



Connecting Hearts  
Adoption Services  
*Connecting hearts. Building families.*

### **REQUIRED Background Checks**

Your home study requires **3** background checks from various law enforcement agencies.

It will be necessary for you to obtain a current local criminal background check from your **local Police or Sheriff's Department**. This needs to be completed on anyone in your home over the age of 18. It may be wise to call your Police or Sheriff's Department first to see if there is a charge for this service.

Additionally, background checks from the **FBI** and **FDLE** are required for all prospective adoptive parents.

Connecting Hearts Adoption Services is an approved LiveScan eligible agency. LiveScan is an electronic fingerprinting service and confirmation of your prints are sent directly to Connecting Hearts via email within 24-72 hours of submission. The cost is \$51.25 per person fingerprinted and includes FDLE and FBI results. L1Enrollment is the service Connecting Hearts clients must use. If you go to the website listed below, you will be able to find a LiveScan provider near you.

**<http://L1enrollment.com/locations/?st=fl>**

You can call them at 800-528-1358 or use their online service to schedule your appointment. You will need to provide them with the information below as this identifies you as a client of Connecting Hearts and they will email the results directly to Connecting Hearts Adoption Services. As well, please make sure to select the correct application category.

#### **Application Category:**

**VECHS – Volunteer & Employee Criminal History System**

**Choose: Volunteer**

**Qualified Entity Number: 48030073**

Should there be any reported criminal history, it will be necessary for you to obtain any and all reports as well as provide a written explanation as to the circumstance involving law enforcement.

Please sign below confirming you understand that the local criminal background check from your local Police or Sheriff's Department **AND** the LiveScan fingerprinting for the FDLE and FBI is a requirement for the home study process. **ALL** background check needs to be completed on **every** person in the home over the age of 18.

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Applicant's Signature

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Date

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Applicant's Signature

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Date

**\*Please attach your local background check to this form.**