



As of July, 2019, Gift of Adoption Carolinas has awarded **\$563,558** in adoption assistance grants across the Carolinas to complete the adoptions of **180 children**.

## Chapter Goal

Each year, Gift of Adoption Carolinas receives requests from approximately **38** qualified families - representing a funding need of **\$152,000**. The goal of the Carolinas 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 \$9.4 million to complete the adoptions of 3,269 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 Anastasia

Adopted from Ukraine  
by Delbert, Jr and Christine,  
Aberdeen, NC

“*Anastasia will have a future. She will not be put on the streets to fend for herself. She will be loved and supported by a family who loves her. She will have a chance to live a happy life.*”



## Meet Harrison

Adopted from Bulgaria  
by Lee-Ann and William, Durham, NC

“*We are so very thankful. Your organization was truly a blessing and we can not express enough how much it changed our journey. We were able to truly enjoy our adoption experience because we knew we had received a grant to cover the next round of expenses. A huge relief that gave us the best mindset going into those visits!*”



## Meet Claire

Adopted from U.S.A.  
by John and Gwendolyn, Greer, SC

“*Claire Nicole Reeves, born on June 15, 2017 is a beautiful little girl with deep blue eyes and the beginnings of red hair (just like my wife!) She is a very happy baby who smiles all the time, and loves to make lots of noise.*”