



2017-18 Adoption Payment Agreement

AVERAGE COST OF ADOPTION: \$30,000-\$50,000

\$15,000-\$37,500

BIRTH PARENT SERVICES:

- Continuously available phone support, adoption planning and coordination;
- Education support
- Counseling, adoption related and life counseling, mental health therapy;
- Housing, utilities, phone services, maintenance security, furniture, cleaning;
- Food, clothing, entertainment;
- Travel and out of state or interstate transportation;
- Case-manager support, medical coordination, and in state transportation;
- Support and financial assistance during post placement confinement period;

\$17,500-\$26,500

AGENCY FEES:

- Adoptive family application and file set-up;
- Adoptive family education, support;
- Presentation to and match with birthparents, support of match;
- Support of adoptive family in hospital and coordination with medical services;
- Assistance with public funds when available and appropriate;
- Relinquishment of birth mother parental rights and placement with adoptive parents;
- Completion of Interstate Compact for Placement of Children if needed;
- Monitoring of post placement supervision;
- Coordination with adoptive family legal advisor;
- Representation at finalization (Utah) or agency consent for finalization (out of state);
- Coordination between adoptive parents and birthparents for exchange of information;
- This includes all overhead and business-related costs and those services listed. It is occasionally necessary to subcontract some of these services to other providers.
- Advertising for birthparents and adoptive families.

(These fees have been averaged over the past two years)

\$750

APPLICATION OR ACTIVATION FEE:

This nonrefundable application and activation fee is due with your application and paperwork to begin your adoption process.

\$700 (paid directly to Social Worker)

HOME STUDY FEE:

We are able to travel to many, but not all locations in Utah to do a Home Study. This fee is to be paid directly to the social worker. If travel is greater than 50 miles, mileage will be added. If your home study is current, and meets all A Guardian Angel Adoptions, LLC standards, we will accept it from another agency. All supporting documents are needed. We can also update your home study for \$300.

\$100 (paid directly to Social Worker)

POST PLACEMENT (SUPERVISORY) VISITS:

Supervisory visits may also be done by another agency or independent social worker. However, if you are a Utah family, we can also do the required visits. Again, the fee plus mileage (if > 50 miles) is paid directly to the social worker at each visit.

\$8,250-\$10,500 (paid directly to medical providers)

MEDICAL EXPENSES:

Medical expenses are the responsibility of the adoptive family. All medical expenses must be paid at the time of placement to receive the medical discount offered by the hospital and providers in Utah (the discount is 50%). With the discount a normal vaginal delivery is approximately \$8,250. If your birth mother requires a cesarean section delivery the medical expenses will be approximately \$10,500. To maintain our discounted rate for Lab Corp bills, AGAA pay these bills as they accrue. Adoptive family will be required to reimburse AGAA for the prepaid Lab Corp bills for their birthmother at placement. Prescriptions are also prepaid by AGAA as they are prescribed by our doctors. These prepaid prescriptions will also be reimbursed to AGAA at placement. The average cost over the past two years for Lab Corp bills are \$334.27 and the average cost of prescriptions are \$258.47.

\$1,500-\$2,500 plus \$368 court filing fee (paid directly to legal counsel)

LEGAL EXPENSES:

Legal Expenses are the responsibility of the adoptive family. The agency will help assure that all birthparent rights are terminated according to Utah Law. Part of that process may require that an attorney obtain a "Determination of Paternal Rights". The cost for the DPR is \$1,500-\$2,000 plus any notification fees and will need to be paid directly to the attorney. If either the birthparents or adoptive parents are from another state, it may be necessary to retain legal counsel in that state to assure that all laws associated with that state are also followed. In addition, you will need legal counsel to finalize the adoption. You will also be responsible for the finalization of your adoption. The legal fees associated with finalization vary from state to state and you will need to check with an attorney of your choice for the cost.

100% REFUND POLICY

A Guardian Angel Adoptions, LLC takes all the risk of supporting and working with birth parents until they are matched with a family. Once you are matched with a birthmother you must pay the average cost for birth parent services, unless otherwise specified. We will refund or roll over these fees based upon the following information.

NOTE: At your request, AGAA will **refund** or roll over these fees based upon the following:

1. If the birth mother does not to place the baby with you, then AGAA fees you pay will be rolled over to a new situation.
2. If the birth mother does not place her child with the agency, then AGAA fees you pay will be rolled over to a new situation.
3. If, after being matched with a birth mom, you choose not to adopt the child for any reason, the agency will withhold funds required to rematch and/or support the birth mom. Any funds remaining may be refunded within 90 days or rolled over at the sole discretion of the agency.
4. If the child is placed in your home, then later removed for any reason, no fees will be refunded or rolled over unless otherwise agreed upon in writing.

We have read the above payment agreement and refund policy. In consideration for services rendered by A Guardian Angel Adoptions, LLC we hereby agree to the terms of the adoption fee plan.

ADOPTIVE FATHER: _____ **DATE:** _____

ADOPTIVE MOTHER: _____ **DATE:** _____