

WE ARE HERE TO HELP:

- ◆ *Free Support, Advocacy, and Guidance throughout Pregnancy*
- ◆ *Access to Community Resources*
- ◆ *Assistance in Choosing an Adoptive Family*



“Our Staff will travel to meet with you, if you are unable to travel to one of our offices.”



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We have six regional offices throughout Pennsylvania to help serve you best. Please call, email or visit our website for more information.

For Pittsburgh Region
Please Call: 800-711-5963

For All Other Areas
Please Call: 800-722-0136

E-mail: adoption@families4kids.org

Professional Affiliations & Accreditations

We are a COA and Hague Accredited Agency



Families United Network, Inc. is proud to be among a select group of social service organizations accredited by the Council on Accreditation (COA) for our Foster Care, Adoption and Residential Programs and The Hague Convention for our International Adoption Services.

COA is an international accrediting body that requires agencies to meet rigorous standards in quality of services and management. This standard goes above and beyond what is required by local and state authorities. Families United Network is also authorized by the US Department of State to facilitate international adoption services under The Hague Convention; which many countries require.

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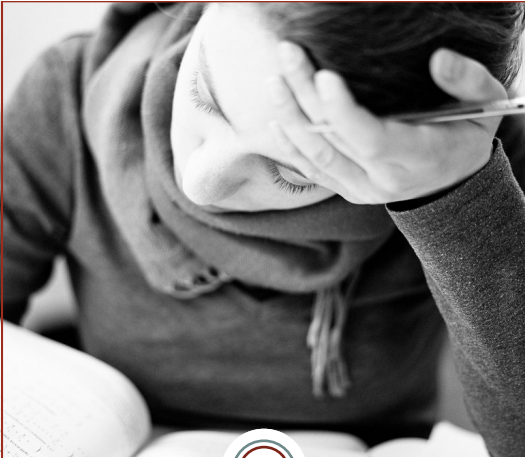
Unplanned Pregnancy?



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Our Mission & Goals

- ◆ Provide education & support to women experiencing an unexpected pregnancy.
- ◆ Assist women in exploring each choice available in a Non-Biased, Non-Judgmental, & Strictly Confidential manner so that you can make an informed decision.
- ◆ If you choose to parent, we will connect you with community resources as needed.
- ◆ If you choose adoption, we will assist you in choosing a family that will provide a permanent, loving, & stable home.

WHAT IF I DECIDE THAT ADOPTION MAY BE THE RIGHT CHOICE FOR ME?

- ◆ We will provide you with information about families who are approved to become adoptive parents.
- ◆ We have many loving families prepared to adopt a baby of any race or who may have special needs.

WHAT IF I CHANGE MY MIND?

- ◆ We will be available throughout the pregnancy to assist you in making the right decision.
- ◆ No legal paperwork will be signed until after the birth.
- ◆ You are the one that makes the decision if your baby is adopted and which family will adopt him or her.

“Families United Network has been so wonderful to me. This has been a positive experience and it is because of them and their compassion, support, and warmth.”



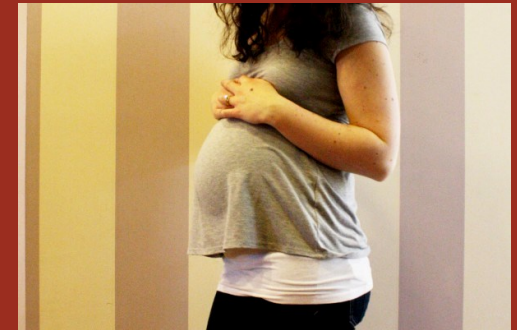
— A BIRTH MOTHER

WHAT SUPPORT IS THERE FOR ME?

- ◆ We will assist to connect you with community agencies and resources available that can help meet your financial and medical needs.

WHAT CONTACT WILL I HAVE WITH THE FAMILY AND MY BABY?

- ◆ The amount of contact between the birth family and the adoptive family depends on what they find comfortable. Each case is different and depends on what each party wants.
- ◆ A “Closed Adoption” refers to a placement where there is little to no confidential information shared.
- ◆ “Open Adoption” is broader. This generally means the birth family meets with the adoptive family before the birth. After birth they sometimes send letters and pictures.



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