

Open Adoption

Placing my child for adoption was “one of the most hardest decisions ever, but one of the most heart warming and satisfying - knowing that I still matter”

A Newfoundland Birth Mother



For general information on adoption in NL visit the government website www.cssd.gov.nl.ca/adoption/#application

www.cssd.gov.nl.ca/publications/pdf/adoption/adoption_policy_procedures.pdf

Or call 709-729-4563



The Centre For Life

Offers support to mothers who are trying to decide if adoption is a real option for them. Please don't hesitate to contact us.

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THE ADOPTION OPTION

Have you considered adoption as one of your options??





In Newfoundland and Labrador The Adoption Act, 2013 requires that birth parents be given information regarding adoption, the types of adoption and alternatives to adoption. Providing information about the alternatives to adoption is essential in order for the birth parents to make a fully informed decision about the permanent plan for a child.



Birth parents can contact a social worker at their local CSSD office to determine if they wish to make an adoption plan for the child.



At any given time there are several families across the province waiting for a child by adoption. As of December 31, 2018 the estimated wait time for Domestic Adoption for an Infant Adoption (under 24 months) was approximately 8 years.



An open adoption allows the birth mother and the adoptive family to maintain relationship after an adoption is finalized. Openness Agreements are worked out with the help of a social worker. A birth mother can also choose not to have any ongoing contact—the choice is yours to make. Both are life affirming options!



Whether you're unable to parent another child, having financial struggles, or wish to give your child more than what you can offer right now, adoption can be a positive, loving choice. No matter your situation, you're not alone, and you have many options. Adoption may be a loving option for your child.

