



**ANDRA & SAM**

# Hello!

**WE'RE SO GRATEFUL YOU'RE HERE AND  
TAKING THE TIME TO GET TO KNOW US.**

We're Andra and Sam, and we're excited to meet you. We can only imagine how overwhelming and emotional this journey may be, and we want to acknowledge your strength in exploring options for your baby.

Adoption holds a very special place in our hearts – Andra was adopted, and her experience shaped our shared desire to grow our family through adoption. We know we can't fully understand what you're experiencing, but we are honored by the chance to connect. This process is not easy, and we deeply admire your courage.

**Whatever path you choose, we hope you feel  
supported, respected, and seen. Thank you again  
for taking this moment to consider us for your baby.**

*Andra and Sam*



# Our story

## OUR STORY BEGAN WITH FRIENDSHIP, LAUGHTER, AND A SHARED LOVE OF FAMILY, FOOD, AND TRAVEL.

We met at work nine years ago and quickly became friends, bonding over coffee, our love of food, family, animals, and travel. Before long, we were finding any excuse to be part of each other's day. After a year of friendship, we began dating, and in 2021 we were married surrounded by our closest family and friends. Our relationship is built on balance, laughter, and mutual respect.



Today, we live in Minneapolis  
with our sweet dog, Josie,  
who has been with us for seven  
years and brings so much joy  
to our lives. Over the past  
eight years, we've loved  
turning our house into a warm,  
welcoming home.

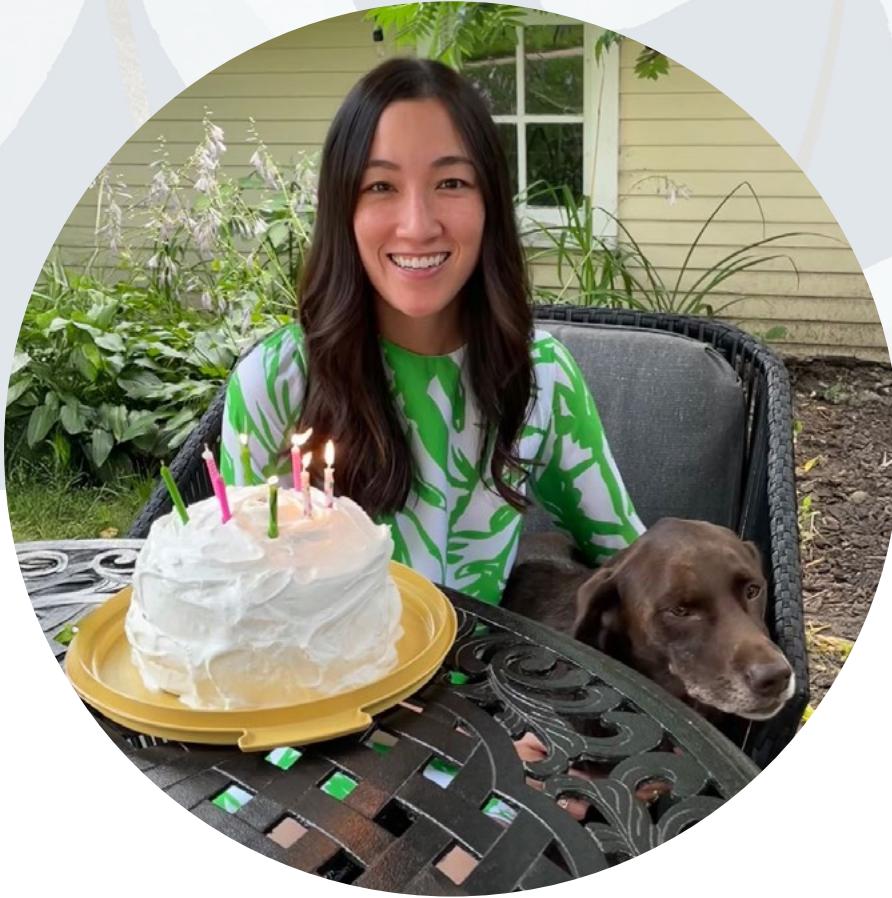


**ADOPTION IS CLOSE TO OUR HEARTS AND HAS ALWAYS BEEN PART OF OUR STORY.**

# Why adoption?

For Andra, adoption is more than just a word. It is the foundation of her life story. She was adopted from South Korea over 30 years ago and was welcomed into a loving, supportive family. That experience shaped who she is today and gave her a deep understanding of what it means to grow up in a home filled with love, stability, and opportunity.

**We see adoption as a beautiful way to grow our family, and we believe that family is defined by commitment, love, care, and connection. We know firsthand how adoption can change lives, and we're honored to begin this next chapter with open hearts.**



# Meet Andra

*as told by Sam*

## **ANDRA MAKES PEOPLE FEEL SEEN AND LOVED, AND SHE WILL DO THE SAME AS A MOM.**

Andra is one of those rare people who is entirely herself. She's warm, genuine, and open with everyone she meets. Whether we're watching our favorite show or cheering for rival basketball teams, I've always admired how she brings people together with laughter and care.

Andra has a gift for creating connections. Friends often surprise us with baked goods or coffee on our doorstep, small acts of kindness that reflect how loved she is. Her authenticity and compassion make our lives brighter, and I know those same qualities will make her an incredible mother. **She will fill our child's life with love, joy, and unwavering support.**



# Meet Sam

*as told by Andra*

## BEING WITH SAM FEELS LIKE HOME, AND A CHILD WILL FEEL THAT SAFETY TOO.

Being with Sam feels like being home. He is empathetic, caring, honest, and loyal, with a sense of humor that brings me joy every day. I've watched him form strong friendships and show deep compassion for others in both big and small ways.

One of my favorite things about Sam is his relationship with our dog. Every morning he wakes up early to feed her breakfast, even on weekends. His patience, consistency, and love shine through in everything he does. **Sam is thoughtful and steady, and I know he will be a devoted father who makes our future child feel safe, valued, and loved every day.**

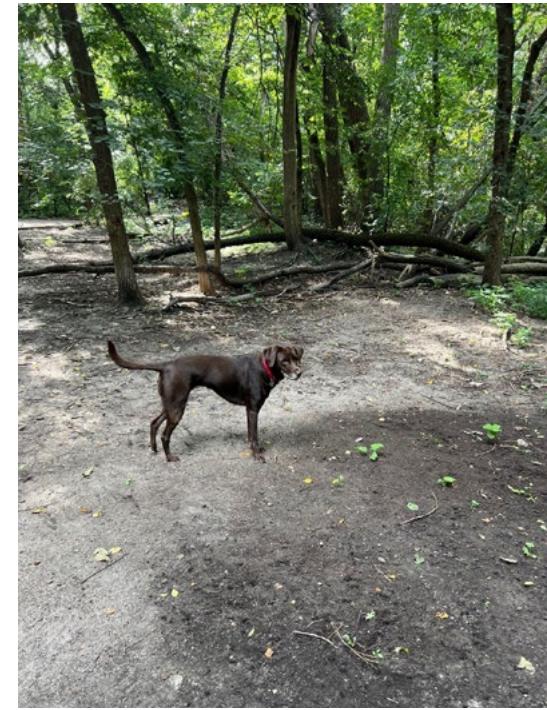
# Things we love



**ANDRA LOVES:** Baking · Dessert · Walking  
and hiking with Josie · Spending time with friends and  
family · Arts and crafts



**SAM LOVES:** Biking · Trying new recipes · Gaming with  
friends · Visiting family in Wisconsin and Virginia, and friends  
in New Mexico · Reading



**TOGETHER WE LOVE:** Relaxing at home · Playing with Josie ·  
Playing board games · Traveling and exploring new places  
and cultures · Bowling · Time away at the cabin with family



# Our home

**OUR HOME IS FULL OF CHARACTER,  
LIGHT, AND LOVE.**

Our home was built in 1909 and has three finished floors and three bedrooms, giving us plenty of space to grow as a family. We've loved making it our own and are especially excited to turn one of our guest rooms into a cozy, love-filled nursery. From quiet mornings on the porch to family dinners, **we look forward to creating lifelong memories with a child here.**





**WE LIVE IN A SAFE, FRIENDLY, AND DIVERSE NEIGHBORHOOD THAT TRULY FEELS LIKE A COMMUNITY.**



It's walkable and welcoming, with parks, schools, coffee shops, and families all around us. Our neighbors are kind and generous and have become part of our extended support network. It's a loving, accepting environment where we hope our child will always feel a strong sense of belonging.

# Our friends

We're surrounded by friends who bring so much joy and laughter into our lives. From trying pottery with our friend Christine to visiting Sam's best friend, Mark, and his wife, Spirit, in New Mexico, we love making memories together. Andra's close friend Jinhee joined her on a meaningful trip to Korea, and our nearby friends keep us laughing with game nights and family gatherings. Our friends truly feel like family, and we're so thankful for their constant love and support.





PLAYDATE WITH OUR FRIEND'S YOUNGEST DAUGHTER



TWO YOUNG FRIENDS WITH ENDLESS ENERGY!



OUR FRIENDS' (MANDA AND JAMES) YOUNGEST SON



OUR FRIENDS' (MANDA AND JAMES) MIDDLE SON

# Kids in our lives

## WE'RE LUCKY TO HAVE SO MANY WONDERFUL KIDS IN OUR LIVES!

We love spending time with them—playing games, baking treats, and watching their unique personalities shine. Josie is especially gentle and patient with kids, and it's easy to imagine how much joy a child will bring to our circle of family and friends.



OUR FRIENDS' (KATIE AND KALEB) SON, EMMETT

# Our families

**FAMILY IS AT THE CENTER OF OUR LIVES, AND WE'RE SURROUNDED BY LOVE AND SUPPORT FROM BOTH NEAR AND FAR.**

Andra's mom and aunt are two of our biggest cheerleaders and can't wait to become a grandma and great aunt. Her brother Ben lives in northern Minnesota, where we often visit to fish and spend time outdoors. Andra also has extended family in Slovenia, and we loved hosting them when they visited the U.S. for the first time.





Sam's parents live nearby and often visit for church, brunch, and projects around the house, while his brother Tony lives in Virginia, where they bond over music and movies. Our families are close, loving, and incredibly excited for us to grow our family through adoption.

# Ten fun facts

**1 • We celebrate half birthdays for fun (any excuse for cake!)**

**2 • We love breakfast for dinner!**

**3 • Andra loves to dance!**

**4 • Sam keeps all of our plants alive.**

**5 • We make homemade sourdough every week.**

**6 • Weekend movie nights mean popcorn and candy.**

**7 • Sam can bike faster on a regular bike than Andra can on an e-bike.**

**8 • We'll try any food at least once – Andra loves savory, Sam loves sweet!**

**9 • Sam always believes the Timberwolves will make the NBA finals; Andra isn't so sure.**

**10 • We do weekly date nights, even if it's just a long walk or board games at home.**



# Our travels

## TRAVEL HAS SHAPED HOW WE SEE THE WORLD, AND WE CAN'T WAIT TO SHARE IT WITH A CHILD.

Travel is one of our passions. We love exploring new places, both within the U.S. and around the world. Experiencing different cultures, trying new foods, and seeing life from new perspectives has been deeply meaningful to us.

We fully plan to continue traveling once we bring a baby home, focusing on nearby adventures while our child is young. As they grow, we look forward to exploring the world together and discovering new places through their eyes.



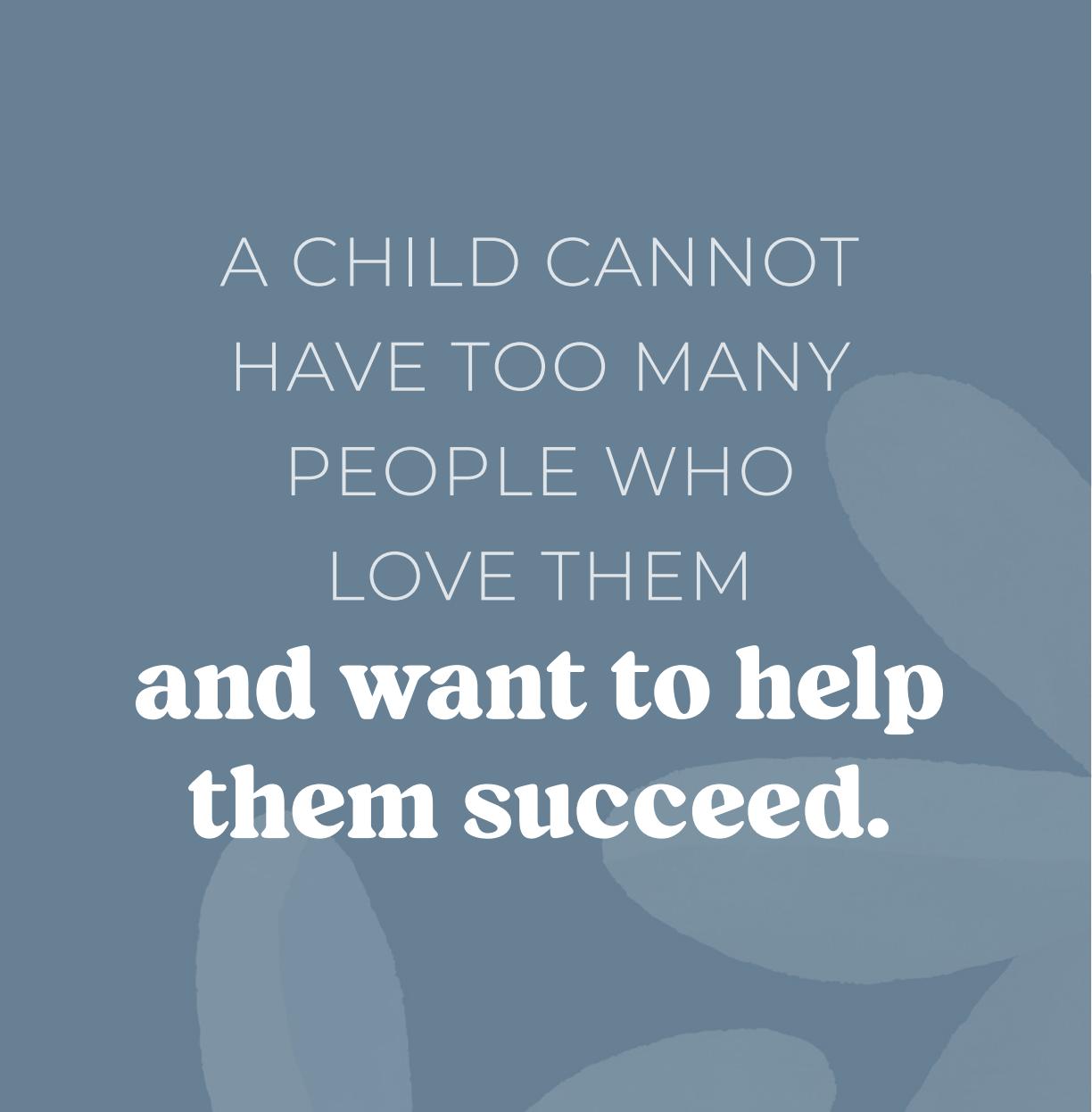
# Promises

## IF YOU CHOOSE US AS YOUR CHILD'S ADOPTIVE PARENTS, WE PROMISE TO:

- **raise your child** in a home filled with unconditional love, safety, and laughter.
- **honor and celebrate** your child's story, including their beginning, identity, and their connection to you.
- **speak about you** with love, respect, and gratitude, always acknowledging the courageous choice you've made.
- **nurture** your child's passions, encourage their dreams, and support them through life's highs and lows.
- **create a home** where your child feels seen, valued, and free to be who they are.
- **teach** kindness, empathy, and appreciation for a diverse world.
- **surround them** with a strong, supportive community of family and friends.
- **cherish every moment** of parenthood with humility and gratitude.
- **embrace openness** if that's what you want, through photos, stories, and connection in the way that feels right for you.

**Thank you for taking the time to get to know us. We'd love the chance to meet you!**

*Andra and Sam*



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HAVE TOO MANY  
PEOPLE WHO  
LOVE THEM  
**and want to help  
them succeed.**



Thank you!