



Financial Resources 2020

Please note, inclusion in this list is not necessarily an endorsement by ACI. Families should review grant requirements carefully and confirm application deadlines.

Resource	Category	Application Deadline	Notes
A Child Waits Foundation (Grants, Loans)	International Domestic	Rolling	Grant amounts will usually not exceed \$7,000. Financial assistance is based on the following: needs of the child, financial ability of the PAPs, number of applicants being considered and availability of funds
Adopt Together (Crowdfunding platform and grants)	International Domestic Foster Care Special Needs	Rolling	Individuals grants are reviewed regularly by the Board, normally once per month.
Cade Foundation's Family Building Grant (Grants)	Domestic Only	Applications must be received by February 1 for the Spring grant review and July 1st for the Fall grant review	Must have medical diagnosis of infertility. Grant awards are up to \$10,000 per family.
CMomA Gifting Program (Grants)	International Domestic Foster Care Special Needs	Rolling	The CMomA Gifting Program Objective is to give up to ten \$5,000 CMomA Grants per year to eligible new parents adopting older children in need (age 2-17) or special needs children of all ages, both domestically and internationally.
Dream4Adoption	International Domestic Foster Care Special Needs	The grant cycle will begin November 1, 2019, and end March 31, 2020	\$1,500 grants paid to agency. \$500 paid to family after placement
Gift of Adoption (Grant)	International Domestic Foster Care Special Needs	Rolling	Adoption assistance grants range from \$1,000 to \$10,000

Help Us Adopt (Grant)	International Domestic Foster Care Special Needs	Grants are awarded 4 times per year. Application deadlines can be found on website	Must demonstrate financial obstacles and the need for financial assistance. Each grant award is between \$500-\$15,000. The amount awarded is determined based on the amount requested and demonstrated need.
Stone Family Adoption Assistance Fund (Grants)	International Domestic Foster Care Special Needs	Completed applications are reviewed by the Executive Committee on a quarterly basis.	Applicants are required to demonstrate their financial need based on income and assets. The grants range in size from \$2,000 to \$5,000 depending on the individual circumstances of the grantee.
The Life Foundation (Grants)	International Domestic Embryo	Will be opening up grants again around April 2020	Life Foundation awards grants for eligible costs towards building a family, including adoption. Maximum award is \$10,000. Annual household income must be less than \$150,000
National Adoption Foundation (Grants and Loans)	International Domestic Foster Care Special Needs	The Foundation's board meets four times a year, during the last week of each quarter, to award adoption grants	Grants range from \$500 - \$2,000 depending on the needs of the family and circumstances.
Never Alone Foundation	<i>International Only</i>	Accept grant applications twice a year: April 1-June 15 and October 1-December 15	Also have grants for post adoption medical expenses and support services for children dealing with attachment issues
Million Mile Secrets	International Domestic	N/A	Gives PAPs tips for traveling and planning ahead. Also offers different travel credit cards that can help pay for flights, hotels, travel etc.
SPECIAL NEEDS ADOPTIONS ONLY			
Reece's Rainbow (Grants, Family Sponsorship)	International-Special Needs Adoptions Only	Rolling	
Tim Tebow Foundation: Adoption Aid (Grants)	International-Special Needs Adoptions Only	Rolling	<i>Must be Christian to apply</i> Grants are awarded between \$3,000 – \$8,000

CHRISTIAN FAMILIES ONLY			
Abba Fund (Interest-free loans, fundraising platforms, etc.)	International Domestic Foster Care Special Needs	Rolling	ABBA Fund helps set up an online profile and donation form that can receive charitable contributions — including non-cash items like vehicles, stocks, jewelry, etc.
Ephesians 3:20 Foundation (Grants)	International Domestic Special Needs	Applications accepted starting in September 2020	Grants range between \$1,000 and \$5,000
God's Grace Adoption Ministry (Matching grants)	International Domestic Special Needs		Heterosexual, two parent families only.
Hand in Hand (Matching grants)	International Domestic Special Needs	No 2020 dates yet	
Katelyn's Fund (Grants)	International Domestic Special Needs	Application must be received and the interview must be conducted before travel is complete for international adoptions; 45 days within placement for domestic adoptions	Heterosexual, two parent families only. Grants are \$3,000 contingent on available resources.
Show Hope (Grants)	International (Hague-Only) Domestic	Six times per year: February 28 April 30 June 30 August 31 October 31 December 31	Grants average \$5,000

Information on the Adoption Tax Credit:

Podcast on Adoption Tax Credit for 2019 Taxes:

<https://creatingafamily.org/adoption-category/adoption-radio-shows/adoption-tax-credit-2019/>

Illinois-Specific Information:

www2.illinois.gov/rev/research/publications/bulletins/Documents/2019/fy-2019-02.pdf