



Home Study & Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Services

COST ESTIMATE DISCLOSURE Effective June 5, 2026

APPLICATION & HOME STUDY SERVICES	PAID TO	FEE TYPE	CHILDREN'S HOME PROVIDES HOME STUDY & POST-PLACEMENT/POST-ADOPTION SERVICES
Application Part 1 Due with 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 <i>Creating a Family</i> training library.	Children's Home	Home Study	\$250/person
Agency Fee (HS & PP/PA SERVICES ONLY) Due when Application Part 2 complete.	Children's Home	U.S. Expenses	\$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.	Children's Home	Home Study	\$2,900
Home Study Update Due before home study update begins (if needed, per update).	Children's Home	Home Study	\$900

POST-PLACEMENT/POST-ADOPTION SERVICES	PAID TO	FEE TYPE	CHILDREN'S HOME PROVIDES HOME STUDY & POST-PLACEMENT/POST-ADOPTION SERVICES
Post Adoption Supervision Due upon acceptance of child referral. Includes supervision of the child placement and up to 3 visits/reports.	Children's Home	Post-Placement/ Post-Adoption Reports	\$1,500
Additional 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).	Children's Home	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 (if applicable)	Psychologist	Third Party	\$250 - 2,500
Document Preparation Fee	Varies	Third Party	\$0 - 300
USCIS Petition (I-800A/I-600A)	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 Primary Provider*
Airfare, Lodging, Meals & Transportation	Varies	Third Party - Travel	Determined by Primary Provider*

*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 - 5,000
U.S. Expenses	Determined by Primary Provider
Foreign Country Program Expenses	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-Adoption Reports	\$1,500 - 3,250
Third Party - General	Determined by Primary Provider
Third Party - Travel & Accommodations	Determined by Primary Provider

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. Please consult Primary Provider for travel needs and estimated costs.

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.
- **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>.

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)

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 contribution and the manner in which the transaction 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).