

Resources and Referrals for Foster/Adoptive Families

Please send any additional resource suggestions to bhamilton@secc.org

Clothing & Resource Closets

- Westport Road Baptist Church
 - 9705 Westport Rd. Louisville, Kentucky 40241
 - Shopping by appointment only
 - Contact Mary Charnes @ 502-938-9949
- Hope's Closet
 - 3936 Taylorsville Road, Louisville, KY 40220
 - <https://www.hopesclosetky.com/>
 - Register online for an [appointment](#).
 - Open Saturdays from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM and Tuesdays from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM.
- Graceland Baptist Church (foster parents only)
 - 3600 Kamer Miller Rd, New Albany, IN 47150
 - Resources must be requested by the families case worker
 - Contact Terry Boesing @ 502-724-2421

Foster/Adoption Support Groups

- Encouraged: Foster/Adoptive Parent Group @ Crestwood Campus
 - First Tuesdays @ 6:30pm
 - 6220 Crestwood Station, Crestwood, KY 40014
 - Room 261
 - For questions contact Karen @ karenbonura@icloud.com
- Journey 1:27 @ Highview Baptist Church
 - Third Thursdays @ 7pm
 - 7711 Fegenbush Ln, Louisville, KY 40228
 - Room 101
 - Contact Ann Vetter @ avetter@highview.org
- OCA Connect @ Calvary Christian Church
 - First Thursdays @ 7pm
 - 10710 Taylorsville Rd, Louisville, KY 40299
 - Contact OCA @ 502-498-4765
- OCA Connect @ Graceland Baptist (Indiana)
 - Second Wednesdays @ 6:30pm
 - 3600 Kamer Miller Rd, New Albany, IN 47150
 - Contact OCA @ 502-498-4765

Local Counselors specializing in needs of Foster/Adoptive Families

- Carol Lozier
<https://carlolozierlcsw.com/>
7508 New La Grange Road, #4 Louisville, KY 40222
502-426-0550
- Karen Hutcheson
The Center for Family Connections, PLLC
<http://adoption.doctor/>
119 S. Sherrin Avenue, Suit #210 Louisville, KY 40207
502-509-1714
- Channing Knighton
Freedom Counseling
<http://www.freedomcounselingservices.org/>
800 Lily Creek Road, Suite 202 Louisville, KY 40243
502-523-2970
- Brent Colwick
Freedom Counseling
<http://www.freedomcounselingservices.org/>
800 Lily Creek Road, Suite 202 Louisville, KY 40243
502-523-2970
- Brian Troyer
Fireside Family Counseling
<https://www.firesidefamilycounseling.com/>
111 S. 1st Ave LaGrange, KY 40031
502-309-4220
- Renee Witkowski (Foster/Adoptive Parent Coaching)
<http://empoweredcalling.com/>
(502) 310-9049

Resources for Funding an Adoption

- Lifesong for Adoption – OCA Adoption Grant
 - <https://orphancarealliance.org/financing-an-adoption/>
- Show Hope - <https://showhope.org/>
- Adoption Bridge - <http://www.adoptionbridges.org/>
- Families Outreach - <http://familiesoutreach.org/>
- Gift of Adoption - <https://giftofadoption.org/>
- Julie Gumm - *You Can Adopt Without Debt*
 - <http://www.juliegumm.com/>

Other Therapy Options

- Stormhaven Youth Ranch, Non-Profit Riding Program Pairing Rescued Horses with Hurting Children for Healing (FREE)
 - <http://www.stormhavenyr.org/>

Books

- *Attaching In Adoption: Practical Tools for Today's Parents*, by Deborah D. Gray
- *The Connected Child*, by Karyn Purvis
- *The Out of Sync Child*, by Carol Kranowitz
- *The Whole-Brain Child*, by Daniel J. Siegel, M.D. and Tina Payne Bryson, Ph.D.
- *No-Drama Discipline*, by Daniel J. Siegel, M.D. and Tina Payne Bryson, Ph.D.
- *The Yes Brain*, by Daniel J. Siegel, M.D. and Tina Payne Bryson, Ph.D.
- *Beyond Consequences, Logic, and Control*, by Heather T. Forbes and B. Bryan Post
- *I Love You Rituals*, by Becky A. Bailey, Ph.D.
- *The Whole Life Adoption Book: Realistic Advice for Building a Healthy Adoptive Family*, Jayne E. Schooler and Thomas C. Atwood
- *Adoption: What Joseph of Nazareth can Teach us About this Countercultural Choice*, by Russell Moore
- *The Open Adoption Experience*, by Lois Ruskai Melina and Sharon Kaplan Roszia
- *Chocolate Hair, Vanilla Care*, by Rory Mullen

Websites

- Karyn Purvis Institute of Child Development:
<https://child.tcu.edu/#sthash.Ny1qR6Zi.dpbs> (contains books, articles, and videos)

Children's Books on Adoption

- *Happy Adoption Day*, by John McCutcheon
- *Welcome Home, Forever Child*, by Christine Mitchell
- *You're Here for a Reason*, by Nancy Tillman
- *My Adopted Child, There's No One Like You*, by Dr. Kevin Leman & Kevin Leman II
- *Chocolate Me!*, by Taye Diggs
- *I Love My Hair!* By Natasha Anastasia Tarpley
- *Big Hair, Don't Care*, by Crystal Swain-Bates
- *Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History*, Vashti Harrison
- *All Bears Need Love*, by Tanya Valentine

Children's Books on Hair Care

Boy's Hair

- *Bippity Bop Barbershop*, by Natasha Anastasia Tarpley
- *Haircuts at Sleepy Sam's*, by Michael R. Strickland
- *Crown: An Ode to the Fresh Cut*, by Derrick Barnes and Gordon C. James

Girl's Hair

- *I Love My Cotton Candy Hair*, by Nicole Updegraff
- *Emi's Curly, Coily, Cotton Candy Hair*, by Tina Olajide
- *Penny and the Magic Puffballs*, by Alonda Williams
- *Marvelous Me*, by Lisa Bullard
- *Princess Hair*, by Sharee Miller
- *Rapunzel*, retold by Rachel Isadora

Podcasts/Shows:

- Think Orphan: www.thinkorphan.com
- The Adopted Life (you can find it on YouTube)