



## Madison Adoption Associates

### BULGARIA PROGRAM:

#### SCHEDULE AND CONFIRMATION OF ADOPTION COSTS

*Adoption Clients of MAA must confirm their understanding and acceptance of the program costs by signing and returning this document.*

**Total Agency Fee:                   \$8,000 or \$12,000- Sibling Group**

**LESS THE GRANT AMOUNTS LISTED BELOW:**

**Grants (One time fee reductions):**

<b>Family Income less than \$100,000*</b>	<b>- \$1000</b>
<b>Special Needs Program (MAA list)</b>	<b>- \$500</b>
<b>Adoption of Child over age 8 years**</b>	<b>- \$500</b>
<b>Matt Flocco Military/ First Responders Grant*</b>	<b>- \$500</b>

\* Fee reduction is based on adjusted gross income from family's most recent tax return.

\*\* This fee reduction is based on child's age at time of match

\***Matthew M. Flocco Memorial Honor Grant-** To honor the service of American military personnel and first responders, Madison Adoption Associates provides an agency fee reduction of \$500 for active or separated military families, police officers, firefighters, paramedics, and emergency medical service personnel. *This grant is named in honor of Navy Aerographer's Mate 2nd Class Matthew Michael Flocco, 21, who was killed at the Pentagon on September 11, 2001.* Additional child specific grants may be given by MAA. Grants cannot take Professional Services fee below \$3000.

Fee Category	Description	Amount	Info
<b>DUE WITH APPLICATION &amp; CONTRACT</b>			
Agency Fees	Application	\$500	Due with initial application
Agency Fees	Professional Services Fee (Payment 1 of 2)	\$3000	1st portion of agency fees. Due with signed contract. Applied to total agency fee above.
Foreign Program Fees	Hague Monitoring and Oversight	\$500 per child	Paid to MAA when client contracts with and is accepted by MAA for International Program.
Home Study Fees	Madison Home Study – Hague	\$2800	Paid only if MAA is HS provider
Home Study Fees	Home Study Review & Networking Fee	\$300	Paid if MAA is NOT HS provider
<b>PAID TO USCIS WITH I-800A APPLICATION</b>			
USCIS Fees	Application (I-800A)	\$775	Paid to USCIS
USCIS Fees	Fingerprinting	\$85/person over 18	Paid to USCIS
<b>DUE DURING HOME STUDY PROCESS</b>			
Translation & Document Fees	Psychological Evaluation for each parent (if applicable)	~\$300 - \$1000 per report	Paid to provider you choose; may be covered by insurance
<b>DUE PRIOR TO HOME STUDY COMPLETION</b>			
Adoption Education	Adoption training per Hague & Bulgaria (10 hrs. Required) plus MAA required child specific training at referral.	\$100	Paid to MAA for training throughout adoption process. Covers Hague preadoption training, child specific training, post adoption resources and access to the entire resource library of <a href="http://www.CreatingaFamily.org">www.CreatingaFamily.org</a> .



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### DUE WITH DOSSIER SUBMISSION

Translation & Document Fees	Domestic & International Mailings/Couriers	\$600	Costs for regular/overnight mail during adoption process
Translation & Document Fees	County and State Apostille for Dossier	\$1,000	Optional – families may do this step on their own
Agency Fees	Professional Services Fee (Payment 2 of 2)	\$5000 - 1 child \$9000 - siblings (less grants)	Remainder of agency fee less applicable grants – costs for processing adoption cases
Foreign Program Fees	Fees to partner organization in Bulgaria 7300 Euro - Healthy Program (H) ~\$8200 / 6200 Euro - Special Needs Program (SN) ~\$7000	2190 Euro (H) 1860 Euro (SN)	33.3% (1 <sup>st</sup> payment) of Foreign fee. Costs for work by partner agency in Bulgaria. Paid to MAA then wired to agency.
Contribution Fee	Charitable Aid & Development	\$500	Contributes to humanitarian aid work by MAA

### DUE PRIOR TO FIRST TRIP TO BULGARIA

Travel Expenses	Estimated cost for hotel, meals, etc.	\$750 per person	Travel costs vary by location, season, hotel, etc. Fee is based on 2 parents and adopted child.
Travel Expenses	International Flights	~\$1500 / person	Paid to airline/travel agent.
Foreign Program Fees	Fees to partner organization in Bulgaria	2190 Euro (H) 1860 Euro (SN)	33.3% (2 <sup>nd</sup> payment) of Foreign fee. Costs for work by agency in Bulgaria. Paid to MAA then wired to agency.
Care of the Child	Orphanage Donation	Variable	Optional: families may donate food or inconsumable items.

### DUE PRIOR TO SECOND TRIP TO BULGARIA

Travel Expenses	Estimated cost for hotel, meals, etc.	\$750 per person	Travel costs vary by location, season, hotel, etc. Fee is based on 2 parents and adopted child.
Foreign Program Fees	Fees to partner organization in Bulgaria	2190 Euro (H) 1860 Euro (SN)	33.3% (3 <sup>rd</sup> payment) of Foreign fee. Costs for work by agency in Bulgaria. Paid to MAA then wired to agency.
Care of the Child	Orphanage Donation	Variable	Optional – families may donate food or inconsumable items.
Foreign Program Fees	Professional service fees	\$1500	Fees paid to third parties by MAA for client and child.
Post-Placement Fees	MAA Post Adoption Supervision	\$1875 <u>or</u> \$2815.50- sibs	Paid to MAA if post-adoption provider; 5 reports required. Separate reports needed for sibs.
Post-Placement Fees	Post Adoption Bond	\$1000	Paid if MAA is NOT provider; refunded after all reports are received.

### DUE DURING SECOND TRIP TO BULGARIA

USCIS Fees	Medical Exam & Vaccinations	\$200-\$500 per child	Paid to approved provider in Bulgaria
USCIS Fees	Visa for Child	\$325 per child	For child's US Visa – can be paid via credit card



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Fees highlighted in yellow are optional and are determined by the status of the adoptive family. Some fees are a reasonable estimate; actual costs vary depending on circumstances including time, location, duration, etc. All fees are subject to change and any fees not paid to MAA are not under the control or discretion of MAA. On occasion, MAA may be able to offer monetary grants based on a child's special needs and a family's financial situation. Please ask the Director for details.

**Adoption-Related Expenses are Estimates Only** - This Fee Schedule does not include ALL adoption-related expenses that Adoptive Parent(s) pay directly to third parties. These expenses include, without limitation, (a) travel costs, which vary considerably with the season and area of travel; (b) home study (for out-of-state clients); or (c) certification/authentication fees charged by other parties, which can greatly differ from state to state. While MAA's U.S. stateside agency fees will not change during your adoption, all other fees, including foreign program fees are subject to changes beyond our agency's control. The costs of these expenses are within the authority of third parties over whom MAA has no control, and, therefore, the costs may change at any time. MAA assumes no liability if the actual cost of any of the expenses estimated on the Fee Schedule exceeds the estimates.

**Fee Categories.** In accordance with Hague regulations, all adoption fees are identified by the following categories:

- **Agency fees** include, but are not limited to, personnel costs, administrative overhead, operational costs, training and education, communications and publications costs, and any other cost related to providing adoption services in the United States.
- **Foreign country expenses** include, but are not limited to, costs for personnel, administrative overhead, training, education, legal services, communications, and any other costs related to providing adoption services in Bulgaria.
- **Care of the Child** (prior to adoption) includes, but is not limited to, costs for food, clothing, shelter, and medical care; foster care; orphanage care; and other services provided directly to the child.
- **Translation and document expenses** include, but are not limited to, costs for obtaining, translating, or copying records or documents required to complete the adoption; costs for the child's China court documents, passport, adoption certificate, and other documents related to the adoption; and cost for notarizations and certifications.
- **Charitable Development fee** is a fixed contribution amount that goes directly to special services related to child protection or child welfare services programs run by MAA. MAA may also contribute a portion of the agency fees collected for Home Studies and for Agency Placement Fees to charitable aid. MAA provides ongoing humanitarian aid, both domestically and overseas, to help fulfill our mission to provide hope, love and a permanent family to children in need.

Grants will be deducted from agency fees that are due with submission of the dossier. It is part of MAA's mission to provide grants to help place children in need. MAA may be able to offer monetary grants based on a child's special needs and a family's financial situation. Please ask us for details and an application. Application forms are reviewed by the Grant committee of MAA's Board of Directors.



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The fees charged for authenticating a family's dossier includes all third party carriers, fees, and domestic couriers. If a family completes their own dossier authentication, they must provide MAA with original set and two sets of copies. If MAA has to copy family's dossier, an additional \$200 fee will be charged for time and expense.

### **GRANT RECEIPT AND DISBURSEMENT POLICY –**

Many adoptive families are applying for and receiving grants from various foundations to help pay for adoption processing costs. Families are also receiving direct donations from individuals and advocacy groups. MAA will follow the procedure outlined below:

1. MAA will run a final statement for all fees due to MAA.
2. Credits will be issued only for amounts over the final statement amount.
3. Refund checks to the adoptive family will be issued prior to travel.
4. It is the adoptive family's responsibility to pay for adoption costs and expenses as they are due.
5. MAA cannot disburse funds to an adoptive family in advance of receiving the grant or donation check. Checks must clear the bank before they are credited to a family's account.

By my signature, I acknowledge the fees set forth above.

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Signature of Adoptive Parent

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Date

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Signature of Adoptive Parent

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Date