

Adoption Foundations, Grants, and Other Programs

- **A Child Waits** (www.achildwaits.org)
This organization provides loans up to \$10,000 for one child. They are interested in assisting families who can financially support a child and repay the loan, but who do not have the current funds to adopt. 1136 Barker Rd., Pittsfield, MA 01201.
(866)999-02445 Email: achildwaits@poboxes.com
- **Adopt Share** (www.adoptshare.org)
A Christian ministry offering assistance with expenses involved in adoption.
- **AdoptionFinancing.com** (www.adoptionfinancing.com)
AdoptionFinancing.com is now offering a brand new financing program for adoption. Fill Out the application at AdoptionFinancing.com and they will work with their network of more than 30 lenders to find the right financing for your needs.
- **Advanced Patient Financing** (www.advancedpatient.com)
Originally financed medical bills and have subsequently branched out into adoption.
Contact: Jay Greenberg (800)672-8690
- **The Boatner Family Foundation**
A small foundation which provides grants from \$1,000 to \$10,000. Requirement include an agency approval, a financial statement, and a formal application. For more information, contact: The Boatner Foundation, P.O. Box 132272, The Woodlands, Texas 77393-2272
- **Bright Futures** (www.homestead.com/brightfutures.com)
A non-profit foundation which offers small grants to facilitate international adoptions.
- **Capital One** (www.222.capitalone.com)
Offering a credit card with a limit of up to \$20,000 at a fixed rate of 9.9% over the long term (not just an introductory rate).
- **Chance for a Child** (www.i-a-a.org/chanceforachild.com)
A Chance for a Child is a non-profit organization created to provide financial assistance to adopting families or to children waiting to be adopted, both domestically and internationally. They are governed by a caring board of directors whose mission is to award funding necessary to allow as many waiting children as possible the chance for their forever family.
- **China Care Foundation** (www.chinacare.org/adoptions.html)
China Care is especially interested in helping families who are adopting special needs children. Many mildly disabled children, such as those with a cleft lip and clubfoot, can be made healthy through surgery and lead completely normal lives in American families.
Greenwich Ave. Post Office P.O. Box 142, Greenwich, CT 06807 (203)861-6395

- **Christian Adoption Resources, Inc.** (www.christianadoptionresources.org)
- **Gift of Adoption Fund** (www.jsw-adoption.org)
(formerly JSW Adoption Foundation) JSW Adoption Foundation was established to help adoptive parents by subsidizing a portion of the adoption cost. Grants are awarded monthly, and are usually in excess of \$2,000. Any adoptive family may apply. Requirements include an approved home study and financial need. Preference is given to families without children.
- **God's Grace Adoption Ministry** (www.ggam.org/main.html)
A non-profit organization that helps Christian adoptive parents overcome the financial obstacles of adopting children. Assistance is available in the form of grants based on financial needs, and also interest free loans. God's Grace Adoption Ministry, P.O. Box 4, Modesto, CA 95353 or email: info@ggam.org
- **Helping Kids Cope** (www.helpingkidscope.com/request-help.html)
Helping Kids Cope helps adoptive parents who are homestudy ready to defray the cost of the adoption services. They are aware that there are many families that can afford all the adoption fees, but if they can help with some of those fees, then the family's finances could go toward that child's future.
- **His Kids, Too!** (www.hiskidstoo.org/AdoptionGrants.html)
His Kids, Too! provides financial assistance to those adopting international through a select group of agencies. His Kids, Too! provides an adoption grant of up to \$2,000 for one child, and up to \$4,000 for 2 children. Grants are paid directly to the agency or facilitation service. (For independent adoptions, grants are approved on a case-by-case basis.)
- **International Care, Inc.** (www.intlcare.org)
Mission is to provide a way for international orphans to be adopted by loving families. Grants of up to \$10,000 awarded to families adopting international orphans. Provides items for families to sell (cookbooks, audio CDs, t-shirts, polo shirts, etc.)
- **International Adoption Assistance Foundation, Inc.**
6420 Tokeneak Trail, Mobile, AL 36695-2490 Contact: Donald L Parker or Linda J. Bushy—Directors. Phone: (334)633-4300
- **MBNA** (www.nbna.com)
Offers private, unsecured adoption loans at competitive rates.
- **National Adoption Foundation** (www.nafadopt.org/nafgrants.html)

This organization awards grants four times a year and has no income requirements. The grants range in amount from \$500 to \$4,000. This foundation also has a loan program (www.nafadopt.org/loanprograms). Provides unsecured loans available for adoption-related costs. (888)627-8767

- **Ours By Grace** (www.oursbygrace.com)
Ours By Grace offers several different fundraising events to raise money to distribute as grants to families needing financial assistance during their adoption process. All grants will be given through the adoptive parent's attorney agency, to ensure the proper family gets the funds based on the information received from the attorney or agency. Ours By Grace, c/o Kim Green, 225 N. Third St., Brighton, MI 48116 (810)844-0278. Email: kimgreen@oursbygrace.com
- **Shaohannah's Hope** (www.shaohannahshope.com)
- **Siblings Adoption Grants** (www.siblingsadoption.com)
Siblings Adoption offers grants for qualified families toward international adoption. Grants are as follows: \$2,000 per one child, \$4,000 for 2 children. Please send us a letter explaining why it is a hardship for you. Siblings Adoption, Attn. Grant Request, 508 High Point Drive, Golden, CO 80403 (303)216-9009
- **The Manna Group** (www.themannagroup.com)
- **US Bank** (www.usbank.com/cgi_w/cfm/personal/achieve_goals)
*click on: Becoming a parent
Contact: Vicky Person (425)227-4710

Fundraising Ideas for Families

Send letters to family, friends, and business acquaintances asking for donations for your adoption expenses. Provide address of agency so gifts can be anonymous.

Tell everyone you know what you are doing.

Start a money jug.

Have a big garage sale with donated items. Ask a local business or your church if you can hold it in their parking lot. Find a good location!

Host a dinner, have entertainment, and charge admission.

Sell hotdogs and drinks at Home Depot or Lowes.

Work at a sporting event concession—requires a non-profit status.

Mow lawns.

Have a carnival for kids. Some ideas: cupcake walk, bingo, popcorn or sodas, face painting booth, basketball throw, picture made with a clown, etc.
Craft sale.

Bake sale. Get friends or family to donate baked goods.