



FOR INFORMATION ON UP-  
COMING EVENTS OR TO LEARN  
MORE ABOUT AFCR:

Visit AFCR's Website:

[www.adoptivefamiliesny.org](http://www.adoptivefamiliesny.org)

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Glenmont, NY 12077

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Most Meetings Are Held At:

Colonie Community Center  
1653 Central Ave. Colonie

&

McKownville United Methodist Church  
1565 Western Ave., Guilderland  
Located between I-87 & Crossgates Mall

### Recent Social Events:

- Children's Culture Day
- Apple picking and hay ride
- Pot-luck dinner
- Playgroups

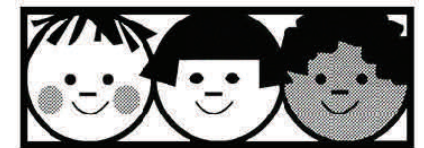
### Recent Educational Workshops:

- Adoption: Where Do I Start?
- Adult Adoptees Speak Out
- Creating Life Books for Adopted and Foster Children
- School Issues & Adoption
- Developmental Stages: What Children Understand About Adoption & When
- Issues in Transracial Adoption
- Annual Adoption Fair
- Talking to Your Child About Adoption Issues
- Smart Responses to Stupid Adoption Comments

### Benefits of Membership Include:

- Quarterly Newsletter
- Free educational programs
- Networking opportunities
- Support and guidance
- Discounted fee at some events

# Adoptive Families of the Capital Region, Inc.



Supporting  
Adoptive Families in  
New York's Capital Region

Member of:

New York State Citizens' Coalition  
for Children, Inc.

&

North American Council on  
Adoptable Children



The **Adoptive Families of the Capital Region, Inc.** is an all-volunteer support group open to those who have an interest in adoption. Our membership represents families formed through domestic infant, older child, special needs, foster care and international adoption from over 20 countries. We also have prospective parents and adoption professionals as members.

AFCR activities include:

- Social and cultural events
- Educational workshops
- Prospective & waiting parents meetings
- Annual adoption fair
- Playgroups

Individuals who have attended AFCR events have increased their understanding of the complexities and lifelong aspects of adoption. Parents and children have also benefited by making new friends and by celebrating diverse families and cultures.

**Adoptive Families of the Capital Region, Inc. (AFCR)** was created in 2006 to continue the tradition of supporting adoptive families begun by Adoptive Families Coalition, Inc. (AFC) and International Adoptive Families, Inc. (IAF). Our roots go back over 30 years and include the history of both AFC and IAF.

Visit AFCR's website [www.adoptivefamiliesny.org](http://www.adoptivefamiliesny.org) for information on AFCR's events, national adoption organizations, book reviews, and adoption articles.



### OUR MISSION IS:

- To educate and support families formed through adoption and those considering adoption.
- To empower our children through formation of positive identity and self-esteem.
- To respect and celebrate our children's ethnic or cultural background.
- To promote understanding and acceptance of differences.
- To promote a positive image of adoption in the community.
- To advocate formally and informally for the needs of our children and families.



**We believe every child should have a forever family.**

Please consider supporting our efforts, either by joining or by volunteering some of your time and/or expertise. Membership dues are used to cover basic expenses such as room rentals, insurance, voice mail, and website.

## AFCR Membership

Annual Dues are \$20 for family membership and \$40 for professional membership. AFCR is 501(c)3 not-for-profit - your membership may be tax deductible.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please list your child(ren)'s name(s), year of birth & country of birth: (please include both adoptive and biological children). If you are waiting, please write "waiting."

Name    Year of Birth    Country    Adopted?(Y/N)

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*The below questions are for the purpose of grant applications. All information is kept confidential.*

Would you consider your family multiracial? \_\_\_\_  
If yes, what races make up your family?

\_\_\_\_\_

Has your child(ren) joined your family through  
(circle all that apply):

Domestic Private Adoption

Foster Care Adoption

International Adoption

**Please make checks payable to: AFCR**

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