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EVERY CHILD DESERVES A PLACE TO CALL HOME

With our love for children, we always knew that adoption was in our future. But it was a little scary to think what life would be like with eleven year old Jenna. On paper it sure seemed like a challenge.

We never imagined we would be asked to take on a little girl with cerebral palsy; we had no experience with such special needs. To top it off, Jenna had been previously labeled as un-adoptable by her psychologist.

We decided to take on the challenge. After meeting with Jenna a couple times, she timidly came into our home in August of 2007.

Jenna was wearing purple glasses, hearing aids, braces on her legs, and a big nervous smile. She let us know that this was her eighth home. She seemed so fragile and scared but she was also honest, hopeful and open hearted. She had worked hard with her psychologist to get herself to this point.

Jenna had a secret; she wanted to be adopted more than anything in the world. She longed for a place to call her own, where she could be loved forever.

Jenna fit right into our family. Six and a half months later, we were walking up the steps to the county court house. Jenna was wearing the same purple glasses, hearing aids, and braces on her legs, but her smile was changed, it was a big excited smile. Her adoption day was finally here!

- Foster to Adoptive Parent

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Our agency's long-term goal in this generation is to find permanent families for at least 90% of the children we serve.

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