



OR/Columbia River Chapter

Founded in 2007 - Across the Pacific Northwest

As of December 31 2022, Gift of Adoption OR/Columbia River has awarded **\$547,700** in adoption assistance grants across the Pacific Northwest to complete the adoptions of **179** children.



Chapter Goal

Each year, Gift of Adoption OR/Columbia River receives requests from approximately **18** qualified families - representing a funding need of **\$61,000**. The goal of the OR/Columbia River 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 writing 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 Wyles of Oshkosh, Wisconsin. Due to overwhelming demand for adoption assistance grants, the Wyles converted their foundation from a private family foundation to a public charity in 2007.

NATIONAL IMPACT

Since inception, GOA has awarded \$14.7 million to complete the adoptions of 4,251 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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