



ADOPTION-LINK

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DOMESTIC AFRICAN AMERICAN INFANT PROGRAM SERVICE AND FEE AGREEMENT FOR ILLINOIS RESIDENTS

<u>Application Fee</u> (non-refundable; to be submitted with application)	\$150
Due upon acceptance and commitment to the program	\$700

Educational Requirements

Ten hours of training for adoptive parent(s). Required: for 6 hrs, day-long workshop *Adoption Preparation*, \$130 for two persons. Families adopting transracially are required to complete racial sensitivity training by *Bridge Communications*, 4.5 hrs, \$150 per person. Other options: pre-approved adoption-related (internet) classes, local conferences, etc.

<u>Home Study Process</u> (non-refundable; due upon initiation of home assessment process)	\$2,100
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This is a fee-for-service only, and does not guarantee the placement of a child.

It is at the sole discretion of this agency to terminate the pre-adoption process if it is deemed necessary to protect the best of interest of the child. If a family waits longer than one year for the placement of a child, the home study must be updated for \$250. If a family has an existing home study, this fee will be modified based on the timeliness and completeness of the home study. There is no charge for licensing an adoptive family/home.

<u>Agency Fee</u> (non-refundable; due upon identification and referral of a birthmother)	\$5,800
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This fee includes birthparent counseling pre- and post-adoption, assessment, and case management. This fee, once paid, applies to subsequent referral(s) should the adoption fall through before a child is placed with the family.

<u>Placement and Post-Placement Fee</u> (non-refundable; due at the time of child placement)	\$6,300
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This fee includes six post-placement visits and a final court report. It also includes personnel, administrative, and office management costs.

TOTAL-----\$15,050

I understand that no adoption can take place until all fees are paid as agreed. ***Further, all fees, once paid, are non-refundable.*** I understand that the placement of a child with me cannot take place until my license has been issued and/or my home study has been completed and approved by Adoption-Link staff. The post-placement (6, one per month) visits must find the placement satisfactory, and any costs must be fully paid, before Adoption-Link can recommend finalization of the adoption. I agree to notify Adoption-Link if there is a significant change in my family circumstances. If I need to deactivate my application temporarily, I may re-activate it *within three years* of the date of the original application and fees paid to date will be applied to the current fees. Adoption-Link reserves the right to remove the child from me at any point during the post-placement period if it becomes necessary to protect the best interest of the child. I agree that I shall not attempt to see the child referred to me until adoption surrenders have been signed and the agency has notified me to come and pick up the child. Exceptions will be considered only in the case of a special needs child. I am aware of other fees ***not*** payable to Adoption-Link which should be considered. Fees for an attorney range from \$1,500 to \$2,300. Interim care fees, if required, are \$50 a day plus food, clothing, and/or transportation. Federal Express charges can be approximately \$25. There is a \$40-\$80 search charge for the Putative Father Registry. A well-baby exam can be \$100 to \$200. A witness may be required, for \$25. Travel and accommodation charges are my responsibility. Legally allowable birthmother expenses that I may choose to pay, from \$50 to \$4,000, cannot be reimbursed. All fees are subject to change without notice.

Adoptive Parent

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Date

Adoption-Link Representative

Date