



## The Jefferson Family

Tshana Jefferson became a licensed foster-to-adopt parent in June 2011. Since that time, she has cared for nine children and adopted three. She comments she went from being single to a mother of three in the blink of an eye! And not only has her immediate family grown, so has her extended family as well.

Over the years, Ms. Jefferson strives to make and maintain birth family connections for the children who enter her home. She recognizes the importance of family ties and has been successful in building relationships that encourage reunification or that provide ongoing connection for children after permanency has been achieved; hence, why she has such a large extended family.

Ms. Jefferson is now a proud mother of three wonderful daughters who keep her very busy. "I thought I was busy when I was single. But now with three children, my life is not only busier, but more complete," she adds.