

# Colombia Adoption Program COST ESTIMATE DISCLOSURE Effective July 1, 2025

APPLICATION & HOME STUDY SERVICES	PAID TO	FEE TYPE	CHILDREN'S HOME PROVIDES ALL SERVICES	CHILDREN'S HOME PROVIDES PLACEMENT SERVICES ONLY
Application Part 1	Children's Home	U.S. Expenses	FREE	FREE
Application Part 2  Due with Application Part 2. Waived for families returning within 4 years of previous CH/LSS adoption service.  KIDSAVE HOST FAMILIES: Fee waived for families whose Hosting Assessment was completed by Children's Home (see last page).	Children's Home	U.S. Expenses	\$500	\$350
Pre-Adoption Education  Due with Application Part 2. Includes CH required Pre-Adoption  Education Classes (PAC), Trauma-Informed Parenting Webinars and access to the Creating a Family® training library. May be waived if previously completed within last 4 years.  KIDSAVE HOST FAMILIES: Fee waived for families whose Pre-Hosting Education was completed through Children's Home.  Additional training will be required to meet agency and Hague requirements for adoption (see last page).	Children's Home	Home Study	\$250/person	\$250/person Service Provider may require additional training
Agency Fee 1 Due when Application Part 2 complete.	Children's Home	Foreign Program, U.S. Expenses	\$6,900	\$6,900
Home Study Assessment  Due prior to first visit. Fee reduced to \$1,900 for families returning within 4 years of previous CH/LSS home study service. If using a Service Provider other than Children's Home, fees and payment terms are determined by the individual Service Provider. Additional background clearances may be required and are paid separately to Third Party, as applicable.	Children's Home or Service Provider	Home Study	\$2,900	\$1,500 - \$4,000 Varies by Service Provider
<b>KIDSAVE HOST FAMILIES:</b> Fee reduced to \$2,400 for families whose Hosting Assessment was completed by Children's Home (see last page).				
Home Study Review Fee  Due prior to review of home study. Applies only to families using a Service Provider other than Children's Home to complete a home study. Includes review of initial home study plus one home study update. Additional update reviews \$150 per occurrence.	Children's Home	Home Study	N/A	\$500
Home Study Update  Due before home study update begins (if needed, per update).  If using a Service Provider other than Children's Home, fees and payment terms are determined by the individual Service Provider.	Children's Home or Service Provider	Home Study	\$900	\$400 - \$900 Varies by Service Provider

ADOPTION PROGRAM SERVICES	PAID TO	FEE TYPE	CHILDREN'S HOME PROVIDES ALL SERVICES	CHILDREN'S HOME PROVIDES PLACEMENT SERVICES ONLY
Colombia Fee 1  Due prior to dossier submission. Families seeking to adopt an identified child will pay \$1,000 of this fee prior to submission of Letter of Intent (LOI).	Children's Home	Foreign Program, U.S. Expenses, Translation/ Documents	\$6,400	\$6,400
Agency Fee 2 Due upon acceptance of child referral. Agency Sibling Fee \$3,500 per additional child when adopting siblings.	Children's Home	Foreign Program, U.S. Expenses	\$6,000	\$6,000

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Colombia Fee 2  Due upon acceptance of child referral. Colombia Fee #2 reduced to \$4,100 for Colombian Heritage Families submitting a dossier through Instituto Colombiano de Bienestar Familiar (ICBF).  Colombia Sibling Fee \$1,000 per additional child when adopting siblings.	Children's Home	Foreign Program, U.S. Expenses, Translation/ Documents, Care of the Child	\$5,100	\$5,100
In-Country Fees These fees vary depending on placing entity in Colombia (ICBF or IAPA) and are calculated on a case-by-case basis and payable to Children's Home upon acceptance of child referral for third party services in Colombia. The services of ICBF are free of charge.  • Legal Services \$1,900-2,600  • IAPA Administration \$0-3,300  • IAPA Child Medical Testing \$0-1,000 (per child)	Children's Home (for Third Party)	Foreign Program, Translation/ Documents	\$0 - \$6,900	\$0 - \$6,900

#### MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT:

Home visits in excess of 160 miles roundtrip are subject to an additional billing per current GSA per diem rates (gsa.gov/travel/plan-book/per-diem-rates) (maximum \$200 fee per visit). These fees are non-refundable once visit has occurred.

**SERVICES NOT PROVIDED BY CHILDREN'S HOME:** Fees and payment terms for services not provided by Children's Home are determined by the individual Service Provider. An estimate of the usual costs associated with these services is provided here. Please confirm specific rates with your Service Provider.

POST ADOPTION REPORTING SERVICES	PAID TO	FEE TYPE	CHILDREN'S HOME PROVIDES ALL SERVICES	CHILDREN'S HOME PROVIDES PLACEMENT SERVICES ONLY
Post Adoption Deposit  Due upon acceptance of child referral. Refundable upon completion of the country's reporting requirements and submission of proof of U.S. citizenship and re-adoption/finalization in state of residence.	Children's Home	Post-Placement/ Post-Adoption Reports	\$1,000 refundable	\$1,000 refundable
Post Adoption Supervision  Due upon acceptance of child referral. Supervision of placement plus review, management and submission of reports to country of origin.	Children's Home	Post-Placement/ Post-Adoption Reports	\$1,500 Includes up to 3 visits/reports	\$500
Additional Post Adoption Visits/Reports  Due upon acceptance of child referral. Colombia requires a total of 4 visits/reports for children under age 8 or 6 visits/reports for children age 8 years and older.  MN residents must complete 2 additional visits/reports to meet agency, state and/or country requirements.  If using a Service Provider other than Children's Home to provide post adoption visits/reports, these fees are determined by your local Service Provider. Proof of payment for these services is required upon acceptance of child referral. Additional visits/reports may be required to meet agency, state and/or country requirements.	Children's Home or Service Provider	Post-Placement/ Post-Adoption Reports	\$350 per visit/report	\$350 - \$500 per visit/report Varies by Service Provider

ESTIMATED THIRD PARTY FEES	PAID TO	FEE TYPE	ESTIMATED COST
State Background Check(s)	Varies	Third Party	\$15 - 100
Psychological Evaluation	Licensed Psychologist	Third Party	\$250 - 2,000
Additional Adoption Education Classes, if required	Education Provider	Third Party	\$0 - 300
Document Preparation Fee	Varies	Third Party	\$200 - 800
USCIS Petition (I-800A) initial filing	USCIS	Third Party	\$920
Pre-Adoption Medical Review of Child Information	Physician/Therapists	Third Party	\$250 - 1,000
Child's Visa, Visa Medical Exam & Passport Fees	U.S. Embassy/Panel Physician/Passport Agency	Third Party	\$610 - 1,000
Airfare, Lodging, Meals & Transportation	Varies	Third Party - Travel	\$4,110 - 9,500
U.S. Finalization Services	Attorney/Local Court	Third Party	\$0 - 2,000

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<b>ESTIMATED TOTALS AT-A-GLANCE</b>	
Home Study Related Fees	\$2,400 - 6,150
U.S. Expenses	\$12,900 - 13,050
Foreign Country Program Expenses	\$6,900
Care of the Child	\$0
Translation and Documents	\$3,950 - 4,950
Contributions	\$0
Post-Adoption Reports	\$2,200 - 4,850
Third Party - General	\$4,145 - 14,720
Third Party - Travel & Accommodations	\$4,110 - 9,300
Travel & Accommodations (paid to CH)	\$0
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST:	\$36,605 - 59,920

Airfare, lodging, meals, transportation costs and other fees associated with travel can vary greatly depending on current airfare rates, family size, length of stay, lodging preferences, and seasonality. Estimated totals are based on the adoption of 1 child and fees for 2 adoptive parents.

#### **MAKING ADOPTION AFFORDABLE**

Children's Home believes fees should not be a barrier for the placement of children into loving families. Families from all economic situations can tap into a variety of resources and strategies to help offset the cost of adoption. We strongly encourage you to explore the many resources available to help make adoption affordable! Visit our website to learn more about these options and the Adoption Tax Credit at: chlss.org/finance.

**PAYMENT OF FEES:** Payment of fees for services rendered does not guarantee the placement of a child. All fees, timelines and program requirements are subject to change. All fees are billed at the rate that is current at the time of billing. Children's Home may increase fees if adoption expenses in the foreign country increase substantially after time of application. Fee increases in excess of \$1,000 will be made in writing. Program changes may be subject to additional fees. Payment is due in full according to stated timelines. Late payments may result in the delay or cancellation of services. Fees not paid within 90 days of invoice date may incur a 2.5% late fee and referral for collection.

#### • Payment by Check

Cash, money orders or personal checks are always welcome. Please make checks payable to Children's Home Society of Minnesota.

#### • Payment by Credit Card or Electronic Bank Transfer

Credit cards or electronic bank transfers may be used to pay for all adoption fees. Please note we do not accept American Express. To make a payment with credit card or electronic bank transfer, please visit our payment portal at <a href="https://bit.lv/3v1RXIC">https://bit.lv/3v1RXIC</a>.

#### Grants or Financial Assistance

Payment is due in full from the AP according to stated timelines. In the event Children's Home receives grant funding or other financial assistance directly on AP's behalf after fees have already been paid, Children's Home will then provide reimbursement to AP within thirty (30) days of receipt of the financial assistance, provided such refunds do not violate the terms of the grant organization and there are no remaining service fees to be paid.

**FEE REDUCTIONS, WAIVERS & REFUNDS:** All fees are non-refundable unless otherwise noted. Children's Home may reduce, waive or refund fees when: 1) deemed by Children's Home to be in the best interest of the child; 2) requested by clients due to hardship; or 3) when paid for services which were not completed. All refunds will be processed within sixty (60) days of the completion of the delivery of services.

By my signature below, I acknowledge that I have received and read all of the fee information included in this Cost Estimate Disclosure.

APPLICANT 1	Signature	Printed Name	Date
APPLICANT 2 (if applicable)	Signature	Printed Name	Date

Hague regulations require the disclosure and description of the fee categories provided above.

**Home Study.** The expected total fees and estimated expenses for home study preparation and approval, whether the home study is to be prepared directly by the agency or person itself, or prepared by a supervised provider, exempted provider, or approved person and approved as required under §96.47;

**Adoption Expenses in the United States.** The expected total fees and estimated expenses for all adoption services other than the home study that will be provided in the United States. This category includes, but is not limited to, personnel costs, administrative overhead, operational costs, training and education, communications and publications costs, and any other costs related to providing adoption services in the United States;

**Foreign Country Program Expenses.** The expected total fees and estimated expenses for all adoption services that will be provided in the child's country of origin. This category includes, but is not limited to, costs for personnel, administrative overhead, training, education, legal services, and communications, and any other costs related to providing adoption services in the child's country,

**Care of the Child.** The expected total fees and estimated expenses charged to prospective adoptive parent(s) for the care of the child in the country of origin prior to adoption, including, but not limited to, costs for food, clothing, shelter and medical care; foster care services; orphanage care; and any other services provided directly to the child;

**Translation and Document Expenses.** The expected total fees and estimated expenses for obtaining any necessary documents and for any translation of documents related to the adoption, along with information on whether the prospective adoptive parent(s) will

be expected to pay such costs directly or to third parties, either in the United States or in the child's country of origin, or through the agency or person. This category includes, but is not limited to, costs for obtaining, translating, or copying records or documents required to complete the adoption, costs for the child's court documents, passport, adoption certificate and other documents related to the adoption, and costs for notarizations and certifications:

**Contributions.** Any fixed contribution amount or percentage that the prospective adoptive parent(s) will be expected or required to make to child protection or child welfare service programs in the child's country of origin country or in the United States, along with an explanation of the intended use of the transaction and the manner in which the contribution will be recorded and accounted for; and

**Post-Placement and Post-Adoption Reports.** The expected total fees and estimated expenses for any post-placement or post-adoption reports that the agency or person or parent(s) must prepare in light of any requirements of the expected country of origin.

**Third Party Fees.** The expected total fees and estimated expenses for services that the prospective adoptive parent(s) will be responsible to pay directly to a third party. Such third party fees include, but are not limited to, fees to competent authorities for services rendered or Central Authority processing fees; and

**Travel and Accommodation Expenses.** The expected total fees and estimated expenses for any travel, transportation, and accommodation services arranged by the agency or person for the prospective adoptive parent(s).

## **Kidsave Hosting Program**





## **Kidsave Summer/Winter Hosting Program - Colombia**



We partner with <u>Kidsave</u> to help older children from Colombia experience the joys of summer and to help them find permanent, loving, adoptive families through their <u>Summer/Winter Miracles</u> programs. Colombian children eligible for international adoption stay with host families in designated communities for a 4-5 week visit and learn about the U.S. culture, experience life in an American family, and build lasting relationships with caring adults. Children who participate in the program generally range in age from 11-14. Some may have siblings.

While the children stay here, they learn about the U.S. culture, experience life in an American family, and build lasting relationships with caring adults. As a host family, you'll work with the local Kidsave community to help the children meet potential adoptive families. Some families move forward to adopt the children they host.

This program can be a great option for experienced parents and for those who are not sure if full-time parenting through international adoption is the right fit. We are here to guide families through their required education, support them during the visit, and assist in the adoption process should these children find adoptive families.

### **Children's Home Kidsave Colombia Hosting Fees**

CHILDREN'S HOME HOSTING FEES	PAID TO	FEE
Hosting Application Part 1 Due with Hosting Application Part 1.	Children's Home	FREE
Hosting Application Part 2 Due with Hosting Application Part 2.	Children's Home	\$500 MN Families Only *
<b>Pre-Hosting Education</b> Due with Hosting Application Part 2.	Children's Home	\$250/person All Host Families
Hosting Assessment (Psychosocial Report)  Due with Hosting Application Part 2. Fees for required state background clearances are paid separately to Third Party, as applicable.	Children's Home	\$500 MN Families Only *



\* Children's Home can prepare Hosting Assessments for families residing in Minnesota. Hosting Assessment fees for families residing in other states are determined by the local provider. For assistance locating a provider in your state, please inquire to learn more.

The fee schedule above includes fees paid to Children's Home. Visit <u>Kidsave</u> to learn about fees paid directly to their organization to participate in these programs. Applications for the Summer Miracles Hosting Program received by Children's Home after March 31st are accepted on a case-by-case basis. Please inquire to learn more about Winter program deadlines.

By my signature below, I acknowledge that I have received and read all of the fee information included in this Cost Estimate Disclosure.

APPLICANT 1	Signature	Printed Name	Date
APPLICANT 2	Signature	Printed Name	Date
(if applicable)			