

# PARENT2PARENT SUPPORT NETWORK

## About the Program

Adoptive, Kinship and Customary care families face unique challenges on their lifelong journeys. Through the P2P Support Network, Regional Parent Liaisons across Ontario work directly with parents/caregivers to:

- 1 Provide individual support to parents and caregivers** 
- 2 Help navigate supports and services for your children** 
- 3 Create and enhance parent/caregiver support groups (online and in-person)** 
- 4 Facilitate ongoing support through buddy+mentor programs** 

Once you register on the Adopt4Life website, you will be welcomed by a Parent Liaison in your region, who will get to know your family's individual needs. Your Parent Liaison will work with you to help you access supports and services to meet your unique family's needs.

## How it Works



**Advocacy in your community**



**Local Permanency Specialists**



**Social Communities**



**Peer Support**



**Advocacy at School**



**Specialized Resources**

**It's free! Join your community at [www.adopt4Life.com/join-our-community](http://www.adopt4Life.com/join-our-community).**

**1**

**Your Parent Liaison will be in contact with you directly.**

**2**

**Join one of our many private social communities to start learning and sharing with other parents/caregivers!**

**3**

## Get Started!



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# Join Our Community

## Community Parents and Caregivers



Parents who are getting AdoptReady or Awaiting can connect with others who are sharing a similar journey through our private Facebook groups—share your journey, wait, struggles, hopes, and joy along the way.

Once a match has been made, we can help you plan the transition and/or connect you with a mentor or buddy, to ensure you are well supported. Raising children is all encompassing and challenging at times. A popular expression says it takes a village to raise a child. In all the ways that families are formed, we need more than a village, we need our community who gets us and a province behind us.



Parents/Caregivers—join your Community Family! You gain access to a Parent Liaison who will contact you to complete an initial conversation about your family and your needs. You'll connect with someone who gets it, and we'll work with you to best determine how we can help.

Adopt4Life can match you with a buddy who has experience(s) similar to your journey to share tips, tools and provide one another a supportive ear and encouragement, so you are not alone. You will also be invited to join the province-wide private Facebook group for adoptive, kinship and customary care parents/caregivers; a 24/7 way to connect and share experiences and support(s).

## A Greater Community

Who can join? We welcome anyone touched by adoption, kinship or customary care, including parents, caregivers, birth families, adult adoptees, and adoption professionals.

Parent2Parent Support is extended to those considering a permanency placement, in the process of adopting, adoptive, kin, and customary care parents and caregivers, foster parents, families experiencing adoption or placement breakdown, and adoption professionals—across public, private, international, and moral adoption.

Thanks to ongoing funding from the Ministry of Children, Community and Social services (MCCSS), joining your community and receiving our services are free. Register at [www.adopt4life.com/join-our-community](http://www.adopt4life.com/join-our-community).