

**BRAVE
NEW
WORLD
OF
ADOPTION**



YOU HAVE CHOICES. YOU ARE NOT ALONE.

An unplanned pregnancy can feel overwhelming. Suddenly, your body is changing. You're worried about the people you love. Your plans feel threatened. With all this change, you also must make one of the most important decisions of your life. Don't let these pressures rush you. Take your time. You have choices, and you're not alone.

You will gain confidence and peace about your decision as you gather information and talk to people you trust and respect. If you'd like, you can even call or text a Gladney options counselor right now to talk about the options you have. **800-452-3639**

A LOVE WITHOUT LIMITS.

Adoption is one of your options, and it's evolved in exciting ways. Adoption is not easy. It takes courage, conviction, and lots of love, but adoption also gives you a voice in your child's future - in more ways than you might think.

Here's a brief description of how adoption can work these days:

♡ You make the plan.

Adoption is a plan made by you. What's the best life you can imagine for your child? A family that loves animals and the outdoors? A mom who bakes, and a dad who enjoys sports? Believe it or not, Gladney can help you find the perfect family for your baby.

♡ You choose the parents.

You'll have the chance to review several parent bios and videos created by carefully screened prospective adoptive parents. These bios paint a picture of each family's lifestyle, personality, and values. You'll have the opportunity to choose the parents for your child.

♡ You leave the legacy.

You can discuss with the adoptive parents your future in the child's life. Today, adopted children grow up with more knowledge about their past, their medical history, and the loving mothers who brought them into the world.

♡ You surround yourself with support.

During your pregnancy and after delivery, a team of professionals can help you design next steps for your future. Do you want to pursue an education, new computer skills, a better job, greater financial stability? You can start working toward these goals.

In a nutshell, here's a summary of what to expect if you choose adoption and partner with Gladney:



Your choice of adoptive parents



Pre- and post-natal medical support



An adoption plan made by you



Help with housing and other living expenses



Contact with adoptive parents, if desired



Help and encouragement

No choice surrounding an unplanned pregnancy is easy. But with adoption, you'll have access to counselors and support groups that will help you deal with your emotions in healthy, productive ways.



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Think through your options:

OPTION NO.

01

Gather information.

OPTION NO.

02

Call or text a Gladney options counselor.

1-800-452-3639 or visit gladneyadoption.com

OPTION NO.

03

Talk to someone you trust and respect.

OPTION NO.

04

Use the booklet *Journaling Your Next Steps* to help you process and organize your thoughts.

You can download this booklet online at gladneyadoption.com

About Gladney

Gladney has placed children in loving homes for more than 135 years. We work hard for the bright future of each child we serve.

If you need someone to talk to, feel free to reach out. We are always here to answer your questions, listen to your concerns, and help you understand your options.

Testimonials

"Completely scared, I researched everything under the sun. I was going to be a mother whether I was ready or not. When I found Gladney, a sense of relief came over me. I could actually give this innocent child everything he needs. I decided on adoption because I loved my baby and wanted the best for his life. I knew he would receive this from the very special family I chose. I think about him each and every day, knowing I made the right decision." **Amanda, 20**

"I knew in my heart what I wanted for him and found his family quickly. I quietly watched their faces, as they could do nothing but stare at the tiny miracle they were about to receive. We sat together and talked for awhile, and I couldn't help but see the love they had in their eyes for my child. After I saw the happiness they had while they were simply holding him, I was more than 100 percent sure that I had done the right thing." **La Shonda, 16**



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