

Prenatal, Adoption and Foster Care Services

Adoption
Foster Care
Pregnancy Counseling

Adoption

Adoption Center of the Midsouth

www.theadoptioncenter.org/
3251 Poplar Ave. Suite 230
Memphis, TN 38111
901-327-6650

A collaboration of agencies and individuals committed to the common goal of creating and supporting healthy families created through adoption. Our many services are delivered by Master's level therapists working one-on-one with families to identify barriers to success. They then create a care plan that comprehensively addresses the needs of the entire family in order to build and maintain a healthy family life.

Adoption Connection

<http://www.adoptionconnectionmemphis.org/>
6560 Poplar Ave
Memphis, TN 38138
901-767-2525

Offer confidential, professional services to birth parents and adoptive parents, regardless of race, religion, or national origin. Adoption Connection is licensed as a child-placing agency in Tennessee and Mississippi and has a reputation as a leader in adoption programs locally, statewide, and nationally.

Adoption Counseling Services

2185 Wickersham Lane,
Germantown, TN 38138
901 753 9089

20 years of experience in adoption. Helped create over 700 adoptive families. A licensed clinical social worker who has formed her own agency, Adoption Services, in 1992. Provides home studies for both international and domestic adoption, adoption planning and consultation for expectant parents and adopting parents, counseling/education for adult adoptees and classes for adoptive parents. The Adoption Option and Conversations with Your Adopted Child are offered annually. The Memphis Adoption Review, the agency newsletter, is published biannually.

Agape Child and Family Services

www.agapemeanslove.org
111 Racine Street
Memphis, TN 38111
901.323.3600

Mission is dedicated to providing children and families with healthy homes, adoption and maternity services, infant and special needs, adoptions and post-adoption Services.

Families in Touch housing (FIT) for pregnant homeless mothers. Individual and Family Counseling. Foster Care - Family Permanency. Leads The Adoption Center of the MidSouth, a collaborative effort serving anyone touched by adoption. <http://www.TheAdoptionCenter.org/> .

Families in Touch serves homeless, pregnant women and their children in transitional housing for up to two years. FIT also provides the following services at no cost to the families served: Duplex to live in with their children for up to two years (called transitional housing). - Life Skills classes and training to equip the women to live successfully on their own (in areas such as parenting, financial matters, employment/career, etc.). - Counseling to address

relational and personal issues.- Mentors to assist them in their journey.- Opportunity to come to know Jesus.- Case management services.- Chaplain Services

Associated Catholic Charities, (Catholic Charities Inc., Diocese of Memphis Housing Corporation and St. Peter Villa (Nursing and Rehabilitation Center)

www.accinwesttn.org

1325 Jefferson Ave.,
Memphis, TN 38104
901-722-4700

Food/Clothing, Shelter/Housing, Professional Mental Health Care, Extended child care services, refugee and immigration assistance, maternity and adoption, foster care and residential treatment. Emulates the teachings of Jesus Christ by providing excellent human services to the poor and vulnerable while advocating for the dignity and rights of all people in West Tennessee.

The mission of the Diocese of Memphis Housing Corporation is to enhance human dignity by providing humane and affordable housing for persons in need regardless of race and religious belief. The Diocese of Memphis Housing Corporation cooperates with other persons and associations in enabling and supporting alternative housing for the elderly and the poor.

The mission of St. Peter Villa is to extend the healing ministry of Christ through: excellence in long-term and rehabilitative care, commitment to the needs of the total person, commitment to the poor and under-served, leadership in responding to emerging health care needs.

Bethany Christian Services

<http://www.bethany.org/>

1044 Brookfield Rd
Memphis, TN 38119
901 818 9996

Adoptions and counseling

Department of Children's Services, Tennessee, regional Office

<http://tennessee.gov/youth/>

170 N. Main St.,
Memphis, TN 38103
901-578-4001

Adoption, Children need a family. They need a place to call home. They need a place where they know they'll be celebrating the holidays for years to come. They need their siblings. They need parents who will be their parents for life. Hundreds of children are in the guardianship of the State of Tennessee. The Department can find them foster homes, group homes and other residential settings. But children need a permanent home.

Child safety (Child Abuse) Responds to over 37,000 reports of child abuse and neglect a year. Every day, more than 100 children are reported abused or neglected in Tennessee. The Child Protective Services division strives to protect children whose lives or health are seriously jeopardized because of abusive acts or negligence. This division also supports the preservation of families

Tennessee Children's Trust Fund Advisory Committee Takes the leadership role in ensuring that statewide child abuse prevention efforts have coordination and support, reflect evidence based practices, involve both public and private community partners and are available to all Tennessee children.

Foster Care Children who live in families that are unable or unwilling to care for them need the strength of a stable and secure environment. Responsible for providing temporary care or foster care for many of these children. DCS recruits foster families who provide safe and supportive homes in which the children's emotional, physical and social needs can be met.

Relative Caregiver Program (RCP) A public/private collaboration designed to support children who are not able to be raised by their parents, and are being cared for by grandparents, aunts, uncles and other extended family members. DCS contracts with community based agencies to provide services in each of the 12 regions. Memphis Agency UT Boling Center for Developmental Disabilities 901 448-3133

Division of Juvenile Justice Serves children who have been committed to the Department by the juvenile courts for delinquent offenses. Operates five Youth Development Centers and twelve Community Residential Program homes. This division is responsible for overseeing the day-to-day operations of the facilities while providing treatment and rehabilitation to children committed to state custody by the juvenile court. Youth Development Centers are state-

operated, hardware-secure, residential facilities that provide treatment programs for delinquent youth ages twelve to nineteen. All students participate in a classification and orientation program. Based on the results of this evaluation, an individualized program plan is developed for each child. The goal is building skills that allow each student to move to a less restrictive setting as soon as possible. A full program of education, vocational skills, medical services, recreational programs, self help and independent living skills is provided. Specialty services include therapy for a broad range of needs, alcohol and drug programs, speech therapy, dental care and behavior management. Students are prepared for release through planning with staff.

The five youth centers house a total of 593 and provide a number of services from counseling to sex offender treatment. The typical student of a Youth Development Center is likely to have committed a violent offense toward another person and may have mental-health problems or other specialized needs.

Memphis Service Providers

Agape Child & Family Services

111 Racine Street
Memphis, TN 38111
901 323-3600

Agency for Youth & Family Development

5050 Poplar Avenue, Suite 1510
Memphis, TN 38157
901 682 6775

Exceptional Needs Care Management Agency

2755 East Colony Park, Suite #7
Memphis, TN 38118
901 360-0194

Goodwill Homes Community Services

P.O. Box 161282
Memphis, TN 38186
901 332-3727

Memphis Recovery Centers, Inc.

219 N. Montgomery
Memphis, TN 38104
901 272-7751

Midtown Mental Health Center, Inc.

427 Linden Avenue
Memphis, TN 38126
901 577-9435

Miracle Alternatives Youth Services

P.O. Box 18222
5741 Nanjack Circle
Memphis, TN 38118
901 365 5402

Porter-Leath Children's Center

868 Manassas Street
Memphis, TN 38107
901 577-2500 ext. 151

Meritan, Steppen Stones

4700 Poplar Avenue
Memphis, TN 38117

901 766-0600

UHS of Lakeside, Inc. , (Lakeside Behavioral Health System)

2911 Brunswick Rd
Memphis, TN 38133
901 377-4743

Youth Villages, Inc.

P.O. Box 341154
Memphis, TN 38184
901 252-7667

Hannah's Hope, United Methodist Adoption Service

www.hannahs-hope.org

5676 Stage Road
Bartlett, TN 38134
901.327.5560

Offers free, non-judgmental crisis pregnancy counseling and adoption services to families desiring the permanent placement of a child. Potential adoptive parents will receive guidance in discerning their best adoption option whether a domestic infant placement, working with an international adoptive agency or through the State Department of Children's Services to parent an older child

Life Choices

www.life-choices.org
5575 Raleigh-LaGrange
Memphis, TN 38134
901.388.1172
Pregnancy/abortion Counseling

Memphis Jewish Family Service

www.jfsmemphis.org/
6560 Poplar Avenue
Memphis, TN 38138
901.767.8511

Counseling, Adoption Connection, Amputee Support Program, Family Life Programs: Children of Divorce, Parent to Parent, Social Singles, Financial Assistance . Some services are available only to members of the Jewish Faith

Porter-Leath

www.porter-leath.org
868 North Manassas St.
MEMPHIS, TN 38107
901 577 2500

Children from abusive or neglectful homes, as well as children from loving families who may experience a troubled period, often lack the fundamental skills to succeed in school, their communities and life. They need a safe place to live, a nurturing environment in which to grow and the emotional and physical support that only comes from making the right Connections. This group of Porter-Leath programs is operated by clinical staff 24-hours a day, and focuses on providing residential, foster care, adoption, runaway and homeless services for children from birth to age 18 in a supportive and therapeutic environment. Emergency Shelter/Foster Care male and female youth Early Intervention Program for Young Children, Residential Services/Child, Employment Training, Adoption and foster care, Special needs adoption, Emergency shelter for children, Optimist boys home Food program

Foster Care

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901.323.3600

Adoption and Maternity Services, Infant and Special Needs Adoptions and Post-Adoption Services. Families in Touch housing for pregnant homeless mothers. Individual and Family Counseling. Foster Care- Family Permanency.

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Camelot Care Center Inc.

www.camelotcare.org

5100 Poplar Avenue, Suite 3115
Memphis, TN 38137
901.821.0311

Must be in foster care with the state to qualify. Private counseling is available only to those with certain insurance (i.e. Value Options) and must be under the age of 18, Behavior Resources, Counseling and/or Mental Health Services, Therapeutic Foster Care, In-home treatment, Full behavioral assessment

Goodwill Homes Community Services

4590 Goodwill Road
Memphis, TN 38109
901.785.6790

All ages, All disabilities, Adult Day Care, Child Care Program, Residential Services/Child, Senior Citizen Services, Group homes/foster care for children in state custody, Summer youth job training program, Preschool and after school care (ages 6-12), Supportive housing for low income persons 62 years and older (must apply with Bearman Golden Gardens). Creating opportunities to maintain self-sufficient families. Our core values include: Mutual respect for clients and others; Quality Services; Accountability; Professionalism and Efficiency. Goodwill Homes Community Services, Inc. continues to help break the cycle of poverty and improving the life of the people we serve. The Agency delivers the most extensive social services in the southwest Memphis area. The Agency has focused on providing innovative leadership in its programming to empower others to become and remain self-sufficient. The following program make up the Agency's scope of services: Foster Homes for Children, Head Start, Adult Day Care, Senior Center, Jacquelyn Shropshire Literacy Center and the Bearman-Golden Gardens.

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MEMPHIS, TN 38107
901 577 2500

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Meritan

www.meritan.org/takeaction.htm
4700 Poplar Avenue, Suite 100
Memphis, TN 38117
901.766.0600

Senior Services Home Health child placement that finds and trains medical and therapeutic foster families for difficult to place medically and emotionally fragile children, alliance for the Blind and Visually Impaired, an exercise and fitness program offered at senior centers & churches, Ruth E. Tate Senior Center- a social hub - much like the local market, community center, gym, church, theater, or workplace is for the rest of us, in home alternatives to costly Medicaid nursing home admissions by providing professional support when a family member can help, finding meaningful work for hundreds of older workers every year

Omni Visions Inc.

www.omnivisions.com
6046 Knight Arnold Rd., Ste. 106,
Memphis, TN 38115
901-566-0400

Comprehensive provider of services for children, special needs adults and families; Therapeutic foster care, Adoption assistance, Independent living/support for the mentally retarded/developmentally disabled, Services to provide intervention strategies with youth who are at risk of out-of-home placement. Will be the provider of choice for people and agencies needing innovative, quality family and community services which improve lives, by people taking care of people. Must be in foster care with the state to qualify. Private counseling is available only to those with certain insurance (i.e. Value Options) and must be under the age of 18, behavior resources, counseling and/or mental health services, therapeutic Foster Care, in-home treatment, full behavioral assessment.

Department of Children Services, State of Tennessee

<http://tennessee.gov/youth/>

N. Main St.,
Memphis, TN 38103
901-578-400

Child abuse prevention, Relative caregiver program, Foster Care Program, Residential and Youth Development Centers. Juvenile Justice. Operates five Youth Development Centers and twelve Community Residential Program homes. This division is responsible for overseeing the day-to-day operations of the facilities while providing treatment and rehabilitation to children committed to state custody by the juvenile court In cooperation with families, local communities, juvenile courts, and schools will provide timely, appropriate, and cost-effective services for children in state custody and at risk of custody, so these children can strive to reach their full potential as productive, competent, and healthy adults.

Shelby County Relative Caregiver Program, University of Tennessee Boling Center for Disabilities

<http://www.state.tn.us/youth/rcp.htm>
711 Jefferson Ave.
Memphis, TN 38105
901-448-3133
901- 448-3926

A comprehensive public/private collaboration designed to support children whose parents are not able to raise them,

and are being cared for by a grandmother, aunt, uncle, or other extended family members. Program staff respects what is unique and special within each family, provide accurate, easy-to-follow information about existing resources available to families, and fill in gaps where services are not available.

Program Eligibility, The Relative Caregiver must have primary care and control of the child through informal family arrangements or through legal custody or guardianship. The Relative Caregiver must be related to the child(ren) by blood, marriage or adoption. Proof of relationship is required to receive services. In order to receive emergency financial or start-up assistance from RCP, the Relative Caregiver family must not be in receipt of any type of kinship payment or subsidy (i.e. foster care board payment, Families First Kinship Care payment, or subsidized guardianship) and the household income cannot exceed twice (2X) the current federal poverty guideline. Services Offered, Family Advocacy/Short term Case Management , Youth and Teen Activity Groups, Emergency One-time Financial or Start-up Assistance, Educational Workshops, Information and Referral, Respite and Recreation

Caregiver Support Groups

Material Assistance

Support Groups:

South Memphis New Life Missionary Baptist Church, 1275 Latham Street, First Thursday each month

Whitehaven Mount Vernon Baptist Church, 620 Parkrose Street, Second Thursday each month

Midtown Benjamin L. Hooks Central Library, 3030 Poplar Ave. Last Thursday each month

Birth Parent Support Group UT Boling Center for Developmental Disabilities, 711 Jefferson Ave. Third Tuesday each month 3pm - 4 pm

Pregnancy Counseling

Bethany Christian Services

<http://www.bethany.org/memphis>

1044 Brookfield Rd., Ste. 102,

Memphis, TN 38119

901-818-9996

www.bethany.org

Outreach, Education, HIV/STD Prevention: Provides abstinence and STD education, Pregnancy-related, Shelter/Housing: Can assist with finding housing for pregnant females, Religious/Spiritual, Provides counseling to men and women who are expecting around adoption and foster care issues; Assistance with finding a home for children in foster care in and out of state; Support group Manifests the love and compassion of Jesus Christ by protecting and enhancing the lives of children and families through quality social services.

Birthright Of Memphis Inc.

www.birthrightofmemphis.org/

115 Alexander St

Memphis, TN 38111

901 327-8109

1750 Frayser Blvd, Suite C,

Memphis, TN 38127

901 353 2828

Non-profit, non-sectarian pregnancy counseling agency supported mainly by private contributions, staffed by social workers and sustained by the work of dedicated volunteers. Birthright exists to help women who are distressed by their pregnancies and to offer them a true alternative to abortion

Hannah's Hope, United Methodist Adoption Service

www.hannahs-hope.org

5676 Stage Road

Bartlett, TN 38134

901.327.5560

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Department of Children's Services to parent an older child

Natural Family Planning Center, Diocese of Memphis

<http://www.cdom.org/departments/nfp/nfpcenter.htm>

5825 Shelby Oaks Drive

Memphis, TN 38134

901 373-1285

Provides Natural Family Planning (NFP) instruction for adults; Mother/Daughter and Father/Son programs for families, Catholic sexuality, chastity and fertility appreciation education for youth and adults; and pro-family, pro-life educational and support services for the community.

Life Choices

www.life-choices.org

5575 Raleigh-LaGrange

Memphis, TN 38134

901.388.1172

Pregnancy/abortion Counseling

Memphis Center for Reproductive Health

www.mcrh-tn.com

1462 Poplar Avenue

Memphis, Tennessee 38104

901.274.3550

Recognizes a woman's right to control reproduction, and acknowledges that only through education and understanding can one truly exercise freedom of choice. The mission of the organization is to treat each patient according to her healthcare needs, rather than social or economic factors; and to increase the patient's awareness of gynecological issues, thus enabling her to make informed choices. The Center provides first trimester abortion services; basic gynecological services (pap smear, breast exam, pelvic exam); STD testing and treatment; birth control; pregnancy options counseling; pregnancy dating by ultrasound; free pregnancy screens; community education; information and referral services.

Memphis Planned Parenthood, Inc.

(Call for correct address)

www.plannedparenthood.org/memphis

1407 Union Avenue, 3rd Floor

Memphis, TN 38104

901 725-3004

Committed to providing comprehensive contraceptive and reproductive health services and education to women and men throughout the Mid-South regardless of ability to pay.

Tri-State Sav-A-Life, Inc

www.911babies.com/Centers/mississippi.html

PO Box 1424

Southaven, Mississippi

662-349-6016

Information to help expectant mothers make an informed decision based on truth. There will be articles on adoption and the agencies that help place the child in a good Christian home. Articles on parenting will also be included for those that may have some fear of this option. Information on abstinence and staying pure will also be included