

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

### CHILDREN

Infants to age 15, highest

- number in the 3-8 yr. age range, more boys than girls.

### PARENT REQUIREMENTS

27 or older. Couples married at

- least 1 year but together longer. No greater than 45 year age difference between child and youngest married parent. Only one divorce. Accept singles open to older children. Must have religious foundation.

### TIMELINE

Dossier approval to referral:

24-36 months

Referral to travel: 5-7 months

### TRAVEL

1 trip

7-10 days



## The Children

Boys, girls, sibling sets and groups, and special needs children up to age 15 are available for adoption in the Philippines. Adoptable children in the Philippines come from both private and public orphanages. The physical characteristics of the children are primarily Asian or a unique blend of Asian/Malaysian/Hispanic descent. Most have dark hair and dark eyes with brown/olive complexions. You must be open to accepting a boy or girl and the youngest age range you can request is 0-24 months.

## The Program

Chrysalis House, Inc. (CHI) works with the Inter-Country Adoption Board (ICAB) in the Philippines to assist families hoping to adopt from the Philippines.

CHI will assist families with completing their home study and preparing their dossier. Once the dossier is complete, CHI will send the dossier to ICAB for their approval. All matching is done by ICAB. Once a month ICAB sends out a Special Home Finding Children's list that consists of children with special needs, older children and/or sibling groups. If you are open to these children matches can happen quickly.

## The Process

Approval of dossier 2-4 months from receipt by ICAB. All referrals are made by ICAB. Current wait time is approx. 24 mos (Filipino heritage) to 36 months. Travel permission is typically issued about 5 to 7 months after the family receives a referral. Families will travel to their child's orphanage to pick up their child. All families end their trip at the ICAB office in Manila. The adoption trip lasts 7-10 days. You can stay longer to sightsee if you wish. A Guide can be provided if you feel that would be helpful but we find that the vast majority of our families are able to navigate the trip on their own especially since English is widely spoken in the Philippines.



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*Costs at a Glance*

Chrysalis House Fees	
Application Fee	\$300
International Home Study Fee	\$2,500
Home Study Renewal (if applicable)	\$300
Home Study Addendum/Amendment (if applicable)	\$100/revision
Professional Services Fee	\$7,000
Philippine Program Fee	\$3,500
Post-Adoption Visits (4 @ \$500 each)	\$2,000 each
Finalization Fee	\$500

International Fees	
ICAB Application Fee	\$200
ICAB Processing Fee	\$2,000–\$3,000
Orphanage Support Fund Fee	\$1,000
Psychological Evaluation (part of the dossier)	\$500-\$2,500

Other Fees	
CIS Application	\$720
CIS Fingerprints (per person)	\$85
Child’s Medical Exam & Visa	\$600-\$800
In-Country Expenses (estimated)	\$2,000-\$3,000
Airfare (per person)	\$1,200-\$1,900
Escort Fee (optional)	\$600
Monitoring & Oversight Fee	\$500