

State of Illinois
Department of Children and Family Services

Annual Report for Illinois Licensed Adoption Agencies

Date: September 26, 2022

Name of Agency: St. Mary's Services, DBA Hopeful Beginnings of St. Mary's Services

Corporate Address*: 510 N Plum Grove Road

Palatine, IL 60067

Illinois DCFS

License/Provider ID number: 040234-16

Telephone: 847-870-8181

License Effective date: February 17, 2019 to February 17, 2023

The reporting period and answers to all questions for this report relate to the agency's most recent fiscal year. Specify the dates of your agency's fiscal year and reporting period for this report: 7/1/21-6/30/22

***If the agency operates satellite or branch offices, please attach a separate sheet listing complete addresses of all other offices.**

This report is to be completed by agencies providing adoption services and shall be filed with the Department of Children and Family Services and with the Illinois Attorney General's Office. In addition, each licensed agency that maintains a website shall provide this report on its website. The report shall be filed annually, no later than the 45th day following an adoption agency's license anniversary date. Failure to provide the annual report or disclose certain information required in the report may result in the suspension of an agency's license for a period of 90 days. Subsequent violations may result in a revocation of the license. [Rule 401.530]

This report applies only to the provision of adoption services and includes agencies providing foster care conversion services.

Question number 1 (A – M) pertains only to domestic and international agency-assisted adoption services, and home study services-only programs. Question number 1 (A-M) does not pertain to foster care conversion adoptions. Agencies that provide adoption services only through foster care conversions must answer questions 2 – 12, but need not answer question number 1.

Please respond to the following questions with a yes or no answer on the left and provide additional detail as requested:

No 1. **Non-identifying** information for the past year concerning adoption is attached:

Domestic Agency-Assisted Adoptions

- A. The number of adoptive families who have submitted an agency application but who are not yet licensed: N/A
- B. The number of adoptive families who are licensed and awaiting domestic placement as of the agency's fiscal year end: N/A
- C. The number of biological parents who the agency provided services to during the reporting period for domestic adoption: 6
- D. The number of children placed in adoptive homes during the year:
Adoptive parents/families who are Illinois Residents: 10
Adoptive parents/families who are non-Illinois Residents: 0

- E. The number of adoptions initiated during the year:
Adoptive parents/families who are Illinois Residents: 12
Adoptive parents/families who are non-Illinois Residents: 0
- F. The number of adoptions finalized during the year:
Adoptive parents/families who are Illinois Residents: 8
Adoptive parents/families who are non-Illinois Residents: 0
- G. The number of adoptive placement disruptions: 0
- H. The number of domestic adoption dissolutions this year: 0

International Adoptions (either by direct placements/referrals, or through home-study-services-only)

Check the boxes that apply to the intercountry adoption services the agency provides:

- ☐ Child referral/matching placement services;
- ☐ Adoption home study/post placement services (utilized by families who are working with another agency for their referral/match);
- ☒ None.

The number of adoptive families who have submitted an agency application but who are not yet approved or licensed: _____

The number of adoptive families who are licensed or approved and awaiting international placement: _____

The number of international adoptive placements made during the year: _____

List the countries with which you have accredited international adoption programs:

The number of international adoptions finalized this year in the U.S., specifying the countries of origin: _____

The number of finalizations in other countries, specifying the countries of origin:

The number of international adoptive placement disruptions: _____

No 2. Has the agency:

- lost the right to provide adoption services in any state or country,
- had its license suspended for cause, or
- was the agency the subject of other sanctions by any court, governmental agency, or governmental regulatory body relating to the provision of adoption services?

If the answer to any portion of this question is yes, attach a full and complete statement of explanation.

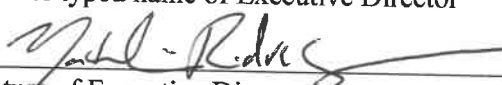
- No 3. During the past year, were any actions related to licensure initiated against the agency by a licensing or accrediting body?
If the answer is yes, attach a complete statement of explanation.
- No 4. During the past year, has the agency been a named party in any civil court actions in relation to the provision of foster care or adoption services?
If the answer is yes, attach a complete statement of explanation.
- No 5. Is the agency currently the subject of a pending investigation by federal or state authorities?
If the answer is yes, attach a complete statement of explanation.
- No 6. Were there any criminal charges, child abuse charges, malpractice complaints, or lawsuits related to the provision of adoption services against the agency or any of its employees, officers, or directors during the past year?
If the answer is yes, attach a complete statement of explanation and the basis or disposition of the actions.
- No 7. Was the agency found liable for any civil or administrative violation or found guilty of or pled guilty to any criminal or administrative violation that relates to the provision of adoption services under federal, state or foreign law?
If the answer is yes, attach a complete statement of explanation.
- No 8. Was any employee, officer or director of the agency found guilty of any crime or determined to have violated a civil law or administrative rule relating to the provision of adoption services under federal, state or foreign law?
If the answer is yes, attach a complete statement of explanation.
- No 9. Was any civil or administrative proceeding relating to adoption services instituted by the agency during the year (excluding uncontested adoption proceedings and proceedings filed pursuant to Section 12a of the Adoption Act)?
If the answer is yes, attach a complete statement of explanation.
- Yes 10. The agency's website address is: <https://www.hopefulbeginning.org/>
- Yes 11. An audited financial statement for the prior fiscal year, including a general description of fees, wages, salaries and other compensation described in Rule 401.565(a), certified by an independent public accountant, is attached.
- Yes 12. This Annual Report with attachments and audited financial statement, certified by an independent public accountant, has been posted on the website listed in item 9.
- Yes 13. Effective August 15, 2005, Annual Reports are available upon request.

Information contained in this report is subject to the applicable confidentiality requirements of the Child Care Act and the Adoption Act.

I certify that the above statements are true and accurate, based on information available to me at this time.

Natalie Rodriguez

Printed or typed name of Executive Director


Signature of Executive Director

9.27.2022
Date

Mailing Instructions on the back

This report is to be mailed to the child welfare agency's A&I licensing Unit and the Illinois Attorney General's Office:

Illinois Attorney General
Charitable Trust Bureau
100 W. Randolph Street, 11th Floor
Chicago, IL 60601
312-814-2595 or 312-814-3000

DCFS Agency and Intuitional Licensing Units:

Cook County

A&I Licensing Unit
A&I Licensing Supervisor
1911 S. Indiana Ave. – 9th Fl.
Chicago, IL 60616

Northern Region

A&I Licensing Unit
A&I Licensing Supervisor
1619 W. Jefferson Street
Joliet, IL 60435

Central / Southern Region

A&I Licensing Unit
A&I Licensing Supervisor
1124 N. Walnut
Springfield, IL 62702

Financial Statements

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

JUNE 30, 2022

(WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS AS OF JUNE 30, 2021)

	<u>ASSETS</u>	
	2022	2021
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 314,239	\$ 101,173
Investment Securities	3,476,353	3,335,392
Accounts Receivable	7,412	33,999
Property Tax Refund Receivable	44,832	44,832
Prepaid Expenses	9,811	12,684
Total Current Assets	3,852,647	3,528,080
NONCURRENT ASSETS		
Property and Equipment, net	344,548	362,448
Beneficial Interest in Perpetual Trusts Held by Others	5,953,530	3,978,542
Investment Securities, Restricted for Endowments	581,840	581,840
Total Noncurrent Assets	6,879,918	4,922,830
Total Assets	\$ 10,732,565	\$ 8,450,910
<u>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u>		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$ 41,994	\$ 38,222
Current Liabilities	41,994	38,222
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES	-	-
Total Liabilities	41,994	38,222
NET ASSETS		
Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions		
Undesignated	4,007,561	3,704,666
Designated	147,640	147,640
Total Unrestricted	4,155,201	3,852,306
Net Assets With Donor Restrictions	6,535,370	4,560,382
Total Net Assets	10,690,571	8,412,688
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 10,732,565	\$ 8,450,910

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

(WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021)

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total	
			2022	2021
REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT				
Contributions	\$ 164,153	\$ -	\$ 164,153	\$ 173,892
In-Kind Contributions (Note 8)	88,930	-	88,930	18,056
Grants	45,734	-	45,734	54,625
Adoptive Program Fees	92,183	-	92,183	161,597
Counseling Services	-	-	-	376
Educational Initiative Fees	48,995	-	48,995	48,995
Change in Value of Perpetual Trusts	-	1,974,988	1,974,988	1,021,482
Investment Income from Perpetual Trusts	1,361,438	-	1,361,438	55,697
Investment Return, net	(609,039)	-	(609,039)	838,994
PPP Loan Forgiveness	-	-	-	176,065
Total Revenues, Gains and Other Support	1,192,394	1,974,988	3,167,382	2,549,779
EXPENSES				
Maternity Program	333,075	-	333,075	234,715
Adoptive Program	131,671	-	131,671	93,957
Educational Initiative	61,649	-	61,649	73,352
Management and General	186,159	-	186,159	220,986
Fundraising	176,945	-	176,945	169,207
Total Expenses	889,499	-	889,499	792,217
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	302,895	1,974,988	2,277,883	1,757,562
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	3,852,306	4,560,382	8,412,688	6,655,126
NET ASSETS, END OF THE YEAR	\$ 4,155,201	\$ 6,535,370	10,690,571	\$ 8,412,688

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STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

(WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021)

	Program Services				Supporting Services			Total	
	Maternity Program	Adoption Initiative	Education Program	Total	Management and General	Fundraising	Total	2022	2021
Salaries	\$ 148,002	\$ 57,831	\$ 35,121	\$ 240,954	\$ 106,087	\$ 43,482	\$ 149,569	\$ 390,523	\$ 381,403
Social Worker	21,787	-	-	21,787	-	-	-	21,787	9,806
Employee benefits	19,622	6,183	6,301	32,106	22,226	6,534	28,760	60,866	69,219
Payroll taxes	11,414	4,679	2,926	19,019	8,436	3,077	11,513	30,532	29,892
Total personnel	200,825	68,693	44,348	313,866	136,749	53,093	189,842	503,708	490,320
Advertising and marketing	67,881	44,956	6,271	119,108	12,590	11,148	23,738	142,846	96,779
Temporary help	6,000	-	-	6,000	290	62,450	62,740	68,740	63,399
Fund Raising Expenses-Events	-	-	-	-	-	31,672	31,672	31,672	42,448
Occupancy	9,017	2,975	1,881	13,873	4,234	3,343	7,577	21,450	(19,459)
Computer	8,202	2,671	1,717	12,590	3,434	3,052	6,486	19,076	14,261
Depreciation and amortization	8,183	2,664	1,713	12,560	3,425	3,045	6,470	19,030	21,353
Insurance	6,312	2,055	1,321	9,688	2,642	2,349	4,991	14,679	14,558
Telephone	7,667	1,759	963	10,389	1,646	1,114	2,760	13,149	12,122
Accounting and Auditing	780	254	163	1,197	11,477	290	11,767	12,964	12,503
Office Equipment Rental	4,214	1,372	882	6,468	2,124	1,568	3,692	10,160	9,580
Education	2,249	1,170	399	3,818	2,233	80	2,313	6,131	2,627
Supplies	2,037	607	493	3,137	1,062	469	1,531	4,668	2,873
Dues, Memberships, Subscriptions	2,190	246	139	2,575	672	247	919	3,494	2,466
Travel / Mileage Payments	904	1,355	1,094	3,353	12	12	24	3,377	1,628
Nonmedical Maternity Services	3,221	-	-	3,221	-	-	-	3,221	3,688
Legal	127	153	-	280	2,440	-	2,440	2,720	11,264
Service charges	20	333	4	357	39	1,953	1,992	2,349	2,881
Payroll Processing Services	905	295	189	1,389	379	337	716	2,105	1,845
Miscellaneous expenses	1,783	3	2	1,788	239	4	243	2,031	2,186
Postage and delivery	333	110	70	513	201	709	910	1,423	1,547
Licenses and Permits	-	-	-	-	271	10	281	281	198
Outreach	225	-	-	225	-	-	-	225	740
Purchased Medical Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	410
Total expenses	\$ 333,075	\$ 131,671	\$ 61,649	\$ 526,395	\$ 186,159	\$ 176,945	\$ 363,104	\$ 889,499	\$ 792,217

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STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

(WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021)

	2022	2021
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Change in Net Assets	\$ 2,277,883	\$ 1,757,562
Adjustments to Reconcile Change in Net Assets to		
Cash Used in Operating Activities:		
Depreciation and Amortization	19,030	21,353
Change in Value of Perpetual Trusts Held by Others	(1,974,988)	(1,021,482)
Investment loss (gain), net	593,754	(853,302)
PPP Loan Forgiveness	-	(176,065)
(Increase) Decrease in Accounts Receivable	26,589	(62,743)
(Increase) Decrease in Prepaid and Other Assets	2,872	(755)
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable and Accruals	3,771	12,861
Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	948,911	(322,571)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of Property and Equipment	(1,130)	(6,788)
Proceeds from Sale and Maturities of Investments	955,285	-
Purchase of Investments	(1,690,000)	264,309
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Investing Activities	(735,845)	257,521
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
PPP Forgivable Loan Proceeds	-	87,965
Net Cash Provided by Financing Activities	-	87,965
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	213,066	22,915
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	101,173	78,258
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	314,239	\$ 101,173
Income Taxes Paid during the Year	\$ -	\$ -
Interest Paid during the Year	\$ -	\$ -

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