



WE'RE HERE FOR YOU

Only you know your situation and what's best for you and the future of your child. No one would ever say choosing adoption is easy. It's a tough decision because you care deeply for your child. It is an amazing act of love and sacrifice. There's so much more to learn about this option. Take your time and get as much information as possible. We want to help you make a confident decision.

QUESTIONS?

We are here to be a resource of information and to answer whatever questions you might have and offer you the support and resources you need.

To learn more about our services and how you can receive assistance, schedule your no-cost appointment with us today!



YOUR OPTIONS

ADOPTION

The Best Decision is
an Informed Decision



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CONSIDERING ADOPTION?

You aren't sure about having an abortion, but you aren't quite ready to be a parent either. One of the options for your unplanned pregnancy is making an adoption plan for your child. Adoption can be one of the hardest things to do, but sometimes the hardest thing and the best thing are the same.

Women from all walks of life have chosen adoption over the years. You might consider making an adoption plan if. . .

- You aren't sure you want an abortion, but you know you're not ready to be a parent.
- You're not in a place to provide your child with emotional and financial stability.

WHERE TO BEGIN

To begin with, you will need to find a reputable adoption attorney, agency, or another adoption specialist to work with. Your advocate can help you through the process. We provide free information about the adoption process and referrals to adoption agencies that best meet your needs. You should never be asked to pay any money for anyone's adoptions services.



CHOOSING A FAMILY

Adoption isn't what it used to be. With modern adoption, you are in control throughout the entire adoption process. You'll talk with your adoption specialist about the type of family you're looking for. What religion, hobbies, or education level would you like them to have. Once they understand your priorities, you'll be able to look through portfolios of potential adoptive families to find a match.

In order to adopt, couples must go through a difficult process of background and criminal checks, filling out questionnaires, providing photos, and having a home study to make sure they're prepared to receive a child. You can have confidence in the family you choose to raise your child.

MODERN ADOPTION PLANS

OPEN ADOPTION PLAN

Open adoption is the most common plan today. It gives both the birth mother and the adoptive family open access to one another. You exchange identifying information such as full names, addresses, phone numbers, etc. You can communicate freely, set up visits, and build a relationship with everyone. It helps women to know they've made the right decision.

CLOSED ADOPTION PLAN

The birth mother and the adoptive family remain completely anonymous with a closed adoption plan. After the adoption is finalized, the child's original birth certificate is sealed to protect your full name and any other identifying information. Some women feel this plan helps them move on with their lives.

SEMI-OPEN ADOPTION PLAN

A semi-open adoption plan is somewhere in between the first two. You have the ability to contact the adoptive family and your child, but all communication is done through the adoption specialist you've chosen.