

Gift of Adoption FUND



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The Case for Helping Families Adopt

153,000,000 children worldwide and 400,000 in the U.S. are growing up without families.

- 18 million children overseas and 25% of the children in foster care need a family **right now**
- Given 250,000 adoptions a year the **probability of being adopted is only 1½ %**

The odds are stacked against the child who grows up without a family:

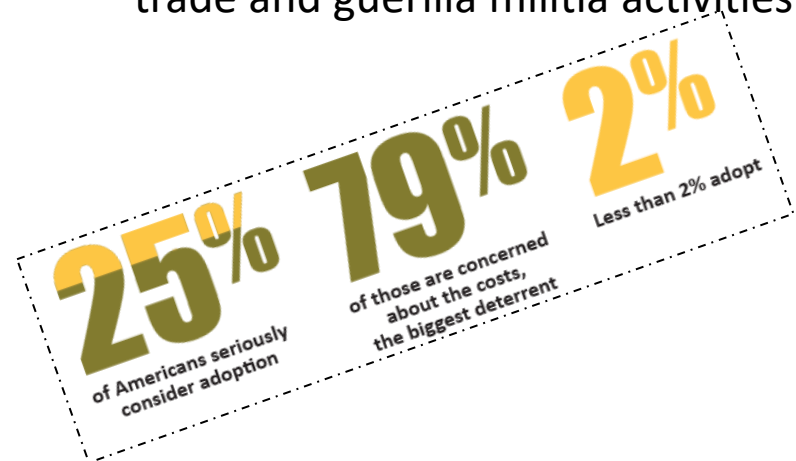
In the U.S.:

- 25% will experience mental illness
- Less than 3% will earn a college degree
- 20% will be homeless after age 18
- 50% will be unemployed at age 24

Overseas:

- Developmental delays due to lack of attention and nutrition
- Likely victims of sex trafficking and trade and guerilla militia activities

Yet, there are thousands of families who would adopt if the financial barriers to adoption were lower.



Gift of Adoption Grants Transform the Lives of Parentless Children

Gift of Adoption Fund provides the final funds to complete the adoption process, uniting more children with safe, permanent and loving families.



Jonas, adopted by teachers Alisha and Erik of Kaysville, Vermont

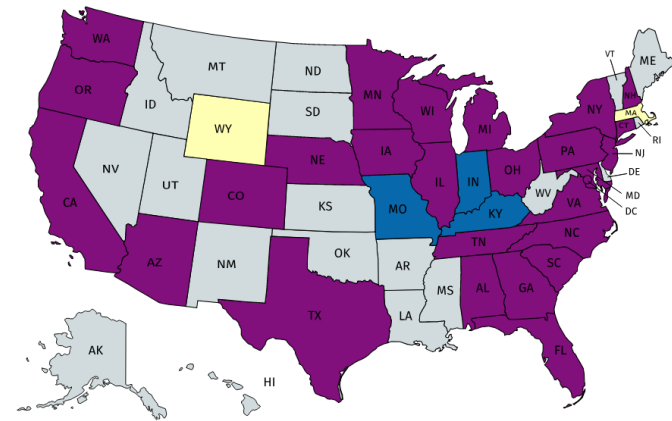
OUR PRIORITIES:

- **Children destined for foster care placement**
- **Keeping siblings together**
- **Children with medical needs**
- **Children aging out of an orphanage or care system**

22 Years of Experience with Unique Position

- Since 1996, Gift of Adoption has provided \$7.8 million in grants to help over 2,650 children
- Most visible adoption funding charity with volunteer led chapters in 22 states
 - 250 board members and volunteers
 - 3,000 donors
- Solid partnerships with accredited adoption agencies and adoption lawyers nationwide
- Grants are awarded without regard to religion, race, sexual orientation, marital status, etc.
- Grants of up to \$15,000 awarded monthly.

**GOA Chapter Map
December 2018**



Purple: Current chapter
Blue: Emerging chapter
Yellow: Pipeline

Win-Win Outcomes

Gift of Adoption grants are a win-win on multiple levels:

- **For the child:** Adoption provides not only a family, but also bedtime stories, an education, a chance to learn a musical instrument or how to swim, braces, family camping trips, and so much more—allowing the child to reach his or her full potential regardless of the circumstances of birth.
- **For society:** Helping a child get adopted reduces current and future costs to society, estimated to be \$300,000 per child in foster care. (Jim Casey Youth Opportunities Initiative)

No other charitable initiative delivers this **transformational impact for such a small investment**—not just for the child served, but for generations following.

As the largest nondiscriminatory funder of adoption assistance grants, Gift of Adoption is poised to lead this new philanthropic priority.

You don't need to adopt to give a child a family.

Who We Serve

Gift of Adoption grants allow hard working, loving families to say “yes” to a child in need.

U.S. citizens with approved home studies from COA/Hague accredited agencies, adopting children from anywhere in the world.

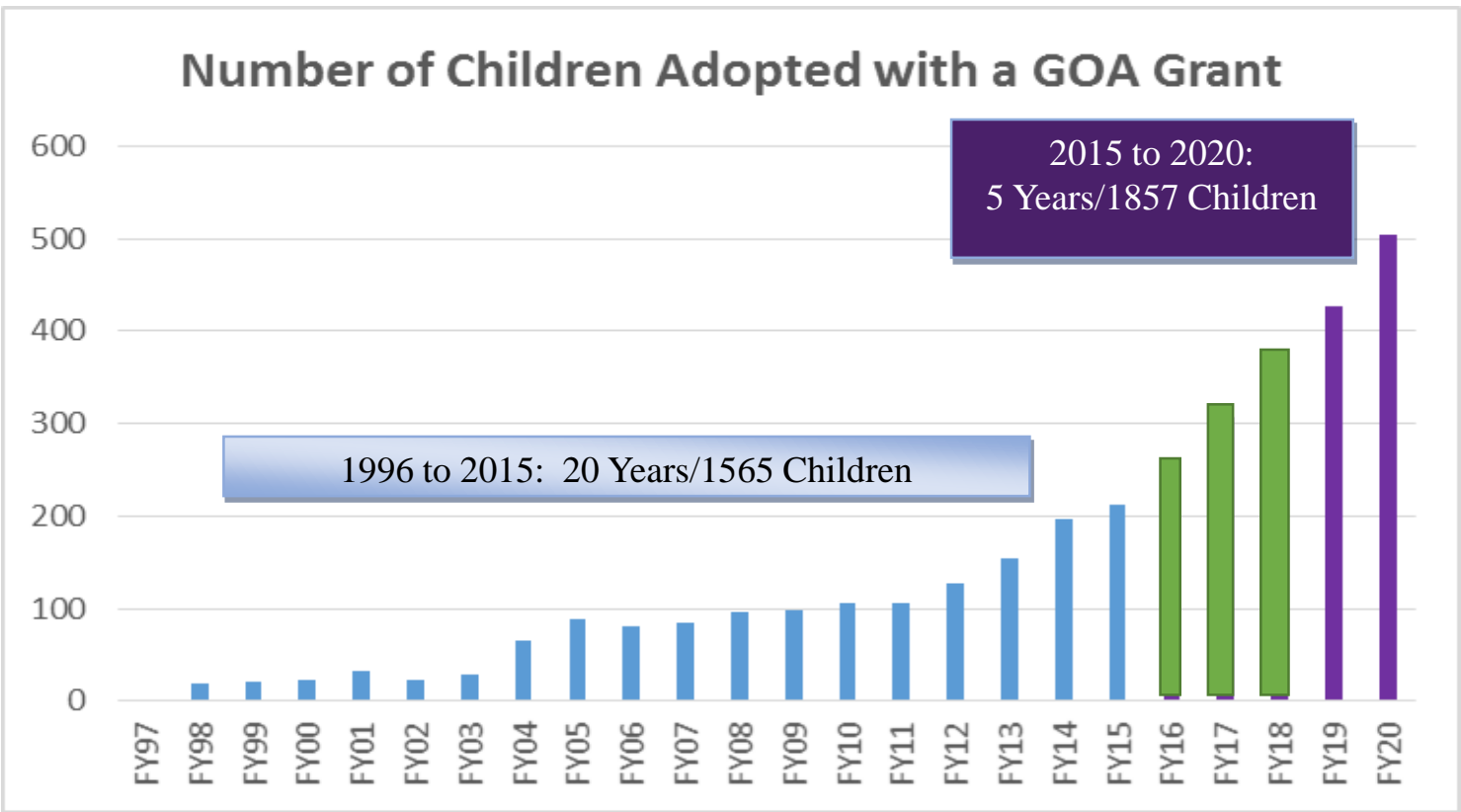
Our Grant Program Tenets



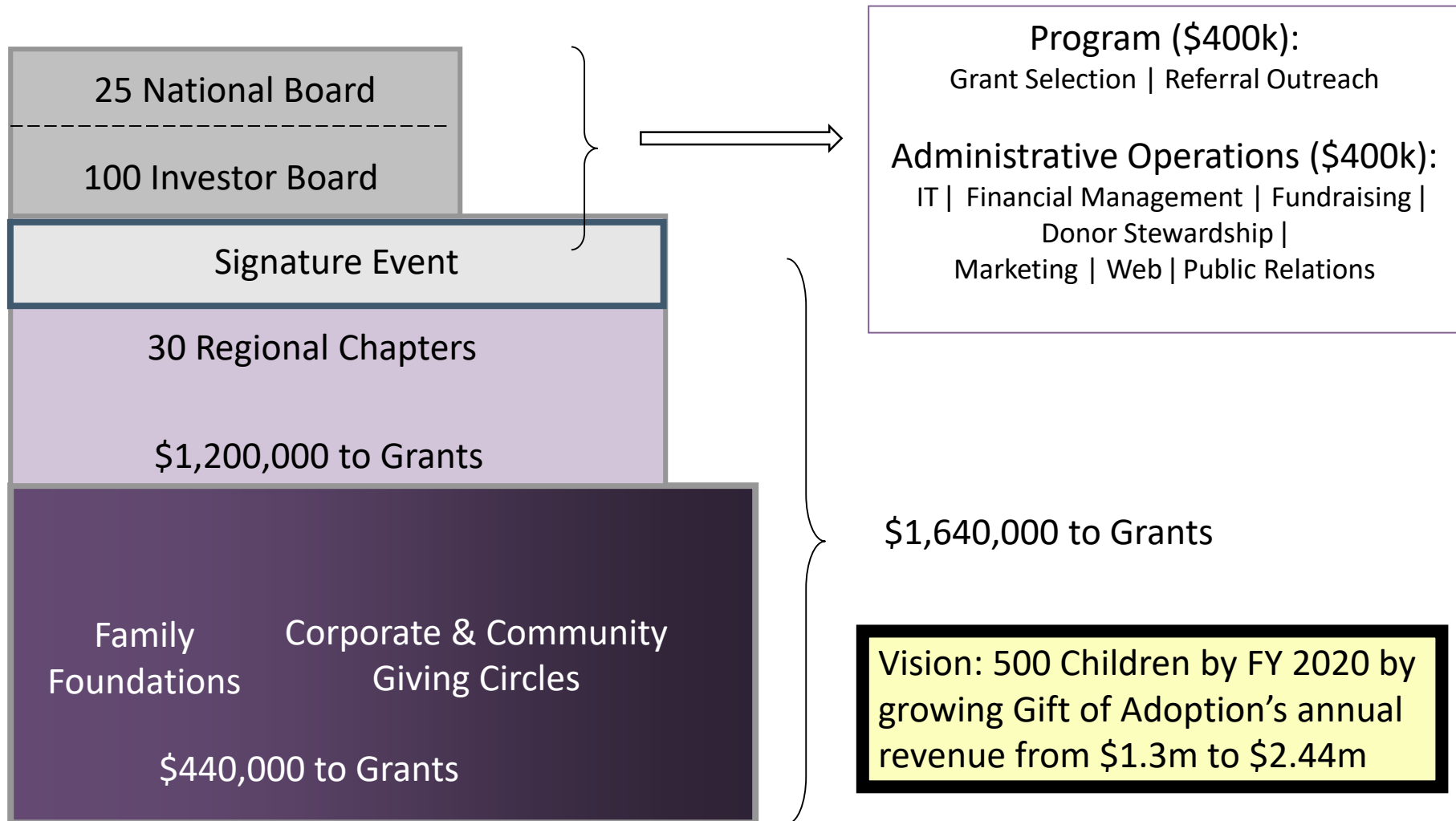
Occupations: 20% in Education; 12% Small Business Owners; 9% Clergy/Nonprofit; 9% Military/Civil Service; 9% Medical fields

Our 500 in 5 Plan Will Double our Impact in One Quarter of the Time

500 in 5 Growth Plan launched in July of 2015 to meet unmet need and accelerating demand for adoption assistance.



Vision: Help 500 Children Annually



Together, We Can Help More Children with the Gift of Adoption



“Eliana will grow up in a stable home free of substance abuse. She would have ended up in the foster care system if we had not been there to adopt her. She will have access to good medical care, a strong education, and will have a big extended family who loves her a lot!”

“Issac was found abandoned in Ethiopia when he was one month old. When attempts to find relatives were exhausted, adoption became a way for him to have a family. Gift of Adoption’s support in getting him home means more than you could ever know.”

