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

Mission

Gift of Adoption is a volunteer-driven charity that provides adoption assistance grants to complete adoptions — giving children in need of families a permanent home and a chance to thrive. The organization provides the financial funds to complete the adoptions of children home to the U.S. and around the world.

Why

Today, there are more than 140 million orphans in the world with 8,000 children in the U.S. waiting without permanent families. Too many children, it's the high cost of adoption that can block the hope of having united with a family. In fact, the median cost of a domestic adoption in 2019 was $30,000 with international adoptions averaging $40,000.

History

Gift of Adoption was founded in 1994 by adoptive parents Dawn and Cory Hales of Bonham, Texas who felt led to provide lifelong support for adoptive families and needy. Gift Hales connected that foundation from a private family foundation to a public charity in 2013.

Impact

Additionally, more than 100 million families have benefited since 1994 to help complete the adoptions of more than 3,000 children.

Grants

Gift of Adoption offers grants of up to $10,000 to provide families — regardless of race, religion, age or marital status — the financial support needed to welcome a child home.

Eligibility

Any U.S. citizen adopting from anywhere in the world domestic and international who has an approved home study from an international Hague Accreditation and Immigration Entity (HAIE) accredited agency is eligible to apply. Financial need must be demonstrated.

What makes Gift of Adoption unique?

Gift of Adoption provides grants for the most vulnerable children facing what is possibly their last chance at adoption. The Adoption Family who are waiting to unite or have already united their adopting children with children in orphanages or foster agency care in orphanages.

National Presence

The national organization, headquartered in Illinois, is comprised of 50 chapters successfully operating in Alabama, Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Louisiana, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington and Wisconsin. The goal of the organization is to assist with raising funds to support local adoption grants.