

NYS PRIVATE AND INTERNATIONAL ADOPTION AGENCIES

Name Cheryl Parker **Title** CSW, Homefinder
Organization Parsons Child & Family Center **Cty.** Albany
Address 60 Academy Rd **City** Albany
State NY **Zip** 12208 **Phone** 518-426-2868 or
Email fostercare@parsonscenter.org **Web** <http://www.parsonscenter.org/>

Org Services 30 Hr MAPP course 3x Yearly, orientation 2x Monthly. Orientation schedule on phone message. Counseling & support services provided during homestudy process. No charge for foster care adoption services. Serves May consider families from Montgomery, Schoharie, Fulton or Washington within 50 miles of parsons. On-line info form.

International program offers connections with Korea and China & assists families working with out-of-state agencies who need local home studies or post-placement services. (Call 426-2648 for Intl. program info.)

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. Call adoption intake for information on fees and process.

Name Kathleen Ford **Title** Supv, Adoption
Organization Catholic Social Services of Broome County **Cty.** Broome
Address 232 Main St **City** Binghamton
State NY **Zip** 13905 **Phone** 607-729-9166
Email kford@ccbc.net **Web** <http://www.catholiccharitiesbc.org/>

Org Services Provides all aspects of domestic infant adoption services, and various parenting education curriculums. Serves people of all religious and ethnic backgrounds.

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 saaron@familycs.org **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.



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Name	Karen Miscavage	Title	Area Director
Organization	Catholic Charities of Plattsburgh	Cty.	Clinton
Address	4914 South Catherine Street	City	Plattsburgh
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

should this be in here at all since the information is also in another record?

Name	DeGuerre Blackburn	Title	PhD, Exec Director
Organization	VIDA Voice for Intl & Domestic Adops Inc	Cty.	Columbia
Address	345 Allen St	City	Hudson
State	NY	Zip	12534
		Phone	518-828-4527
Email	vidaadopt@aol.com	Web	http://members.aol.com/vidaadopt/vida.html

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

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	afstevens@verizon.net	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.

Name	Judy O'Mara	Title	
Organization	Baker Victory Services	Cty.	Erie
Address	790 Ridge Rd	City	Lackawanna
State	NY	Zip	14218
		Phone	716-828-9500
Email	bvsjomara@aol.com	Web	http://bakervictoryservices.org/

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.



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Name	Caterina Plotnicki	Title	Sup, Fost Care & Adopt
Organization	Catholic Charities of Buffalo	Cty.	Erie
Address	525 Washington St	City	Buffalo
State	NY	Zip	14203
		Phone	716-856-4494 x3048
Email	Caterina.Plotnicki@dfa.state.ny.us	Web	http://www.ccwny.org/

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

Name	Gail Sunshine-May	Title	Exec Director
Organization	Adoption STAR, Inc.	Cty.	Erie
Address	47 Plaza Dr	City	Williamsville
State	NY	Zip	14221
		Phone	716-639-3900
Email	gail@adoptionstar.com	Web	http://www.adoptionstar.com/

Org Services Applicants within an 80-mile radius of Buffalo & Rochester eligible to register for all placement programs. Provides full range of services for special needs and African American adoptions throughout the state. Fees waived/reduced for children with special needs. Conducts home studies within a reasonable distance and may accept home studies conducted by other agencies. Homestudy includes educational classes. They presently have a Spanish speaking staff person who works with birth parents; they can provide Spanish language homestudy services.

Specializes in placement of infants.

Name	Jolie Giardino	Title	
Organization	Lutheran Service Society of NY	Cty.	Erie
Address	6680 Main St	City	Williamsville
State	NY	Zip	14221
		Phone	716-631-9212
Email	luthsvc@aol.com	Web	http://www.lssofny.org

Org Services The agency's main focus is homestudies and postplacement supervision for international adoptions. Part of Lutheran Adoption Network serving all upstate counties. Training includes three group meetings, two before and one after the child is placed. Homestudy fee is \$1,100; post placement supervision fee is \$300. No sliding fee scale, although exceptions may be possible based on individual circumstances. Services to Greater Metro area including Long Island provided by Lutheran Social Services of NY in NYC 212-870-1124

Name	Shanna Morales	Title	Homefinding
Organization	Little Flower Children's Services	Cty.	Kings
Address	186 Jorleman Street	City	Brooklyn
State	NY	Zip	11201
		Phone	718-875-3500 #3626 or 718-875-3500
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.



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Name Shula Meyerowitz **Title** Supervisor of Adoption Services
Organization Jewish Family Services of Rochester **Cty.** Monroe
Address 441 East Ave **City** Rochester
State NY **Zip** 14607 **Phone** 585-461-0115 120
Email **Web** <http://www.jfsrochester.org/adoption.php>
Org Services Adoption Counseling, Pre-Placement Home Studies, Post-Placement Services, Liaison with placement agencies for Domestic, International, Private, and Special Needs adoptions. FS has a special networking partnership with Cradle of Hope Adoption Center in Silver Spring, MD., works directly with families in preparing the paperwork for the foreign country, securing immigration clearance, and presenting a child referral.

Name Nan Pokalsky **Title** Supv Adoption
Organization Catholic Family Center **Cty.** Monroe
Address 87 N Clinton Ave **City** Rochester
State NY **Zip** 14604 **Phone** 585-262-7174
Email **Web** <http://www.cfcrochester.org/>
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 Cathleen Danowski **Title**
Organization New Beginnings Family & Children's Service, Inc. **Cty.** Nassau
Address 141 Willis Ave **City** Mineola
State NY **Zip** 11501 **Phone** 516-747-2204
Email **Web** <http://www.new-beginnings.org/index.php>
Org Services Provides homestudy and consultation services for international adoptions from Korea, China, Thailand, Hong Kong, Peru and Russia. Offers pre and post adoption workshops. Orientations held monthly. See website and call for more information. Licensed in New York, New Jersey, Florida, Pennsylvania and Connecticut.

Name April Viola **Title** Executive Director
Organization Karing Angels International Adoptions, Inc **Cty.** Nassau
Address 302 Virginia Ave **City** Oceanside
State NY **Zip** 11572-5433 **Phone** 516-764-9563
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.



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Name Justin Herscovici **Title** Exec Dir
Organization Children of the World Adop Agency, Inc **Cty.** Nassau
Address 27 Hillvale Rd **City** Syosset
State NY **Zip** 11791 **Phone** 516-935-1235
Email **Web** <http://www.cwaany.org>
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.

Name Jane Miller **Title** Regional Director
Organization Wide Horizons for Children **Cty.** Nassau
Address 71 West Main St **City** Oyster Bay
State NY **Zip** 11771 **Phone** 516-922-0751
Email **Web** <http://www.whfc.org/about/>
Org Services 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.

Name Kathy Ann Brodsky **Title** Director Ametz Adoption Prog
Organization Jewish Child Care Assoc **Cty.** New York
Address 120 Wall St 12th Fl **City** New York
State NY **Zip** 10005 **Phone** 212-425-3333
Email ametz@jccany.org **Web** <http://www.jccany.org/>
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. Serves NYC, Westchester, Nassau, and Suffolk counties. Foster Care/Adoption contact is Candace Tinagero 212-371-1313

Name Kathleen Dooley-Polcha **Title** Director, Maternity and Post Legal
Organization Catholic Guardian Society & Home Bureau **Cty.** New York
Address 1011 First Ave **City** New York
State NY **Zip** 10022 **Phone** 212-371-1000 X2117
Email KDooley-Polcha@cgshb.org **Web** <http://www.cgshb.org/>
Org Services Full service adoption agency providing private domestic home study and post placement services in NYC Metro area, Long Island and the Hudson River region. Emphasis on recruiting Hispanic, African American and interracial families. Sliding scale for home study services from \$2,000 to \$10,000 depending on income, assets and liability. Families may call number above or send short written family biography and type of child they are interested in adopting to receive agency application packet. Complete spanish language services available.



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Name Wendy Stanley **Title** web email contact
Organization Children's Hope Int NY **Cty.** New York
Address 90 Hudson Street #3 **City** New York
State NY **Zip** 10013 **Phone** 877-225-2062 or 212-244-2062
Email **Web** <http://www.childrenshopeint.org/newyork/Region.htm>
Org Services NY Office of Out of State Authorized agency based in St Louis, Holds information meetings in NYC, Hudson river Valley and Syracuse. Syracuse/NYC contact - Deepti.Gurnani@ChildrensHope.net
Hudson Valley - jsschwartzcsw@aol.com

Name **Title** Clerical Staff
Organization Spence-Chapin Svcs to Fams & Ch **Cty.** New York
Address 410 E 92nd St **City** New York
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 Mary Anne Timian **Title** Adoption Caseworker
Organization Catholic Charities of Oneida & Madison Counties **Cty.** Oneida
Address 1408 Genesee St **City** Utica
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 Linda Godard **Title** Adoptive Parent Caseworker
Organization New Hope Family Services **Cty.** Onondaga
Address 3519 James St **City** Syracuse
State NY **Zip** 13206 **Phone** 315-437-8300
Email newhopefam@aol.com **Web** <http://www.newhopefamilyservices.com/index.html>
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.



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Name Linda Neely **Title** Director of Family Services
Organization New Life Adoption Agency Inc **Cty.** Onondaga
Address 711 E Genesee St **City** Syracuse
State NY **Zip** 13210 **Phone** 315-422-7300
Email lindan@newlifeadoption.org **Web** <http://www.newlifeadoption.org/>
Org Services Domestic and inter-country adoptions, specializing in Chinese adoptions. Low-fee preliminary application policy, fee-for-service programs, no cost adoption seminars, post adoption support programs and cultural activities. On-line contact form and seminar schedule. Fee schedule available upon request.

Name Barbara Monahan **Title**
Organization Friends in Adoption **Cty.** Onondaga
Address 3196 Reston Drive **City** Baldwinsville
State NY **Zip** 13207 **Phone** 315-635-2491
Email barb@friendsinadoption.org **Web** <http://www.friendsinadoption.org/>
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 Nancy Dykstra-Powers **Title**
Organization Bethany Christian Services **Cty.** Orange
Address 16 Maple Ave **City** Warwick
State NY **Zip** 10001 **Phone** 845-987-1453
Email see web contact form **Web** http://www.bethany.org/warwick_ny
Org Services Orange county satellite office of Midland Park NY branch of 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
Warwick Reformed Church

Name Linda Wynn **Title** Founder
Organization Heart to Heart Adoption Service, Inc. **Cty.** Orange
Address 15 Dallas Drive **City** Monroe
State NY **Zip** 10950 **Phone** 845-774-0848
Email linda@hearttoheartadoption.com **Web** <http://www.hearttoheartadoption.com>
Org Services Licensed by the State of Florida and New York to process domestic and international adoptions, specializing in China, Guatemala, Ukraine, Columbia, Kazakhstan & Russian. Provides/arranges for home studies in New York and New Jersey.



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Name Pam Hall **Title** NY Office Administrator
Organization Heart to Heart Adoption Service, Inc. **Cty.** Orange
Address 15 Dallas Drive **City** Monroe
State NY **Zip** 10950 **Phone** 845-774-0848
Email linda@hearttoheartadoption.com **Web** <http://www.hearttoheartadoption.com>
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.

Name **Title** Clerical Staff
Organization Family Focus Adoption Services **Cty.** Queens
Address 54-40 Little Neck Pkwy #4 **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 Pamela Thomas **Title** Exec Dir
Organization Homeland Adoption Services (HAS) **Cty.** Rockland
Address 99 Main St **City** Nyack
State NY **Zip** 10920 **Phone** 845-727-0500
Email homelandAdoption@aol.com **Web** <http://www.homelandadoptionservices.org/>
Org Services Offers home studies, updates and post adoption reports for New York State families adopting domestically or internationally. HAS 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@yahoo.com

Name Lucinda Fabozzi **Title** Executive Director
Organization Family Tree Adoption Agency **Cty.** Saratoga
Address 2 Crestmont Dr & Rte 146 **City** Clifton Park
State NY **Zip** 12065 **Phone** 800-272-3678
Email info@familytreeadoption.org **Web** <http://www.familytreeadoption.org/>
Org Services Family Tree Adoption Agency provides home study services for all families adopting through the agency and is a local home study service provider for families who choose to adopt from another source or state. Programs includes private placement adoptions, international adoptions and step parent adoptions. Works collaboratively with other child placing agencies throughout the country and provides home study and post placement supervision services for families throughout New York State.



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Name Janice Berguon **Title** Director
Organization Children at Heart Adop Svcs, Inc **Cty.** Saratoga
Address 145 N Main St **City** Mechanicville
State NY **Zip** 12118-1619 **Phone** 518-664-5988
Email fth143@aol.com **Web**

Org Services Children At Heart is a not-for-profit adoption agency licensed in New York State to facilitate international adoptions only. We are authorized to work with potential adoptive parents (couples and single persons) in all 50 states. We will work with United States citizens living abroad. Programs in Kazakhstan, Russia, Ukraine, Haiti. Co-Director, husband Mark. On-line registration form

Name Jo Ann Turner **Title** Co-Director
Organization Friends in Adoption **Cty.** Saratoga
Address 653 Plank Rd #200 **City** Clifton Park
State NY **Zip** 12065 **Phone** 888 -952-3678
Email fia@friendsinadoption.org **Web** <http://www.friendsinadoption.org>

Org Services NY office of authorized out of state agency based in Vermont. FIA is a full-service agency placing an average of 40-50 infants (primarily newborns) annually. FIA works with pregnant women/couples all over the United States and places children of all races. To adoptive parents, FIA offers support resources, home study and post-placement services, counseling and introductions to prospective birth parents. In all cases, the adopting family has to complete a home study process which includes post-placement follow-up.

Name Winnie Sachno **Title** Adoption Coordinator
Organization Catholic Charities of Ogdensburg **Cty.** St Lawrence
Address 6866 St Highway 37 **City** Ogdensburg
State NY **Zip** 13669 **Phone** 315-393-2255
Email ccwinny@wadhams.edu **Web** <http://www.cathcharities.org/>

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 Roger Spool **Title** Exec Director
Organization Child & Family Adoption, Inc. **Cty.** Ulster
Address 102 Vineyard Ave **City** Highland
State NY **Zip** 12528 **Phone** 845-691-4520
Email rogerspool@aol.com **Web**

Org Services Provides Home studies and post placement services for private domestic adoptions statewide.



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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	adoption@fcagency.org	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.	

