

#### ORGANIZATIONAL HISTORY

Adoption Option Inc. was incorporated in the State of Michigan as a non-profit agency in 2003. In April of 2004, this agency received its license from the State of Michigan to serve as a child placing agency. It authorized our agency to provide several interrelated services connected to Adoption, Foster Home Licensing and Foster Care.

In 2012 we began offering Family Preservation services to benefit the community. We now offer several Family Preservation Programs aimed at helping children to safely return home to their family. These programs are AIH, PACT, BCP and PREP. We also have an additional program for youth called Youth in Transition.

Although we are the only private nonprofit licensed child placing agency in Midland, Michigan, our central location permits us to serve families and collaborate with agencies throughout the Mid-Michigan area in counties such as Midland, Alpena, Arenac, Bay, Clare, Genessee, Gladwin, Gratiot, Isabella, Mecosta, Osceola, Saginaw, Shiawassee,

Oakland and Wayne.





#### **MISSION**

To improve the lives of the children and families we serve.

#### **VISION**

A world where every child as a safe, nurturing and empowering family.

# Foster Connection Foster Community Foster Collaboration

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# **Programs Provided By**Adoption Option Inc.



**ADOPTION** 



**FOSTER CARE** 



FOSTER HOME LICENSING



YOUTH IN TRANSITION



FAMILY PRESERVATION

A child reached is a child saved.

#### **ADOPTION**

Adoption services include completing home studies for those interested in adoption, matching them with children, and providing ongoing training, education, and postadoption support. We have successfully completed over 500 adoptions for children in the foster care system.



### **FOSTER CARE**

Foster Care services have been a core part of our work for many years. We advocate for children to ensure their health, education, safety, and welfare needs are met. Foster Care workers visit the child, parents, and foster family monthly, supervise and transport children to visits, attend court hearings, provide referrals to services, and offer support to children, parents and foster families.



## FOSTER HOME LICENSING

Foster Home Licensing is available to individuals, couples, and families interested in providing care to foster children. We assist families in completing a comprehensive homestudy, which evaluates both the family and the home to ensure they meet legal requirements. To date, we have licensed over 130 diverse homes.

#### YOUTH IN TRANSITION

Youth in Transition (YIT) is a mentoring program that supports young people transitioning from foster care to adulthood. Through one-on-one mentorship, YIT helps youth build the skills and confidence needed for independent living. Mentors guide youth in areas like education, employment, life skills, and personal development, helping set and achieve goals. By fostering strong, supportive relationships, YIT provides the resources and encouragement needed for success in adulthood.

### **ADVANCED IN HOME**

Advanced in Home (AIH) is a parent education program that strengthens families through inhome support. In partnership with Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), AIH provides personalized services to help parents improve skills in child development, parenting, and household management. Our team offers tools, education, and ongoing support to create a stable, nurturing environment, empowering families to build a strong foundation for the future.

#### PARENTS AND CHILDREN TOGETHER

Parents and Children Together (PACT) is a program that strengthens family bonds through supervised parenting time. in partnership with Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), PACT provides a safe, structured environment for parents and children to reconnect, build trust, and work toward reunification. The program offers tailored supervision, support, and resources to help parents develop skills for ongoing, positive, involvement in their children's lives.

### PARENT RESOURCE EDUCATION PROGRAM

Parent Resource Education Program (PREP) is a comprehensive, home-based program and a proud Parents as Teachers affiliate. Our mission is to empower parents to be their child's first and most important teacher. Through personalized home visits, engaging educational resources, and connections to community support, PREP equips families with the tools they need to nurture healthy development, strengthen parent-child relationships, and prepare children for school success. Together, we help ensure both children and parents thrive during the early years and beyond.



#### **BUILDING COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

Building Community Partners (BCP) is a program offering parent partner and advocacy services in collaboration with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS). BCP empowers parents by connecting them with resources, support, and guidance to navigate complex systems and advocate for their children's well-being. Our parent advocates, with lived experience, provide mentorship to help families overcome barriers and achieve positive outcomes. By fostering strong partnerships, BCP ensures families have the tools to thrive and advocate for themselves and their children.