



About Gift of Adoption: Founded in 1996, Gift of Adoption (GOA) awards grants to complete the adoption of children in vulnerable circumstances—giving them permanent families and a chance to thrive.

As of December, GOA has awarded more than \$14.5 million in funding to complete the adoption of 4,800 children. This growth has been possible because of the dedication of a growing base of 200 volunteers and 1000 active donors who share the belief that having a loving family is a basic right of children everywhere.

The Gift of Adoption Difference: GOA is unique in that it is completely non-discriminatory in its grant making. We award grants without regard to age, race, ethnicity, religion, marital status, or sexual orientation. Additionally, Gift of Adoption awards grants monthly and is able to respond even more quickly when the need is urgent.

Gift of Adoption supports qualified families who need the last bit of funding to bring their children home with grants that range from \$1,000 to \$15,000 and are paid directly to adoption service providers. Over 50 percent of GOA families include former military, twelve percent are small business owners and thirty percent are led by clergy or teachers.

Priority is placed on awarding grants that help children facing what is possibly their last or only chance at adoption including those at risk of being separated from siblings, entering foster care, aging out of an orphanage and children who have serious medical conditions or special needs.

GOA provides a cost-effective way to increase the number of at-risk children adopted each year – expanding the trial and true bedrock of families to raise their children out of love and familial duty, rather than a reliance on government, or ongoing acts of charity. It is an upstream movement which minimizes future need for a wide spectrum of social services and government assistance and a win-win on both a humanitarian and economic level.

Meet Stella and Emerson: “Things were being in an orphanage in Haiti. With GOA’s help they were recently adopted into their loving forever family. Their parents share: “They are just blessing – engaging in the world around them with less fear and more joy. Thank you GOA!”

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