

[Donate](#)The logo for 'mnADOPT Insider' is displayed. 'mnADOPT' is in a blue sans-serif font, with a location pin icon replacing the 'O'. 'Insider' is in a larger, bold, blue sans-serif font.

In this issue:

**Meet MN
ADOPT:
Amy Turgeon**

**MN ADOPT
HELP Program
expands to
Greater MN**

**FREE Pre-
Recorded
Webinar**

**Resource
Corner:
Back to School**

**Community
Connection:
ATTACH
Conference**

Meet MN ADOPT

Check back each month to learn more about us and our organization!

Meet Amy



Describe your role and how long you've been at MN ADOPT.

I joined MN ADOPT in July of 2021 as a HELP Program Specialist. I am in the learning phase and I am so excited to have the opportunity to join such a great team!

What do you like to do for fun?

Circus of the Heart

On Race, Racism & Racial Justice

My family and I like to stay busy and be outdoors in the winter and summer! We like to go swimming, fishing, kayaking, canoeing, and taking care of our garden in the summertime. In the winter, we like to go tubing, ice fishing, spearing and staying overnight on the ice in our ice house!

What is your favorite season and why?

My favorite season is FALL! I love the leaves changing colors, sweaters, bonfires, going hiking, and pumpkin anything!!

Organizational Highlights



The HELP Program provides a warmline and support services for adoptive, foster and kinship families across the state of Minnesota. We connect parents and caregivers with adoption, trauma and attachment competent therapeutic services, educational opportunities and community resources tailored to families' unique situations.

We are excited to be expanding our staff presence in Greater MN and are happy to announce adding Amy Turgeon to the HELP Program team! Amy resides in the northwest region and comes with many years of social work and therapeutic experience with adoptive and foster youth and families in a variety of settings. We look forward to better serving families across northern Minnesota as Amy shares her knowledge and we build upon her connections and relationships across the region. Welcome Amy!

Meet the HELP staff

FREE Webinar

with **mnADOPT**

Sexually Abused Children in Adoption & Foster Care

What You Need to Know

code: @ugust21

Learn what parents and professionals need to know when helping children heal from the trauma of sexual abuse. Presenter Deena McMahon discusses the impact sexual abuse has on adopted and foster children, offers parenting strategies, and talks about the possible outcomes for these children.

Use code: **@ugust21** at checkout. Expires August 31, 2021.

[Watch now](#)

Resource Corner

Back-to-School



**MN ADOPT Webinars on
School Issues**



**Trauma and Attachment in
the Classroom - Beacon
House**



**Back to School Resources
for Families & Educators**



Let's Talk: A MN ADOPT Podcast

Our Podcasts are filled with valuable resources for prospective and current adoptive and foster families, as well as professionals.

They are created to meet your busy schedule (less than 25 minutes) and packed with information to help you navigate the complexities and needs of foster care and adoption.

A new podcast will be released online every other Wednesday.

Find us on ITUNES, SPOTIFY & GOOGLE PLAY. Search "MN ADOPT" on your phone's podcast app and subscribe. Or listen below!

Find your next listen

Community Connections



**2021 Annual Conference
Parent Scholarships Available!**

Thanks to the generosity of the Sauer Family Foundation, ATTACH is now offering scholarships to parents/caregivers in Minnesota with limited financial resources and are parenting a child who is experiencing trauma and attachment concerns.

The conference is scheduled for September 30 - October 2, 2021 in Minneapolis, MN.

Complete the Scholarship Application [here](#).

For more information about ATTACH, please [visit their website](#).

Circus of the Heart Distinguished Service Award Nomination



Nominations Open for MN ADOPT's 2021 Distinguished Service Awards

Each year as part of Circus of the Heart, two Distinguished Service awards are presented to individuals and organizations/corporations that have made outstanding contributions within the Minnesota adoption, foster, and kinship communities. This is a great opportunity to acknowledge those who have dedicated their personal or professional lives to making a difference in this work.

The following criteria will be taken into consideration when reviewing nominees:

- Type of contribution
- Impact of contribution
- Length of service or commitment.

Nominations will be accepted through September 15, 2021.

Nominate today

On Race, Racism and Racial Justice

August 9, 2021 is **International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples**. The day is celebrated to spread awareness about the indigenous population around the world and to also protect their rights.

You can learn more and find resources [here](#).



DONATE

// CONNECT WITH US //



MN ADOPT | 2446 University Avenue West, Suite 104, St. Paul, MN 55114

[Unsubscribe {recipient's email}](#).

[Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)

Sent by jbrovold@mnadopt.org powered by



Try email marketing for free today!