

SUPERVISION OPTIONS:

TRUSTED THIRD PARTIES

Parents can agree to have a relative or family friend supervise visits. Appointed supervisors should be mindful of the guidelines in this manual, including that the child must be within their line of sight at all times.

PROFESSIONAL SUPERVISION FACILITIES

- [Donna's House](#)

Donna's House is located in the courtyard of the Family Courthouse, 601 N. Pecos Rd, and is open Wednesday thru Friday 6 - 8 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Sunday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Visits are held in a group setting with one supervisor assigned to multiple families. Supervision costs \$20/hr.

- [Family First Services](#)

Family First is located at 1481 W. Warm Springs Rd., Ste. 139, in Henderson. Visits are by appointment and cost \$35/hr on weekdays and \$40/hr on weekends. Supervised exchanges cost \$20. Family First can conduct visits off-site. One supervisor is assigned to each family visit.

- [Shiloh](#)

Shiloh does not have a brick-and-mortar facility, but it has the unique ability to supervise in-home visits. The facility charges \$80/hr for in-home visits, \$40/hr for off-site visits, and \$25 for supervised exchanges. Appointments can be made by phone at (702) 455-4229.

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SUPERVISED VISITATION

WHAT TO EXPECT AS A PARENT AND HOW TO PREPARE AS A SUPERVISOR

PARENTS: WHAT TO EXPECT

At Donna's House, Family First, and Shiloh, parents must go through orientation to learn the rules before a visit. Supervisors stand by during visits to ensure that the parent does not talk about the case, disparage the other parent, or make false promises. Supervisors will interrupt and remind a parent of the rules the first time he/she veers into inappropriate talk, but the visit may be cut short if the behavior persists. Supervisors take notes during visits to prepare a report for the judge.

Donna's House and Family First are equipped with games and toys to encourage parent-child interaction. Visiting parents, ask about the child's school, hobbies, and interests. Prepare light topics to break the ice.

Custodial parents should inform the other parent of the child's diet, clothing and/or diaper sizes, and interests. Send the child with weather-appropriate clothing and a favorite toy.



**"Nothing you do
for children is
ever wasted."**

- Garrison Keillor



SUPERVISORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

LINE OF SIGHT, LINE OF HEARING

Supervisors should not leave the a parent and child alone for any amount of time. The supervisor should always be able to see and hear the parent-child interactions.

WHEN TO STEP IN

Cut short any conversation wherein the parent talks about their case, talks negatively about the custodial parent, grills the child for information, or makes false promises such as, "Soon you can live with me."

RECORD-KEEPING

Keep a log of the visits you supervise and take brief notes about how each visit goes. Note any time a parent veers into inappropriate topics, if the child is injured, and any other unusual events.