Every child deserves the nurturing, safety, and security associated with residing in a stable home environment. At Gemma, we work with families, county agencies, educators, and others involved in a child or teen’s life to identify the best possible home to fit the unique needs of each individual through our Adoption & Permanency Services.

Gemma Services provides Adoption & Permanency Services for children and adolescents who have experienced loss, separation, abuse, neglect, and other trauma. These children have been placed in the homes of foster or kinship families because their legal families were unable to provide the care they need. Services support children and families achieving permanency through outcomes including Reunification with their families, Adoption or Permanency Legal Custodianship (PLC) with their foster or kinship caregivers.

Services are county-referred and overseen by the Pennsylvania Statewide Adoption Network (SWAN), and include Child Profile, Family Profile, Child-Specific Recruitment, Child Preparation, Adoption Finalization, and Post-Permanency Support. Experienced Adoption & Permanency workers support children and caregivers as we promote stability and permanency, firmly grounded in the principle that every child is deserving of a “forever family."

If you are interested in learning more about our adoption and permanency services, please contact Sam Wojnilower at 215-730-2274 or swojnilower@gemmaservices.org.
Our Mission

Gemma Services changes lives by transforming hope into action for children, youth, and families facing emotional and behavioral challenges.

Gemma Services was formed in 2019 when Silver Springs – Martin Luther School and theVillage united to operate as one single organization serving children, families, and communities across the Philadelphia region. Representing a combined 300 years of service to vulnerable and at-risk children and families, Gemma Services is guided by the vision of a world in which children, youth, and families feel valued and have the tools to realize their highest potential.

At Gemma Services, we cherish each individual and ensure every youth and family within our community has the tools they need to thrive. Our research-based, trauma-informed programs are designed to cultivate a culture of learning and healing in a safe and nurturing environment.

We offer education programs, mental health services in residential and community settings, foster care and adoption services, and prevention programs.

Learn more at www.gemmaservices.org.