



2025 INTERNATIONAL ADOPTION FEES SOUTHERN STATES

TYPE OF FEE	EXPLANATION	DUE	AMOUNT
Application			
Application	Includes reviewing and processing an application. Also includes assigning a program coordinator, social worker or other staff member as needed.	Due when an application is submitted; <i>Non-refundable</i>	\$550
Home Study Services			
Home Study	For first-time families when AFC completes the home study. Includes all home visits, interviews, and social worker travel, as well as, preparing, writing, and completing the home study report.	Due prior to beginning home study; <i>Refundable prior to services beginning; Half-refundable after orientation and before home study begins; Non-refundable after first home study meeting</i>	For PAPs using AFC's home study and post-placement/post-adoption services: \$2,350 Estimated costs for PAPs using a different agency: \$1500-\$3500
Subsequent Home Study	For families who have adopted previously through AFC and are starting a new home study to adopt another child. Includes all home visits, interviews, and social worker travel, as well as preparing, writing, and completing the home study report.	Due prior to beginning home study; <i>Refundable prior to services beginning. Half-refundable after orientation and before home study begins. Non-refundable after first home study meeting</i>	\$1,900 May or may not affect PAPs using a different agency
Home Study Review	For families who work with a different home study provider; covers the home study review process and approval process.	Due prior to home study being reviewed; <i>Non-refundable</i>	\$600
Home Study Update	Includes a home visit, updating/rewriting the home study, and agency services to update and process paperwork when a family has not yet adopted and their home study is expiring.	Due prior to beginning home study update <i>Non-refundable after work begins</i>	For PAPs using AFC's home study and post-placement/post-adoption services: \$800 Estimated costs for PAPs using a different agency: \$750-\$2000



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Home Study Change	Includes modifying the home study at the request of the family (due to a move, change in child requested, other changes in the household) when information must be changed, edited, added, or amended.	Due prior to services being rendered; <i>Non-refundable</i>	For PAPs using AFC's home study and post-placement/post-adoption services: \$300 -no home visit required \$600-home visit required Estimated costs for PAPs using a different agency: \$0-\$1000
Home Study Revision	Includes revising home study due to an RFE, program/country requirements change, etc. <u>NOTE: no fee is due if the revision is due because of an agency error; information</u>	Due prior to services being rendered; <i>Non-refundable</i>	For PAPs using AFC's home study and post-placement/post-adoption services: \$0/revision due to agency error; \$250/revision for all other reasons Estimated costs for PAPs using a different agency: \$0-\$500
Home Study Re-issue	Includes re-issuing a home study when families miss inaccuracies or change their preferences, and the home study was already finalized. All PAPs review and approve their home study, which is finalized based upon their approval. If issues are not discovered until after it has been finalized, the home study will need to be corrected and re-issued.	<i>Non-refundable</i>	For PAPs using AFC's home study and post-placement/post-adoption services: \$250/re-issue Estimated costs for PAPs using a



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			different agency: \$0-\$500
Home Study Administration	Includes all administrative services related to running clearances, tracking documents, printing, copying, notarizing a home study	Due prior to home study services being rendered. <i>Non-refundable once home study services begin</i>	For PAPs using AFC's home study and post-placement/post-adoption services \$300 \$200-home study update Estimated costs for PAPs using a different agency: \$0-\$1000
Home Study Travel and Mileage	\$100 per family for initial and subsequent home study Additional mileage and travel fees (to be determined on a case-by-case basis) will be assessed for home studies, subsequent home studies, and home study updates when a worker needs to travel more than 100 miles to conduct a home visit	Due prior to home study services being rendered. <i>Non-refundable after travel has taken place.</i>	For PAPs using AFC's home study and post-placement/post-adoption services: \$100 per family; additional fees may apply on a case-by-case basis Estimated costs for PAPs using a different agency: \$0-\$350
Technology	Includes access to family portal and other technology; NOTE: This fee applies regardless of whether or not the family creates and utilizes our online portal services	Due prior to beginning home study OR when services begin <i>Non-refundable once home study services begin</i>	For PAPs using AFC's home study and post-placement/post-adoption services: \$150



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			Estimated costs for PAPs using a different agency: \$0-\$500
Post-Placement/Post-Adoption			
Refundable Post-Placement Deposit	This deposit is held until all required and requested post-placement services have been completed and the following documents have been provided: • US finalization certificate or Certificate of recognition of an Adoption in a foreign country • US birth certificate/foreign adoption certificate • US Certificate of Citizenship Once all post-placement services have been completed and these documents have been provided, this deposit is refunded		\$1,000
International Administrative Services			
Hague Monitoring and Oversight	Includes fee paid for monitoring and oversight of all international adoptions	Due upon application to an international program or upon receipt of an invoice <i>Non-refundable</i>	\$850 per child referred
Annual Services	Includes ongoing support services, communications, monitoring, and updates during the waiting period	Due every January (first year waived for those who apply during the last half of the year) <i>Non-refundable</i>	\$250
International Administration	Includes coordination of services, program development/maintenance, administrative services, communications, operations, family outreach, preparation, and support.	Due upon completion of the home study or when a home study is submitted for review. <i>Non-refundable</i>	\$5,100
Donation	Includes a donation for international humanitarian aid to benefit children worldwide	Due upon completion of the home study or when a home study is submitted for review. <i>Non-refundable</i>	\$500
Dossier Prep, document translation, notarization, and certification	Includes preparation, coordination, communication, and mailings related to preparing a dossier	Due upon completion of the home study or when a home study is submitted for review <i>Non-refundable</i>	\$2,000



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Bulgaria			
Program Coordination	Includes program development and support, services provided in the US, travel orientation, monitoring international foreign providers and Hague compliance	Due prior to dossier being sent <i>Non-refundable</i>	\$5,000
Placement Fee	Includes medical/ court costs, legal fees, child-related costs, operating costs in- country, preparation, and processing documents, referral, placement, coordination of services	Due upon acceptance of a referral <i>Non-refundable if placement occurs or if the family withdraws; if placement falls through, any unused fees (at least half of the placement fee) will be refunded</i>	\$12,500-child without major special needs \$6,500-waiting child with special needs Additional \$7,000 when adopting a sibling pair without special needs; additional \$6,000 when adopting a sibling pair with special needs
Post-Adoption Services	6 reports due at 6, 12, 18, 30, 36 months post-adoption	Due upon completion of the home study <i>Non-refundable once services are provided or if a family remains in the program</i>	For PAPs using AFC's home study and post-placement/post-adoption services: \$2,400+ \$200 admin = \$2.600 Estimated costs for PAPs using a different agency: \$2,300-\$3,250



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Post-Adoption Administration	Includes the administration, coordination, and translation of post- placement/post-adoption reports	Due upon acceptance of a referral <i>Non-refundable if placement occurs; if placement does not occur, this fee will be refunded</i>	\$500
Colombia			
Program Coordination	Includes program development and support, travel orientation, monitoring international foreign providers and Hague compliance	Due prior to dossier being sent <i>Non-refundable</i>	\$9,000
Country Fee	Includes dossier processing, translation, presentation, and communication with ICBF, office & staff expenses, adoption-related travel, legal costs and attorney fees, certified copies of adoption decree and child's birth certificate, child's medical exam required for child's visa, Colombian passport, and photos for each child <i>*ICBF does not charge any fees for adoption services.</i>	Due upon acceptance of a referral <i>Non-refundable if placement occurs or if the family withdraws; if placement falls through, any unused fees (at least half of the placement fee) will be refunded</i>	\$9,000-when adopting one child Additional \$5,000 when adopting a sibling pair
Post-Adoption Services	For children under 8 years old, 4 reports at 6, 12, 18, & 24-months post-adoption For children 8 years and older, 6 reports at 6, 12, 18, 24, 30 & 36-months post-adoption	Due upon completion of the home study <i>Non-refundable once services are provided or if a family remains in the program</i>	For PAPs using AFC's home study and post-placement/post-adoption services: Children under 8: \$1,600 + \$200 admin = \$1,800 Children 8+: \$2,400 + \$200 admin = \$2,600 Estimated costs for PAPs using a different agency: \$1,500-\$3,500
Post-Adoption Administration	Includes the administration, coordination, and translation of post- placement/post-adoption reports	Due upon acceptance of a referral	\$1,000



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		<i>Non-refundable if placement occurs; if placement does not occur, this fee will be refunded</i>	
(China) Hong Kong			
Program Coordination	Includes program development and support, services provided in the US, travel orientation, monitoring international foreign providers and Hague compliance	Due prior to dossier being sent <i>Non-refundable</i>	\$6,000
Country Fee	Includes communication with ISS, ISS registration fee, operating costs in- country, preparation, and processing documents, referral, placement, coordination of services in compliance with Hague regulations	Due upon acceptance of a referral <i>Non-refundable if placement occurs or if the family withdraws; if placement falls through, any unused fees (at least half of the placement fee) will be refunded</i>	\$6,000
Post-Placement Services	4 reports due at 1, 3, 6, & 12-months after placement	Due upon completion of the home study <i>Non-refundable once services are provided or if a family remains in the program</i>	For PAPs using AFC's home study and post-placement/post-adoption services: \$1600+ \$200 admin = \$2,000 Estimated costs for PAPs using a different agency: \$1800-\$2,800
Post-Placement Administration	Includes the administration, coordination, translation and transmission of post- placement/post-adoption reports	Due upon acceptance of a referral <i>Non-refundable if placement occurs or if the family withdraws; if placement falls through, this fee will be refunded</i>	\$450
Hungary			
Program Coordination	Includes program development and support, services provided in the US, travel orientation, monitoring international foreign providers and Hague compliance; also includes dossier processing, translation, presentation, and communication with government officials, obtaining	Due prior to dossier being sent <i>Non-refundable</i>	\$7,500



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	information about potential referrals, office and staff expenses, adoption-related support		
Placement Fee	Includes medical/ court costs, legal fees, child-related costs, operating costs in- country, preparation, and processing documents, referral, placement, coordination of services	Due upon acceptance of a referral <i>Non-refundable if placement occurs or if the family withdraws; if placement falls through, any unused fees (at least half of the placement fee) will be refunded</i>	\$11,000 Additional \$7,500 when adopting a sibling pair
Post-Adoption Services	2 reports due at 2 and 12- months post-adoption For NJ families ONLY: additional report due 30 days/additional \$475)	Due upon completion of the home study <i>Non-refundable once services are provided or if a family remains in the program</i>	For PAPs using AFC's home study and post-placement/post-adoption services: \$800+ \$200 admin = \$1,000 Estimated costs for PAPs using a different agency: \$800-\$1800
Post-Adoption Administration	Includes the administration, coordination, and translation of post- placement/post-adoption reports	Due upon acceptance of a referral <i>Non-refundable if placement occurs or if the family withdraws; if placement falls through, this fee will be refunded</i>	\$450
Vietnam			
State Department and Embassy Seals and Authentication	Includes the cost of certification and authentication seals for all documents	Due upon completion of the home study <i>Non-refundable</i>	Varies; estimated range \$700-\$1800
Program Coordination	Includes program development and support, services provided in the US, travel orientation, monitoring international foreign providers and Hague compliance	Due prior to dossier being sent <i>Non-refundable</i>	\$6,500
Placement	Includes medical/ court costs, legal fees, child-related costs, operating costs in- country, preparation, and processing	Due upon acceptance of a referral	\$11,250



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	documents, referral, placement, coordination of services	<i>Non-refundable if placement occurs or if the family withdraws; if placement falls through, any unused fees (at least half of the placement fee) will be refunded</i>	Additional \$7,500 when adopting a sibling pair
Post-Adoption Services	Three agency reports at 1, 6, 12 months after adoption Four additional self-reports completed by the adoptive family	Due upon completion of the home study <i>Non-refundable once services are provided or if a family remains in the program</i>	For PAPs using AFC's home study and post-placement/post-adoption services: \$1,200 + \$200 admin = \$1,400 Estimated costs for PAPs using a different agency: \$1,000-\$2,300
Post-Adoption Administration	Includes the administration, coordination, and translation of post- placement/post-adoption reports	Due upon acceptance of a referral <i>Non-refundable if placement occurs or if the family withdraws; if placement falls through, any unused fees (at least half of the placement fee) will be refunded</i>	\$1,000
DOA Settlement	Includes intercountry adoption collaboration with the DOA (The Department of Adoption) in Hanoi.	Due upon acceptance of a referral <i>Non-refundable</i>	\$2,250

Additional Possible Expenses:

- Parent Education and Training: \$130-\$500
- Psychological Evaluation, if applicable: \$500-\$2000
- Travel Expenses: varies, estimated as follows
 - Airfare \$800-\$4,000
 - Lodging: \$2,000-\$5,000
 - Meals: \$1,000-\$3,000
 - Transportation/Drivers: \$500-\$1,500
 - Translators: \$100-\$600
 - Miscellaneous: \$350-\$1,000



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- Expedited Home Study: \$600
- FBI Fingerprinting/ Approval, if applicable: \$50 per adult
- USCIS: \$920
- Medical Exam for Visa: \$75-\$500
- Child's Visa: \$325
- Adoption Visa (Colombia): \$265
- Additional Translation of Medical Information (Colombia): \$15/page
- Child's Passport and Photos: \$65-\$150
- Adoption Finalization/ Re-finalization, if applicable: \$1,000-\$2,000
- Insufficient Funds Fee: \$50

Refund Policy:

- All fees are non-refundable unless otherwise noted
- Refunds must be accompanied by a signed refund request and approved by executive management
- All refunds must be requested within six months of when services ended/services had been rendered
- Refunds will be made within 30 days of receipt of the refund request

All fees are subject to change and are charged at the rate that is current at time of billing. The agency may increase fees if our direct costs (e.g. gasoline for travel costs, a third party's legal services fee, etc.) increase substantially after an application has been submitted. Families will be notified in writing of any fee increase.

We/I have read this fee agreement in its entirety, understand what fees are due and when, and what fees may be refunded. We/I agree to pay fees as listed, and abide by payment/refund policies and procedures.

Name, Printed

Signature and Date

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