## HANDS ACROSS THE WATER WAITING FAMILY

## David and Brady



Thank you for taking some time to consider us. We want you to know that we see you, we value you, and we honor you during this most difficult time. We know we cannot fully understand the gravity of the decisions you're facing, but we would cherish an opportunity to work together to create and hold that space. For us, the most important thing we can offer is love. For you, for your child, and for the relationship(s) that we would form if you selected us to journey alongside you.

We want to give a child a home full of love, laughter, and fun. Both of us come from large families and have lots of experience with kids. We have more than 30 nieces and nephews (which we affectionately call 'nephlings'), and we love them all. We make sure every nephlings' birthday is celebrated, we send numerous holiday cards (St. Patrick's Day, Halloween, Valentine's, etc.), and each Christmas we get them all a new book. A child coming into our home would receive ample love from many people beyond just the two of us.

We've been together for five years and have a lot of interests and hobbies, both individually and together. Brady is an avid reader, baker, and gardener. He enjoys designing and making things with his laser cutter. David enjoys playing Ultimate Frisbee, board games, and completing jigsaw puzzles. David is also incredibly passionate about Mental Health advocacy. Together, sometimes we're homebodies: playing video and board games, reading, watching television, or visiting with friends. Other times, we prefer to get outside: hiking or camping, or just going for a walk in the park.

Again, we appreciate you taking the time to consider us, and hope you find the family that best aligns with your hopes and dreams for your child.

## **About David**

- Age: 38 years old
- Work: Billing and Auditor at a non-profit agency
- **Food**: Anything with cheese
- Movie: The Power of One
- **Book**: My Name is Asher Lev
- Color: Orange
- Sports Team: Ohio State Buckeyes
- Music Groups: The Classic Crime, Making April, Shiny Toy Guns, Broken Image, Cartel, Angels & Airwaves
- Vacation: Staying on an organic chicken farm on the southwest coast of Ireland
- Best Childhood Memory: Canoeing the Everglades with my Dad
- **Favorite Holiday Tradition:** All the siblings spending Christmas Eve night together in one room

## **About Brady**

- Age: 41 years old
- Work: Corporate Finance
- Food: Homemade Sourdough Bread, Pizza
- Movie: The Emperor's New Groove
- **Book**: The Raven Boys
- **Hobbies**: Miniature Figurine Painting
- Vacation: Seeing the tulips in Amsterdam
- **Best Childhood Memory:** Camping in the mountains with my family
- **Favorite TV Shows:** Heroes, The Masked Singer, The Flash
- Music Groups: Jack's Mannequin, Vampire Weekend, Imagine Dragons
- Favorite Holiday Tradition: Gathering around the Thanksgiving table with family and friends