



Adoptive Family Payment Agreement

Effective January 1, 2026

Please read this agreement carefully and sign stating you are aware of and agree to all financial requirements of your adoption. The fees you are paying for your adoption services are detailed below.

Fees for Adoption Services Provided by A Guardian Angel Adoptions, LLC:

- Matching Fees: \$40,000 due in the form of a wire transfer within 24 hours of match.
- Placement Fees: \$19,000 due in the form of a wire transfer as directed by your Matching Payment Agreement.
- Non-Refundable Application Fee: \$1,800 paid at time of application.

Adoptive Family Services

These services may or may not be provided to the adoptive family by A Guardian Angel Adoptions as each adoption requires different services based upon circumstances.

Total agency fees for all adoptions are capped at and not to exceed \$60,800 Note: Legal, Out of State Agency, and Medical not included.

Fees consisting of Adoptive Family Services 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 adoptive parent(s) and staff;
- training; training materials;
- insurance;
- case management;
- legal services for the agency;
- completion of Interstate Compact for Placement of Children if needed;
- paternity searches;
- 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;
- transportation including bus passes, gasoline, car maintenance, car payments, and taxi/ride share services; luggage
- travel expenses for agency staff to expectant mother's residence for placement;
- postpartum counseling;
- monitoring of post placement supervision;
- representation at finalization in Utah if required or consent only for finalization for out-of-state families.

*** 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.

Expectant Mother Services

Some or all of the following services may or may not be provided to our expectant mothers by A Guardian Angel Adoptions, LLC at no charge. Please be mindful that each adoption requires different services based upon circumstances and adoption law.

- 24/7 Phone Support: Expectant mothers have continuous access to phone support, ensuring someone is always available to assist with emergencies, answer questions, and help coordinate plans.
- Pregnancy Options Counseling: Licensed social workers provide counseling and guidance to support informed decision-making regarding pregnancy and adoption. Expectant mothers meet with their social worker multiple times prior to relinquishment to ensure a full understanding of the process and applicable laws, with additional support available as needed.
- Transportation Assistance: The agency provides transportation to medical and other necessary appointments when needed.
- Ongoing Emotional Support: Case managers and agency staff are available to offer consistent emotional support, guidance, and reassurance throughout the adoption journey.
- Grief and Post-Placement Counseling: After placement, the agency will cover up to three counseling sessions, in person or by telephone, upon request. Referrals for additional counseling are provided if further support is desired.
- Housing and Basic Needs: Safe housing, food, and essential provisions are provided to ensure expectant mothers' well-being during pregnancy.
- Postpartum (Confinement) Support: Financial assistance is provided during the recovery period following delivery, with specific postpartum expenses clearly outlined in advance.
- Travel Support: The agency arranges and assists with travel to Utah when necessary and provides support for additional travel needs as they arise.
- Post-Placement Support and Communication: The agency continues to support expectant mothers after placement, including assistance with communication with the adoptive family in accordance with agency policy and any Openness Agreement.

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

- Advertising-\$15,500
- Agency Expenses=\$17,000
- Travel-\$2,000
- Loss from Fraud-\$3000
- Living Expenses-\$10,500
- Case Management-\$5,000
- Postpartum Expenses \$6,000

Total-\$59,000

Please be advised that sometimes plans change with our expectant moms and they decide to travel to Utah or stay in their home state. This will change legal and medical fees. Below will explain medical expenses in Utah. If your mom delivers out of state, fees from that state and state's Medicaid will apply.

If your birth mother has Utah Medicaid, your medical expenses will include your baby's medical care. (Note: Asking an expectant mother to apply for Utah Medicaid when she will be returning home is considered Medicaid fraud) If your birth mother has Medicaid from another state, it will cover the birth mother's hospital expenses only. Please be advised Western Gynecology and Obstetrics, Natera Genetic Testing and the anesthesia offices do not bill out-of-state Medicaid.

If your baby goes to the NICU your insurance will be billed for those charges according to your individual plan.

You will receive an estimate for medical at match.

You will also receive a bill with a total for prescriptions and labs along with any other medical expenses paid by A Guardian Angel at signing. Please bring a personal check to cover those or pay the bill coming from QuickBooks in a timely manner.

Important Note: You are responsible for paying the birth mother's and baby's hospital medical expenses as soon as possible. Please make payment to Western Gynecology on the day of discharge and text your receipt to your case manager. Payment must be made in full before we can begin processing your ICPC. Please do not request a payment plan from Western.

If your Expectant Mother delivers at another Utah hospital that hospital's fees will apply.

Utah Adoption Legal Fees

Legal fees to terminate any and all birth father rights and for the finalization of your adoption are not included in your adoption fees. These legal expenses are determined by the attorney you choose to use for finalization as well as the process required for termination of all possible birth father's rights and also any complications that may arise. We require that you use an attorney from the American Academy of Adoptions for finalization. Please call and retain Larry Jenkins/Lance Rich, Attorney at Law, (801) 328-3600 3 weeks prior to delivery so his office can begin preparing for your case. For a Utah adoption, A Guardian Angel Adoptions, LLC will prepare the relinquishment documents and execute those documents with the birth mother; we will conduct a paternity registry search only in the state of Utah. A Guardian Angel will provide Mr. Jenkins with the documentation needed for termination of birth father rights and information for the ICPC letter he prepares for your ICPC packet. A Guardian Angel Adoptions will also provide your finalizing attorney with the documents and information needed so that they may do the necessary legal work to finalize your adoption. This may include doing paternity or putative father registry searches in other states, such as where the birth mother conceived or resided. Notice of adoption proceedings may also need to be provided to some potential or presumed fathers, depending on the circumstances of your case. A putative father in Utah may provide a relinquishment at any time prior to the birth mother's relinquishment and it shall not be considered a breach of this agreement if a Guardian Angel Adoptions is unable to obtain a relinquishment from a birth parent or unable to locate a birth father for the purpose of obtaining a relinquishment. Adoptive families are responsible for all costs associated with any legal work. This is non-negotiable. Legal fees charged by Mr. Jenkins are generally between \$2,000 and \$4,000 for an uncontested adoption. If you are legally able to finalize your adoption in Utah, you agree to do so. Whether you finalize your adoption in Utah or must do so in your home state, you agree that you will not challenge or contest A Guardian Angel Adoptions, LLC's fees.

Legal on out of State Adoptions

In certain out-of-state placements, A Guardian Angel Adoptions will be working in conjunction with a fully licensed adoption agency, social worker and/or attorney in these states to provide legal/relinquishment services. A Guardian Angel Adoptions has a large network of adoption professionals outside of the state of Utah who partner with us in completing adoptions. A Guardian Angel Adoptions agrees to locate and work with an attorney or an agency (in agency only states) in the state where your baby will be born. We will provide the agency/attorney with the required documentation and liaison with the out-of-state legal team. All parties conducting legal and/or social/agency work for an out of state adoption will require being retained by the Adoptive Family prior to any work on the case being done. A Guardian Angel Adoptions does not pay for these services. Adoptive Family understands the relinquishment will take place at the discretion of the legal team in state and the birth mother and not A Guardian Angel Adoptions and the fees for these services are solely the adoptive families to pay.

Adoptive Family agrees to pay all legal and/or agency fees associated with a Utah adoption or any adoption out of the state of Utah. This is non-negotiable.

Refund and/or Roll Over Policy

- If you pay your matching and/or placement fees and your match fails, your funds will be handled in one of the following ways according to your situation:
 - If your expectant mother does not place her baby with A Guardian Angel Adoptions, the fees you pay minus expectant mother expenses of \$10,500 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 your expectant mother does not place the baby with you, but the baby is placed with another adoptive family through A Guardian Angel Adoptions, the 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, 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 match and while matched, and to rematch or support your expectant mom. Any remaining portions of the fees after those obligations are met 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.
 - 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 minus \$10,500 in expectant mother expenses will be mailed to you within 14 business days.

Adoptive Family agrees to follow A Guardian Angel Adoptions, LLC policies and procedures and this Adoptive Family Payment Agreement.

Adoptive Family agrees to pay A Guardian Angel Adoptions, LLC their adoption fees according to the schedule stipulated by the Adoptive Family Payment Agreement.

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

If we finalize the adoption in our home state, we agree that AGAA fees will not be contested in our home state and that all issues regarding fees should be resolved in a Utah court. We also agree to pay interest at the rate of 1 1/2 percent per month (18 percent per year) on any outstanding balance.

On (date), _____ 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