

The Washington State Adoption Council's

2009

Adoption Information Exchange

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The AIE is a comprehensive listing of adoption resources in Western Washington State for prospective & current adoptive families, birth parents, and individuals who were adopted.

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The Adoption Information Exchange

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Section 1: Domestic Adoption Agencies Licensed in Washington **Page 1**

These agencies, called “child placing agencies,” provide a package of services for both birth parents and adoptive parents. They arrange homestudies, legal services, post-adoption support, and search and reunion services for children they place.

*** Starred agencies also provide homestudies for independent domestic and international adoptions.**

***A Center for Adoption Services**

Dru Martin Groves
602 Alder Ave. NE
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www.adoptionadvocates.org

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6814 Greenwood Ave. N.
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(206) 200-7832
joyce@adoptassist.com
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***Adoption Connections, Inc.**

9759 NE Pine St.
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3300 E. Union St.
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Antioch Adoptions

15135 NE 92nd St., #109
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WA 98125
(206)367-4604; (800)733-4604
www.bethany.org

Catholic Community Services – King County

100 - 23rd Avenue South
Seattle, WA 98144
(206) 328-5921

***Children’s Hope International**

133 SW Second St.
Troutdale, OR 97060
(877) 225-4866
www.childrenshope.net

Domestic Adoption Agencies Licensed in Washington

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Journeys of the Heart Adoption Services

332 NW Richmond Beach Rd.
Shoreline, WA 98177
(206) 542-4400
Birthmothers: (800) 876-0575
info@journeysoftheheart.net
www.journeysoftheheart.net

***Open Adoption and Family Services**

200 West Mercer, #E508
Seattle, WA 98119
(206) 782-0442
(800) 772-1115 (Birthparents)
info@openadopt.org
www.openadopt.org

***Open Adoption Services**

(Spokane Consultants in
Family Living)
1623 W. Gardner
Spokane, WA 99201
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www.spokaneconsultants.com

WACAP-Adoption Services

315 S. Second Street
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Country lists can change. Check websites or call for current list of countries.

*** Starred agencies also provide homestudies for independent domestic and international adoptions.**

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joyce@adoptassist.com
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All God's Children International

P.O. Box 30316
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www.allgodchildren.org

***Americans Adopting Orphans**

12345 Lake City Way NE, # 2001
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(206) 524-KIDS (5437)
aao@orphans.com
www.orphans.com
China, Ukraine, Ethiopia

***Associated Services for International Adoption (ASIA)**

215 SW Hooker Street, Suite 100
Portland, OR 97201
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Fax: (503) 224-1995
916C North 74th Street
Seattle, WA 98103
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www.asiadopt.org
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www.childrenshope.net
China, Columbia, Ethiopia, Kazakhstan,
Russia, Vietnam

Children's House International

P.O. Box 1829
Ferndale, WA 98248
(360) 966-2585
www.childrenshouseinternational.com
China, Ecuador, Guatemala, Haiti,
Hungary, India, Kazakhstan, Moldavia,
Russia, Vietnam, Mexico, Ethiopia

Faith International Adoptions

535 East Dock St #103
Tacoma, WA 98402
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China, Nepal, Panama, Mexico

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Journeys of the Heart Adoption Services

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Shoreline, WA 98177
(206) 542-4400
www.journeysoftheheart.net
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***Life's Vision International**

4580 Klahanie Dr. SE, #514
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info@lifesvision.org
www.lifesvision.org
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WACAP-Adoption Services

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Renton, WA 98055
(206) 575-4550
wacap@wacap.org;
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Ethiopia, Kazakhstan

Support Groups for Families Built Through International Adoption

FRUA INC

(Families for Russian and Ukrainian Adoption, Including Neighboring Countries)
Contact: Sharon Kiddle
(360) 668-3836
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<http://www.orgsites.com/wa/frua-inc/>

Families Like Ours

Programming for non-traditional adoptive, pre-adoptive and foster families.
(206) 441-7602, (877) 230-3055
support@familieslikeours.org
www.familieslikeours.org

Families with Children from China

7003 53rd. Ave. NE
Seattle, WA 98115
(206) 523-7901; www.fcc-nw.org/

Families with Children from Vietnam

(425) 489-2828
leaann@ kaplanfamily.net
www.kaplanfamily.net /FCV.htm

Seattle Guatemala Adoption

seattleguatemaladoption@
yahoogroups.com

KIDS (Korean Identity Development Society)

PMB 120 8315 Lake City Way NE
Seattle, WA 98115
(206) 340-0937
www.koreanidentity.org

Kitsap Adoption Group

18455 8th Ave. NE
Poulsbo, WA 98370
[www.kitsadoptiongroup.com](http://www.kitsadoptiongroup.com;);
adoption@comcast.net

Sponsors a monthly WISH (Waiting is So Hard) group, monthly chat group, monthly Families with Chinese children potlucks, and e-newsletter.

Latin/North American Families

2810 First Ave. N.
Seattle, WA 98109
(206) 285-6254--Sandra Welsh

Northwest Ichild (India Child)

Maintains a listserve for families who have adopted from India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Nepal
info@nwchild.org; www.ichild.org

Support Groups for Teen and Adult Adoptees of International Adoptions

Asian Adult Adoptees of Washington

P.O. Box 15346
Seattle, WA 98115
Vpcomm@aaawashington.org
www.aaawashington.org

Vietnamese Adoptee Network

1615 South Lucille St.
Seattle, WA 98108
Info@van-online.org
www.van-online.org

Community Resources for International Adoption

Adoption and Parenting Classes with Kate O'Brien, MS, LICSW

Infant & Toddler Mental Health; 1523 E Madison, Seattle, WA 98122
(206) 235-1768; kambiri@comcast.net

Adoptive Families Magazine and www.adoptivefamilies.com (See page 14 for description)

Adoptive Parenting Classes with Patty Cogan, MA, EdD

Queen Anne; (206) 378-0477

Adoptive Parenting Classes with Nancy Kaplan, MSSW

16541 Redmond Way, Redmond, WA 98052; (425) 836-4458; Nan4adopt@aol.com

Online sources for meeting the new Hague Convention training regulations

Adoption Education: www.adopteducation.com

Adoption Learning Partners: www.adoptionlearningpartners.com

The National Council for Adoption: www.hague.adoption.org

King County Superior Court, Family Court Services, King County Adoption Service

810 Third Avenue, Suite W280, M/S C203
Seattle, WA 98104
(206) 296-9350

KCAS provides information and packets of legal forms needed by those doing international re-adoptions "pro se" (without an attorney) in King County. Forms can also be altered for use in other counties.

University of Washington Center for Adoption Medicine

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4245 Roosevelt Way N.E., Seattle, WA 98105; (206) 598-3006
adoption@u.washington.edu; www.adoptmed.org

US State Department

www.travel.state.gov/family/adoption/adoption_485

The US State Department website provides information about inter-country adoption by country of interest and provides general information about US visa requirements for inter-country adoptions.

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Section 3: Special Needs and Foster/Adoption

Special Needs adoptions are adoptions of children of all ages, races, and abilities from the foster care system. Most will have special medical and psychological needs that have resulted from their life experience. To get started in foster adoption, you can consult with a community agency that specializes in specific communities, or you can call DSHS directly.

Community Resources for Special Needs Adoptions - Page 1

Adoption and Parenting Assessments and Classes with Kate O'Brien, MS, LICSW

Infant & Toddler Mental Health;
1523 E Madison, Seattle, WA 98122
(206) 235-1768; kambiri@comcast.net

Kate offers pre- and post-adoption assessments of social emotional development and attachment issues and subsequent education to facilitate successful transitions of infants, toddlers, and preschoolers.

Center for Adoption Medicine at the University of Washington

See Community Resources for International Adoption on previous page.

Children's Home Society of Washington, Adoption Resource Center, West Central

5929 NE Westgate Blvd.
Tacoma, WA 98406
(253) 472-3355; www.childrenshomesociety.org

Children's Home provides ongoing education workshops, support groups for kids and adults, PRIDE Training, post-adoption services, and case management. They also a project of "Wendy's Wonderful Kids," sponsored by the Dave Thomas Foundation, which provides specialized recruitment and resources for "foster to adopt" families.

Families Like Ours

P.O. Box 2311
Seattle, WA 98111
(206) 441-7602; (877) 230-3055
support@familieslikeours.org; www.familieslikeours.org

Families Like Ours maintains a current listing of area programming for non-traditional adoptive, pre-adoptive and foster families.

Northwest Adoption Exchange

600 Stewart St., Suite 1313
Seattle, WA 98101
(206) 441-6822; (800) 927-9411
www.nwae.org
www.adoptuskids.org for national waiting child list

In King County, NWAEE can be the first step in doing a special needs or foster/adoption. They organize the course needed by all wanting to do these types of adoptions, and provide referral to child placing agencies. Visit their web site for pictures of waiting children.

Community Resources for Special Needs Adoptions, Page 2

Rainbow Youth and Family Services

2612 River Road East

Tacoma, WA 98404

(253) 572-7741 (Tacoma); (253) 838-2809 (Seattle); (800)-6-RED HEN (673-3436)

Specializes in finding native/Indian families for native/Indian children in the foster care system. Maintains a registry of mixed race, native/Indian, and ethnic minority families wanting to adopt.

Ujima Community Services

(One Church, One Child of Washington State, Inc.)

6419 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way S.

Seattle, WA 98118

(206) 760-3456 and (800) 88-CHILD

info@ococujima.org; www.ococujima.org

Ujima specializes in recruiting, training, placing, and supporting African American children in African-American homes. Foster care, adoption, kinship care and support services open to all. They offer support groups and classes and provides post-placement services.

Washington State Dept. of Social and Health Services (DSHS) Adoption Program

P.O. Box 45713, Olympia, WA 9850

(360) 902-7968

DSHS only provides adoption services for people adopting from the foster care system. Call your local office to see if they do their own home studies or prefer you to work through an agency. **Note:** The numbers listed below are for the reception desk in each office, as the adoption numbers change more often. If the number listed below does not work, look in your phone directory under "Washington, State of" (blue pages in many books), Social and Health Services, Children and Family Services. Ask for the adoptions unit when they answer.

Aberdeen	(360) 537-2639	Olympia	(360) 725-6700
Bellevue	(425) 649-4103	Omak	(509) 846-2010
Bellingham	(360) 647-6100	Port Angeles	(360) 565-2240
Bremerton	(360) 475-3688	Port Townsend	(360) 379-4330
Centralia	(360) 807-7081	Richland/Tri-Cities	(509) 737-2800
Clarkston	(509) 751-4666	Seattle	(206) 691-2300
Colville	(509) 685-5660	Shelton	(360) 432-2050
Colfax	(509) 397-4433	Sky Valley	(360) 805-2100
Ellensburg	(509) 962-7746	Smokey Point	(360) 651-6900
Everett	(425) 339-4768	South Bend	(360) 875-4200
Friday Harbor	(360) 378-3283	Spokane	(509) 363-3550
Goldendale	(509) 773-5460	Tacoma	(253) 983-6200
Kelso	(360) 501-2600	Toppenish	(509) 865-1450
Kent	(253) 372-5930	Vancouver	(360) 993-7900
Lynnwood	(425) 673-3100	Walla Walla	(509) 524-4900
Moses Lake	(509) 764-5757	Wenatchee	(509) 667-4900
Mt. Vernon	(360) 416-7200	White Salmon	(509) 493-4814
Newport	(509) 447-6216	Yakima	(509) 225-6500
Oak Harbor	(360) 679-7150		

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Special Needs and Foster/Adopt Agencies

These are “child placing agencies” that provide a package of pre- and post-placement services to support the adoptions of children from the foster care system.

*** Agencies marked with an asterisk also provide homestudies for independent domestic and international adoptions.**

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Seattle, WA 98122
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amara@amaraparenting.org
www.amaraparenting.org

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Seattle, WA 98125
(206) 367-4604; (800) 733-4604
www.bethany.org

Catholic Community Services – King County

100 – 23rd Avenue South
Seattle, WA 98144
(206) 328-5921
www.ccsww.org

***Children's Home Society of Washington**

Adoption Resource Center
5929 N. Westgate Blvd.
Tacoma, WA 98406
(253) 472-3355
www.childrenshomesociety.org

Journeys of the Heart Adoption Services

332 NW Richmond Beach Rd.
Shoreline, WA 98177
(206) 542-4400
www.journeysoftheheart.net
info@journeysoftheheart.net

Lutheran Community Services

Permanency Planning Program
433 Minor Ave. N
Seattle, WA 98109
(206) 694-5713

Olive Crest - Pacific Northwest

Seattle, WA:

515 116th Ave. NE, # 174
Bellevue, WA 98004
(425) 462-1612

Tacoma, WA:

3625 Perkins Lane, # 108
Lakewood, WA 98499
(253) 581-5439

Spokane, WA:

12402 N. Division St.
Suite 123
Spokane, WA 99218
(509) 468-0700
www.olivecrest.org

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***Open Adoption Services**

(Spokane Consultants in Family Living)
1623 W. Gardner
Spokane, WA 98201
(509) 328-6274
www.spokaneconsultants.com

Rainbow Youth & Family Services

2612 River Road E
Tacoma, WA 98404
Tacoma: (253) 572-7741
Seattle: (253) 838-2809
1-800-6-RED HEN (673-3436)

Ujima Community Services (One Church, One Child of WA State)

6419 Martin Luther King, Jr.
Way S.
Seattle, WA 98118
(206) 760-3456
(800) 88-CHILD
info@ococujima.org;
www.ococujima.org

WACAP – Adoption Services (World Association for Children and Parents)

Mail: P.O. Box 88948
Seattle, WA 98138
(206) 575-4550
wacap@wacap.org
www.wacap.org

Support Groups for Those Who Have Adopted Special Needs Children

Adoptive Families United (AFU)

1537 NE 92nd Street
Seattle, WA 98115
(206) 527-0425 Rose Bailey

Families Like Ours

(206) 441-7602, (877) 230-3055
support@familieslikeours.org or visit the
events calendar at www.familieslikeours.org

Families Like Ours maintains a current listing of area programming for non-traditional adoptive, pre-adoptive and foster families with a focus toward gay and lesbian adoptive families.

Ujima Community Services (One Church, One Child of WA State)

6419 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way S.
Seattle, WA 98118
(206) 760-3456; (800) 88CHILD
www.ococujima.org

Support groups with a specialization in services for African-American families adopting African-American children, including kinship adoptions.

Section 4: Adoption Attorneys – Page 1

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**Section 5: Independent Providers of Pre- and Post-Placement Reports –
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Statewide

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Homestudy Services**
6814 Greenwood Ave. N.
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Spokane

Children's Home Society of Washington
2323 N. Discovery Place
Spokane, WA 99216
(509) 747-4174
childrenshomesociety.org

Southeastern Washington

Adoption Home Study Reports, LLC
Mary Anne Krol
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Richland, WA 99352
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Section 6: General Community Resources and Support Groups

Child Welfare Information Gateway

(formerly the National Adoption Information Clearinghouse)
www.childwelfare.gov/adoption/index.cfm

The National Adoption Information Clearinghouse's web site has been combined with the National Clearinghouse on Child Abuse and Neglect. This website is recognized as the most comprehensive listing of adoption resources in the U.S.

Adoptive Families Magazine and www.adoptivefamilies.com

This bimonthly magazine has won awards from parenting organizations for their news and feature stories. The Annual Adoption Guide is available online or in print.

Adoptive Parenting Classes with Patty Cogan, MA, EdD

Queen Anne; (206) 378-0477

Adoptive Parenting Classes with Nancy Kaplan, MSSW

16541 Redmond Way
Redmond, WA 98052
(425) 836-4458; Nan4adopt@aol.com

ARIS - Adoption Referral and Information Service

Yolanda Comparan, MSW, Owner/Operator
(888) 777-1538; (425) 614-4444
info@adoptionreferralservice.com
www.adoptionreferralservice.com

ARIS provides free resources and referrals for pre-adoptive parents, post-adoptive parents and professionals. This is done via the toll free number and the website.

Yolanda Comparan, MSW

Adoption Success Coach
(425) 445-7787
www.adoptionsuccesscoach.com
Yolanda@adoptionsuccesscoach.com

Yolanda provides pre-adoption consultations, open adoption consultations, culturally aware parenting consultations, and resource coordination/finding for families with complex needs. She provides these consultations in person or over the phone.

Center for Adoption Medicine, University of Washington Medical Center - Roosevelt Julie Bledsoe, MD, Julian Davies, MD, Cynthia Kertesz, MD

4245 Roosevelt Way N.E.
Seattle, WA 98105
(206) 598-3006
adoption@u.washington.edu; www.adoptmed.org

The Center's specialist physicians will review medical records prior to an adoption, provide post-placement evaluations and provide ongoing medical care with knowledge of the special problems of children who were adopted, including a specialty in fetal alcohol syndrome.

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Certificate Program in Adoption and Foster Care

Northwest Resource Associates, Cascadia Training
600 Stewart St., Suite 1313
Seattle, WA 98101
(206) 441-6892; (800) 298-6516
BAndersen@nwresource.org

NWA offers a post-masters program for therapists wishing to develop further expertise in the clinical issues related to adoption and foster care.

Children's Home Society of Washington Adoption Resource Centers

Seattle: 3300 N.E. 65th Street; Seattle, WA 98115. (253) 850-2582; (206) 695-3233
Spokane: 2323 N. Discovery Place, Spokane, WA 99216. (509) 747-4174
Tacoma: 5929 N. Westgate Blvd., Tacoma, WA 98406. (253) 472-3355
www.childrenshomesociety.org

The Adoption Resource Centers (www.childrenshomesociety.org) provide educational workshops and support groups.

Families Like Ours

(206) 441-7602; (877) 230-3055
support@familieslikeours.org; www.familieslikeours.org

Families Like Ours provides a gateway to adoption-foster programs, resources, education, advocacy and placement agencies that work with all families without judgement of their family structure. Focus toward gay and lesbian adoptive families.

King County Superior Court, Family Court Services, King County Adoption Service

516 Third Avenue, Suite W280, M/S C203
Seattle, WA 98104
(206) 296-9350

KCAS provides packets of legal forms needed by those doing stepparent, second parent, or adult adoptions, or international re-adoptions "pro se" (without an attorney). They will provide pre- or post-placement reports for very low-income petitioners when ordered by the Court. The KCAS maintains referral list of confidential intermediaries.

RESOLVE of Washington State

P.O. Box 31231
Seattle, WA 98103-1231
(206) 524-7257 Seattle
www.resolvewa.org

RESOLVE is a statewide organization providing information, support and advocacy for those dealing with infertility, their families and friends, and the health care professionals who serve them. Monthly meetings and annual conference held in Seattle. For more information, call the 24-hour phone line and a volunteer will return your call.

General Support Groups for Adoptive Families in Puget Sound

Adoptive Friends and Families of Greater Seattle

P.O. Box 271
Kirkland, WA 98083
(206) 903-9664
members@affgs.org
www.affgs.org

***Bethany Christian Services**

4204 Meridian St., #105
Bellingham, WA 98226
(360) 733-6042 or
12360 Lake City Way NE Suite 301
Seattle, WA 98125
(206) 367-4604; (800) 733-4604
www.bethany.org

ADOPTS program has counseling available from Tacoma/South Sound all the way to Bellingham. Call the Seattle office for current information.

Families Like Ours

(206) 441-7602; (877) 230-3055
support@familieslikeours.org
www.familieslikeours.org

FLO maintains a current listing of area programming for non-traditional adoptive, pre-adoptive and foster families.

Friends in Adoption Support Group

P.O. Box 659
Auburn, WA 98071-0659
(206) 264-5136

Kitsap Adoption Group

18455 8th Ave. NE
Poulsbo, WA 98370
www.kitsadoptiongroup.com;
adoption@comcast.net

Sponsors a monthly WISH (Waiting is So Hard) group, a monthly chat group, a monthly families with Chinese children potluck, and e-newsletter, too.

General Adoptive Families Groups Outside Puget Sound

Adoption Support Group

Adoption Resource Center
Children's Home Society of Washington
2323 N. Discovery Place
Spokane, WA 99216
(509) 747-4174
www.childrenshomesociety.org

Section 7: Counseling Services

Child, Teen and Adult Specialists

In addition to working with adults, the following practitioners report experience and training working with children and teens with histories of abuse, neglect or institutionalization.

Central Puget Sounds

Attachment Center Northwest

8011 – 118th Ave. NE
Kirkland, WA 98033; (425) 889-8524
www.attachmentcenternw.org

Bethany Christian Services

ADOPTS Program
4204 Meridian St., #105
Bellingham, WA 98226
12360 Lake City Way NE #301
Seattle, WA 98155
Intakes: (206) 367-4606
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(206) 409-9355
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Tacoma, WA 98407
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Children's Home Society of Washington

5929 N. Westgate Blvd. **Tacoma, WA 98406**
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Port Hadlock, WA 98339
(360) 385-7478

Dott Kelly, LMHC

Jumping Mouse Children's Center
1809 Sheridan St.
Port Townsend, WA 98368
(360) 385-6467

Adult and Teen Specialists

The practitioners on this list provide psychotherapy with emphasis on issues of pregnancy, infertility, and adoption. Issues may include pregnancy and options counseling, birthparent counseling pre- or post-placement, infertility resolution, preparing for adoptive parenting, partner disagreements, and parenting.

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Seattle, WA 98115
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Renie Hope, MA LMHC

11520 23rd Ave. NE
Seattle, WA 98125
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Patricia Kalafus, LICSW

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(206) 783-0723

Nancy Kaplan, MSSW

16541 Redmond Way
Redmond, WA 98052
(425) 836-4458
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Nancy Kreckler-Scott, MA

North Seattle, WA
(206) 522-4529

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Denise Sterchi, LICSW

843 NE 66th St.
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(206) 276-6063; (800) 564-6353

South Sound Providers

Ivy Davis Zolle, LMHC

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University Place, WA 98466
(253) 255-5597
adoptionlink@comcast.net
www.adoptioncounseling.org

Section 8: Search and Reunion Resources

Search and Reunion Counseling and Support Groups

Children's Home Society of WA

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Spokane, WA 99216
(509) 747-4174
5929 NE Westgate Blvd.
Tacoma, WA 98406
(253) 472-3355
www.childrenshomesociety.org

Martha Faulkner, M.A., CHMC

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Seattle, WA 98115
(206) 726-2114

WARM (Washington Adoption Reunion Movement)

5950 Sixth Avenue South, Suite 107
Seattle, WA 98101
(206) 767-9510

Non-Profit Search and Reunion Services

Adoptees Liberation Movement Association (ALMA)

National Headquarters; P.O. Box 727
Radio City Station, New York, NY 10101
Browns Point Chapter; 5208 Hyada Blvd. NE
Tacoma, WA 98422
(253) 927-1856 Ruth Keeler

International Soundex Reunion Registry (ISRR)

P.O. Box 2312
Carson City, NV 89702-2312
(775) 882-7755

Adoption Search and Reconciliation

19226 Beall Road SW
Vashon, WA 98070
(206) 463-3292 Shea Grimm

United Indians of All Tribes

1945 Yale Place E.
Seattle, WA 98102
(206) 285-4425, X1034

Concerned United Birth Parents (CUB)

14820 Firgueras Rd.
La Mirada, CA 90638
1-800-822-2777

Washington Adoption Reunion Movement (WARM)

5960 Sixth Ave. South, Suite 213
Seattle, WA 98108
(206) 767-9510; warm@warmsearch.org;
www.warmsearch.org

For Profit Confidential Intermediary ("C.I.") Services

Contact the King County Adoption Coordinator at (206) 296-9350 for a list of Confidential Intermediaries who are located throughout Western Washington.

Washington State Law allows, under court supervision, certain individuals ("**Confidential Intermediaries**") to look at sealed adoption records and contact the birth parents named in them to see if they would like to be contacted by their birth children. King County Superior Court has compiled a Confidential Intermediary ("C.I.") list. The purpose of the list is to provide to the public opportunities to select independent C.I.s who have met minimum qualifications for that role. The list contains individuals who live throughout Western Washington so that an individual may work with someone in their geographic area.