

APPLICATION & HOME STUDY SERVICES	PAID TO	FEE TYPE	CHILDREN'S HOME PROVIDES HOME STUDY & POST-PLACEMENT/POST-ADOPTION SERVICES
Application Part 1	Children's Home	U.S. Expenses	FREE
Application Part 2 Due with Application Part 2. Waived for families returning within 4 years of previous CH/LSS adoption service.	Children's Home	U.S. Expenses	\$500
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.	Children's Home	Home Study	\$250/person
Agency Fee 1 Due when Application Part 2 complete. Not applicable to families seeking Post-Placement/Post-Adoption services only.	Children's Home	Foreign Program, U.S. Expenses	\$0 - 1,500
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
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

POST-PLACEMENT/POST-ADOPTION SERVICES	PAID TO	FEE TYPE	CHILDREN'S HOME PROVIDES HOME STUDY & POST-PLACEMENT/POST-ADOPTION SERVICES
Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Supervision Due upon acceptance of child referral. Includes supervision of the child placement and up to 3 visits/reports. Additional \$200 per additional child per visit/report when adopting siblings.	Children's Home	Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Reports	\$1,500
Additional Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Visits/Reports Due upon acceptance of child referral. Supplemental visits/reports to meet agency, state, country and/or Primary Provider requirements (number varies based on country program and Primary Provider selected). Additional \$200 per additional child per visit/report when adopting siblings. Additional mailing fees may apply if CH is responsible to submit reports directly to sending country's central adoption authority.	Children's Home or Service Provider	Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Reports	\$350 per visit/report

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	\$400 - 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	Determined by Program/Primary Provider*
Airfare, Lodging, Meals & Transportation	Varies	Third Party - Travel	Determined by Program/Primary Provider*
U.S. Finalization Services	Attorney/Local Court	Third Party	\$0 - 2,000

* Third Party Fees are determined by the Primary Provider and vary greatly by country program. Listed above are some of the common fees that are incurred by most families regardless of the country program or individual adoption service provider.

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](https://www.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.

ESTIMATED TOTALS AT-A-GLANCE	
Home Study Related Fees	\$2,400 - 6,150
U.S. Expenses	Determined by Primary Provider
Foreign Country Program	Determined by Primary Provider
Care of the Child	Determined by Primary Provider
Translation and Documents	Determined by Primary Provider
Contributions	Determined by Primary Provider
Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Reports	\$1,500 - 3,250
Third Party - General	Determined by Primary Provider
Third Party - Travel & Accommodations	Determined by Primary Provider
Travel & Accommodations (paid to CH)	\$0

The total cost to adopt from the country program of another agency varies greatly by agency and/or country program of choice. 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 <https://bit.ly/3v1RXIC>.

- 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 Signature _____ Printed Name _____ Date _____
(if applicable)