



About Gift of Adoption Grants

Gift of Adoption is the largest provider of adoption assistance grants awarded **without regard to race, religion, age, marital status, gender, or sexual orientation**. Grants of up to \$15,000 are awarded to qualified applicants to remove financial barriers and make possible the adoptions of children in vulnerable circumstances in the U.S. and around the world. **There is no application deadline**. Families are invited to apply anytime after completing their home study* and before finalization.

Gift of Adoption provides grants to complete **both domestic and international adoptions and relative/kinship adoptions**. Any U.S. citizen who has an approved adoption home study* from a Hague accredited agency (if international adoption) or licensed social worker (if domestic adoption) is eligible to apply.

Gift of Adoption considers the totality of circumstances when reviewing grant applications. While not limited to these categories, Gift of Adoption's **greatest funding priorities** encompass grants that:

- Help children who are in or are at risk of entering the U.S. foster care system.
- Unite biological siblings or prevent them from being separated.
- Support relative, kinship or fictive kin adoptions.
- Prevent a child from 'aging-out' of an international orphanage system.
- Prevent children with special needs from becoming institutionalized.
- Facilitate the placement of a child with a life-threatening or critical medical conditions.

Financial need, perseverance, and imminence of the adoption must be demonstrated.

The Grant Selection Committee evaluates a number of factors when considering an application including:

- **The qualifications of the applicant.** (U.S. citizen with an approved home study from a licensed agency adopting domestically or internationally from Hague accredited agency.)
- **The imminence of the adoption.**
- **The financial need of the applicant.**
- **The perseverance shown** by the applicant to complete the adoption.

**If a home study is not required for your adoption, you may still apply without a home study.*

For complete information, visit:
giftofadoption.org/apply-for-a-grant/

Questions?
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