

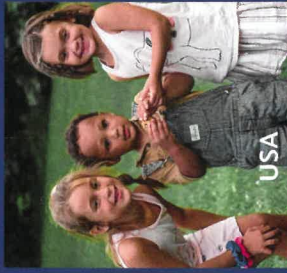
## Domestic Grants

### When to Apply

Applications are accepted after a family has a completed homestudy and prior to finalization.

### Grants for All Children

- Private Adoptions of Newborns, Older Children, Children with Special Needs and Sibling Groups
- Foster Children if Expenses are not Covered by the State
- Children from an Adoption Disruption/Dissoolution



### Grant Disbursement

Grant funds are intended for final adoption costs. These costs may include attorney fees, agency fees, travel and other adoption related expenses and are not released until after Termination of Parental Rights (TPR).

Since its inception, we have helped children from 63 countries come home to all 50 United States and 3 Canadian provinces.



## General Adoption Information

### Criteria to Apply

We accept grant applications from United States or Canadian citizens who are adopting domestically or internationally and loan applications from United States citizens who are adopting internationally.

Applications are available on our website. For international adoption the agency must be licensed and accredited. For domestic adoption, the family must be working with a licensed agency, attorney or an experienced and state approved adoption professional.

A Child Waits accepts applications regardless of race, age, ethnicity, religion, gender, marital status, sexual orientation or disability. We welcome applications from singles and couples.

### Grant and Loan Funding Decisions

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis with no formal deadlines. Grants and loans are awarded and disbursed every week. Grants will not exceed \$7,500 and the maximum loan amount is \$10,000. If a family applies for and is approved for both programs, total funding will not exceed \$10,000.



## International Grants and Loans

### When to Apply

Submit the application after you have chosen an adoption agency and completed a home study.

### Grant and Loan Funding

Grants and loans can be used for all adoption costs including travel and in-country expenses. Funds can be sent to the family if all agency fees are paid. Funds are usually released once the family has final travel approval to bring their child home.

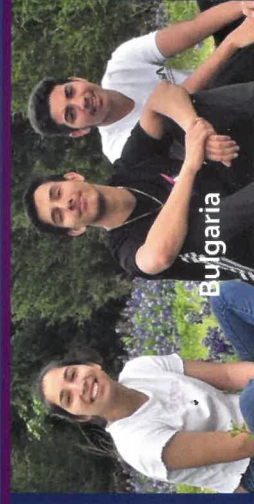


### Loan Applicant Qualifications

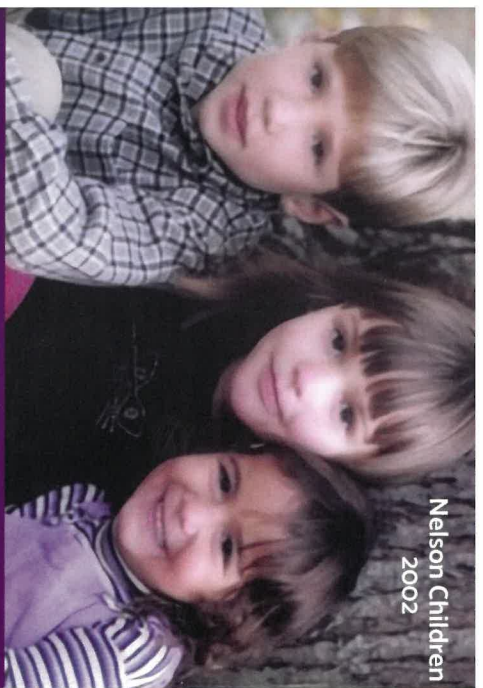
- United States Citizens
- Adopting Internationally
- Credit without Serious Delinquencies
- Financial Ability to Make Loan Payments
- Ability to Obtain a Qualified Co-Signer

### Loan Terms

The loan term is 5 years with a fixed rate of 3% and maximum loan amount of \$10,000.







Nelson Children  
2002

### How the Foundation Began *Cynthia and Randolph Nelson*

In 1995, as we left Russia with our 1 year old daughter and 3 year old son safely in our arms, we couldn't forget the children left behind. After returning home, we watched as our children magnetically attracted friends, family and acquaintances in a way that motivated other families to follow their own path towards adoption. Many families soon realized adoption costs were high and it would be difficult for them to continue without financial help.

With this as motivation, in 1998 we established A Child Waits as a 501c3 charitable foundation. We began with a small program that provided low-interest loans for international adoption, expanded in 2002 to include international adoption grants and expanded again in 2019 to include domestic adoption grants. In 2001, we completed our personal adoption journey when we adopted our 3 year old daughter from Romania.

### Mission Statement

Our mission is to promote the International and Domestic Adoption of children and babies who are currently living without the love and security of a permanent family by offering grants and loans to adoptive parents.

## Countries of Origin in 2022

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|--------------------|---------------|
| Albania            | Malawi        |
| Bulgaria           | Morocco       |
| Burundi            | Nigeria       |
| Canada             | Philippines   |
| Columbia           | Poland        |
| Costa Rica         | South Africa  |
| Djibouti           | South Korea   |
| Dominican Republic | Serbia        |
| Ghana              | Taiwan        |
| Haiti              | Thailand      |
| India              | Ukraine       |
| Lesotho            | Vietnam       |
| Liberia            | United States |



China

## A Child Waits Foundation Grants and Loans for Adoption

### International & Domestic Adoption

A Child Waits Foundation awards grants for International and Domestic Adoption & provides loans for International Adoption.

There are no application deadlines or funding cycles and families receive grants and low-interest loans on a weekly basis.

### Happy Endings

Our Foundation has helped more than 2,900 children come home to 2,335 families. In the last 2 years we helped over 300 families, which resulted in the adoption of 371 children.

### A Child Waits Foundation

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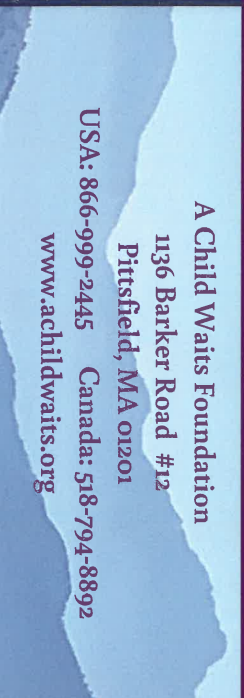
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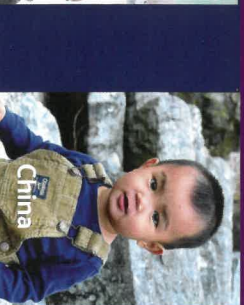
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