



As of July, 2019, Gift of Adoption has awarded **\$268,000** in adoption assistance grants across Washington to complete the adoptions of **92 children**.

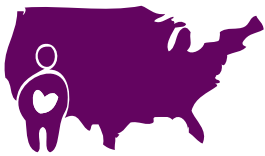
## Chapter Goal

Each year, Gift of Adoption Washington receives requests from approximately **11** qualified families - representing a funding need of **\$43,500**. The goal of the Washington Chapter's all-volunteer board is to raise enough funds to help complete each of these adoptions. 100% of the money raised by the chapter is directed to uniting children with forever families in the area.



## Mission

Gift of Adoption (GOA) is a national charity that raises funds to provide grants to complete the adoptions of vulnerable children – giving them a permanent family and the chance to thrive.



## Priority

Priority is placed on helping children facing what is possibly their only chance at adoption, including children at-risk of separation from siblings, entering foster care, aging-out of an orphanage or with critical medical conditions. Our grants are given without regard to age, race, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation or marital status and are paid directly to agencies and attorneys working on the child's behalf.

## Eligibility

Any U.S. citizen adopting from anywhere in the world (domestic or international) who has an approved home study is eligible to apply. Financial need must be demonstrated.



## History

Gift of Adoption was founded in 1996 by adoptive parents Gene and Lucy Wyka of Grafton, Wisconsin. Due to overwhelming demand for adoption assistance grants, the Wykas converted their foundation from a private family foundation to a public charity in 2001.

## National Impact

Since inception, GOA has awarded \$9.1 million to complete the adoptions of 3,134 children. Because we receive twice as many applications as we can fund, we invite you to join us in making a difference in the life of a child today!

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*You don't have to adopt  
to give a child a family.*



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## Meet Bryce

Adopted from South Korea  
by Brenna and Ben, Lynden, WA

“ *Bryce was placed with a foster family early on and was able to stay with them until we received custody. He would have gone to an orphanage at 3 years old if we had not adopted him. We will be able to love and support him and enable him to have more opportunities.* ”



## Nevaeh

Adopted from U.S.A.  
by Mark and Misty, Lynden, WA

“ *There are no words to express the blessing this sweet baby girl is to our family!! We adopted her biological sister four years ago and four weeks ago found out about her!! Gift of Adoption is a huge part of bringing Nevaeh home!!* ”



## Meet Rose

Adopted from China  
by Zachary and Jennifer, Lake Stevens, WA

“ *Today Rose has all the medical support she needs! She has the opportunity to grow as much as she can. She has a future. She will be allowed to go to school and have a family that will always support and love her. After being home for four months, she is finally learning to live in a world and not in a crib!* ”