## What Makes the Best Adoption Agency for You?

Choosing adoption can be a difficult choice for both the birth mother and adoptive parents. However, once you set your mind on the idea, you need the best adoption agency to help you through the process. But what can you expect to see in an adoption agency? Not every agency is built the same. Discover what we can offer you at St. Elizabeth Foundation, and then you can decide if we're the best adoption agency for you and your family in Louisiana.

## What to Expect From a Private Adoption Agency

No matter if you're the mother or the chosen adoptive parents, there are a number of things to expect from your agency.

Let's look at the parents first. No matter if you choose to go through the state or through a private agency, adoptive families have to go through a home check to confirm that the family fits certain qualifications. These are all in place to ensure the child is entering a stable home that can care for their needs without a doubt. For example, one of the <u>qualifications you can see at St. Elizabeth</u> is that adoptive parents must be a married couple who have been married for a minimum of five years.

From an adoption agency like ours, birth mothers can expect plenty of support throughout their pregnancy. For example, we help our mothers by helping them choose the right decision for them once they realize they're pregnant. Additionally, we're also here to help mothers with other types of support, such as financial and physical support. We want to make sure that our mothers are being well taken care of.

## Do You Know What Type of Adoption You Want?

Not every adoption looks alike. At St. Elizabeth, we actually <u>offer three different types</u> <u>of adoption services to choose from.</u> Explore these adoption choices to determine which one may make the most sense in your life.

- Open adoptions allow birth mothers to have direct contact with the adoptive family. In some cases, this may be the best way to communicate with each other and stay active in the child's life.
- Semi-open adoptions are the most common choice for families and mothers at St. Elizabeth. Our team helps facilitate communication between birth parents and adoptive families in semi-open adoptions. This communication can be in the form

- of letters, phone calls, emails, etc. This allows for safe communication where everyone's boundaries are respected.
- Closed adoptions do not include contact between the birth parents and adoptive families after the placement. It's also important to note that any information about the birth parents remains confidential. However, they may choose to share their medical history.

## Are We the Best Adoption Agency for You?

Everyone's needs are different. Because of this, you need the best adoption agency for you and your new family. Do you think that St. Elizabeth Foundation is the right choice for you? If so, it might be time to get in touch with our professionals. Our Baton Rouge adoption agency is full of professionals who are ready to help you add to your family. Connect with us by either sending us a message at <a href="mailto:info@stelizabethfoundation.org">info@stelizabethfoundation.org</a> or by giving us a call at 225-769-8888. We're more than happy to have a conversation with you, and we strive to be the best adoption agency for your needs.