

# UNITED STATES/DOMESTIC ADOPTION

New Horizons places a number of U.S. children per year. New Horizons' program focuses on a strong Birthparent(s) involvement in the selection of the adoptive families. The agency cannot guarantee a time period by which a child will be placed. Families applying for this program must recognize the possibility of never being chosen by a birthparent for an adoptive placement. Average wait ranges from two to five years.

#### **REQUIREMENTS:**

Age of Parents:	Minimum age of 23, special approval must be received for anyone over 40 years old.	
Family Size:	amily Size: Preference is given to families with no children or small families.	
Married:	Prospective adoptive families must be married for at least two years.	

#### CHILDREN AVAILABLE:

- Mostly infants of Caucasian and minority race
- School age and siblings

U.S. PLACEMENT FEES: (Fees are subject to change upon notification)

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1.	Agency Administration Fee	\$	7,000.00
2.	NHAA US Program Initial Fee	\$	1,000.00
3.	Foster Care/Shepherding Care (cost per day)	\$	50.00
4.	Counseling, medical, and legal fees		
5.	Expenses for transportation, meals, and lodging incurred for the placement of the	child.	
6.	Expenses for adoption services provide to the birth parent		
7.	Reasonable living expenses for the birth mother paid during the loss of income or the pregnancy but no longer than six weeks following delivery	other support	due to
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8.	Birth Parent Retreat	\$	1,000.00

We have an estimated placement fee of \$28,000. On rare occasions the placement fee may vary. Individual circumstances such as if there are legal challenges or extraordinary medical expenses may add to the estimated placement fee. This would be in addition to the base placement fee of \$28,000, which can include some of the following:

U.S. Program		1,000.00
Birth Parent Counseling		5,000 - 10,000
Medical, hospital (est. could be more)		20,000 - 25,000
Legal	\$	4,000.00
Foster Care (if needed)		1,500.00
Birth Parent Retreat Program		1,000.00
Administration		7,000.00

Children placed from other agencies will be subject to their respective fee schedules for child placement.

## Services provided to Birth Parents may include:

- 1. Counseling (including mileage)
- 2. Adoption Options/selection of families
- 3. Foster Care/Shepherding Care
- 4. Legal Services
- 5. Medical Records
- 6. Birth Parent Retreat
- 7. Exchange of Update/Photos
- 8. Expenses for transportation, meals, and lodging incurred for placement of a child
- 9. Reasonable living expenses for the birth mother paid during the loss of income or other support due to the pregnancy but no longer than six weeks following delivery.

## Services to Adoptive Families may include:

- 1. Pre-placement Home study
- 2. Post-placement Report, Court Report
- 3. Support Partner Family
- 4. Medical and background information on child and birthparent(s)
- 5. Exchange of Updates/Photos

## PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

## Total fee due upon placement

## NON-RECURRING REIMBURSEMENT:

In some cases in Minnesota, when a child has a high risk background (i.e., prenatal drug exposure, genetic history of mental illness, etc.) a couple may be eligible to apply for the \$2,000 non-recurring reimbursement adoption assistance program through the state of MN.

## INDENTIFIED PLACEMENT:

Adoptive families requesting counseling with an identified birthparent will be responsible for all counseling costs regardless of whether the birthparent chooses to place or parent. NHAA Administrative Fee is between \$10,000 to \$18,000 plus counseling, mileage, and financial assistance to birth parents. A retainer fee is required with additional fees due as services are provided.

I have carefully reviewed and understand this document. Please sign this form, notarized and return to our office with your application.

Husband Signature	Date	Wife Signature		Date
State of	, County of			
Subscribed and sworn to before me thi	s day of		, 20	