

Freedom to serve families & children awaiting adoption

Pray

For children awaiting adoptive parents,
for the caregivers who selflessly serve those children,
and for the families who are seeking to adopt;
that they will find strength & support from the Church.

Reflect

Catholic Charities in Boston excelled at finding families for difficult-to-place children. Catholic Charities sought to place children in homes where they would flourish, and so they placed children in homes with a married mother and father. After Massachusetts redefined marriage, Catholic Charities was given an impossible choice: do what you believe to be wrong for children or end your adoption services. They chose the latter. Intolerance from the state for religious views has real consequences, and in this case, it is vulnerable children who have suffered.

Act

The federal Child Welfare Provider Inclusion Act (H.R. 1881 / S. 811) would protect the religious liberty of child welfare service providers, including adoption and foster care agencies. Similar legislation has been introduced and passed in several states. Check out the [USCCB Action Alert Center](#) and your state Catholic conference or diocesan website for legislative updates!



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