



ADOPTION FUNDING PROCESS

Christians everywhere are hearing the call of God to adopt. God cares for the orphans and He is leading His own children to care for these abandoned and neglected little ones in the permanent embrace of adoption. Adoption is a Kingdom activity. It is a lifetime call to do by choice what most couples do naturally, rear a child in the fear and admonition of the Lord.

Funding your adoption through CAFA is not by means of a grant, loan or gift from this ministry, but by inviting others to participate with you financially in this blessed event. Scriptures make clear that it is more blessed to give than receive (Acts 20:35) and that when we give and sow we will in turn reap and be blessed (Luke 6:38; Gal. 6:7). By asking for support for your adoption you are opening a door of opportunity to others to participate in the cause of the fatherless.

Working together we want to help you in raising up to one half of the cost of your adoption. Any funds raised beyond the goal will be used to further the ministry of CAFA and to assist other orphans find their place in loving Christian families

CAFA Funding Process:

1. Request an application, complete it and return to our office with three reference letters.
2. Your "Home Study" must be complete before the application is approved.
3. After approval by our Board of Directors, you will be sent a letter of acceptance along with our "Adoption Funding Agreement" which needs to be signed, notarized, and returned to our office.
4. You will need to determine how many fund raising packets you will be mailing to relatives, friends, business contacts, and anyone who you feel is interested and cares about your adoption. *(Do not send funding packets to any foundations like: Dave Thomas, Target, Wal-Mart etc...)*
5. Each fund raising packet includes:
 - CAFA's fundraising letter
 - Your own personal "adoption story letter" containing how God has led you to adopt, where you are in the adoption process, your child's information, and pictures.
 - CAFA brochure
 - Response card *(please write your name on each card)*
 - Return envelope *(affix postage)*
6. Prepare and mail each of your funding packets. *(Have your funding packets weighed at the post office and affix the right amount of postage.)*
7. Make follow up calls to each person on your mailing list after you have sent out the funding packets.
8. Send regular adoption updates to the people on your mailing list.
9. Donated funds are sent directly to CAFA and tax-deductible receipts are sent to donors.
10. CAFA board will determine on a monthly basis how much money will be disbursed. No financial information will be released over the phone.
11. Checks will be sent monthly.

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Christian Advocates For Adoption
P.O. Box 364
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CONFIDENTIAL CLIENT APPLICATION

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PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Husband's Full Name: SS# Age:
Wife's Full Name: SS# Age:
Street Address: City: ST: Zip:
Home Phone: Work Phone:
Email: Date of Marriage: Number of Children:
Names & Ages of Biological Children:
Names & Ages of Adoptive Children:
Church Name: Denomination:
Explain your church involvement:

WORK INFORMATION:

Husband's Employer: Years employed:
Contact/Reference: Phone:
Wife's employer: Years employed:
Contact/reference: Phone:

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Annual household income estimated for this year: Last Year:
Adoption Costs Paid (as of this date): \$ Estimated Cost of Adoption:

REFERENCE INFORMATION:

- 1. Please have your Pastor or Elder write a brief reference letter
2. In addition we request two personal letters of reference, preferably from non-family members who have known you at least three years.
3. Please enclose these references along with your completed application.

ADOPTION STATUS:

Home Study complete? Yes / No Date completed:

NOTE: Home Study must be completed before application will be approved.

Do you have a specific child identified already for this adoption? Yes / No

Child's Full Name: Age: Sex :

Domestic Foreign Country

Do you plan on adopting an Older / Special Needs Child?

Adoption Agency:

Street Address: City: ST: Zip:

Contact person: Phone:

OFFICE USE ONLY



On a separate sheet of paper please share the following:

- 1. How did you hear about CAFA?**
- 2. Please share with us the story of how God has led you to adopt.**
- 2. Husband's Testimony**
- 3. Wife's Testimony**
- 4. Date and Signature of both Husband and Wife**

Please mail your completed application to:

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