

NYS PRIVATE AND INTERNATIONAL ADOPTION SERVICES

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Org Services ARCC, Inc. provides pre and post-adoption counseling and consultation services including homestudy services, post-placement supervision, evaluation and referral services, and counseling for all members of the adoption triad. ARCC also offers workshops and training opportunities for parents and families from a wide array of adoption experiences.

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Org Services Provides child placement programs including domestic infant and international programs. Conducts home studies for prospective families throughout New York State interested in pursuing a domestic agency adoption, private adoption, international adoption and kinship adoption. Home study often includes educational classes as well as private appointments with a social worker. International programs include Hungary and Bulgaria. Support services include pre & post adoption support groups, training/social events and telephone counseling. See website for more info.

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Org Services AFTH is a licensed, nonsectarian, non-profit agency licensed in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, New York, Virginia and Connecticut . Domestic infant open adoption and international home studies. In addition offers private adoption assistance services to help families and professionals.

Name Robert Toledo **Title** Regional Director
Organization American World Adoption **Cty.** Suffolk
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Org Services NY office of multi-state, religious affiliated adoption agency providing international adoption services in seven countries. Cost vary according to country.



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Name Susan Kupferberg **Title** Asst. Director
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Org Services Ametz offers domestic and international homestudies, post-placement supervision, educational workshops and counseling to families of all religious and cultural backgrounds in every stage of the adoption process. Ametz is a fee-for-service program with financial aid available in many situations. Through interviews and a home visit, the social worker collects information to write a narrative report about the prospective parent(s), their home and type of child they hope to adopt. See website for complete inform.

Name Judy O'Mara **Title**
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Org Services Provide homestudies for some domestic private adoptions. Their focus is on international adoptions. Although they are a licensed foster care agency and can do homestudies for adoption of children in foster care, they do not have a mechanism for doing purchase of service contracts. Therefore, they don't work with families interested in foster care adoptions. (There can be exceptions, e.g., a family that has begun their foster care training and decides to adopt instead.) No Spanish language services available.

Name Nancy Dykstra-Powers **Title** Director
Organization Bethany Christian Services **Cty.** Orange
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State NY **Zip** 10001 **Phone** 845-987-1453
Email see web contact form **Web** <http://www.bethany.org/>

Org Services NY branch of full service national adoption agency with 70 offices nationwide and international ministries in more than a dozen foreign countries, Services include domestic infant, international, and special needs adoption programs. Offices in Rochester, NYC, and Warwick NY. See website contact form.

Name Caterina Plotnicki **Title** Sup, Fost Care & Adopt
Organization Catholic Charities of Buffalo **Cty.** Erie
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State NY **Zip** 14203 **Phone** 716-856-4494 x3048
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Org Services They provide 30 hours joint foster/adoption MAPP class 2x yr. in Spring & Fall. Use shorter training program of 5 or 6 wk individual meetings for private adoptions and may for others rather than have family wait for next MAPP training. \$100 adoption application fee and \$2,000 for home study services. Will develop purchase of service contracts with agencies for special needs adoption, no fee to parents. No Spanish language services available. Serves 8 counties in Western NY Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, Orleans, Wyoming



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Name Winnie Sachno **Title** Adoption Coordinator
Organization Catholic Charities of Ogdensburg **Cty.** St Lawrence
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Org Services Adoption coordinator for all offices in the Diocese including Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Jefferson, Lewis, St Lawrence, and northern Herkimer & Hamilton. Local offices provide maternity services, all services to prospective families centralized in Ogdensburg. Homestudies, certification, supervision, and coordination with placement agency provided for domestic and inter. adoption on sliding scale. No education component, families referred to web and local information resources.

Name Mary Anne Timian **Title** Adoption Caseworker
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State NY **Zip** 13502 **Phone** (315) 724-2158 ext 254/ ext 238
Email mtimian@ccharityom.org **Web**

Org Services The Agency does infant adoptions (up to 18 months old) generally newborns. Foster Parents must be infant CPR trained and also attend a SIDS informational training. Pre and Post placement informational training and casework are done on an individual basis. Training classes held once a year. Private Homestudy services provided. Serves Oneida, Madison and parts of Herkimer Counties

Name Joseph Fanelli **Title** Director of Adoption Services
Organization Catholic Charities of Onondaga **Cty.** Onondaga
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State NY **Zip** 13208 **Phone** 315-424-1800
Email **Web** <http://www.ccoc.us>

Org Services Agency performs domestic home studies and facilitates open adoptions. The home study fee is \$1,250, adoptive parents must complete a home study. Adoption fees vary according to family income. adoptive parents must complete a home study. Call Dr. Fanelli for more information.

Name Karen Miscavage **Title** Area Director
Organization Catholic Charities of Plattsburgh **Cty.** Clinton
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State NY **Zip** 12901 **Phone** 518-561-0470
Email **Web**

Org Services NYS Authorized Adoption Agency. All local offices in Diocese covering 7 counties provide maternity services for pregnant women. Homestudies and certification of prospective adoptive families centralized in Ogdensburg office, contact is Winny Sachno 315-393-2255

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Org Services Full Service agency - assists with domestic infant, international, older/special needs and private adoptions. Comprehensive information about all aspects of adoption. Initial confidential interviews, home studies, post-placement services, complete documentation for legalization as required by the court. Will act as a liaison for adoptive parents with international agencies, and assist them in meeting the requirements for U.S. immigration.

Name Kathleen Dooley-Polcha **Title** Director, Maternity & Post Legal
Organization Catholic Guardian Society & Home Bureau **Cty.** New York
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State NY **Zip** 10022 **Phone** 212-371-1000 X2117
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Org Services Full service domestic and Hague approved international adoption program with placement programs in Bulgaria and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. We are also developing a program in the Dominican Republic. We have partner agencies with approved placement programs in Russia, Ethiopia, India. We also conduct home studies for International Kinship Adoptions with many families from Jamaica, Guyana, Nigeria, Haiti and the Dominican Republic. Bi-lingual staff are available. Applicant(s) seeking to adopt should contact us by phone or email and information will be sent regarding the various adoption programs. Attendance at an Orientation Meeting is required before a case is accepted by mutual agreement and assigned to a social worker.

Name Janice Berguon **Title** Director
Organization Children at Heart Adoption Services, Inc **Cty.** Saratoga
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State NY **Zip** 12118-1619 **Phone** 518-664-5988
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Org Services Children At Heart is a Hague accredited, 501(c)(3) non-profit adoption agency, founded in 1995. We are approved in the state of NY and licensed in the state of NC to facilitate domestic and international adoptions for all US citizens living in any state, or abroad. We also provide home study, post-placement, and post-adoption services for NY and NC residents.

Name Justin Herscovici **Title** Exec Dir
Organization Children of the World Adoption Agency **Cty.** Nassau
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State NY **Zip** 11791 **Phone** 516-935-1235
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Org Services Full service adoption agency specializing in international adoptions from the Russian Federation. Call for information on upcoming orientation meetings for prospective adoptive parents. On-line list of adoptive families who adopted from agency willing to provide information and support to other families interested in adoption.



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Name	Intake Services	Title	
Organization	Community Maternity Services	Cty.	Albany
Address	27 N Main Ave	City	Albany
State	NY	Zip	12203
		Phone	518-482-8836
Email	Web http://www.cccms.org/		
Org Services	Multi-Service private non profit agency serving 14 counties in Albany Roman Catholic Diocese. Three adoption programs: Healthy Infant, International, and Special Needs/Waiting Kids. Also has residential and foster care programs, Call intake services for information on adoption fees and process and becoming a foster parent.		

Name		Title	
Organization	Family & Children's Agency, Inc.	Cty.	Westchester
Address	1890 Palmer Avenue, Suite 201	City	Larchmont
State	NY	Zip	10583
		Phone	914-834-5806
Email	Web http://www.familyandchildrensagency.org		
Org Services	NY office of out-of-state authorized agency providing domestic infant and international adoptions statewide. Costs and eligibility requirements vary according to country. Domestic infant adoption averages between \$5,000 to \$20,000. Quarterly information meetings in Larchmont, On-line registration form and meeting schedule. Homestudy process includes educational classes and counseling. Post adoption support groups and activities provided.		

Name	Sharon Foster Aaron	Title	Adoption
Organization	Family and Children's Society of Broome County	Cty.	Broome
Address	257 Main St	City	Binghamton
State	NY	Zip	13905
		Phone	607-729-6206
Email	Web http://www.familycs.org/		
Org Services	They have small infant domestic adoption program and provide homestudies and supervision for international adoption placement agencies across the country. Will provide consultation about international adoption to prospective parents and guide them through the process to pick a placement agency. Just started support group for parents of adopted special needs kids which meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 7:00 at their office. Educational seminars open to public.		

Name	Anita Stevens	Title	Director
Organization	Family Connections	Cty.	Cortland
Address	PO Box 5555	City	Cortland
State	NY	Zip	13045
		Phone	607-756-6574
Email	Web http://www.adoptfamilyconnections.org/		
Org Services	Private not for profit specializing in domestic and international adoption homestudies and post placement supervision. Will work with families from all over NYS and will work out cooperative arrangements with other agencies and states. Homestudy fees range from \$1,000 to \$3,000 depending on type of adoption and sliding fee schedule.		



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Name Clerical Staff
Organization Family Focus Adoption Services
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City Little Neck
State NY **Zip** **Phone** 866-855-1919 or 718-224-1919
Email **Web** <http://familyfocusadoption.org/>

Org Services Serves families from Long Island through Albany region. Adoption MAPP classes held in Albany, Orange and Queens. Orientation meetings also held in Sullivan and Dutchess. Specialty 8 yrs.+ and Spec. Needs. Home Studies, Certification and Post Placement reports. \$2,000 fee for international., interstate, private adoptions. No charge for NYS waiting kids. Call to inquire about fees for Natl. Internet Adoption Help Program for families searching for out of state waiting children. Sends out orientation info within 5 days of call. First step is to attend orientation and receive complete packet and training schedule. No Spanish language homestudy services.

Name Barbara Monahan
Organization Friends in Adoption
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City Baldwinsville
State NY **Zip** 13207 **Phone** 315-635-2491
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Org Services Onondaga County office of Vermont based adoption agency authorized in NYS. Domestic infant adoption program includes counseling, placements and post placement supervision, Process begins with mandatory Get Acquainted Workshops in Vermont at cost of \$275. FIA works mainly within the northeastern United States, with a limited (approx 60) number of clients and families a year.

Name Barabara McArtney
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Org Services Provides New York State and Hague accredited homestudies and post placement services for most of the New York State area; Services include independent international adoption services; domestic adoption and interstate compact assistance, troubleshooting, consultation, and mediation services. See website for fee schedule. Is both an accredited NYS adoption agency and law firm. Provides legal consultation and representation in addition to adoption services

Name Pam Hall
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Org Services Licensed by the State of Florida and New York to process domestic and international adoptions, specializing in China, Guatemala, Ukraine, Haiti, Nepal, Russia and Columbia . Provides/arranges for home studies in New York and New Jersey. Works statewide.



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Org Services Offers home studies, updates and post adoption reports for New York State families adopting domestically or internationally. Has a direct placement program in China, and specializes in waiting child adoptions through its XingFu Program. Families wishing to adopt from other countries may do so through our networking programs. Yahoo Group: homeland_xingfu@yahoogroups.com

Name Michael Garabino, Esq **Title**
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Org Services NY address for Hopscotch Adoptions, Inc., a not for profit, international adoption agency authorized in New York and licensed in North Carolina as a child-placement agency. Programs include children from the Armenia, Bulgaria, Republic of Georgia, Ghana, and Morocco. Special needs programs for children with downs syndrome and spina bifida available.

Name Laurie Slavin, Esq. **Title** Director
Organization Hudson Valley Adoption Services **Cty.** Ulster
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State NY **Zip** 12401 **Phone** 845-338-0700
Email info@hudsonvalleyadoptionservices.org **Web** http://hudsonvalleyadoptionservices.org/home.html
Org Services Hudson Valley Adoption Services is a not-for-profit, non-sectarian, licensed and NYS approved adoption agency based in Kingston, New York. Adoption services include Adoption Homestudies and specialized adoptive parent training for domestic and international adoption. Also provides a variety of NYS Adoption Law Services.

Name Shula Meyerowitz **Title** MSW Director of Adoption Services
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Email smeyerowitz@jfsrochester.org **Web** http://www.jfsrochester.org/adoption.php
Org Services We serve area within driving distance of 1.5 hours from Rochester, NY. We provide home studies, post placement supervision, adoption consultations, workshops on adoption, adoption related counseling. We are a Hague accredited and New York State authorized not-for-profit agency. Prospective adoptive parents send in application form, which they can request by phone, email or in person at our workshops. They are then contacted by a social worker to begin home study. We generally meet with families three times; twice in the office and once at their home. We ensure that all the documents required are completed and work closely with placing agencies to ensure that home studies conform to the requirements of the states and/or countries where the children live.



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Name April Viola **Title** Executive Director
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Email karingangelsIntl@aol.com **Web** <http://www.karingangelsintl.org/>
Org Services Non-profit 501 (c)(3) agency authorized by the State of New York to do domestic and foreign adoptions. Works with families from across the United States and Europe and specializes in adoptions from Guatemala.

Name Patricia Lott **Title** Homefinding
Organization Little Flower Children and Family Services of New York **Cty.** Kings
Address 186 Jorleman Street **City** Brooklyn
State NY **Zip** 11201 **Phone** 718-875-3500 #3177
Email info@lfchild.org **Web** <http://www.littleflowerny.org/>
Org Services A prospective adoptive parent must undergo the application process, training, and a full home study . Orientations held monthly or semimonthly in Brooklyn, Queens and Suffolk County. Orientation Schedule and directions on agency web site, Call Homefinding unit for reservations and additional information.
Services provided in NY City, Suffolk and Nassau counties.

Name Margaret Cardona **Title** New York Office
Organization Love the Children, Inc **Cty.** Monroe
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State NY **Zip** 18951 **Phone** 585-223-1868
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Org Services Love the Children is a full service international adoption agency, providing information, home study, child placement and post-placement services to families adopting from Korea. Our goal has always been to work with families for the benefit of the children entrusted to our care. Our agency has placed over 4,000 children since 1978. We place healthy infants who receive personal care from foster mothers before placement. No foreign travel is required. See website for fee schedule.

Name Susan Lichtenthal **Title** Executive Director
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Org Services Local Services: Home Studies, Parenting Education, Post-Placement Reports, Adoptive Parent Support, in the Western New York Area. Statewide International Adoption program placing children from Poland services: Placing Agency, Hague Education, Dossier Services, for families across the US.



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Name Linda Godard **Title** Adoptive Parent Caseworker
Organization New Hope Family Services **Cty.** Onondaga
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Org Services Private Christian Agency providing private adoption counseling and placement services. Prospective couples receive 7 hours of interviewing, 10 hours of training, and create individual family profiles containing pictures and written material about themselves. Provide homestudies for international adoption, have done some work with out of state public agencies. Homestudy fee \$1,200 and post placement visit \$325 each.

Name **Title** Clerical Staff
Organization Spence-Chapin **Cty.** New York
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State NY **Zip** 10128-0698 **Phone** 212-360-0300
Email **Web** <http://www.spence-chapin.org/>

Org Services Multi service adoption agency providing homestudies & post placement supervision for private domestic, intl, special needs adoption within 100 miles of NYC metro area. Private African-American / Hispanic Adoption Programs available. Caller will be directed to appropriate program staff. Services include information and service referral, pre and post adoption workshops/events, and parent / child support groups. Free orientation / info meetings for prospective families held in multiple locations. Spanish language services available. See web for specific service contacts and meeting dates.

Name DeGuerre Blackburn **Title** PhD, Exec Director
Organization VIDA Voice for Intl & Domestic Adops Inc **Cty.** Columbia
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State NY **Zip** 12534 **Phone** 518-828-4527
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Org Services Full service, international and special needs adoption agency licensed in several states placing children not only in the U.S. but throughout the world. Applications are considered on an individual basis. Minimum age of 21, there are no specific requirements of religion, social, ethnic, racial, or cultural origin. Single people, as well as those with known medical problems considered. Process takes about a year, fees vary according to program and country

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State NY **Zip** 12208 **Phone** 413-448-8367
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Org Services Albany office of Massachusetts Based Adoption Agency which provides domestic and international adoption support and counseling services. Includes adoption information meetings and educational events in several locations in New York State. They work cooperatively with local NYS licensed agencies to provide home study and post-placement services to families outside their service area.



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Org Services Main NYS office of Massachusetts Based Adoption Agency which provides domestic and international adoption support and counseling services. Includes adoption information meetings and educational events in several locations in New York State. They work cooperatively with local NYS licensed agencies to provide home study and post-placement services to families outside their service area. Other offices in Albany and NYC.

Name **Title**
Organization Wide Horizons for Children **Cty.** New York
Address 254 west 31st Street **City** New York
State NY **Zip** 10001 **Phone** 212-967-9808
Email **Web** <http://www.whfc.org/about/>

Org Services NY City office of Massachusetts Based Adoption Agency which provides domestic and international adoption support and counseling services. Includes adoption information meetings and educational events in several locations in New York State. They work cooperatively with local NYS licensed agencies to provide home study and post-placement services to families outside their service area. Other offices in Albany and Nassau.

