

## Childless Mothers Adopt

Embracing Children in Need 'Offering support to childless women, couples and/or partners who adopt our mission of helping children in need.

Dear CMomA Grant Applicant,

**Congratulations** on your decision and journey to become a parent to a child in need.

CMomA is a 501-C3 organization that offers support to *childless* single women, men, couples and partners who are interested in adopting children who are in need of a safe and loving home.

We gift sponsorship grants to chosen CMomA recipients each year. CMomA grant eligibility is based on 8 factors:

- 1) Your compelling story, as a *childless* woman, man, or couple choosing to become parents to a child in need.
- 2) Compelling reason regarding need for grant:
- The Why: (i.e. temporary job loss, medical needs of the child...etc.)
- The Where: (i.e.: Where will your grant money go: (adoption agency balance, special needs support, sibling adoption, waiting child adoption...etc.)
- 3) Completed and approved home study to verify that you are financially solvent moving forward
- 4) Compelling story of the child or children that you are adopting.
- 5) Willingness to share beneficial impact of CMomA Grant via written note, video, or appearance at live CMomA event.
- 6): Willingness to *receive* and complete our CMomA Parenting Course, currently in development.
- 7): Willingness, if assigned to a CMomA Grant Donor, to give CMomA permission to disclose your contact information in order to foster a potential connection between them as Grantor and you as grant recipient.
- 8): Willingness to become a buddy to a waiting or newly united family.
- 9): Verification that the child being adopted is a double orphan either

through the death of both parents or parents having lost or forfeited their parental rights.

- Proof of informed consent if applicable

## **CMomA GRANT APPLICATION**

In order to be considered, we will need the following from you in digital form.

#### ADOPTIVE PARENT PROFILE:

### **INDENTIFYING CONTACT INFORMATION:**

- Date:
- Names of expectant parent/parents:
- Phone:
- Email:
- Address:
- Adoption Agency or Organization Affiliation:
- How did you hear about the CMoMA Grant?

### Are you Adopting Domestically?

How far along are you in process?

## If you are adopting Internationally, from what country?

How far along are you in process? When do you expect adoption to be completed with authorization to bring your child home?

# **STATEMENT OF INTENTION TO ADOPT:** (please attach, at the end, in a separate word document)

This is a 500-1000 word statement including the following:

- \* Who are you & What is your "story"?
- \* Have you been childless up until now by choice or circumstance?
- \* What is the motivation/inspiration for you to adopt?
- \* Is there is a particular child profile/circumstance you are interested in? (age, sex, challenges, siblings, ethnicity etc.)
- \* Why did you choose this specific child?
- \* If you are adopting internationally what influenced your choice of what country to adopt from?
- \* What exactly are you seeking a CMomA grant for (please include exact costs of what it is you need assistance with)

- \* Have you received financial assistance from any other resources? If so, please share how much, what for, and from whom.
- \* Why do you feel a worthy recipient for CMomA Sponsorship support?

### **LIFESTYLE PANEL:**

- Status: single or coupled?
- Age/Ages:
- Occupation:
- Work Schedule:
- Childcare and support resources (family/friends):
- Description Home & Neighborhood Environment: (bedrooms, safety of neighborhood, diversity of neighborhood etc.)

### **FINANCIAL STATUS:**

- Do you rent or own your home?
- What is your annual household income?
- What is your projected annual household income for the next two years?
- What is your itemized cost of living per month?
- Are you certain that you are financially solvent enough to support your expectant child?
- Why do you need financial support regarding your adoption process or post-adoption experience?
- Please attach W2 from last 2 years, including forecast of what income you expect in coming year. (please attach, at the end, in a separate word document)

### **REFERENCES:**

Requirement: 2 personal references & 2 professional references:

Please include:

Nature of Relationship:

Longevity of Relationship:

Qualities of the applicant:

Strengths and/or Weaknesses of the Applicant:

Why do you think they would be a great parent?

Why do you think applicant is worthy of a CMomA grant?

### **RELEVANT & REQUIRED DOCUMENT WORD DOC. ATTACHMENTS:**

- W2 from last 2 years

- Your story narrative (please include all bullet points under above "Statement of Intention")
- Your expectant child's story: (child's background, age, family, special needs, etc.)
- 2 Personal and 2 Professional references
- Please submit pictures of you and child / children.
- Medical info. on the child (if relevant to grant)
- Proof of Approved Home Study completion

Please email application and letters of recommendation to: <a href="mailto:CMomAGrants@CMomA.org">CMomAGrants@CMomA.org</a>
Please put "CMomA Grant Application" in the subject line.

Thank you for connecting with CMomA and for submitting your grant application. We wish you much luck and many blessings on this path and look forward to hearing from you!

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http://www.cmoma.org/cmoma/the-cmoma-grant-program