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# Hello Dear Expectant Mother

***“Family has always been the most important thing in my life.”***

Thank you so much for stopping by my page. I am grateful to have the chance to share with you about my life, and my dreams of being a mother and starting a family. I am a single woman with a fulfilling life of friends and family, a rewarding career, and enriching hobbies. I approach life with optimism, joy, love and gratefulness. I love laughing and enjoying life to the fullest. I have strong values that I live by including gratitude, kindness, loving and acceptance of self and others, and sharing with the less fortunate.

I have reached a time in my life when I know I'm ready and so excited to start my own family. Choosing adoption over starting my family by having a biological child was an easy one. I have friends whose lives have been touched by adoption and others who created their families through adoption. After introspection, I know that adoption is the right decision for me. I cannot wait to open my heart to a child and build the next chapter of my life with them.



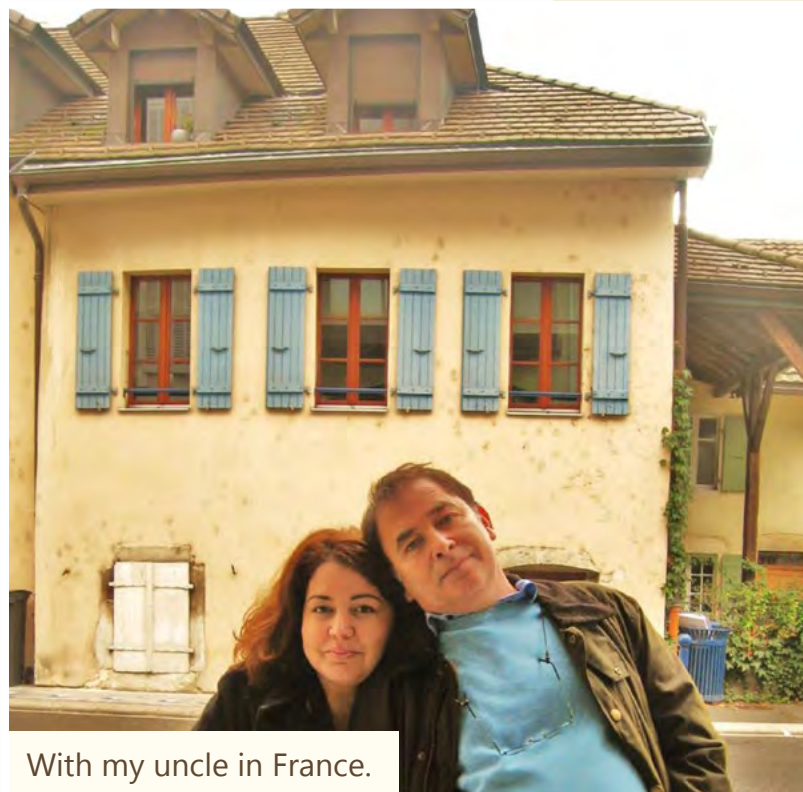
# My Life Today

I have a satisfying career as a management consultant, which makes me want to go to work! My job focuses on helping organizations solve their business problems. This goes along perfectly with what I enjoy the most: solving problems and of course helping others. It also helps that I have a great group of coworkers who make my job even more enjoyable.

I spend most of my time outside of work with my family and friends. I enjoy going to museums, concerts, and galleries. I also love to travel. My travel interests cover both domestic and international travel - having exposure to different cultures and foods and most importantly meeting people from different backgrounds gives me tremendous joy. I cannot wait to travel with a child to fun destinations around the country and the world.



With my friend during a trip to St. Michael's.



With my uncle in France.

Anyone who knows me will tell you that I love nature and animals. I volunteer for organizations that protect and rescue animals in need. I also have two furry babies of my own, Ege and Ada, 10-year-old sibling kitties, adopted from an animal shelter. They love lounging around, being petted and loved, and of course, sleeping.

There are so many things I can't wait to do with a child; traveling to fun locations and learning about different cultures together, spending time at the beach, teaching them how to swim, and of course putting those skills to use at a waterpark! Most importantly, I look forward to making sure that a child has the space and freedom to discover what they are truly interested in and opportunities to explore further.



My best friend and I.

# My Home and Community

I'm so excited to raise a family in the suburbs of Washington, DC. My community provides the perfect combination of active and easygoing lifestyles.

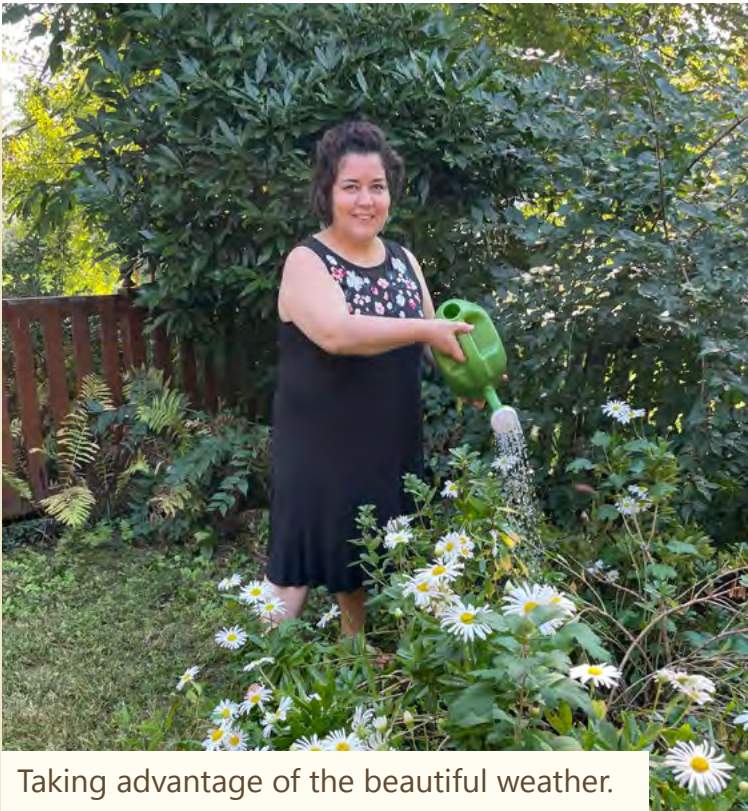
I'm just minutes away from my immediate family, as well as the bustling, urban, cultural Capital, filled with museums and diversity of all kinds. I am also close to a sense of calm with parks, bike lanes and playgrounds. My home is right by the Metro, all sorts of cafes, playgrounds, restaurants and shopping.

My building has a pool, which provides a perfect opportunity to relax and enjoy during summer months.

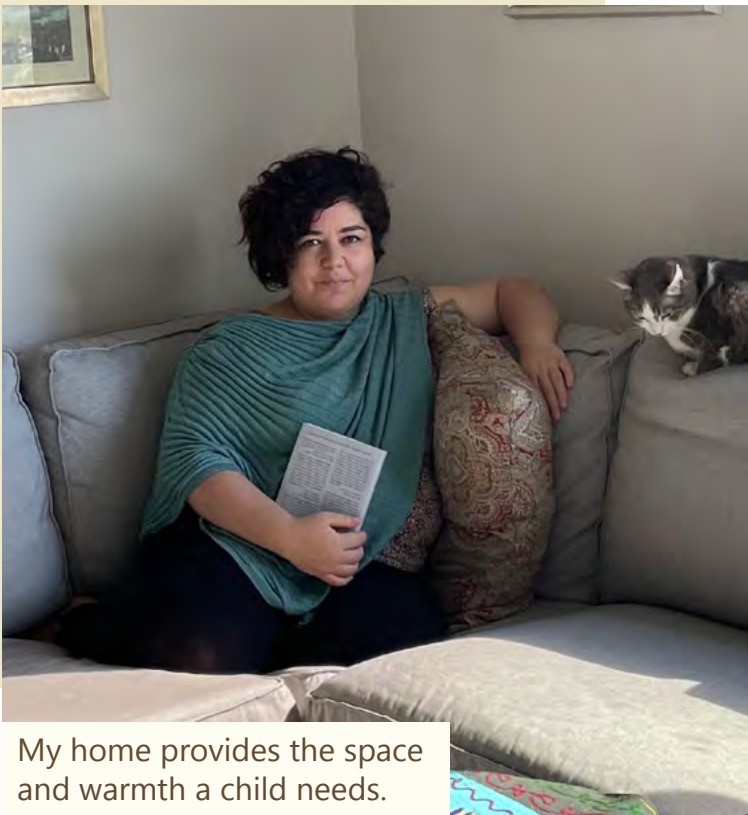
The school district where I live is one of the best in the nation, and there's plenty of activities for a child to explore and enjoy.

I have lived in my home for three years now. With endless opportunities for fun, learning, and exploration, my home and community is the perfect place to raise a child.

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Taking advantage of the beautiful weather.



My home provides the space and warmth a child needs.



My building is nestled in green, and faces a park where children play.

# My Family and Support System



My mother, my sister and I during one of our mother-daughters outings (before COVID!).



My brother-in-law and my niece.

My sister and I are only two-and-a-half years apart, and we're very close. Many say that we look like twins but I tend to disagree. My brother-in-law has been in our family for 14 years now, and is like a brother to me. He is great with kids, particularly in teaching them anything involving hiking, biking, swimming, playing basketball, soccer and of course being there for them as a role model.

I spend a lot of my time with my five-and-a-half-year-old niece. She and I have developed a very special bond, pretty much since her birth. Whether we're throwing one of our famous two-person dance parties, preparing shows for her dolls, collecting shells from the beach, practicing the alphabet with a made-up song of our own, or simply talking about the highs and more importantly the lows of her day – as she knows she can tell me anything, our time together is always special, fun, full of love and teachable moments for both of us. My niece showed me how much love I have to share with a child.

My mother cannot wait to become a grandmother for the second time. My sister and brother-in-law are already counting the days until they become the aunt and uncle to a child. My entire family is ready to provide the extra care that will be necessary at times as our whole family will expand upon the addition of a child—as well as the boatloads of love. I'm so grateful to have such a tremendous support system as I plan for and dream about being a mom.



My sister, brother-in-law and my niece.



My mother--role model and inspiration.

# Family Traditions

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My family has traditions that they take quite seriously.

The first one is the famous “birthweek.” Instead of one birth “day,” our family celebrates our family members’ birthdays over a full week. During the week, we shower the family member with small surprises, family dinners, family gatherings, and of course spoil them. If the family member is a child, the “birthweek” becomes even more special, as the activities involve play dates, family dance parties, outside activities and perhaps a few extra presents.

Another family tradition is exchanging gifts on New Year’s Eve, in addition to Christmas. This is a family tradition to celebrate the New Year, wishing it brings health, joy, happiness to our family and to the world. We also accompany the gift exchange with a family dinner.

Fall apple-picking in October is another family tradition that we never miss. We love being able to spend time together outside in nice weather! Each trip guarantees a delicious apple pie at the end of the day. I can’t wait to share these fun family traditions (and apple pie!) with a child.



Here's my family celebrating New Year's. Can't wait to have many celebrations with a child!

# Thank You!

I have so much respect for you for considering an adoption plan as it shows how much you love and care for your baby. If I am given the privilege to be chosen as an adoptive parent, I promise to love a child unconditionally, provide them with a loving, fun and stable home and the best education possible. I would forever honor the difficult yet loving decision that you made, and would also respect the degree of openness that you choose. Whatever path you take, I wish you love, health and only the best.