



## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

### Children

- Age 8+
- Sibling groups
- Children of all ages with special needs
- Children 7 years of age or younger with Down Syndrome

### Armenia Intercountry Adoption Requirements

- Marital Status: Married couples or single men/women
- Age: 25+; must be between 18-50 years older than child(ren) to adopt

### The Wait to Welcome Home

- Dossier to Referral: 3-4 months (waiting children); 1+ years (referral)
- Referral to Final Trip: 6-12 months

### Excited to Travel

- 1st Trip: 1 week
- 2nd Trip: 3-6 weeks

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## PROGRAM OVERVIEW EXPLAINED

### The Children

Children placed through this program live in orphanages while awaiting adoption. Children 7 and older who are considered healthy or children of any age with special needs are available to be matched with families.

### The Program

Carolina Adoption Services works closely with our partner attorney in Armenia to process Armenian adoptions. The Ministry of Justice is the Armenian adoption authority. The MOJ is responsible for declaring children eligible for intercountry adoption. CAS has been working in Armenia for over 20 years. A foreign representative is available in country for families when they travel.

### The Process

Once a child is matched with a family, the family will be invited to travel to experience the rich culture of Armenia and bond with their child.

At the conclusion of the first trip, families have the opportunity to officially accept their referral. Upon acceptance of the referral, the child's documents and the family's dossier begin the final approval process. Families are encouraged to interact with their children to encourage bonding in between trips using video calls and other means of communication.

After approval is granted by the Armenian government, families will travel to Armenia for a second time. On the second trip, families will attend court and receive custody of their child. The second trip may last 3-6 weeks. The child's visa is obtained at the U.S. Embassy in Yerevan. Once the child's Visa is obtained, families are able to travel back home with their new family member.



# ARMENIA: COSTS AT A GLANCE

*\*Home Study & Primary Provider: Home Study, Placement, & Post-Adoption (available in NC, SC, & VA)*

## Total Costs

Placement Only: \$32,400 – \$46,900

Full Service (Home Study & Placement): \$37,400 – \$56,400

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## Learn More

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[childrensadoptionservices.org](http://childrensadoptionservices.org)

Call, email or visit our website to learn more, schedule a time to speak with one of our experts, or get started on your adoption journey!

## Connect with CAS

Follow us on Facebook or Instagram, sign up for e-mail updates, or register for our Waiting Child photo listing to receive news, updates, and resources for every step of your parenting journey.

## Paying for Adoption

A Federal Tax Credit is available to qualified adoptive parents. This and other resources like grants and low-interest loans can help reduce costs. Please visit our website for more information.

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## Visit these pages for more information:

### [International Adoption](https://childrensadoptionservices.org/international-adoption/)

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### [Armenia](https://childrensadoptionservices.org/project/armenia/)

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### [Request a Consult](http://childrensadoptionservices.org/adoption-information-request/)

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### [Post Adoption Reporting](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/Intercountry-Adoption/Intercountry-Adoption-Country-Information/Armenia.html)

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