Please return this application and two recent photos (not passport) to:

# homestudy@pairtreefamily.com

This application form is comprised of Part 1 and Part 2. Each prospective adoptive parent must complete and sign separate Part 1 forms, so two forms are attached. Please complete Part 2 together.

Single applicants should complete Part 1 and then proceed to Part 2, page 1.

Please note that each applicant must sign page 5 of Part 1 as well as Part 2, page 7.

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APPLICANT INFORMATION							
NAME OF APP							
LAST, FIRST, MIDDL	e initial:						
DATE OF BIRTH:	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:			EMAIL ADDRESS:			
PHONE CONTACT IN HOME PHONE:	NFORMATION:	□ N/A	·	CELL PHONE:		□ N/A	
CURRENT ADDRES	S:						
CITY:				STATE:		ZIP CODE:	
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DEMOGRAPH	ICS <sup>1</sup>						
SEX: <sup>2</sup> □ Female	Male						
WHAT ARE YOU		NS? im/His □ They/Ther	n/Theirs 🗌 Oth	ner			
GENDER IDENT		gender 🗆 Gender n	on-conforming	Other/Somethi	ng else 🛛 Don't	know 🛛 Declii	ne to answer
SEXUAL ORIEN		] Gay or Lesbian [	Bisexual	□ Other/Something	g else 🛛 Don't	know 🗆 Dec	line to answer
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LANGUAGES SPOK	EN:		1				
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HOUSEHOLD	MEMBER IN	FORMATION *Socia	al Security Numb	er (SSN) is required f	or all household me	embers 18 years of	age or older.
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	LAST NAME, FIRST NAME	LAST NAME, FIRST NAME	LAST NAME, FIRS NAME	ST LAST NAME, FIRST NAME	LAST NAME, FIRST NAME	LAST NAME, FIRST NAME	LAST NAME, FIRST NAME
DATE OF BIRTH							
RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT							
RELIGION							
SEX							

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ETHNICITY							
LANGUAGE							
MARITAL							
STATUS							
*SSN							
Are any children			er care, awaiting	adoption finalization	tion?		
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□ N/A							
	BOARD	ERS/RENTERS		DATE OF BIRTH			LATIONSHIP APPLICANT
□ N/A							
PETS/OTHER ANIMALS – TYPE PER LOCAL ORDINANCE				VACCINATED	? LICI	ENSED?	
□ N/A							
					) 🗌 Yes		
Are you currently an approved adoptive parent?  No Yes							

APPROVAL DATE	e approval date(s), the appro	<u> </u>				
AFFROVAL DATE	AFFROVING AGENCT			CONTACT		
	applied to be a foster or ador	ntive parent in this stat	te or another sta	to?	No Yes	
	agency name(s) and contact					
AGENCY			ONTACT INFORM			
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Were you accepted, v	vithdrawn or denied?	Accepted Withdr	awn 🗌 Denie	ed.		
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	Yes					
If yes, what was the r	eason?					
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If your answer was "p	ersonal vehicle":					
Do you have a:					Proof Provided?	
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Valid car ins	urance?	lf yes, expiration da	ite:		No Yes	
Valid registra	ation?	If yes, expiration dat	te:		🗌 No 🔄 Yes	
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REFERENCES						
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EMPLOYER ADDRESS:						
CITY:		STATE:		ZIP CODE:		
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Employer: Dates of employment: To Position: Hours worked per week: Reason for leaving:					
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Employer: Dates of employment: To Position: Hours worked per week:					
Reason for leaving:					
HOME BUSINESS INFORMATION					
<ul> <li>Do you operate a business out of your home?</li> <li>If yes,</li> <li>a. What are the hours of operation?</li> <li>b. Do you have a license for any of the businesses in you</li> <li>c. Describe:</li> </ul>	□ No □ Yes ur home?				
Do you operate a child care/ day care program in your home? <i>If yes,</i> <i>a.</i> What are the hours of operation? <i>b.</i> Number of children? <i>c.</i> Describe:	🗌 No 🔄 Yes				
Do you operate a Family-Type Home for Adults? If yes: Describe:	🗌 No 🔄 Yes				
PLAN FOR SUPERVISION What are your plans for supervision of a child(ren) when you are not available (i.e., during work hours, after school, summer, etc.)?					
EDUCATION HISTORY					
HIGHEST EDUCATION COMPLETED:       Grade School       High School       TASC (GED)       Associate's Degree         Bachelor's Degree       Master's Degree       Ph. D.       Other:         Provide Details [such as name of school(s)/college(s)/university(ies); major(s)/course of study(ies); years of attendance; graduation date(s)]:					
FINANCIAL INFORMATION					
INCOME FROM EMPLOYMENT (verified by W-2 or 1040):					
OTHER INCOME AND SOURCE:	PA SSI SSD Disability Child Support Other, specify:				

TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME:						
MONTHLY EXPENSES:						
Is your family experiencing any financial stressors (i.e., foreclosure, bankruptcy, etc.)?						
Does your family have medical insurance c	overage? 🗌 No	🗌 Yes				
► rent/mortgage	\$					
<ul> <li>utilities (including phones and cable)</li> </ul>	\$					
► car payments	\$					
► car insurance	\$					
► other insurance	\$					
<ul> <li>loans/debts, credit cards</li> </ul>	\$					
▶ food, clothing, etc.	\$					
► entertainment	\$					
Total monthly expenses	\$					
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE:			DAT	E:		
X						
SWORN STATEMENT – One per applic	ant					
Please answer the questions below in full.						
LAST NAME:	FIRST NAME:		MIDDLE NA	ME:		
MAIDEN NAME OR ANY OTHER ALIAS:						
CURRENT MAILING STREET ADDRESS:		CITY:		STATE:	ZIP CODE:	
1. Have you ever been convicted of a crim state?	e within New York Sta	te or any other jurisdic	tion or		es	
If yes, provide an explanation for each crime for which you were convicted of, including the type of crime, the location, the date and circumstances:						
2. Has any person age 18 or older currently residing in the home ever been convicted of a No Yes crime within New York State or any other jurisdiction or state?						
If yes, provide an explanation for each crime for which the person(s) was/were convicted of, including the type of crime, the location, the date and circumstances:						
To the best of my knowledge, I hereby affirm that the information provided above is true and complete. I understand that the information is subject to verification and that making a materially false statement or affirmation may result in disqualification as an applicant for deliberately presenting false or misleading information.						
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE:				DATE:		
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APPLICANT INFORMATION								
NAME OF APPLICANT	:							
LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL:								
DATE OF BIRTH:	SOC	CIAL SECURITY NUM	IBER:	EMAIL ADDRES	SS:			
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HOME PHONE: CURRENT ADDRESS:		□ N/A		CELL PHON	IE:		□ N/A	
CORRENT ADDRESS.								
CITY:				STA	ATE:		ZIP CODE:	
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DEMOGRAPHICS <sup>1</sup>								
SEX: <sup>2</sup>								
WHAT ARE YOUR PR		<b>NS?</b> His □ They/Ther	m/Theirs 🗌 Otł	her				
<b>GENDER IDENTITY</b> : <sup>3</sup>	ansoen	der 🗌 Gender n	on-conformina	Other/Sor	methina	else 🗍 Don't	know 🗌 Declii	ne to answer
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LANGUAGES SPOKEN:								
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HOUSEHOLD MEMBE	R INFO	ORMATION *So	cial Security Nu	mber (SSN) is re	equired fo	or all household	members 18 years	of age or older.
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ETHNICITY								
MARITAL STATUS								
*SSN								
□ No □ Yes	in your household If yes, please d	explain:						
Are any children in your household, who are not in foster care, awaiting adoption finalization? <ul> <li>No</li> <li>Yes</li> </ul> <li>If yes, please explain:</li>								
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FOSTER/ADO	PTIVE PAREN	TING EXPERIE						
Are you currently an approved adoptive parent?								

lf yes, please provide	approval date(s), the appr	oving agency name	e(s) and contac	t information.	
APPROVAL DATE	APPROVING AGENC	Y		CONTACT	INFORMATION
	pplied to be a foster or ador	ntive parent in this	state or another	state?	🗌 No 🔲 Yes
	agency name(s) and contact			Sidle !	
			CONTACT IN		
Were you accepted, w		Accepted 🗌 Wit	hdrawn 🗌 Do	enied	
If withdrawn or denied,	what was the reason?				
	parent certification or appro	oval revoked, susp	ended, surrende	ered or lapsed	(
If yes, what was the re	ason?				
TRANSPORTATION					
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If your answer was "pe	rsonal vehicle":				
Do you have a:					Proof Provided?
Valid driver's	license? 🗌 No 🔲 Yes	If yes, expiration	n date:		🗌 No 🔄 Yes
Valid car insu	rance? 🗌 No 🗌 Yes	If yes, expiration			🗌 No 🔲 Yes
Valid registrat		If yes, expiration			
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REFERENCES					
List three references w	ho can serve as personal r	references.			
Ν	IAME		ADDRESS		PHONE/EMAIL ADDRESS
EMPLOYMENT INF	ORMATION				
CURRENT EMPLOYER: START DATE:					
EMPLOYER ADDRESS:					
CITY:		STATE:		ZIP CODE:	
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FINANCIAL INFORMATION					
INCOME FROM EMPLOYMENT (verified by W-2 or 1040): OTHER INCOME AND SOURCE:	□ PA □ SSI □ □ Other, specify:	SSD Disability Child Support			

TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME:						
MONTHLY EXPENSES:						
Is your family experiencing any financial stressors (i.e., foreclosure, bankruptcy, etc.)?						
Does your family have medical insurance c	overage? 🗌 No 🗌 Yes					
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MAIDEN NAME OR ANY OTHER ALIAS:						
CURRENT MAILING STREET ADDRESS:	CITY:		STATE:	ZIP CODE:		
1. Have you ever been convicted of a crime state?	e within New York State or any other ju	irisdiction or		es		
If yes, provide an explanation for each crime for which you were convicted of, including the type of crime, the location, the date and circumstances:						
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APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE:			DATE:			
X						

Application Part 2 Alliance for Children Information					
	Applicant		Applicant	2	
Are you currently in counseling?	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	
Are you currently pregnant or currently pursuing	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	
pregnancy/surrogacy? Do you have any health issues or take medication?	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	
Have you ever been arrested-even if charges were dismissed, continued without a finding or records expunged?	Yes[]	No [ ]	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	
Do you have a history of substance/alcohol abuse?	Yes[]	No [ ]	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	
Do you have a history of domestic violence, even if an arrest did not occur?	Yes[]	No [ ]	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	
Have you ever been physically or sexually abusive to a child?	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	
Has a child abuse/neglect report ever been filed against you?	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	
Have you ever applied to adopt in the past and terminated the process, been turned down or rejected for adoption?	Yes[]	No [ ]	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	
Have you ever had a home study completed in the past? If you have, please indicate below the name of the agency and the year it was completed.	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	
Have you ever transferred or received permanent custody of a child outside of the state/local authorities or outside of the state/local process, relinquished or lost custody of a child?	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	Yes [ ]	No [ ]	
Have you ever been refused visa clearance? If you answered yes to any of the above que additional pages if needed:	Yes [ ] stions, plea	No [ ] se explain b	Yes [ ] elow and ad	No [ ] d	

Does anyone residing in your home:

- have an arrest record
- have a medical condition
- have a history of substance/alcohol abuse, domestic violence (even if an arrest did not occur)
- been physically or sexually abusive to a child
- applied to adopt, completed a home study, been turned down or rejected for adoption
- transferred or received permanent custody of a child outside of the state/local authorities, outside of the state/local process, relinquished or lost custody of a child
- been refused visa clearance?

### Yes [ ] No [ ]

If anyone residing in the home has answered "yes" to any of the above questions, please explain:

Please list <u>all</u> of the states and countries in which you and other adults in the home have lived or worked since age 18.

- Include places you have lived more than a month.
- Circle all states that you have lived in for the past 5 years.

### Applicant 1: (include all version of your name i.e. married/maiden/alias)

Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth\_\_\_\_\_\_ List All States lived *and* worked in since the age of 18 and the years you lived/worked there:

# Applicant 2: (include all versions of your name i.e. married/maiden/alias)

Name:	
Social Security Number	
Date of Birth	
List All States lived and worked in since the age of	18 and the years you lived/worked there:

## Others in the home over the age of 14: include all versions of your names

Name:
Social Security Number
Date of Birth
List All States lived and worked in since the age of
14

Name:	
Social Security Number	-
Date of Birth	-

States lived and worked in since the age of 14

## **Adoption Services**

What AFC services are you interested in applying for? Please indicate all services applicable.

International Adoption [ ]

Please list Country:

[] **Home Study and Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Services**: Alliance for Children will complete home study and post-placement/post-adoption services.

[] **Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Services Only:** Due to a move or change in original home study agency, Alliance for Children will complete post-placement/post-adoption services.

\*If you are interested in an international adoption, you must have a primary provider agency prior to beginning your home study, and must provide the written agreement with that agency to Alliance for Children. You must continue to work with that primary provider throughout your adoption process and agree to notify Alliance for Children if your primary provider changes.

[] **Full Service**: Alliance for Children will perform home study services, placement services from one of our international programs, and post-placement/post-adoption services.

Domestic Adoption [ ]	

[] **Home Study and Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Services**: Alliance for Children will complete home study and post-placement/post-adoption services.

[] **Interest in Alliance for Children's Domestic Placement Program:** Alliance for Children will perform placement services.

\*If you have indicated interest in Alliance for Children's Domestic Placement Program, please note that pending the volume of interested applicants, there may be an increase in initially anticipated wait times, with the possibility of being placed on our wait list. When your home study is near completion, you will connect with our Domestic Team to review your family's specific situation, at which time we will review availability in our program.

[] **Domestic Assist:** Per referral from an adoption attorney/agency, or due to special circumstances, Alliance for Children will provide assist services for your domestic adoption.

[] **Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Services Only:** Due to a move or change in original home study agency, Alliance for Children will complete post-placement/post-adoption services.

### **Domestic and International**

Please indicate your openness to the below:	
What age child would you like to adopt?	0 -12 months [ ] 1-3 years [ ] 4 – 6 years [] 7 yrs or older []
Would you consider adopting a child with special needs or medical condition?	Yes [ ] No [ ]
Would you consider adopting twins?	Yes [ ] No [ ]
Would you consider adopting a sibling group?	Yes [ ] No [ ]
Would you consider adopting a child of a different race/ethnicity than your own? If yes, please provide more details:	Yes[] No[]

Special Circumstances, Comments, Notes:

How did you hear about Alliance for Children?

Please indicate if you have connected with AFC staff, received our information packet and explanation of fees: [] Yes [] No

Date & Name of AFC Staff Member:\_\_\_\_\_

Did you attend an informational meeting? [] Yes [] No

Date of Meeting:

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# **Outside Placement Agency/Primary Provider**

If you are requesting home study and post-placement/post-adoption services from Alliance for Children but are working with another agency for placement, please complete the following section:

	Contact:		
Address:			
Address: (No./Street)	(Town/City)	(State)	(2
Phone:	Email:		
	Home Study Agency Information		
, ,	er agency to complete your home s n for placement services, please co		•
Home Study Agency:			
Contact:			
Address: (No./Street)	(Town/City)	(State)	(2
Phone:	Email:		
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	Adoption Attorney Information		
If you are working with an add	Adoption Attorney Information		
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If you are working with an add section: Attorney:	Adoption Attorney Information	se complete the follo	owir
If you are working with an add section: Attorney:	Adoption Attorney Information		

### **Signature Page**

If you have any questions about qualifications/criteria/special circumstances, please request a copy of the Agency's Adoption Home Study Policies

Incomplete applications cannot be processed, and will be returned if a full, complete application is not received by the agency two (2) weeks after submitting the initial, incomplete application.

I understand that programs are always changing and may open, close, or go on hold at any time. If I have any questions, I will contact the agency and discuss them prior to sending in my application.

I understand that I must submit a non-refundable application fee with this application. Once this application is received, I will be billed for services. I am aware of the fees for the services I am requesting. If I have any questions about fees, I will ask them before submitting my application.

I have answered all questions truthfully and to the best of my ability. I understand that falsifying information, omitting information, or not responding to these questions honestly is grounds for termination of services. I further understand that I will need to provide notarized copies of any and all court records that I have, and that these records will be sent to Immigration as part of its approval process for all international adoptions. I understand that I must notify Alliance for Children within 30 days if any of the above information changes.

### For home study applicants:

I agree to comply with all of Alliance for Children's policies and procedures, including the following:

- If I have any health or financial issues, I will provide all additional documentation as requested.
- If I have any arrests or court-related issues, I will provide all additional information, including court dispositions, as requested—even if an action was dismissed, expunged or I was found not guilty.
- An adoption clinician will need to speak individually with every household member age 5 and over, or younger if required by your state of residence, will need to meet all household members and will need to be in contact with all children/adult children not living in the home.
- If I do not begin my home study within six (6) months of submitting my application, I will need to reapply and submit a new application fee. Further, if my home study is not complete within twelve (12) months of submitting the application, I will need to pay for a home study update and provide additional documentation to maintain an active file.

Adoptive applicants are entitled to a fair hearing if: a completed application to adopt is not acted upon by the completion of a home study within six months of agency receipt of same application. Regulation 421.11(g)(3) and 421.13(c).

### For all applicants:

I agree to comply with Alliance for Children's policy regarding discipline. This includes not spanking a child or using other forms of corporal punishment, restricting movement, confining a child in small or locked area, withholding food, rest or toilet use, verbally abusing a child, and/or using any other means of discipline that is designed to humiliate, embarrass, or denigrate a child, his/her birth family, heritage, or ethnicity. This policy extends not only to the adopted child, but to all children residing in the adoptive home.

