



A Helping Hand

ADOPTION AGENCY

Home Study Services

A Helping Hand Adoption Agency is encouraged by your desire to provide a loving, nurturing, and safe home for an orphaned child. If you have chosen a Placing Agency but still need a home study agency, consider working with A Helping Hand. Our Social Services Department understands that the home study process can be overwhelming in the beginning, but that is why you have a trained professional to guide you along the way. We have several social workers in different areas of the state that will walk your family through the home study process. Our staff is well experienced and ready to help your family bring home a new child.

Fees

Application Fee: \$250

When a home study only family is approved, this payment is applied toward the home study fee of \$1600.

Home Study Fee: \$1600 plus mileage

Includes home visits with your social worker, assistance in pulling together all of the paperwork, AHH's correspondence with your placing agency, and submission of your home study to USCIS for approval (USCIS is involved in international Home Studies only).

Home Study Update for I-171-H renewal: \$300 plus mileage

As needed.

Any other Home Study Updates as needed: \$100-\$200 plus mileage

Post Adoption Reports: \$200 plus mileage

The State of Kentucky requires 2 post adoption reports during the 1st year following placement. Additional reports may be required by your placing agency and/or the country from which you adopt.

Mileage: \$0.505 per mile.

Parent Education is required for parents adopting internationally. We have an on-line program with Adoption Learning Partners for our families to use for this. Adoption Learning Partners has their own set of fees determined by which classes your family takes. However, we will work with your Placing Agency's requirements to see if we can replace some of our requirements with theirs. *In order to begin your home study process with A Helping Hand Adoption Agency, please submit our application found on our website at www.worldadoptions.org, under "Downloads". If you have any questions about this, please contact our Social Services Manager at 859-263-9964. We look forward to working with your family!*