



## Adoptive Family Payment Agreement

### Adoption Services Provided by A Guardian Angel Adoptions, LLC:

The fees you are paying for your adoption services are detailed below.

Matching Fees: \$26,000.00 due in the form of a wire transfer at the time of match.

Placement Fees: \$26,000.00 due in the form of a wire transfer prior to traveling to Utah or to your state of placement.

Non-Refundable Application Fee: \$ 950.00 paid at time of application.

Total fees for all adoptions are capped and not to exceed \$52,950.

Fees for Adoptive Family and Expectant Parent services may or may not include:

- agency overhead;
- continuously available phone support;
- adoption planning and coordination;
- office rent and staff;
- office supplies and mail services;
- file setup and review;
- home study review and assessment for compliance with regulations and match;
- presentation and matching support;
- medical coordination;
- licenses;
- personnel;
- background screenings for staff;
- training; training materials;
- insurances;
- case management;
- legal services for the agency;
- completion of Interstate Compact for Placement of Children if needed;
- representation at finalization in Utah if required or consent for finalization for out of state families,
- paternity searches in Utah;
- birth certificates, marriage certificates, divorce decrees;
- advertising/recruiting;
- agency staff support throughout pregnancy, birth, placement and post placement;
- counseling including grief, trauma and adoption related;
- maternity expenses limited to pregnancy related clothing, pre-natal vitamins, other non-medical pregnancy related needs;
- temporary living expenses limited to the duration of the pregnancy and approved post confinement of the pre-existing parent(s) or directly affected persons to include
  - food;
  - transportation including bus passes, gasoline, car maintenance, car payments, and taxi/ride share services; luggage
  - housing to include cleaning, furniture, maintenance
  - utilities and telephone;
  - reasonable and minimal incidentals;
  - sufficient apparel for the weather and circumstances;
  - daily living household supplies;
  - travel between the expectant mother's or father's home and the location where the child will be born or placed;
  - travel expenses for agency staff to expectant mother's of residence for placement;
  - support and financial assistance during postpartum period;
  - monitoring of post placement supervision;

\*\*\* Note. Home studies and post placement visits are NOT included in these fees and are paid directly to the independent Social Worker completing your home study. Contact our Social Work Department for information regarding these fees.

The average cost over 2 years for each expense category is as follows.

Advertising-\$15,500

Agency Expenses-\$16,000

Travel-\$1800

Living Expenses-\$10,000

Case Management-\$4000

Post Partem Expenses-\$4700

Total-\$52,000

### Medical Expenses:

All adoptions will include medical expenses, you will receive a list of the actual medical expenses as well as the contact information for each of the providers at signing. To the early pay discount all charges must be paid to the medical providers before your birth mother and baby discharge

from the hospital. You may pay by, MasterCard, VISA, or American Express. If your birthmother qualifies for Utah Medicaid, you must still pay for your baby's hospital stay as well as your baby's visits by the hospital pediatrician. If your birth mother delivers in Utah and has Medicaid from her home state her hospital delivery, and hospital stay only will be covered and you will be responsible for her doctor's visit fees and delivery fees. You will receive a letter at match and placement showing medical expenses and providers with contact numbers and amounts to be paid on the day of placement. **MEDICAL FEES MUST BE PAID PRIOR TO THE DISCHARGE OF MOM AND BABY.**

**Legal Fees:**

Legal fees are not included in your adoption fees and are dependent upon the attorney you choose to use for finalization, the process required for termination of your particular birth father or possible birth father's, rights as well as any complications that may arise.

**Payments and Refunds:**

ADOPTIVE FAMILY AGREES TO PAY A *GUARDIAN ANGEL ADOPTIONS, LLC* THEIR ADOPTION FEES ACCORDING TO THE SCHEDULE STIPULATED PER THE ADOPTIVE FAMILY PAYMENT AGREEMENT. IF YOU PAY YOUR MATCHING AND/OR PLACEMENT FEES AND YOUR MATCH FAILS, YOUR FUNDS WILL BE HANDLED IN THE FOLLOWING ACCORDING TO YOUR SITUATION:

- IF YOU ARE MATCHED WITH ANOTHER AGENCY AFTER A FAILED MATCH WITH AGAA, PLEASE SEND DOCUMENTATION OF YOUR MATCH FROM THAT AGENCY AND A REFUND AT THEIR SOLE DISCRETION WITHIN 14 DAYS.
- IF THE BIRTH MOTHER DOES NOT PLACE HER CHILD WITH THE AGENCY, THEN AGAA FEES YOU PAY MAY BE ROLLED OVER TO A NEW SITUATION OR REFUNDED UPON PROOF OF MATCH WITH ANOTHER AGENCY AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE AGENCY.
- IF THE BIRTH MOTHER DOES NOT PLACE THE BABY WITH YOU, BUT THE BABY IS PLACED WITH ANOTHER FAMILY THROUGH *A GUARDIAN ANGEL ADOPTIONS, LLC*, THE FEES YOU PAY MAY BE APPLIED TO A NEW SITUATION, OR THE AGENCY MAY KEEP A PORTION OF THE FEES PAID TO COVER TIME AND EXPENSES INCURRED AND REFUND THE REMAINING BALANCE. THE OPTION CHOSEN IS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE AGENCY.
- IF, AFTER BEING MATCHED WITH A BIRTH MOM, YOU CHOOSE NOT TO ADOPT THE CHILD FOR ANY REASON, OR IF YOU IN ANY WAY DISRUPT THE MATCH, THE FEES YOU HAVE PAID MAY BE USED TO COVER SERVICES YOU RECEIVED AT MATCHING AND WHILE MATCHED, OR TO REMATCH OR SUPPORT THE BIRTH MOM. ANY REMAINING PORTIONS OF THE FEES MAY BE REFUNDED OR APPLIED TO A NEW SITUATION AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE AGENCY. IF THE CHILD IS PLACED IN YOUR HOME, THEN LATER REMOVED FOR ANY REASON, NO FEES WILL BE REFUNDED OR APPLIED TO A NEW SITUATION UNLESS OTHERWISE AGREED UPON IN WRITING.

ADOPTIVE FAMILY AGREES TO FOLLOW *A GUARDIAN ANGEL ADOPTIONS, LLC* POLICIES AND PROCEDURES TO RESOLVE ANY DISPUTE REGARDING FEES.

**Attorney Fees, Collection Costs, and Interest:**

In any case of non-payment, we agree to pay all attorney fees, court costs, filing fees, and collection costs, including charges or commissions up to 40 percent that may be charged the agency by a collection service retained to pursue this matter.

We also agree to pay interest at the rate of 1 1/2 percent per month (18 percent per year) on any outstanding balance.

Please sign below and return with any expenses that are due:

On date signed, we, \_\_\_\_\_, understand and agree to the information stated above and will pay the expenses associated with the adoption of our baby as indicated.

_____ Signature of Adoptive Parent #1	_____ Printed Name	_____ Date Signed
_____ Signature of Adoptive Parent #2	_____ Printed Name	_____ Date Signed
_____ Signature of AGAA Representative	_____ Printed Name	_____ Date Signed