Strengths/Needs Worksheet - After Meetings

In the left column are the 12 Criteria for Mutual Selection of foster and adoptive families. These are provided to remind you of the twelve basic things you need to be able to do by the end of the TIPS-MAPP program. Mutual means that you and the agency will assess your willingness and ability to be successful foster and/or adoptive families. In the strengths and needs columns please write at least three strengths and needs you have already identified. As a reminder for you, pages 2-5 of this worksheet list the abilities developed in the learning activities so far in the program. Review them as you think about your strengths and needs.

Criteria for Mutual Selection		Family strengths which will help us accomplish this ability	Family needs to be met in order to grow in our ability to do the task.
1.	Know your own family.		
2.	Communicate effectively.		
3.	Know the children.		
4.	Build strengths; meet needs.		
5.	Work in partnership.		
6.	Be loss and attachment experts.		
7.	Teach healthy behaviors.		
8.	Build connections.		
9.	Build self-esteem.		
10.	Assure health and safety.		
11.	Assess impact.		
12.	Make an informed decision.		