



Madison Adoption Associates

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC 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 - Single Child: \$8,000
Total Agency Fee - Sibling Group \$12,000

LESS THE GRANT AMOUNTS LISTED BELOW:

Grants (fee reductions):

- Family Income less than \$100,000*** - \$1000
- Waiting Child/ Special Needs Program**** - \$ 500
- Adoption of Child over age 8 years** - \$ 500
- Matthew M. Flocco Memorial Honor Grant*** - \$ 500

* This fee reduction is based on the adjusted gross income from family's most recent tax return.

** This fee reduction is not retroactive if a family has already submitted the dossier

***Matthew M. Flocco Memorial Honor Grant-** To honor the service of American military personnel, Madison Adoption Associates provides an agency fee reduction of \$500 for active or separated military families and first responders, specifically 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. One grant per family.*

Additional child specific grants may be given on MAA kids at any time.

Total grants cannot take Professional Services fee below \$3000 total.

Fees highlighted in yellow are optional and are determined by the status of the adoptive family.

<i>Fee Category</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Info</i>
DUE WITH AGENCY APPLICATION			
Agency Fees	Application	\$500 or \$250	Paid to MAA. Due with initial application. Fee is \$500 for new, and \$250 for returning MAA families. Application fee is not part of total MAA Professional Services fee.
DUE PRIOR TO HOME STUDY COMPLETION			
Adoption Education	Adoption training per Hague & Dominican Republic (12 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 www.CreatingaFamily.org
DUE WITH AGENCY CONTRACT			
Agency Fees	Professional Services- Payment 1 of 2	\$3000	Initial agency fee payment. This fee must be paid prior to MAA taking any official action on client's behalf. Total agency fee: \$8000 less applicable MAA grants. Remainder of agency fee is due with dossier.
Translation & Document Fees	Dossier Preparation and Authentication	\$1000	Paid to MAA to prepare and fully authenticate dossier. Includes all fees for county and state apostilles as well as professional couriers to hand carry documentation to offices when possible.
Foreign Program Fees	Hague Monitoring and Oversight Fee	\$500 per child	Paid to MAA when client contracts with and is accepted by MAA for an International Program.
HOME STUDY FEES			
Home Study Fees	MAA Hague Home Study (DE, PA, NJ, IL)	\$2800	Paid to MAA if MAA is your Home Study Provider
Home Study Fees	Home Study Review & Networking	\$300	Paid to MAA if another agency is your Home Study Provider



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USCIS IMMIGRATION FEES			
USCIS Fees	Application (I-800A)	\$775	Paid to USCIS with I-800A Application
USCIS Fees	Fingerprinting	\$85/person	Paid to USCIS with I-800A Application
DUE BEFORE DOSSIER IS SENT TO DOMINICAN REPUBLIC			
Translation & Document Fees	Domestic & International Mailings/Couriers	\$600	Costs for regular/overnight mail throughout adoption process
Foreign Program Fees	Attorney fee- Part 1 of 3	\$3,100	MAA will wire this fee to the Attorney in DR to start processing the case. Also covers dossier translation and legalization fees.
Agency Fees	Professional Services- Payment 2 of 2	\$5000 less grants OR \$9000 less grants- Siblings	Agency fee balance for processing adoption case. Billing statement will show charge of \$5000, less any grants awarded by MAA.
Contribution Fee	Charitable Aid & Development	\$500	Contributes to humanitarian aid work being done by MAA.
DUE WITH APPROVED LOA (LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE) / PRIOR TO TRAVEL			
Foreign Program Fees	Attorney fee- Part 2 of 3 If adopting siblings, there is an additional fee	\$2,400 Plus \$1000 for 2 nd child, OR \$1500 additional for 3+ children	MAA will wire this fee to the Attorney in DR. This fee includes preparation of all documents and all costs and services up to and including finalizing the child's adoption in DR and work to procure a US visa for the child (Actual visa fee charged below).
Travel Expenses	In-Country Guide and Translator fee	\$1650	MAA will wire this fee to the Attorney in DR to pay the guide. This fee covers having a guide accessible to the family to tour, translate, care for, support, and assist in any crisis.
Foreign Program Expenses	Professional services fees paid to third parties by MAA	\$1500	Paid to MAA. Includes inquiries/trips to CONANI & child's orphanage on client's behalf, updates, translations (referral, LOI, updates, etc.), Hague processing fees, Article 5 paperwork, wires, etc.
DUE PRIOR TO TRAVEL			
Foreign Program Fees	Attorney fee- Part 3 of 3	\$3,000	MAA will wire this fee to the Attorney in DR to assist the family in country and finalize the case. This fee includes costs and services up to and including finalizing the child's adoption in DR and work to procure a US visa for the child (Actual visa fee below, paid during visa interview).
Post Adoption Fees	Post Adoption Bond	\$1000	Paid to MAA to ensure all post-adoption reporting is completed; refunded in full after receipt of final report.
Post Adoption Fees	MAA Post Adoption Supervision	\$2625- One child OR \$4200- 2 children \$5250- 3+ children	Paid if MAA is your post-adoption provider; 7 reports required. MAA requires a 4-week report per state laws and agency policy. Reports will then need to be sent to Dominican Republic at 6 and 12 months, then 2, 3, 4, and 5 years post adoption.
Post- Placement Fees	Post Adoption Tracking, Submission & Translation	\$500	Paid to MAA for tracking of reports, contacting family/agency; translations, & sending to DR.
Travel Expenses	Flights between USA and Dominican Republic	~\$800 per person	Paid to airline/travel agent. Round-trip tickets for 2 parents; one-way ticket for child.
PAID IN DOMINICAN REPUBLIC DURING ADOPTION TRAVEL			
Travel Expenses	Accommodations in Dominican Republic	~\$ 40- \$150 per night	Paid directly to hotel or apartment in Dominican Republic.



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Travel Expenses	Estimated cost for meals, ground transfers & tips.	~\$1500- \$2000 per family	Travel costs vary by season and family preferences. Fee is based on 2 parents and adopted child.
USCIS Fees	Visa for Child	\$325	Paid to US Consulate in Dominican Republic- Can be paid by credit card.
USCIS Fees	Medical Exam & Vaccinations	~\$300	Paid to U.S. Consulate in Dominican Republic

It is part of MAA's mission to provide grants to help place children in need. If two different grants apply to a particular child's adoption, MAA will give the adopting family the greater of the two grants available. 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 us for details and an application.

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.

Hague 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 Dominican Republic.
- **Care of the Child** (in Dominican Republic prior to adoption) include, but are 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 Dominican Republic 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 also contributes 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.

ADOPTION-RELATED EXPENSES (ESTIMATES ONLY) – The fees set forth above do not include ALL various adoption-related expenses that the Adoptive Parent(s) pay directly to third parties. These expenses include, without limitation, travel costs, which vary considerably with the season; Home Study (non-MAA); or documentation which can vary greatly 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 MAA's control. These expenses are in the control of third parties over whom MAA has no control, and, therefore, the costs could change at any time. MAA assumes no liability if the actual cost of any of the expenses estimated herein exceeds estimates.



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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. It is the adoptive family's responsibility to pay for adoption costs and expenses as they are due.
4. 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.

Signature of Adoptive Parent

Date

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