

GRANT PROGRAMS

Parents may be eligible to receive a loan or grant to defray some of their adoption costs. Each grant or loan program determines eligibility requirements. Usually grants are not given until you have a completed home study. Also, you may be required to be pursuing a specific country program, as you will most likely need a letter from your placing agency. If you are pursuing a domestic adoption, most likely you will have to use the services of an accredited adoption agency and not just the services of a private attorney.

LIFESONG FOR ORPHANS INTERNATIONAL

www.lifesongfororphans.org

Offers grants and loans. Also, will work with your church in providing grants and loans through donations. 100 percent of all funds given go directly to the adoption.

SHOW HOPE (FORMERLY SHAOHANNAH'S HOPE)

www.showhope.org

Steven Curtis Chapman's organization offers grants. This excellent organization is also devoted to the ministry of orphans around the world through donations and missions opportunities.

AVA'S HOPE

www.avashope.org

Assists families by raising funds for adoption.

Accepts new applications only when there are an excess of funds.

BOATNER FAMILY FOUNDATION

It is reported that this foundation provides grants from \$1,000 to \$10,000. They require an agency approval, a financial statement, and a formal application. Contact:

Boatner Family Foundation

P.O. Box 132272

The Woodlands, Texas 77393-2272

BOTH HANDS

www.bothhands.com

This organization, an affiliate of LifeSong for Orphans, cares for orphans on one hand, and widows on the other. They do this by selecting a widow in need of help, such as a home improvement project. Then people work on the project, and get family and friends to sponsor their labor financially. The money goes to adoption grants.

BRIGHT FUTURE ADOPTION FOUNDATION

www.bfaf.org

Provides funding in the form of gifts and grants to people in need of financial help with their adoptions, as well as supporting organizations in their efforts to advance domestic and international adoption.

CADMAN FOUNDATION

www.cadmanfoundation.org

Provides grants to families adopting internationally.

CHINA CARE FOUNDATION

www.chinacare.org

Provides financial aid in grants or low interest loans to families who are adopting special needs children from China.

CAROLINE'S PROMISE

www.carolinespromise4u.org

Provides grant funding to Christian adoptive families who reside in either North or South Carolina.

A CHILD OF THE KING

www.childofthekingfund.org

A South Carolina based non-profit organization that provides grants to Christian families adopting domestically or internationally.

DAVE THOMAS FOUNDATION

www.davethomasfoundation.org/Our-Work/Adoption-Friendly-Workplace

This program provides information about adoption benefits to employers and employees in both the public and private sectors. Funded by the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption, the project maintains a database of employers with adoption benefits—financial reimbursement, paid and/or unpaid leave time, and resource and referral services. This list is updated regularly. As a result of this program, more than 250 employers have implemented or improved adoption benefits, impacting 1.5 million employees nationwide.

THE GIFT OF ADOPTION FUND

www.giftofadoption.org

The Gift of Adoption Fund is a non-profit foundation funding donations and fundraising events. Gift of Adoption Fund is established to assist adoptive parents by providing cash grants to subsidize a portion of the costs of adoption. Grants are awarded on a monthly basis with sums ranging from \$500 to \$7,500. The grants are available to single parents, families with previous children, and prospective adoptive parents who are adopting internationally, independently or through an agency.

GOD'S GRACE ADOPTION MINISTRY

www.ggam.org

Grants for Christian families that meet income guidelines

HELPUADOPT

www.helpusadopt.org

This organization provides grants for domestic and international adoptions. Families must demonstrate a financial need and have a completed homestudy to apply.

HIV TO HOME

<http://www.fromhivtohome.org/family-grants/>

This organization provides grants to families adopting children who are HIV positive or have other significant health issues.

KATELYN'S FUND ORPHAN MINISTRY

<http://katelynsfund.org>

An adoption advocacy organization that also provides a limited number of grants.

LAILA ROSE FOUNDATION

Contact Nightlight for more information. Provides financial assistance to meet the medical and/or surgical needs of foreign-born adopted children and their adoptive families.

LYDIA FUND (LET YOUTHS BE DELIVERED FROM INSTITUTIONS BY ADOPTION)

www.lydiafund.org

Provides financial assistance to Christian couples who are adopting internationally.

MICAH FUND (MINORITY INFANT AND CHILDREN ADOPTION HELP)

www.micahfund.org

Provides financial assistance to families in Minnesota domestically adopting a Black or Bi-racial infant or child.

THE NATIONAL ADOPTION FOUNDATION GRANT PROGRAM

www.nafadopt.org/how-we-can-help/how-we-can-help.shtml

Families can apply to this foundation for an outright grant. The grant program is open to all legal adoptions including public or private agency adoptions, international, special needs or adoptions facilitated by an attorney. There is no income requirement. There is a simple one-page application and the only requirement to apply is a home study, or one in progress. The Foundation's board meets four times a year, during the last week of each quarter, to award grants in amounts ranging from \$500 to \$4000.

SEA OF FACES FOUNDATION

www.seoffaces.org

Grants are available to Christian, heterosexual couples, with a completed home study and who are working with a licensed and accredited agency. Grants are given up to \$5,000 and are given in the months of March, June, September and December. Families must have a referral before grants is given. A \$5 donation is requested at time of application.

SPARROW FUND

www.sparrow-fund.org

The Sparrow Fund is a grant for people who adopt children with medical needs. This fund covers some of the initial medical costs.

SPECIAL NEEDS ADOPTIONS

NORTH AMERICAN COUNCIL ON ADOPTIVE CHILDREN STATE ADOPTION SUBSIDY

www.nacac.org/adoptionssubsidy/adoptionssubsidy.html

NACAC's Adoption Subsidy Resource Center. Check to see if your state will provide one-time reimbursement for non-recurring subsidy of an adopted child. Amounts vary by state up to \$2000 per child, and require that the child meet state criteria of having a "special need" to receive the subsidy. In nearly all instances, internationally adopted children are not eligible for these subsidies.

ZOE FOUNDATION

www.zoefoundation.org

This organization assists families who are adopting children with Down syndrome.

MILITARY ADOPTIONS

MILITARY ADOPTION REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

www.militaryfamily.org/your-benefits/adoption/

Within this program, the military will reimburse active-duty personnel for most one-time adoption costs up to \$2000 per child. Travel costs, foreign or domestic, are not covered. If you adopt more than one child, only up to \$5,000 can be reimbursed in a given year, even if both parents are in the military. Reimbursement is made only after the adoption is finalized and only if the adoption was completed through a state or a non-profit licensed adoption agency. Fees that can be reimbursed include adoption, legal, and placement fees, court costs, and birth mother expenses. Eligible personnel should complete DD form 2673 (Reimbursement for Adoption Expense). Contact your local Personnel Support Unit for more information. Certain Immigration fees are waived for adoptive military families.