

# Virginia Chapter

Founded in 2023

As of June 2023, Gift of Adoption Virginia Chapter has awarded \$393,170 in adoption assistance grants across Virginia to complete the adoptions of **124 children**.

#### **Chapter Goal**

Each year, Gift of Adoption Virginia receives requests from approximately 22 qualified families representing a funding need of \$106,000. The goal of the Virginia 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 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 \$15.8 million to complete the adoptions of 5,133 **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 Chloe**

Adopted from China by Nathan and Angela, Blackburg, VA



This adoption will change her life dramatically. She will have healthcare for her needs, she will have brothers and parents, she will have opportunities.

## **Meet Delia**

Adopted from Romania by Andrew and Christine, Lovetsville, VA

Adoption will alter her life in every way. She's waited her entire life for this and specifically hoping for us to be her family for almost a decade now. This is her life dream come true. We're so thrilled we get to be her parents.





#### **Meet Eli**

Adopted from China by Kevin and Renee, Newport News, VA

Eli McKelvey is 3 years old. He is very playful and outgoing. He enjoys laughing and being a part of any fun going on. He is very small for his age but attempts to do anything older kids do, he is very adventurous.