



Lutheran Child and Family Services of Illinois

INTERCOUNTRY ADOPTION FEE SCHEDULE

The following is a breakdown of the fee and payment expectations for the adoption home study and post-placement services for an international adoption.

Application Fee **\$ 350.00**
Non-refundable

Home Preparation Study **\$3000.00**
One half (\$1500) is due at the first interview, the remainder (\$1500) is due at the final interview.

The home study will be written and submitted to the Primary Adoption Service Provider agency or agent and/or family **after all fees are paid.**

After a home study has been finalized and released, any significant changes in the prospective adoptive family's situation or in the recommendation for the type of child to be adopted will require a Home Study Update. A home study update is also required when USCIS I600A or I800A approval expires or the Primary Adoption Service Provider requires an update. The charge for a Home Study Update is \$800. After a child is placed in the home, the home study or update is no longer valid.

All prospective adoptive parents are required to obtain intercountry adoption training and CPR. The estimated costs for this training begin at \$200 and can be higher depending upon the number of hours of training required for a particular adoption plan. There are additional expenses related to any intercountry adoption including fees to obtain criminal and child abuse clearances, international fees paid to the Primary Adoption Service Provider, fees related to obtaining the child's visa paid to the United States Citizenship and Immigration Service and expenses associated with travel to the foreign country.

Post-placement/Post-adoption visits are \$400 for each child.

A post-placement/post-adoption visit is required by LCFS within a month after your return home with a child. The total number of visits will be determined by LCFS and/or your placing agency and/or country requirements. Post-placement fees include the final report to the court, if applicable. Post-placement /post-adoption fees are required to be paid upon completion of your home study.

A surcharge of \$150 will be charged to cover additional mileage and travel time for home studies, home study updates and post-placements when the client's home is in excess of 150 miles round trip from the agency's adoption offices (Oak Brook, Springfield or Belleville).

**Fees are subject to change. Clients will be charged fees that are current at the time of service delivery.*

I/We have read and understood the above fee agreement with Lutheran Child and Family Services and by virtue of signature agree to the stated terms.

Client

Client

Sept. 2019

Date