

China Adoption Program (Full Service)

Schedule of Fees & Estimated Expenses

The Barker Adoption Foundation is a private, non-profit child-placing agency licensed in Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia. Our adoption programs are financed primarily through adoption fees and donations. Fees for our domestic programs are on a sliding scale based on a comprehensive assessment of the total household income as verified in the initial, approved home study. We use combined family income as reported by parent(s) and verified by employer and tax reports to determine the sliding scale fee. A description of the program's associated fees and the schedule for their payment are included in the tables below. This document serves as a fee agreement between The Barker Adoption Foundation and the adoptive parent(s) named below.

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Fee	Full Service	22 CFR	Payment Terms	Description / What to Expect	
			INTAKE		
Application Fee	\$550	§96.40 (b)2	Due at time of application submission	Review of application to establish initial program eligibility	
Comprehensive Pre- Adoption Training (NTDC)	\$450/Couple \$250/Single	§96.40 (b)2	Due at time of course registration	Required 24 hour pre-adoption training course utilizing the National Training and Development Curriculum (NTDC)	
Clinical Intake	\$350	§96.40 (b)2	Due when scheduling intake interview	Initial clinical interview	
Home Study Admin Fee (Phase I FS)	\$2,500	§96.40 (b)2	Due after intake meeting is complete and application is approved	Administrative support and consultation to complete required homestudy documentation	
Hague Monitoring & Oversight Fee One (1) Child	\$815	§96.40 (b)2	Due after intake meeting is complete and application is approved (fee is non-refundable)	Covers 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; includes required monitoring, oversight, data collection, and reporting services provided by CEAS	
Hague Monitoring & Oversight Fee Each Additional Child	\$815	§96.40 (b)2	Due after intake meeting is complete and application is approved (fee is non-refundable)	Same as above.	
Technology Fee	\$250	§96.40 (b)2	Due after intake meeting is complete and application is approved	Access to eletronic adoption paperwork portal (Fees paid directly to MyAdoptionPortal)	
			HOMESTUDY & DOSSIER		
Home Study Fee (Phase II FS)	\$2,550	§96.40 (b)1	Due prior to assignment of homestudy Social Worker	Homestudy interviews with Social Worker, family assessment and education, preparation of adoption homestudy document, and ongoing support from BAF staff	
Dossier & Parent Support Fee (Phase III FS)	\$2,500	§96.40 (b)2	Due after home study completion	Coordination with United States Citizen Immigration Services (USCIS); dossier assistance; coordination with international agencies and partners; individual and group Waiting Parent Meeting support during waiting period	
Program Maintenance Fee	\$2,550	§96.40 (b)2	Due after home study completion	Covers costs associated with maintaining BAF adoption services in India including licensing, staffing, agency travel, and other administrative expenses	
CCCWA Registration Fee	\$1,240	§96.40 (b)3	Due upon completion of dossier	Registration fee paid to the China Center of Children's Welfare and Adoption.	
Homestudy Update (HSU)	\$575	§96.40 (b)1	Due prior to scheduling meeting; required in accordance with State and USCIS guidelines	Homestudy update interviews with Social Worker, administrative support and consultation to complete HSU documentation, and preparation of HSU document	

			REFERRAL & PLACEMENT	
Referral Acceptance & Post Adoption Process Fee (Phase IV)	\$3,900	§96.40 (b)2 §96.40 (b)7 §96.51(c)	Due at time of referral acceptance	Meeting with BAF to receive referral of child; completion of Child Specific Training; coordination with USCIS; travel planning meetings; communication with overseas partners concerning referral questions and coordination of travel plans Five (5) post-adoption visits and associated reporting after child is home; assistance complying with all of China's post-adoption requirements. Total fees and expenses: \$1,750 (already included in Phase IV fee). Families must complete a total of five (5) agency-completed and three (3) family-completed post-adoption reports; the country of origin court or agency may require additional reports as needed
CCCWA Post-Adoption Fee Each Child	\$300	§96.40 (b)3	Due at time of referral acceptance	Post-Adoption fee paid to the China Center of Children's Welfare and Adoption.
Post-Adoption Deposit	\$1,000	§96.40 (b)2	Due at time of referral acceptance; fund are refunded upon completion of post-adoption requirements	This refundable deposit is held in escrow to ensure the completion of all post-adoption requirements including completion and submission of all post-adoption reports and certification of citizenship (COC)
			AS NEEDED SERVICES	
Pre-Placement Visit Fee	\$400	§96.40 (b)2	Due prior to pre-placement visit	Applicable when required by state licensing guidelines (e.g. Virginia)
Additional Post-Adoption Report	\$400	§96.40 (b)7 §96.51(c)	Due at time of referral acceptance	Any post-adoption visit and report beyond those included in Phase IV fee
Homestudy Addendum	\$300		Due prior to scheduling meeting	Written changes to an approved homestudy report that require an additional meeting with the homestudy Social Worker
Post-Match Consultation	\$300		Due after match with a child	Post-Match Consultation with the BAF Post Adopt Department to receive personalized education, community resource referrals and support for matched families
Additional Adoptive Parent Training	\$20 - \$150		Due at time of course registration	Additional education may be required based on the specific needs of a family; these trainings can be online or in-person; fees are set by and paid directly to the provider
Homestudy Documentation Related Expenses	Variable		Due at time of documentation request	Fees associated with obtaining home study related documentation such as driving records, background clearances, employment verification and/or home inspections, etc. These fees are usually nominal and vary by state of residence and program requirements. Usually paid directly by family to service provider.
Mileage & Travel Fees	Variable	§96.40 (b)1	Due prior to home visit	Mileage & Travel Fees are applicable for each in-home visit when families reside more than 50 miles from the BAF office in their state of residence; see Mileage & Travel Fee Addendum for rates
Virginia Report of Investigation	\$350	§96.40 (b)2	Due prior to services being rendered	Finalization report that may be required within the Commonwealth of Virginia

INTERCOUNTRY PROGRAM FEE NOTICE

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.

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Orphanage Donation	Determined by Family	§96.40 (b)6	Paid directly to orphanage in-country at family's discretion	Historically, China required a RMB35,000 donation from families to in-country orphanage; this requirement ended in 2017. Orphanages welcome any donation made by families to care for children.
Care of Child	N/A	§96.40 (b)4	N/A	Families are not expected to pay for any fees or estimated expenses for in-country care of the child prior to adoption.
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Legal Fees	< \$1000 (Estimated)	§96.40 (b)3	Due at time of service	Legal fees are paid directly by families in China.
ADDITIONAL THIRD PARTY F			EES FOR INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS	S (22 CFR 96.40 (C)1
SERVICE				FEE
CAIRS Portal Fee (Technolo	gy Fee)		\$250	
Web-based Pre-Adoption Tr	aining		\$200-\$600 based on BAF current requirements	
Pre-Placement Medical Revi	ew of Child Ref	erral	\$400-\$800 (highly variable; fee determined by medical provider)	
USCIS I-800A Application & Biometrics			\$920	
USCIS I-800A First & Second Renewal			No charge, no biometrics required	
USCIS I-800A Third and Subsequent Renewals			\$455	
USCIS Significant Change or Updated HS Outside Standard Renewal Schedule			\$455	
USCIS Fingerprinting (Biometric Fee)			Included in I-800A Application fee	
USCIS I-800 Petition to Classify Adoptee as Immediate Relative			\$920	
Psychological Evaluation if applicable (required by China in certain situations)			Approximately \$1000 - \$3000 per couple	e (fee determined by psychologist)

US Passport for Adopting Parent(s)	\$110 - \$160 per person
Visa for Adopting Parent(s)	\$130 per person
Child In-Country Medical Exam for Visa	\$117 - \$317
Child Visa	\$325
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
Travel Costs (Airfare, Ground Transportation, Meals, and Hotel Accomodations)	Fees vary widely based on where the family/child are located, length of stay, and dates of travel. Estimates for travel are as follows: International Airfare: \$1,500 average/per person China Domestic Travel: \$2,500 - \$3000 average/per person (based on double occupancy) – paid through Barker
Court Finalization Fees (include attorney and court filing fees, if you choose to readopt in the U.S.)	Approximately \$1500-\$2000

BAF STATEMENT ON ADDITIONAL EXPENSES

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 Domestic Program Director retains 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 Baker 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 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 Service Agreement, dated, ______which remains in full force and effect.

Home Address				
Adoptive Parent Signature	Date			
Adoptive Parent Signature	Date			
The Barker Adoption Foundation Representative Signature	Date			
PLEASE NOTE: Most fees for The Barker Adoption Foundation check, cashier's check or wire transfer.	n may be paid by check or credit card. Placement Fee must be paid by certified			