



Adoption Services Program Statement

Graceful Adoptions is a licensed full-service child placing adoption agency that focuses on finding loving and responsible families for infants and toddlers living in the United States.

In order to qualify for Graceful Adoptions programs, you must:

- Have an approved adoption home study from a licensed social worker and/or licensed agency to provide such services
- Between the age of 25-50 (others on a case-by-case basis)
- If married, married for a minimum of two years for a first marriage and five years for a second marriage
- Maximum of two marriages per parent
- Minimum gross annual income of \$40,000 plus \$10,000 per each child living in the home

The adoption process can be an emotional and trying journey for the birth parents as well as the adoptive family. Graceful Adoptions' objective is to provide quality care and services to both parties and to ensure a smooth transition for the child. For the birth mother these services include assistance getting Medicaid, counseling, development of an adoption plan, legal support through the adoption process, and if needed, allowed by state laws, and agreed to by the adoptive parents, medical and living expense support. Adoptive parents will receive support identifying an organization to complete a adoption home study and post placement review, development of a Family Profile, and legal support and coordination during the adoption process.

At Graceful Adoptions, we treat every birth mother with honesty and respect and we never lose sight that placing a child for adoption is often a very difficult decision and time in their life. To support birth parents through this process, we offer counseling before, during and after the adoption process. In addition, we will provide recommendations regarding ongoing resources available to them for additional support.

Graceful Adoptions Fees:

Application Fee: \$200

Family Activation Fee: \$3,000

This is a one-time cost. The fee is waived for future adoptions with Graceful Adoptions.

Family Profile Fee: \$300

All profiles are professionally edited and designed to ensure consistent format across all Graceful Adoption families.

Agency Fee: \$20,000

The Agency Fee covers expenses associated with matching, up to three hours birth parent counseling, legal services for release of custody and legal services and costs associated with an uncontested termination of parental rights.

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If the Match is disrupted by the expecting mother or some other cause beyond the control of the adoptive parents prior to finalizing the adoption, adoptive parents have the following refund options:

1. 100% of the Agency Fee paid/collected will be applied to the adoptive parents' next adoption through Graceful Adoptions.
2. 75% of the Agency Fee paid/collected will be refunded to the adoptive parents.

Adoptive parents who withdraw their Application or disrupt a match forfeit all fees paid at the time of the disruption. In the event the child is born with serious medical problems that were unexpected prior to the match, adoptive parents may choose to disrupt the match and to elect either of the refund options.

Payment and acceptance of the application fee does not constitute approval by Graceful Adoptions that adoptive family's application will be approved and accepted by Graceful Adoptions. Likewise, payment and acceptance of additional fees, such as the home study fee, does not signify approval for an adoption. Approval and acceptance to complete the adoption program with Graceful Adoption is initially made following the home study and background checks, and again when the Adoption Agreement is signed.

If adoptive families are denied participation in Graceful Adoptions program based on their home study, they have the right to appeal the agency's decision, or other diverse decisions. Appeals may be made to Graceful Adoptions Executive Director/Owner.

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