



# ADOPTION-LINK

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

### Application Fee

(non-refundable); to be submitted with application)

\$150

### Educational Requirements

10 hours of training for adoptive parent(s). Requirement: 1) Families adopting transracially are required to complete racial sensitivity training conducted by *Bridge Communications*, 4.5 hrs. ([www.bridgecommunication.org](http://www.bridgecommunication.org)), \$150 per person; 2) other pre-approved courses such as adoption-related internet classes, local conferences, etc.

### Birth Mother Assistance Fee

#### Flat Fee Option

(non-refundable; **50% due at initiation of work; 50% due at the time of child placement**)

\$3,500

(1,750 + 1,750)

This fee includes interstate costs. It also includes counseling pre-and post-adoption, assessment and case management. This fee is non-refundable should the adoption fall through.

OR

#### Hourly Option

**(\$300 minimum due at time of agreement for service)**

\$100.00 per hour of service rendered

**TOTAL-----\$3,650**

We (I) understand that no adoption can take place until all fees are paid as agreed. **Further, all fees, once paid, are non-refundable.** We (I) also understand that the placement of a child with us (me) cannot take place until our (my) license is issued and/or our (my) home study has been completed and approved by Adoption-Link. The post-placement visits (3) 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 de-activate 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 whatever the current fees may be. 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 surrenders for adoption have been signed and the agency has notified me that I am free to come and pick up the child. Exceptions will be considered only in the case of a special needs child.

There are also other fees that are not payable to Adoption-Link, which should be considered. These fees can change at any time but expected fees for an attorney can range from \$1,500 – 2,300. Interim care fees, after the birth of the baby, if required, are \$50 per day plus food, clothing and/or transportation. Federal Express charges can be \$25-\$100. There is a \$40-\$80 search charge for the Putative Father Registry. Some children might require a well-baby exam ranging between \$100-200. A witness may be necessary for \$25. Travel and accommodation expenses are your responsibility. If you choose to contribute legally allowable expenses to the birthmother from \$50-\$4,000, these funds are not re-imbursible. All fees subject to change without notice.

Note: The U.S. income tax credit for adoption-related expenses has been increased to a maximum of \$13,170 for any adoption for families earning less than \$182,590 per year. Families earning over \$182,590 receive a graduated credit. Consult with your tax accountant.

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Adoptive Parent

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Date

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Adoption-Link Representative

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Date