Ashley's

Surrogacy Journey

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Surrogate Finds A Home With Hatch

When people are unable to have a child of their own, finding a surrogate can be life changing. And just as these intended parents seek a surrogate with whom they're comfortable, the surrogates themselves have to feel comfortable with their surrogacy agency.

> I'd been interested in being a surrogate since high school, said Ashley R. But I wanted to experience my own pregnancies first. I love being pregnant and everything about pregnancies.

"I've had family and friends that haven't been able to conceive as easily as I did. I have a brother-in-law who is gay. That was actually the first time where I thought, 'I would carry a baby for you guys.' Being able to provide that kind of help to others is amazing."

"Then there's just the passion of pregnancy. I'm fortunate that I don't really have the complications that others experience. And since pregnancy is something that I enjoy and love, and I don't want any more kids myself, I thought it would be great to be able to help out others and help them grow their families."

“So, when the time was right, I looked into becoming a surrogate. After researching surrogacy, I applied to two programs. In going to the first, I didn’t like the environment. It wasn’t opening or inviting. I didn’t want to feel like I was doing a job. I wanted it to be more like I’m doing a helpful thing.”

“That was the vibe I got from the second agency, Hatch. The environment was inviting, with people that I felt like I could relate with and talk to. It was a positive, family-run environment.”

“I didn’t expect it to be so close-knit and being able to get on and kind of chitchat together with other surrogates. I didn’t expect any of that. And then also, emotional help is there if needed and I didn’t expect to have that as well. I didn’t need it, but just knowing that it was there was reassuring.”

Hatch is the oldest such program in America, responsible for more than 3,300 pregnancies. Two of the program’s administrators are surrogates themselves who are able to provide first-hand knowledge and advice to their surrogate candidates.

“I absolutely love Shoshannah and Janice,” continued Ashley. “They’ve been surrogates and are the main people I work with. If I have a question or anything, they really are on top of it, getting me the answer right away from one of the doctors or nurses.

“I honestly love the program. I’ve referred it to several different people. I think it’s a great experience, a great program. I’ve really enjoyed it. I’ve enjoyed my journeys and the support that I’ve had. I feel this program does a great job. In fact, my future job is to be in labor and delivery, which is just something I’m really fascinated with and enjoy. And Hatch and their wonderful team has contributed to this joy.”

About Hatch

Choosing the people to participate on an assisted reproduction journey is the most important decision intended parents make. Which is why so many intended parents, donors, and surrogates walk with Hatch.

Established in 1991, we were the first egg donation agency in America, and are one of the first surrogacy programs. Our combined experience is second to none. In our 30 years, more than 8,000 women have experienced the joys of egg donation or surrogacy, helping to create families and make dreams come true all over the world.

Our egg donor and surrogate candidates among the top five percent in the country. We work to find the ideal match between donor or surrogate candidates and intended parents and our success rate is among the best in the nation. Simply put, we make it possible for you to make another's family possible. Everything we do is to ensure you have a most rewarding experience.

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