

Connecticut Chapter

Founded in 2014

As of December 31 2022, Gift of Adoption Connecticut has awarded \$136,500 in adoption assistance grants across Connecticut to complete the adoptions of **36 children**.

Chapter Goal

Each year, Gift of Adoption Connecticut receives requests from approximately 5 qualified families - representing a funding need of \$22,500. The goal of the Connecticut Chapter's allvolunteer 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 children in vulnerable circumstances – giving them permanent families and a 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.

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NATIONAL Since inception, GOA has awarded \$14.7 million to complete the adoptions of 4,851 **IMPACT** 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!

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











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Meet Cora

Adopted from U.S.A. by Mark and Erica, East Hampton, CT



We are now firm believers in love at first sight as Cora has stolen our hearts. She is a happy baby who loves tummy time and snuggles. Cora also loves listening to nursery rhyme lullabies and listening to her Mommy and Daddy read Dr. Seuss to her.

Meet Jacobo

Adopted from Columbia by Michela, Wethersfield, CT

Jacobo is a 13-year-old by from Colombia.
He is a shy kid who comes out of his shell
when you get to know him. He dreams of
going to university and playing soccer.





Meet Naomi

Adopted from China by Ellen and Jon, Vernon, CT

Naomi has become happier and more carefree. She loves to sing and giggle. She has made great improvements physically; from walking unsteadily to running, jumping on a trampoline, swimming, and loving playgrounds. She has also picked up many English words and does a great job communicating.