ASPIRATIONS: Keeping the End in Mind

Although you are at the beginning of your family's adoption journey, it is important to think about what you hope for the future. These aspirations will become a touchstone as you navigate the joys and challenges of your adoption journey. By keeping the end in mind, you can set the tone for a healthy, successful open adoption relationship.

Before completing the grid, spend some time reflecting on your vision of your open adoption experience, both in the near future and 20 years from now. What is it that you want for each party? Imagine how you, your child and the birth family will describe their open adoption experience, as they reflect back over their role, how they felt, and what they gained. Additionally, what role do you envision the agency playing in your adoption? We will discuss your responses in your Application and Intake interview.

CHILD	BIRTH FAMILY	ADOPTIVE FAMILY	OA&FS
1.	1.	1.	1.
2.	2.	2.	2.
3.	3.	3.	3.
4.	4.	4.	4.