

### ADOPTION PROGRAM REIMBURSEMENT PLAN

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Crookston as a voluntary agency depends upon a variety of sources for financial support of its varied services. The Adoption Program is largely dependent upon reimbursement for services. To support this program and ensure that both children and families seeking a child might be best served, following is a schedule of adoption related costs.

All fees are not refundable.

1. Registration Fee . . . . . .005 X gross annual family income. The registration and application process is the initial step in applying for an adoption. It includes the inquiry, application, review of medical records, references and an initial orientation interview with the counselor.
2. Adoption Processing Fee . . . . . \$2,000-\$6,000 Sliding Scale. The adoption processing fee provides partial reimbursement for adoption counseling and costs beginning after the initial orientation interview up to legal adoption. It is based upon the family's gross income and ranges from \$2,000 - \$6,000. It is payable in three installments. Attorney fees and court costs are paid separately by the adoptive family.

This fee assists with agency costs for pre-adoption assessment, instruction and counseling, home visits, placement and supervision. It covers some of the expenses in decision-making counseling for the birth-parents. It also assists in deferring expenses due to the agency processing of the adoption and child care prior to placement. This fee is payable prior to legal adoption.