

Application Fee	None
Initial Fee Payable at the start of the adoption process and includes education, documentation, instructions, assistance with USCIS processing and dossier compilation and support.	\$3,000
Completion of Documents Fee Payable shortly before your dossier (AKA: country application) is sent to China. This is generally approximately 4 to 5 months after beginning the process.	\$4,500
Payment Due 12 Months After Dossier is Sent to China	\$1,050
Payment Due at Child Assignment This is payable shortly after you receive a child assignment.	\$1,050
* Fees Payable While In China This fee includes a \$5,300 social welfare institute donation and various Chinese (\$1,500) and U.S. (\$450) government fees payable during your trip. The SWI donation and Chinese government fees will be wired on your behalf. The U.S. government fees will be hand carried.	\$7,250
Total Costs Not Including Travel	\$16,800
<i>Travel Costs (Approximate)</i>	
Approximate International Travel Costs for 1 Adult Includes estimate of international airfare from your local airport to your arrival point in China. Please note that international airfare varies according to availability and time of year traveled. These costs may be charged on your credit card or paid by check.	\$1,700
* Standard In-country Travel Package for 1 Adult (Individual fully guided trip) Includes breakfast, hotels, ground and in-country air and ground transportation, guides, translators, facilitators, and general assistance to complete the adoption process. Estimated cost for a second traveler is \$200. Whenever possible, prior to beginning the adoption process, a one night trip to Beijing is arranged for travelers. For individual family travel, the cost of this is currently \$500 for 2 adult travelers. Note: If you family travels with one or more other families, fixed costs of van and guide services may be shared and your costs would be reduced accordingly.	\$5,800
Total Costs Including Costs of Travel	\$24,300
<i>Other Services available through La Vida</i>	
Home Study - La Vida's standard home study fee is \$1,800. Hague convention online training is \$100 - \$135. A review fee of \$600 applies for families submitting home studies from other agencies for efforts required for review to ensure that the study meets US and foreign country guidelines and requirements and to provide consultation and guidance to the other agency.	
Post Placement Services - The fee for 2 post-placement visits including the writing, translation, and forwarding the official reports following each visit is \$700.	
Certification and Authentication of Documents. La Vida offers full certification and authentication services to assist families. The services include all costs for state and foreign government seals and approvals, overnight shipping for all documents, document review, dossier compilation and processing. The cost for authentication of an entire dossier for a couple is \$1,500. The cost for a single applicant is \$1,200. This includes Chinese Consulate required courier services.	
USCIS Processing, Monitoring, and Advisory Services – The initial processing of your United States Citizenship and Immigration Service application is included in your agency fee. If subsequent USCIS applications are necessary, a fee of \$500 will be charged for services in support of a re-application process. Such services include the monitoring preceding the application, advisory communication, instruction and materials provision, application review, transmittal to the USCIS, and follow-on services associated with the adjudication of the application.	

EXAMPLE OF TYPICAL COSTS OF AN ADOPTION FROM CHINA (030811)

Agency & Country Costs	
Application Fee	\$0
Initial Fee	\$3,000
Completion of Documents Fee	\$4,500
Payment Due 12 Months After Dossier is Sent to China	\$1,050
Payment Due at Child Assignment	\$1,050
* Fees Due In China (note: \$6,800 of this is wired from the U.S.)	\$7,250
Total Costs Not Including Travel	\$16,800
Travel Costs For One (Approximate)	
Approximate International Travel Costs for 1 Adult	\$1,700
* In-country Travel Package for 1 adult (\$200 for additional traveler and if traveling with other families will be reduced to reflect shared costs of van and guide services.)	\$5,800
Approximate Total Cost Including Travel For One	\$24,300
Other Costs	
Home Study Through La Vida (other agencies' fees vary)	\$1,800
United States Citizenship and Immigration Services Fees (includes fees for 2 adult household members)	\$890
Certification and Authentication Service	\$1,500
Post Placement Supervision Services Through La Vida (other agencies' fees vary)	\$700
Total Costs Including Travel For One	\$29,190

The costs presented in this schedule are estimates based upon current information and prior experience. There is no guarantee that costs will remain the same or that the costs presented in this example are a full and accurate representation of a specific individual's requirements. Please review this example only in the context in which it is presented – a close general approximation for a typical family.

The above fee schedule provides a general overview of the costs of international adoption from the country of China. For a supplemental schedule that provides additional detail of the breakdown of the above costs please visit our web site at www.lavida.org/feeallocation.htm

Printed copies of this supplemental schedule, providing details of the fee/cost category, amount, points of payment and parties to whom payments are made, is available upon request.

The orphanage donation of \$5,300 is wired on your behalf and is payable in Chinese currency. Depending upon the value of the U.S. dollar relative to Yuan at the time of travel, the donation will vary slightly.

The expenses shown for travel are estimates for one person for an average length trip. Note that it is currently only necessary for one person (either husband or wife) to travel to China. In the case of a married couple, if both travel, the expenses of the trip will be increased by additional travel and living expenses accordingly. Also, the cost of travel varies slightly depending upon season and available carrier. Additional expenses will be likely for souvenirs, phone calls home, laundry, medical expenses, and other minor expenses not shown.