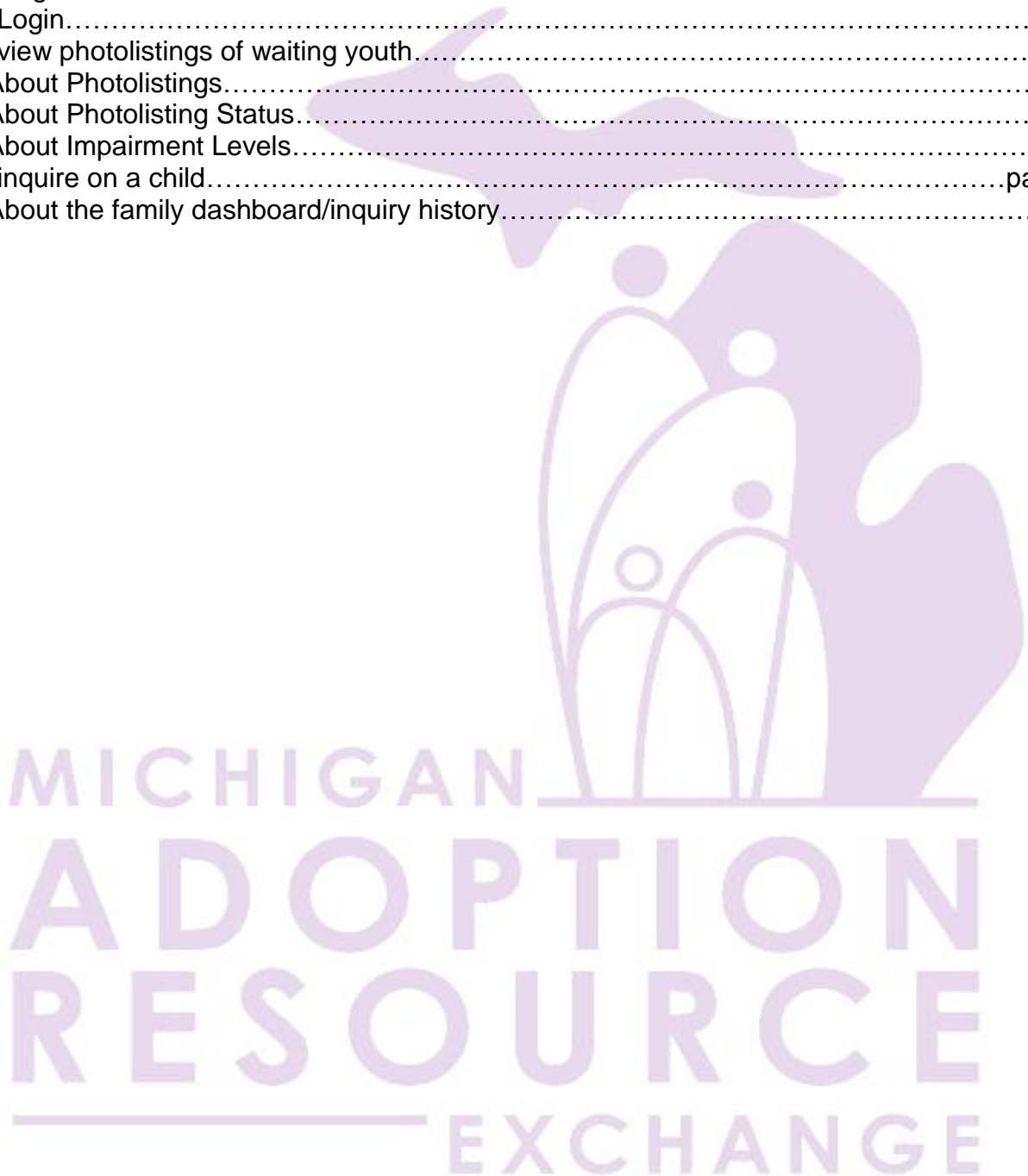


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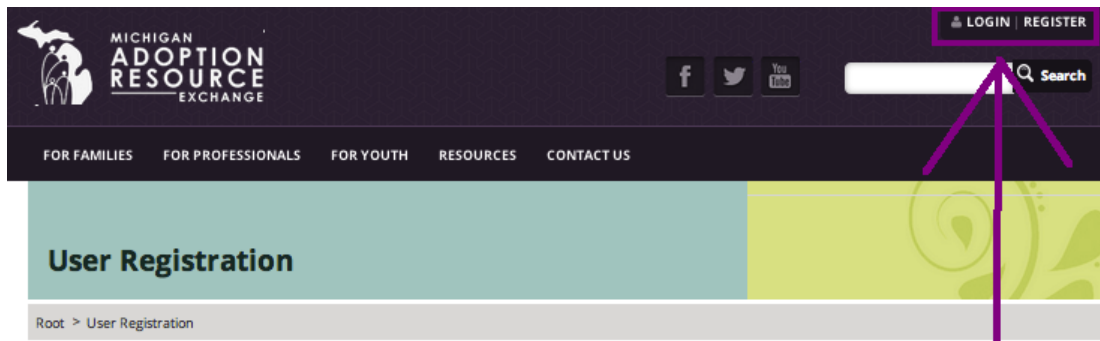
Welcome to the MARE website! We welcome any feedback that you may have. Please email mare@judsoncenter.org with any comments or suggestions.

The MARE website will provide you with access to child photo listings, videos of waiting youth, MARE newsletters, and a variety of other resources. In order to inquire about a child you must become a 'Registered Family'.

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How to Register for the MARE Website



User Registration

Root > User Registration

Create an Account with MARE

The MARE website requires users to create a username and password to access all of its features. Please complete the form below to obtain full access.

***Michigan Families Interested in Adoption** - If you are a family interested in making an inquiry on a child, you must create a login. You will be granted immediate access to the inquiry management system.

***Michigan Adoption Workers** - If you are a Michigan adoption worker in need of access to manage child or family cases, your account will need to be verified. Please allow up to 24 business hours for your account to be activated. You will receive an email confirming your account.

***Families & Workers Outside of Michigan** - At this time, access to the inquiry portion of the MARE website is only available to Michigan families and workers. All of the features available on this site, (including the ability to inquire on Michigan's waiting children) are available to **all families and workers** on [Adopt US Kids](#). Please create a profile [here](#) to place inquiries if you reside outside of Michigan.

If you have difficulty with this form, please contact MARE at 800-589-6273 or complete [Contact Us](#) form.

All fields are required:

First Name:

Last Name:

Email:

Your email address will also be your username when you login

Password:

Passwords must be at least 7 characters

Password Confirm:

I am registering as:

A family interested in adoption

An adoption worker

SUBMIT

Press "I am registering as: A family interested in adoption" and press "Submit"

You will receive an email confirming your registration and then will have access to the other features of the MARE website! **Log in** by clicking "Login" in the upper right hand corner

800.589.6273

mare@judsoncenter.org

www.mare.org

To view the children's photolistings, click on "For Families" and "Meet the Children"

MICHIGAN ADOPTION RESOURCE EXCHANGE

LOGOUT | LAURA RUTKOWSKI

FOR FAMILIES FOR PROFESSIONALS FOR YOUTH RESOURCES CONTACT US

Search

For Families

Root > For Families

New to Adoption

Learn about adoption through foster care & find an agency near you.

[Learn More](#)

Meet the Children

Explore our database of children waiting to find permanent, loving homes.

[Learn More](#)

Workers

Family Resources

- View Waiting Children
- Submit an Inquiry →
- Impairment Level Guidelines →
- Listed Children Statistics →
- New to Adoption
- FAQs →
- Outside Michigan Links & Resources →
- Find a Licensed Agency →
- Adopting a Child in Michigan →
- Adopting an Older Child →

About the "Waiting Children" Listing

- Waiting children are organized with the longest waiting children at the top of the list.

- To read more about the child, click on their name.

- If the child is photolisted with a sibling, they must be adopted together, and their names will be connected.

- Using the options outlined above, you can filter the listing by unselecting "male" or "female" to view only boys or only girls, and select an age range. Click "Advanced Search" for more search criteria.

Donald > ● OPEN

Listing #: C08905

Male

11 years old

White

In Donald's fantasy world, he and his brother Dylan would be the next superheroes. Together, they'd fight for truth, justice and the American way, not to mention try to keep their rooms clean. Yes, Donald aspires to be a superhero when he grows up, and if that doesn't happen he'll go into another nob...

Siblings: [Dylan](#) »

Dylan > ● OPEN

Listing #: C08906

Male

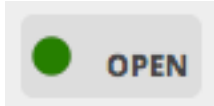
11 years old

White

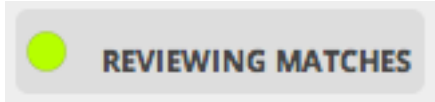
Don't get Dylan started. On second thought, go ahead and get him started since he's a very shy kid around strangers. Even though he's a boy of few words, his foster parent uses plenty to describe Dylan, including silly, fun, very sweet and always happy. Dylan is an energetic and busy boy who loves b...

Siblings: [Donald](#) »

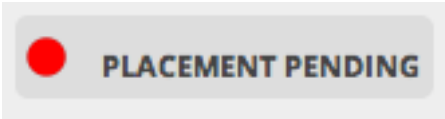
About Placement Statuses



"My worker is ready to hear about your family to see if we are a good match. Please inquire today!"

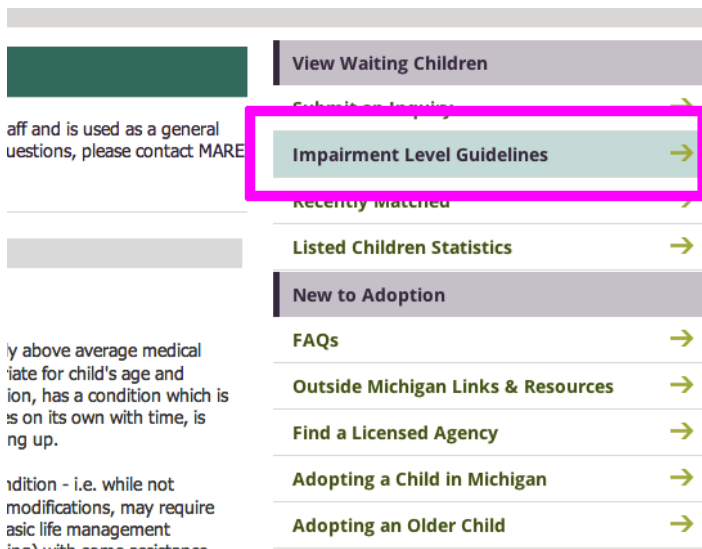


"My worker is busy reading and reviewing all of the homestudies sent recently. If my forever family isn't within these, my worker will let you know by changing my status back to Open."



"I am almost matched with my forever family! We are having meetings and visits, and soon we will go to court so I can be legally placed with my new family and removed from the MARE website."

Read more about impairment levels by viewing:



Browse frequently asked questions, resources, agency information, and information about different MARE programs such as the Adoption Navigators and the Family Registry.



Inquiring on Children

After browsing the children's profiles, if you are interested in learning more about a specific child, please complete an inquiry for them.

About BRADLEY Listing #C07513

ADD TO INQUIRY **BACK**



OPEN

He's the Karate Kid. No, wait. He's the Crocodile Hunter. Not quite. Bradley is just a kid with a lot of ambition, which includes doing karate after school to release energy. In fact, if he had his way, he'd enroll in a karate class. His ambition extends to his future as well, where he pictures himself being a dad and supporting his family by becoming a police officer. For now, Bradley is content playing video games, going shopping and swimming, playing outside, riding bikes and noshing on his favorite food, mashed potatoes. His favorite animal is the crocodile, and his favorite color is blue. His workers describe Bradley as imaginative, energetic, loving, playful, outgoing, very friendly and fearless, with one worker adding that he's "eager for life and finding a forever family." "He enjoys the company, conversation and attention of adults," says another worker.

"Bradley's behaviors are up and down both at home and in school," says a worker. He has demonstrated troubling behaviors with adults and peers, but Bradley understands when he has done something wrong and will apologize. Bradley enjoys being the center of attention and can have times when his emotions get the best of him, particularly when things don't go his way. When expressing his thoughts and feelings, Bradley benefits from guidance to communicate them effectively.

A potential adoptive family for Bradley will need to be patient and be able to meet all of his needs. The ideal family will be very active. Bradley needs a family who can offer him assistance in developing proper coping skills and offer him unconditional love and a commitment to his well-being now and into adulthood. An adoptive family will have to provide him with a consistent, highly structured environment with constant supervision and the one-on-one attention that Bradley thrives on. Bradley also would do best as the youngest child in a home with no small pets.

Inquire on multiple children at once by pressing "Add to Inquiry" and then returning to the listing to continue to read profiles.

Print this page

Male
12 years old
White

Siblings being placed together:

None

Impairments:

Physical - Mild
Emotional - Severe
Mental - Moderate

After inquiring, the selected child will appear under the "New Inquiry" section of your family dashboard.

Submit an Inquiry

Root > For Families > View Waiting Children > Submit an Inquiry

To begin an inquiry, click the Add to Inquiry button from any child photolisting page
New Child Inquiries*

RETURN TO LIST >

Be sure to complete the form below and click Submit Inquiry at the bottom of this page to send your request.

Name	Gender	Age	Siblings	
BRADLEY	Male	12	0	REMOVE FROM INQUIRY

Click on "Return to List" to view the photolistings again.

As you read profiles, watch videos, and get to know some pretty amazing kiddos, we hope that you will inquire on any child that you would like to learn more about!

Submit an Inquiry

Root > For Families > View Waiting Children > Submit an Inquiry

To begin an inquiry, click the Add to Inquiry button from any child photolisting page

[RETURN TO LIST >](#)

New Child Inquiries*

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Name	Gender	Age	Siblings	
BRADLEY	Male	12	0	REMOVE FROM INQUIRY
HUNTER	Male	10	0	REMOVE FROM INQUIRY

Please Note: Children waiting for adoption have suffered multiple losses. Oftentimes the only link a child has to his or her past is a sibling. Whenever possible workers try to recruit for and place siblings together. If you request information about one child who is featured as part of a sibling group, the siblings will automatically be added to the inquiry as well. You will automatically be inquiring about all of the siblings listed together, denoted with a sibling icon in your inquiry list. Sibling splits are considered only as a last resort.

Your Information

First Name*

Last Name*

Gender

Male Female

Partner Information

First Name (2nd Parent)

Last Name (2nd Parent)

Gender

Male Female

Contact Information

Street*

City*

State:

Located outside of Michigan? Please contact [AdoptUSKids](#).

When you are ready to proceed and submit your inquiry, fill out “Your Information” as thoroughly as possible. We collect your contact information, basic demographic information, and your worker information. Your demographic information is for internal purposes only and we utilize this information when applying for our contracts with the State of Michigan and further funding sources.

Your Information

First Name*

Last Name*

Gender

Male Female

Date Of Birth

Race

-- Select a value --

Marital Status

-- Select a value --

Partner Information

First Name (2nd Parent)

Last Name (2nd Parent)

Gender

Male Female

Date Of Birth

Race

-- Select a value --

Marital Status

Married

Contact Information

Street*

City*

State:

Located outside of Michigan? Please contact [AdoptUSKids](#).

Zip Code*

County*

E-mail*

Phone*

I/We have a current foster care license*

Yes No

Approved Adoption Homestudy / Family Assessment?*

No In Progress Yes

Race

Marital Status

County*

E-mail*

Phone*

I/We have a current foster care license* Yes No

Approved Adoption Homestudy / Family Assessment?* No In Progress Yes

Please tell us about others currently living in your home (birth/adopted/foster children, relatives, exchange students, pets, etc.)

If you wish, please feel free to share any parenting experience, family strengths, interests, any adoption training, or anything else you feel may be important.

Adoption Worker Information

Family Worker

Worker Name

Agency Name

Agency Phone #

Worker Email

Agency Address

Agency City

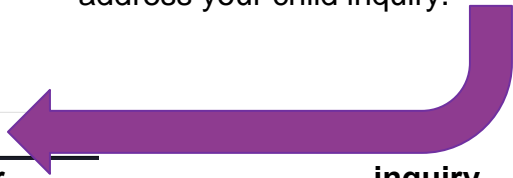
State

Agency Zip Code

SUBMIT INQUIRY

If you do not have a worker, or if you are waiting for a worker to be assigned, select “No Family Worker Assigned” and then “Submit Inquiry”. You will be contacted by a member of the MARE staff for further clarification.

If you cannot find your worker in the list, select “My Family Worker is Not Listed” and add your worker’s information. MARE staff will be notified and will follow up with this worker to address your child inquiry.



If you have any problems submitting your inquiry, please don't hesitate to contact MARE staff as we continue to improve the website.

Once you submit the inquiry, you will be taken to the top of the page and you'll see “Your Child Inquiry changes have been saved.” This message means your inquiry for those children has been sent to MARE, the children’s workers, and your worker.

Submit an Inquiry

Root > For Families > View Waiting Children > Submit an Inquiry

To begin an inquiry, click the Add to Inquiry button from any child photolisting page

Your Child Inquiry changes have been saved.

[RETURN TO LIST >](#)

Existing Child Inquiries Already Submitted

This list includes all past child inquiries that were submitted by you, or your Adoption Worker

Name	Gender	Age	Siblings	Date of Inquiry
BRANDON	Male	16	1	06/03/2013 12:26 PM
MICHAEL	Male	13	1	06/03/2013 12:26 PM
Amelia	Female	11	1	06/06/2013 10:00 AM
ASHLEY	Female	15	0	06/07/2013 10:16 AM
CHRISTINA	Female	16	1	06/07/2013 10:16 AM
DAVID	Male	12	1	06/07/2013 10:16 AM
CALVIN	Male	16	0	06/08/2013 09:59 AM

You will also receive an automated email confirming your inquiry was successfully submitted.

MARE adoption inquiry submitted Inbox x

mare@judsoncenter.org 9:59 AM (11 minutes ago) ☆

to me

Your Michigan youth adoption inquiry has been submitted. Your caseworker and the child(ren)'s caseworker have both been notified of your inquiry. Please contact your family worker if you have any questions regarding this inquiry.

[Login to view your inquiries](#)

Pro Tip

Please add mare@judsoncenter.org to your contact list to ensure emails from our website do not filter in to your Spam folder!

By clicking “Login to view your inquiries,” you will be sent back to the website to view **your inquiry history**.