

**The Barker Adoption Foundation  
Schedule of China Adoption Fees  
and Estimated Expenses  
(Effective 12-01-2022)**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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The Barker Adoption Foundation is a private, non-profit licensed child-placing agency. Our international adoption programs are financed entirely through adoption fees and donations, without any private or public subsidy. The Barker Adoption Foundation does not use clients' adoption fees to fund special services, such as cultural programs or Homeland Tours. The Barker Adoption Foundation's International Adoption services and associated fees are included in the tables below, which serve as a fee agreement between The Barker Adoption Foundation and the adopting parent(s) named above.

Please note that direct service fees for The Barker Adoption Foundation may be paid by PayPal or credit card. Country fees paid through Barker must be paid by certified check, wire or cashier's check.

\* All applicable fees must be paid at the times indicated on this agreement.

**Barker Service Fees**

<b>SERVICES OFFERED</b>	<b>ASSOCIATED FEE</b>
Application Fee (includes the work of Barker's Application Review Committee (96.40(b)(2)))	\$550
Pre-Adoption Training: National Training and Development Curriculum (NTDC (96.40(b)(2)))	\$450/couple; \$250/single
Intake Interview: Application interviews with intake and international program staff. (Fee due at selection of intake appointment date, and prior to appointment confirmation*) (96.40(b)(2))	\$350
Phase I: Counseling, evaluation, and administrative support during the home study paperwork process. (Fee due after intake meeting is complete, and	\$2,500

<p>application has been approved *) (96.40(b)(2))</p> <p>Hague Monitoring and Oversight Fee to cover costs associated with oversight by the Center for Excellence in Adoption Services (CEAS) which is an Accrediting Entity authorized by the US Department of State. This fee covers monitoring and oversight and data collection and reporting services to be provided by CEAS. This fee is not refundable from Barker nor CEAS even if adoption is not completed. (Due to Barker after intake has been approved, along with Phase I Barker Service Fee*) (96.40(b)(2))</p> <p>Technology Fee (Portal) (Due to Barker after intake has been approved, along with Phase I Barker Service Fee*) (96.40(b)(2))</p>	<p>\$815</p> <p>Note: An additional fee of \$815 is billed per additional child in the event a family accepts a referral of a sibling group. This additional fee is due at referral acceptance.</p> <p>\$250</p>
<p>Phase II: Home study meetings with social workers, preparation of adoption home study document; Waiting Parents' Support Meetings; ongoing support from Barker Foundation staff (Fee due prior to home study commencement*) (96.40(b)(1)).</p> <p>Home Study Mileage &amp; Travel Fee (<b>only applicable to families residing more than 50 miles from Barker's Bethesda office</b>) (Fee due at time of home study commencement*) (96.40(b)(1)).</p>	<p>\$2,550</p> <p>See mileage addendum</p>
<p>Phase III: Coordination with United States Citizen Immigration Services (US CIS); dossier assistance; coordination with international agencies and partners; individual and group Waiting Parent Meeting support during waiting period and program maintenance (Fee due at completion of home study*) (96.40(b)(2))</p>	<p>\$2,500</p>

<p>Program Maintenance Fee: Barker Program maintenance and support (Fee due at completion of home study*) (96.40(b)(2))</p> <p>CCCWA Registration Fee: China Center of Children’s Welfare and Adoption (CCCWA) Fee (due to Barker for distribution to CCCWA at dossier completion and before submission to CCCWA*) (96.40(b)(3))</p>	<p>\$2,550</p> <p>\$1,240</p>
<p>Phase IV: Searching for a match, support surrounding referral; completion of Child Specific Training with Barker staff; coordination with USCIS; Travel planning meetings with staff; communication with overseas partners concerning referral questions and travel plans. (Fee due at time of referral acceptance*) (96.40(b)(2))</p> <p>Post Adoption Reporting: The cost of five agency completed post-adoption reports; assistance with fulfilling all of China’s post-adoption requirements including Self-Reports. The total expected fees and estimated expenses for this service \$1,750, which is already included in the Phase IV fee. (22 CFR 96.40(b)(7).</p> <p>Prospective adoptive parents must complete a total of eight post-adoption reports, though only five are agency completed reports and three are completed by parents. The family is required to complete five agency completed reports following arrival home at 1 month, 3 months, 6 months, 12 months, and 2 years after placement. The family must also complete and submit self-reports at 3 years, 4 years and 5 years after arrival. (96.51(c)).</p> <p>** The country of origin, court, or agency may require additional reports. The fee for</p>	<p>\$3,900</p> <p>(included in Phase IV fee)</p>

<p>each additional post-adoption report is \$350</p> <p>Post Adoption Mileage &amp; Travel Fee for agency completed reports(<b>only applicable to families residing more than 50 miles from Barker’s Bethesda office</b>) (Fee due at Referral Acceptance*) (96.40(b)(2))</p>	See mileage addendum
<p>Pre-Placement Visit: (VA families only) The pre-placement visit will occur after referral but prior to the child being placed in the home or in accordance with State requirements. (96.40(b)(2))</p>	\$350
<p>Post adoption deposit to ensure the completion of the eight post adoption reports for China (agency completed and self-reported) along with a copy of the Certificate of Citizenship (COC). This deposit will be refunded to family when the last report has been received at Barker and the COC has been submitted. (Fee due at time of referral acceptance*) (96.40(b)(2))</p>	\$1,000
<p>CCCWA Post Adoption Fee (per child) (fee due at time of referral acceptance*) (96.40(b)(3))</p>	\$300
<p>Home study update (When Applicable): The home study is updated as necessary in accordance with State and USCIS requirements. (Fee due prior to home study update commencement*) (96.40(b)(1))</p>	\$575/update
<p>Report of Investigation (ROI): (When Applicable, Virginia families only) Courts in Virginia require reports prepared by Barker at the time of re-adoption should the family decide to pursue it. (Fee due at the commencement of the court report*) (96.40(b)(2))</p>	\$300

The fee agreement above includes Intercountry Program fee payments. These fees are identified in the table below for reference and are not in addition to the above fees. Intercountry Program fee payments will be made to Barker and sent by our Agency directly to the agency overseas accordingly.

Current overseas fee information (including estimated fees for travel and lodging) is listed separately in the second chart below, although intercountry fees are subject to change. In all cases, travel expenses, including airfare, ground transportation, and hotel accommodations for the family and child(ren) are additional.

**International Program Fees for Reference (all fees included in agreement above)**

<b>SERVICES PROVIDED</b>	<b>ASSOCIATED COUNTRY FEE</b>
<p>Includes dossier and referral management and translation, legal fees, program maintenance, in-country management and support. (22 CFR 96.40(b)(3)).</p>	<p>China Center of Children’s Welfare and Adoption (CCCWA) Fee: \$1,240 (due to Barker at dossier completion and paid to CCCWA). (22 CFR 96.40(b)(3)).</p> <p>CCWA Post Adoption Fee \$300. This amount paid to CCCWA is for translation of the post-adoption reports. 96.40(b)(5).</p> <p>Legal Fees: normally under \$1,000 (paid directly in China). (22 CFR 96.40(b)(3)).</p> <p>Orphanage Donation: historically China required a RMB35,000 orphanage donation and at the end of 2017, the CCCWA made the donation voluntary. Orphanages welcome any donation the family is willing to give. (paid directly in China when applicable). There is no required contribution. 22 CFR 96.40(b)(6).</p> <p>Care of the child: There are no expected total fees or estimated expenses charged to prospective adoptive parents for the care of the child in China prior to adoption. (22 CFR 96.40(b)(4)).</p>
<p>Hague Monitoring and Oversight Fee to cover costs associated with oversight by the Center for Excellence in Adoption Services (CEAS) which is an Accrediting Entity authorized by the US Department of State. This fee covers monitoring and oversight and data collection and reporting services to be provided by</p>	<p>\$815</p> <p>Note: An additional fee of \$815 is billed per additional child in the event a family accepts a referral of a sibling group. This additional fee is due at referral acceptance.</p>

CEAS. This fee is not refundable from Barker nor CEAS even if adoption is not completed. (Due to Barker after intake has been approved, along with Phase I Barker Service Fee*) (96.40(b)(2))	
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**Additional Third-Party Fees for International Programs (22 CFR 96.40(c)(1))**

SERVICE	FEE
CAIRS Portal Fee (Technology Fee)	\$250
Web-based Pre-Adoption Training	\$200-600 based on Barker's current requirements
US CIS I-800A application	\$775
US CIS I-800A first renewal	No charge, no biometrics required
US CIS I-800A second and subsequent renewal	\$385
US CIS finger printing	\$85/person 18 years or older living in the home
US passport and visa for adopting parent(s)	\$110-160 per person \$130 per person
Child visa	\$325 + approximately \$117 - \$317 (medical exam for visa)
State and Federal background checks, Police clearances, child protection reports, Department of Motor Vehicle reports and housing inspections	Vary by State and County and range from \$10-\$70 per person per clearance
Psychological Evaluation if applicable (required by China in certain situations)	Approximately \$1,000 to \$2,000 per couple (fee determined by psychologist you work with)
Travel costs (airfare, ground transportation, meals, guides and hotel accommodation) <b>** (fees vary widely depending on where and when family travels, as well as length of stay). (22 CFR 96.40(c)(2))</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International Airfare: \$1,500 average/per person (fees vary depending on where and when family travels)</li> <li>• Inside China Travel: \$2,500 - \$3000 average/per person (based on double occupancy) – paid through Barker</li> </ul>
Court Finalization Fees (include attorney and court filing fees, if you choose to re-adopt in the U.S.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approximately \$1,500-\$2,000</li> </ul>

Additionally, The Barker Adoption Foundation does not customarily charge additional fees and expenses beyond those disclosed in this contract. In the event that unforeseen additional fees and expenses are incurred in the foreign country, the Agency charges such

additional fees and expenses only under the following conditions:

- (a) the fees and expenses are disclosed in writing to the prospective adopting parent(s);
- (b) specific consent of the prospective adopting parent(s) is obtained before expending any funds in excess of \$1000 for which the agency will hold the prospective adopting parent(s) responsible; and
- (c) Written receipts are provided to the prospective adopting parent(s) for fees and expenses paid directly by the Agency to the intercountry program.

**Refund Policy**

Barker has established a fee structure permitting applicants to pay agency fees in phases over the course of the adoption process. Because Barker’s work with applicants is ongoing, and because applicants pay fees as services are rendered, fees cannot be refunded for services already rendered. Any returns should be on a case-by-case basis, at the discretion of Barker.

The refunding of international fees varies by country. Although Barker will make a diligent effort to obtain refunds of any international fees paid to a foreign authority/service provider/contractor, it cannot guarantee a refund. If applicants withdraw from the adoption process for any reason, or if the adoption fails for any reason, Barker cannot guarantee the return of any portion of the international fees. If fees are returned, Barker will approve the refund decision and return the fees to the applicants within sixty days.

Fees paid to CEAS through Barker for the purposes of Hague monitoring and oversight are non-refundable.

**Information Disclosure**

If a family fails to properly disclose information, misrepresents material on the application or during the home study process, or in any way places the agency and its interests at risk, The Barker Adoption Foundation reserves the right to terminate the adoption process without providing any refund. The Executive Director or the International Program Director retain the right to assess individual cases and determine refunds for atypical cases.

I/we, the undersigned, have read and understand the above fee schedule. I/we understand that The Barker Adoption Foundation reserves the right to terminate, without liability or obligation, its consideration of an applicant at any point before the child(ren)’s entering the family’s custody. The Barker fees set forth in this agreement will not change during the course of this adoption, unless additional requirements are placed on the Barker Adoption Foundation by virtue of us moving to, and needing to comply with, the requirements of another jurisdiction or, if additional requirements are placed on the Barker Adoption Foundation by the sending country, state, attorney or placement agency. This may include, but will not be limited to, a request for additional home visits or reports. Fees are due for all services rendered, regardless of whether a child is placed and regardless of who terminates the process.

This agreement does not supersede the terms of the Adoption Services Contract which remains in full force and effect.

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Adoptive Parent Signature

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Date

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Adoptive Parent Signature

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Date

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Barker Representative Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



## Mileage Fee Addendum The Barker Adoption Foundation

### Understanding Mileage Fees

Please see the following chart for a detailed overview of mileage fees charged for in-home visits. No mileage fees are charged for families that live within 50 miles of the Barker office in your State of residence. Families outside of this range agree to pay the following fees for each in-home visit throughout the home study and post placement period.

Families who live more than 50 miles away from the Barker office will be expected to meet with their social worker in the office whenever permissible by licensing, accreditation, or country guidelines. There will be no mileage fee charged for meetings held at the office. Fees outlined below are charged per in-home visit and must be paid prior to the confirmation of the visit. Estimated number of visits may vary based on the assessment needs of each family and are meant to be an estimate only.

Distance from BAF Office	Fee Per Home Visit
0 – 50 miles (one way)	\$0
51 – 100 miles (one way)	\$175
101 – 150 miles (one way)	\$375, plus \$175 lodging/expense fee for cases where an overnight stay for the social worker is required.
151+ miles (one way) (These cases are only accepted in extremely extenuating circumstances as they often require extended hours of driving by the assigned social worker & an overnight stay w/ each home visit)	\$475, plus current federal reimbursement rate for every mile driven over 300 miles round trip), and \$175 lodging/expense fee for cases where an overnight stay for the social worker is required.

### Estimated In-Home Visits by Program

Program Name	Estimated # of In-Home Home Study & Update Visits	Estimated # of In-Home Post Placement Visits
Domestic Infant Program	1 minimum	Minimum of 3. *Additional may be needed for finalization based on placing state requirements.
Project Wait No Longer	1 minimum	Average of 6-12
HSPPS*	1 minimum, additional may be needed based on country requirements.	3 minimum *Additional may be needed based on country requirements.
Korea	2 minimum	6 minimum
India	1 minimum	7 minimum

Signature below indicates that we have reviewed the above information and understand and agree to the mileage fees as detailed on our fee agreement.

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Adoptive Parent Signature

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Date

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Adoptive Parent Signature

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Date