



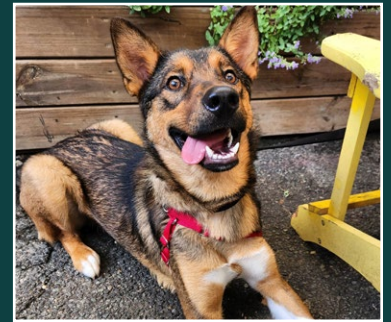
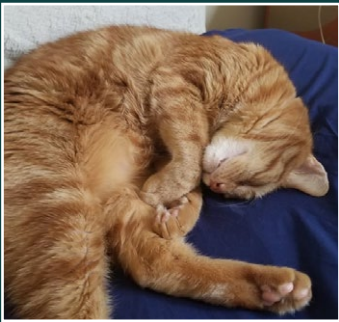
Elizabeth & Lacia

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about us

When we first met and Elizabeth wanted to date, Lacia said, “That will never happen!” This year will be our tenth together! Lacia likes Disney movies, reading, and painting. Elizabeth likes guitar, crime documentaries, and concerts. Together, we love board games, special coffee spots, and hiking. We watch *Celebrity Jeopardy!* because the questions are easier than regular *Jeopardy!* and Elizabeth knows a bunch of trivia! We met in college then went to law school together. Lacia is a lawyer for children who need help in school and housing. Elizabeth works in financial legal compliance. After work, we play video games, build Legos, or meet our friends at a new restaurant. On weekends, we like visiting farmers markets, festivals, and museums or just staying in with music and movies.



OUR HOME & PETS

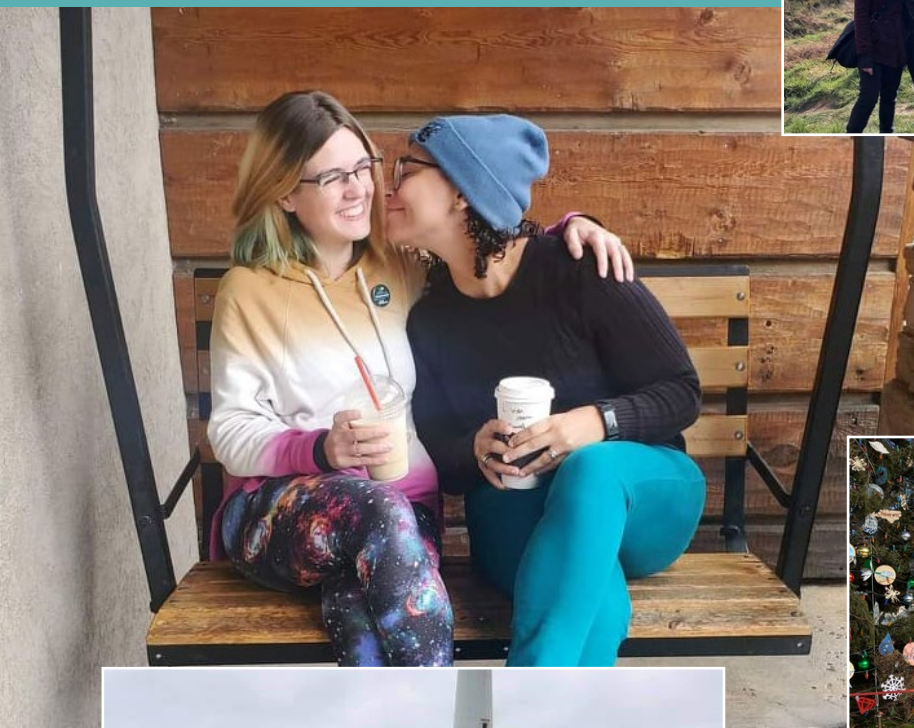
We love living in our Maryland suburb, close to DC while also providing a safe, small-town feel. Our pup loves to say hello to the kids walking to the nearby elementary school. Lacia likes the ice cream shops and coffee right next to the ducks in the harbor. Elizabeth likes sitting out in the woods in the yard or exploring the city. At home, our silly orange cat is usually getting in trouble, either taunting our dog or getting into Elizabeth’s crocheting yarn. Our rescued husky-shepherd mix is laying in the window seat with his favorite stuffed toy or following us around the kitchen. Elizabeth will sometimes make him a special omelet or sneak him some chips.

WHAT LED US TO ADOPTION

We both always knew we wanted to adopt. Neither of us are likely to have biological children for medical reasons, and we would love the chance to share our family. We both have a deep longing to be parents and welcome children into our loving, safe home. Lacia has cousins and close family friends who were adopted. Elizabeth’s family was also very open to adopting more siblings when she was younger. To us, adoption means opening your hearts and offering a permanent place of comfort and understanding. Our shared goal to be great moms, and someday adopting was part of what glued us into such a strong couple.



OUR LIFE together



Occupation: Children's law

Education: Graduate degree

Race: Caucasian

Religion: Agnostic

Sport: Sailing, skiing

Food: Burgers, ice cream

Hobby: Drawing, baking

Family Tradition: Grandma's apple pie recipe

Musical Group: '90s pop

Movie: *The Mummy*, *50 First Dates*

Dream Vacation: Warm beach with food

Holiday: Halloween

TV Show: *The Blacklist*

Subject in School: Art, English

Book: *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire*



Lacia

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Elizabeth

Occupation: Financial compliance

Education: Graduate degree

Race: Black/Caucasian

Religion: Agnostic

Sport: Hiking, rock climbing

Food: Cheese

Hobby: Crochet

Family Tradition: LOTR marathon for New Year's

Musical Group: All Time Low

Movie: *Star Wars*, *The Lord of the Rings*

Dream Vacation: Star Wars Disney Resort

Holiday: Halloween

TV Show: *Shameless*

Subject in School: Science, math

Book: *Murder on the Orient Express*



OUR FAMILY & traditions

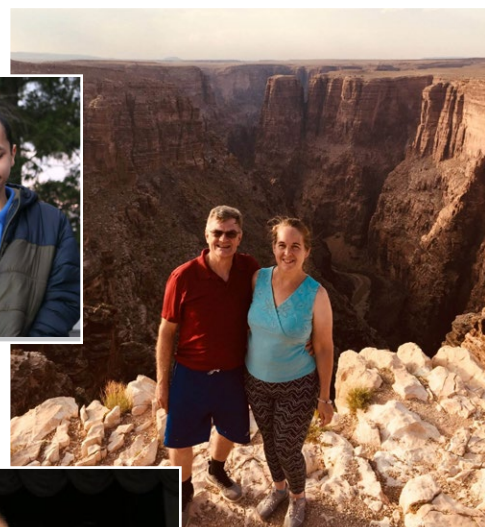
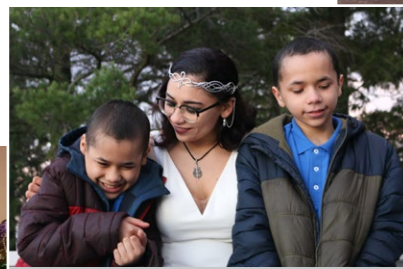


Elizabeth's family includes her mom, eight siblings, and her grandparents. Elizabeth is the oldest sibling and the boss of the whole crew!

Christmas is large, chaotic, and yummy. We play very competitive games of Risk and poker while watching The Muppet Christmas Carol. Elizabeth's mom makes Doritos corn bread and cream cheese dips. The younger set excitedly show off their Minecraft creations and songs from the school band. Our only other sister shares a special bond, escaping the boy chaos to make cookies and "girl talk."

Elizabeth's grandparents always surprise us with incredible life stories; her grandpa grew up in segregated Chicago, opened for Jimi Hendrix, and went from paint chemist to high company executive, while her grandmother groomed the Olympic horses!

Lacia's parents visit often. Her dad is always finding some new house project or wandering off to look at old cars. Her mom makes jewelry to sell and gets lost in bookstores. Lacia likes sailing with her dad and making Christmas pies with her mom. Elizabeth is their "bonus daughter" who bonds with Lacia's dad over power tools and old music. When both our families are together, it is really cute to see Lacia's dad joking around with Beth's little brothers and our moms talking about their latest craft projects. We also love how excited everyone is to share pizza and milkshakes!





dear expectant mother

It's amazingly brave for you to read these words. We feel your uncertainty, your fear, and your hope. We thank you with our whole hearts for considering us! Allowing another family to raise your child is probably the toughest decision any person can face and a huge trust in people you have not yet met. You may not have expected to be pregnant, or you may have not wanted life to turn out this way. We bet you are feeling scared, unsure, and maybe a bit guilty but hopeful. You may go back and forth. All you want is safety and happiness for your baby.

That is all we want as moms. We want to give your child love and support. We promise to give your child the most happiness, the greatest comfort, and the best future we possibly can. We know the same thoughts have brought you here.

Whether you want to be close by or far away, we respect the decision you make. We are scared we will not be enough for you and your baby. We are hopeful you will hear our love in our words and see a home in our pictures. We don't know what to say other than that we really want to connect with you and show you who we are and why you can trust us with this hardest decision ever. We are offering the most important thing we have, our family, for the most important thing you have, your baby. We are offering our hearts forever to your baby and to you.

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