

Where Do I Begin?

- 1 Contact us by phone or email to receive an application
- 2 Complete the application
- 3 You will receive your step-by-step handbook, which walks you through the home study process, after we receive your completed application

Adoption Office Locations



For more information, please contact Heather O'Neill, MSW, Private Adoption Supervisor at hnoneill@families4kids.org, adoption@families4kids.org or (717) 492-9338.



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Home Study Services



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Considering Adoption?

Adoption is a profound journey of love and commitment, offering families the opportunity to welcome a new member into their hearts and homes. Whether you're drawn to infant adoption, domestic adoption, international adoption, or foster care adoption, the paths you can take are as unique as the families who embark on them.

As you prepare to grow your family through adoption, you'll need to choose the type of adoption that aligns with your dreams and circumstances. Once you've made this heartfelt decision, the next steps involve selecting your placement agency and finding the right home study and post-adoption agency. Each choice is a step closer to one of the most fulfilling experiences of your life: welcoming a child into your family and forever changing both your lives.

Home Study Services

Families United Network is dedicated to assisting your family through your unique international or domestic adoption journey. The first step is to complete a home study. We will help you through this process while making it as transparent as possible. The home study process can take anywhere from 8 to 12 weeks to complete, depending on your situation.

Home studies are personalized to meet the individual needs of the placement agency. Our home study services are available to the entire state of Pennsylvania and we have flexible scheduling options.

What Can I Expect After Seeking Information?

- To receive information, you can call, email, or submit an inquiry via our website. We will then forward you an informational email to initiate the process.
- You will receive a handbook with instructions and various forms to complete.
- Once we receive your forms, clearances, health statements, training, and references, we will contact you to schedule your first home visit.
- You will participate in a home interview with us.
- We will work with your placement agency to ensure the home study meets their needs for the adoption. We will review the interagency agreements.
- We will give you and your placement agency copies of your completed home study.
- We will always track the expiration dates of your home study to ensure compliance.



Our case manager is the one that made the difference.

– An Adoptive Parent



Why Choose Families United Network?

Families United Network is a beacon of hope and compassion in the adoption journey. Accredited by CEAS for services regulated by The Hague Convention, we make sure that every step you take is backed by trust and integrity. Our dedicated and compassionate staff go above and beyond, coming to your home to provide personalized assistance throughout the home study process. We understand the emotional weight that adoption carries and are committed to completing your home study in a timely manner so you can move forward with confidence and hope. With Families United Network by your side, you are not just choosing a service; you are choosing a family that is deeply invested in bringing yours together.

