

# What is Adoption?

Adoption is a noble act of love. It is a beautiful way to ensure that your child will be raised by a loving family in a nurturing environment. As a birthmother who may be contemplating an adoption plan you are making the ultimate sacrifice for your child. You are giving your baby the gift of life.

Adoption is a difficult decision to consider, but it may be the right one for you. Raising children requires a life-long commitment.

Sometimes a biological parent does not possess the emotional or financial means and is simply unable to provide for his or her child. Parents consider an adoption plan for various reasons. By asking yourself the following questions, you may be able to clarify whether or not you should pursue adoption for your child.

**Besides love, can I give the child everything else that he or she needs?**

**Will I have to rely on my parents or family members or the State to assist me?**

**Will I be able to finish my education, pursue my future and raise a child at the same time?**

**How will I feel about raising my child in a single-parent home?**

If you are seriously contemplating an adoption plan, you may find that some people disagree with your decision. You may feel very alone. You may not want to share your situation with family members or friends. You may even be experiencing feelings of guilt about "abandoning" your child. These feelings are common and normal.

Ultimately, it will take strength and courage to do what you believe is right. Adoption is an unselfish act of love. It requires you to first and foremost consider your child's welfare. Embrace a Jewish Child can assist you in securing a promising future for your child.



Looking back, I can only say the devoted team at Embrace a Jewish Child did not leave my side. They assured that I was able to maintain my dignity, and that I could be provided with the comforts and support that I so desperately needed.

Embrace a Jewish Child helped me in my search to find a wonderful couple. After meeting them, I felt that a huge rock was lifted off my chest. I just knew, with a piercing clarity, that these were individuals that I could trust with the baby I was carrying.

I feel so fortunate to have placed my daughter with such a wonderful family. I appreciate the photos I receive of each new milestone. Her parents respect me so much. Today, my biggest source of comfort comes from knowing that I have given a wonderful couple a tremendous gift that has transformed their lives and helped them become a family. Even more so, my child is being raised with values and traditions and is so proud and connected to her Jewish identity.



## ARE YOU EXPERIENCING AN UNPLANNED PREGNANCY?



You may be overwhelmed and asking yourself some of the following questions:

*I don't know what to do?*

*Are there any other options besides abortion?*

*How will I find the money, time or skills to give my child the care he/she needs?*

*Will I be able to finish my education?*



**Embrace a Jewish Child.org**

*Helping Jewish women find solutions for unplanned pregnancies.*

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# We Embrace Choice

As a Jewish birth mother you may be faced with an additional worry. You may be wondering if your child will have a part in his or her Jewish heritage and culture. You may not even be aware that you are entitled to request that your child be placed in a Jewish family. The mission of Embrace a Jewish Child is to reach out to you, a Jewish birth mother. We will inform you of your options and rights to secure a Jewish home for your child. We will hold your hand and support you throughout the process.

Should you decide to continue with an adoption plan, Embrace a Jewish Child can help you in your search to select a warm loving Jewish family that will provide your child with a happy and healthy home. Furthermore, your child will have the ability to experience his or her rich heritage and celebrate Holidays and timeless traditions with a loving family. Although we are not an adoption agency, facilitator, or intermediary, we can help you choose the perfect family for your child based on what is important to you. The miracle of adoption is your choice. You have the option to make all the decisions.

We offer birth mothers the opportunity to participate in the adoption planning process, and we can assist you in choosing the best adoption professionals to work with you. This includes selecting and meeting the adoptive family. We believe that birth mothers should have control of their adoption plan. Birth mothers or families that reach out to Embrace a Jewish Child can choose adoptive parents from a large variety of profiles. In addition, birth mothers can meet their adoptive family prior to the placement and determine the level of openness and contact they will have with the adoptive family during pregnancy and beyond.

All our services, both to birth parents and prospective adoptive parents, are free and confidential. If you have any additional considerations you would like to address, please reach out to us. We will make every

## Our services

### Birth Mother Counseling

Our organization helps to provide a team of professional, competent social workers and adoption counselors who offer support and guidance for birth mothers during and after pregnancy. We believe every birth mother deserves the chance to explore all her options.

### Embracing Choice

Birth mothers or families considering placing a child for adoption are free to choose adoptive parents from a large variety of profiles based on their values and priorities. All prospective adoptive parents in our network are prepared to honor a birth mother's or family's individual requests and needs and are motivated to create an adoption plan based on a mutually agreed upon level of openness.

### Adoption Network

We reach out to agencies, attorneys, Rabbis, social workers and birth families to help them connect and communicate. By doing this, we help Jewish birth mothers directly connect to families who wish to adopt a child. All prospective adoptive parents are required to have a completed home study by a licensed adoption agency. This ensures that they are capable of providing a child with their emotional and physical needs. Although we are a non-profit organization, Embrace a Jewish Child is NOT an adoption agency, facilitator, or intermediary, nor do we charge any fees for our services.

### Birth Mother Support

The needs of every birth mother are considered on an individual basis. Many prospective adoptive parents are prepared to provide financial support to birthmothers following all legal guidelines.

### Advocacy

We work with, and make referrals to a network of professionals across the country to advocate for Jewish birth mothers and families in their time of need.

Adoption-  
The Ultimate Gift,  
The Gift Of Life

