

For families residing outside our direct services areas (MD, MN, VA & WI) seeking child placement through a Children's Home country program.
Effective November 1, 2020

Application – Due with completed application			
Description	Paid to	Fee Type	AMOUNT
Application Fee	Children's Home	U.S. Expenses	\$350
Monitoring & Oversight Fee, per child <i>Payment is passed through to the U.S. Hague Accrediting Entity (IAAME) on your behalf.</i>	Children's Home	U.S. Expenses	\$500

Home Study Assessment – Due prior to start of service			
Description	Paid to	Fee Type	AMOUNT
Pre-adoption Education & Hague Training	Children's Home	Home Study	(fee determined by and paid to local HS agency)
Home Study	Children's Home	Home Study	(fee determined by and paid to local HS agency)
Home Study Review <i>Review and approval of home study written by your local cooperating agency.</i>	Children's Home	Home Study	\$500

Welcome to Program – Due upon approval of home study			
Description	Paid to	Fee Type	AMOUNT
Program Coordination – Part 1 <i>Program development and support, country orientation and services provided in the U.S.</i>	Children's Home	U.S. Expenses	\$3,950

Dossier – Due upon completion of dossier for submission to Ecuador			
Description	Paid to	Fee Type	AMOUNT
Program Coordination – Part 1 <i>Program development and support, country orientation and services provided in the U.S.</i>	Children's Home	U.S. Expenses	\$3,950
Ecuador Program Fee 1 <i>Costs related to providing service in Ecuador. Families pursuing adoption of a Waiting Identified Child will pay \$1,000 of this fee prior to submission of Letter of Intent (LOI).</i>	Children's Home	Foreign Program	\$7,000

Referral – Due upon acceptance of child referral			
Description	Paid to	Fee Type	AMOUNT
Program Coordination – Part 2 <i>Program development and support, country orientation and services provided in the U.S.</i>	Children's Home	U.S. Expenses	\$3,500
Ecuador Program Fee 2 <i>Costs related to providing service in Ecuador. Families adopting a sibling group of 2 will pay an additional \$500. Families adopting a sibling group of 3 or more will pay an additional \$1,000.</i>	Children's Home	Foreign Program, Translation/Documents, Care of the Child, U.S. Expenses	\$7,000
Post Placement Deposit (refundable) <i>Refundable upon completion of country's reporting requirements and submission of proof of U.S. citizenship and finalization in state of residence.</i>	Children's Home	Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Reports	\$1,000
Post Placement Supervision <i>Review, management and submission of reports to child's country of origin.</i>	Children's Home	Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Reports	\$500
Post Placement Visits/Reports <i>Home visits and social worker prepared reports required to meet state/country/agency requirements. Ecuador currently requires 4 visits/reports.</i>	Children's Home	Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Reports	(fee determined by and paid to local HS agency)

Additional Fees – Billed only if applicable			
Description	Paid to	Fee Type	AMOUNT
Home Study Update Due prior to start of service.	Children's Home	Home Study	(fee determined by and paid to local HS agency)
Agency Sibling Fee Due upon acceptance of child referral.	Children's Home	U.S. Expenses, Translation/Documents	\$2,000
Monitoring & Oversight Fee, per sibling Due upon acceptance of child referral. <i>Payment is passed through to the U.S. Hague Accrediting Entity (IAAME) on your behalf.</i>	Children's Home	U.S. Expenses	\$500

Estimated Third Party Fees			
EXPENSE	PAID TO	FEE TYPE	ESTIMATED COST
Home Study			
State Background Check	Varies	Third Party	varies by state
Psychological Evaluation	Psychologist	Third Party	\$500 - 2,000
Dossier			
Document Preparation Fee	Varies	Third Party	\$400 - 800
USCIS Petition (I-800A)	USCIS	Third Party	\$775
USCIS Biometrics/Fingerprinting (per person)	USCIS	Third Party	\$85
Child Referral			
Professional Review of Child Referral	Physician	Third Party	\$400 - 800
Travel			
U.S. Passport Application Fee (per adult)	Passport Agency	Third Party	\$110
Child's U.S. Visa	U.S. Embassy	Third Party	\$325
Child's U.S. Visa Medical Exam	U.S. Approved Panel Physician	Third Party	\$150
Child's Ecuadorian Passport	Ecuadorian Passport Agency	Third Party	\$105
Airfare (round trip, per person over age 2)	Airline/Travel Agent	Third Party	\$1,200 - 1,800
Lodging, Transportation and Meals	Varies	Third Party	\$2,000 - 7,000
Re-Adoption/Finalization	Attorney/State/County Government	Third Party	varies by state

Estimated Totals At-A-Glance	
Based on a first-time adoption of one child and fees for two adoptive parents	COOP
Home Study (<i>Based on CH rates. Fees paid to other adoption service providers may vary.</i>)	\$3,500
U.S. Expenses	\$9,300
Foreign Country Program Expenses	\$10,250
Care of the Child	\$1,500
Translation and Documents	\$400
Contributions	0
Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Reports (<i>Based on CH rates. Fees paid to other adoption service providers may vary.</i>)	\$2,850
Third Party Fees	\$3,045 - 5,345
Travel and Accommodation	\$4,400 - 10,600

TOTAL COST: The approximate cost to adopt from Ecuador is \$30,245 (not including airfare, lodging and other fees associated with travel, which can vary greatly depending on current airfare rates, family size, length of stay, lodging preferences, and/or seasonality and availability).

This is a good faith estimate of the charges deemed reliable as of **November 1, 2020**. The payment of fees for services rendered does not guarantee the placement of a child. All fees, timelines and program requirements are subject to change. CH Agency fees will be honored at the rate that is current when the signed Fee Agreement is received by Children's Home Society of Minnesota (CH). Country program fees will be billed at the rate in effect at the time the fee is due. All fee increases in excess of \$1,000 will be made in writing. Program Coordination Fee includes one country program change within 4 years of signed Fee Agreement. All other program changes subject to additional fees. CH may reduce, waive or refund fees when 1) deemed by CH to be in the best interest of the child; 2) requested by clients due to hardship; 3) when paid for services which were not completed.

REFUNDS: All fees are non-refundable unless otherwise noted. When client service fees are paid, but the service is not provided, Children's Home may refund the unused portion to prospective adoptive parents. All refunds will be processed within sixty (60) days after the request has been approved and the signed agreement has been returned to the agency.