

Children placed in a group
home costs the state

\$3000 a month

vs.

Children placed with a
foster family costs

\$700 a month

The state can save:

\$27,600 per child

with the statewide
implementation of
Family Finder

A component of the Heart Gallery's mission, to bring transformation to the foster care and adoption process, takes us at times from product creation and implementation to advocacy. With the launch of Family Finder in 2020, our organization had an opportunity to do just that. Thanks to our meetings with house and senate representatives, the Heart Gallery was able to bring clarity to the foster care crisis with a solution that overcomes the barrier to helping children find the safety and security of a forever family.

The Heart Gallery proposed HB9241 Family Finder, a statewide digital transformation of foster parent recruitment practices and passed both house and senate appropriations in 2020.

Although the bill was excluded after reaching the Governor due to budget cuts for COVID relief, Representative Fiona McFarland and Senator Joe Gruters are sponsoring the Bill in 2021, HB 3275 and LFIR 1827, Family Finder.

