

Letters of Recommendation

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These letters recommend you as good candidates for adoptive parents and are written by people who know you well.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- Three letters of recommendation are required. They should be drawn from the following: friends in your neighborhood or community, longtime friends who have maintained a close connection with you into adulthood, family member (please only have one relative complete a letter).
- The letter should be typed and one page in length single spaced in standard sized font.
- Address each letter: “To Whom It May Concern” and do not include contact information for AGCI or your home study agency.
- The letters must be signed but they do not need to be notarized or apostilled.
- The letter should address the following:
 - How long and in what capacity have you known the applicants?
 - What reason(s) have the applicants shared with you for wanting to adopt a child?
 - Please describe attributes of the applicants that you feel will make them good parents (e.g. personality and temperament, interpersonal relationships, family atmosphere and stability, involvement within the community).