



Gift of Adoption Fund #GoAdoption Crowdfunding Terms and Conditions

Gift of Adoption is providing the #GoAdoption Crowdfunding platform as a way for my family to crowdfund an adoption grant.

The #GoAdoption personal fundraising page allows me to invite my networks of family, friends, and colleagues to make a tax-deductible gift to Gift of Adoption in support of my/our adoption.

I/we will receive all funds raised up to the agreed-upon fundraising goal on my/our fundraising page for a qualifying adoption (see “What happens if my family does not complete an adoption?” under “Additional Information” below).

If I/we raise at least \$500 on the #GoAdoption personal fundraising page – I/we will be eligible for an additional matching grant of 10% of the total from Gift of Adoption (the minimum match is \$500).

My/our #GoAdoption personal fundraising page will remain open for 45 days from the time of the first donation received at which time my/our matching gift will be calculated and my/our grant will be available for disbursement in accordance with Gift of Adoption’s general grant disbursement policies.

My family will still be considered for a traditional Gift of Adoption grant (once I/we have a referral/match in place and my/our file is ready to be presented to the Grant Selection Committee). This is in no way a promise or suggestion of a future grant as Gift of Adoption does receive many more applications for grants than it has the ability to award.

My family is not, has not, and will not crowdfund on other websites (including, but not limited to GoFundMe, Adopt Together, Lifesong for Orphans).

No one in my/our household cannot make gifts to my/our #GoAdoption fundraising page.

I/we cannot sell merchandise or raffle tickets in exchange for donations through the #GoAdoption fundraising page (selling t-shirts or other products through other opportunities is allowed).

Once I/we have setup a #GoAdoption page I/we understand I must submit it for review by GOA staff. At that time, my/our fundraising goal will be set at an amount determined by the Gift of Adoption grant selection committee. This amount is calculated based on the adoption costs, payments made, and financial information presented. This does not represent the full remaining funding gap.

Gift of Adoption may choose to publicize my/our page to its supporters using social media, email, etc. Any donations made to my/our page from Gift of Adoption supporters will be included in my/our #GoAdoption fundraising page total.



Additional information:

Where Do Funds Go?

Funds raised for adoption through #GoAdoption go directly into families' Gift of Adoption grant account and are disbursed to adoption professionals who are providing services to complete the family's adoption. This allows for funds to be tax-deductible.

Can I Add Offline Donations?

At this time, offline donations cannot be accepted.

When Will the Funds be Disbursed?

For domestic adoptions - we will release your grant award when you have accepted placement of the child(ren). For international adoptions - we will disburse your grant award when travel dates are in place for the final trip.

What is Required to Get the Crowdfunding Grant Disbursed?

We must account for all adoption expenses on record. We will provide you with detailed directions in your grant award agreement for obtaining an itemized invoice/statement from your agency or attorney with the necessary information.

Please note all funds are disbursed to your adoption agency or attorney. If your crowdfunding disbursement results in an overpayment on your account, your agency or attorney will provide your family with a refund directly.

What Happens if My Family does not Complete an Adoption?

If you raise funds on the #GoAdoption platform but do not complete an adoption within 18 months of being awarded a #GoAdoption Crowdfunding grant, all funds in your account will be forfeited by your family and will be used to support another adoption. Gift of Adoption cannot issue refunds to donors. See additional information regarding IRS regulations below.

Why #GoAdoption?

Many crowdfunding sites charge an additional 5-7% in administration fees. With #GoAdoption, no fees are passed to the family. Donors may choose to cover the credit card processing fees during checkout. If donors do not cover the fees, Gift of Adoption will cover them so that 100% of donations are provided to families to complete their adoptions of vulnerable children. Additionally, #GoAdoption funds are provided to families as grants so will not result in the family being issued a 1099/income report.

Gift of Adoption Fund is a 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization. All donors will receive a confirmation of their donation.



No portion of donations made through #GoAdoption pages will be used for administration or overhead. 100% of your donation will go directly to funding adoption grants.

In following IRS guidelines, all donations received to #GoAdoption fundraising pages are made to Gift of Adoption Fund. Gift of Adoption retains full discretion over their use but intends to honor the donor's suggested use. Any donations in excess of the goal listed on a #GoAdoption fundraising page will be directed to grants to help other families in the #GoAdoption grant program. If a #GoAdoption page reaches its fundraising goal before the end of 45 days, Gift of Adoption will make the page inactive but cannot guarantee the page will be made inactive prior to exceeding its goal.