

Children's
Adoption Services

Down Syndrome

INTERNATIONAL ADOPTION



Did You Know?

There are hundreds of orphans with Down Syndrome around the world who are in need of a loving, forever family. Many of these children are located in **Armenia** and **Bulgaria**.

About CAS

Children's Adoption Services is a Hague-Accredited adoption service provider. We work with US Citizens living all over the world and provide home study, placement, and post adoption services.

The Adoption Process

Contact CAS today to:

- Learn about your options
- Complete a Home Study
- Create a Dossier
- Be Matched with a child
- Bring your child home

The current estimated timeline to complete an international adoption from Armenia or Bulgaria for a child with Down Syndrome is 1-2 years.

Learn More Today

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Armenia

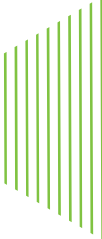
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Armenia is a beautiful country located in the Transcaucasia region and is known for its beautiful landscapes and hospitality. CAS has been working in Armenia since 2002 and has welcomed over 50 children home from Armenia. We have a longstanding relationship with the Armenian central adoption authority, the Ministry of Justice, as well as a passionate local team comprised of lawyers and translators.

The Children

There are currently over 20 children with Down Syndrome under the age of 6 who are in need of loving, forever families. There are also hundreds of children between 0-15 years with moderate to severe special needs who are eligible to be adopted.

Who can Adopt from Armenia?

- Married couples (2+ years) or single men/women
 - Adoptive parents must be at least 25 years old and between 18-50 years older than the child they are adopting
 - Household income must be equal or higher than 125% of the US poverty level for your household size
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Traveling to Armenia

Families will travel to Armenia for two trips. The first trip is 1 week long and takes place once you have been matched with a child. The 2nd trip is 3-6 weeks long and is when families receive their adoption decree and their child's passport and visa. Our in country team will host your family and assist you with lodging, transportation, translation, and any other needs you may have while in country. They will also teach your family about Armenian history, culture, and customs!

Cost at a Glance

Estimated cost for *Placement Services Only: \$32,400-\$46,900

Estimated cost for Home Study & Placement Services: \$37,400-\$56,400

Contact CAS today to learn more about fees as well as grant and loan opportunities!



*Families living outside of NC, VA, or SC and working with a separate Home Study agency

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Bulgaria

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Bulgaria is a beautiful country located in Eastern Europe. It is one of the oldest countries in Europe and has rich culture and tradition. CAS

has been working in Bulgaria since 2009 and has welcomed over 45 children home from Bulgaria. The adoption process in Bulgaria is very consistent and offers families the opportunity to pursue a Waiting Child (request to adopt a specific child on our website photo listing) or follow the standard Process (allowing the central adoption authority to match your family).

The Children

There are many children with Down Syndrome between 1-10 years old that need loving forever families. There are also Waiting Children of all ages with moderate to severe special needs that are eligible for adoption. Families wishing to adopt a child with Down Syndrome are recommended to follow the standard process.

Who can Adopt from Bulgaria?

- Married couples (2+ years) or single men/women
- Adoptive parents must be at least 25 years old and between 15-50 years older than the child they are adopting
- Household income must be equal or higher than 125% of the US poverty level for your household size

Traveling to Bulgaria

Families will travel to Bulgaria for two trips. The first trip is 7-8 days long and takes place once you have been matched with a child. The 2nd trip is 10-12 days long and is when families receive their adoption decree and their child's passport and visa. Our in country team will host your family and assist you with lodging, transportation, translation, and any other needs you may have while in country. They will also teach your family about Bulgarian history, culture, and customs!

Cost at a Glance

Estimated cost for *Placement Services Only: \$21,715-\$25,210

Estimated cost for Home Study & Placement Services: \$25,515-\$34,645

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Next Steps

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How Do I Know This Is Right For My Family?

There are a lot of factors to take into account when deciding if international adoption is right for your family—especially when considering adopting a child with special needs. **[Click here](#)** to hear from a CAS family who has adopted a beautiful little girl with Down Syndrome!

Helpful Resources

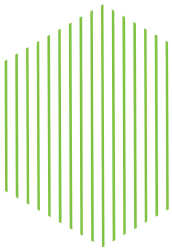
RODS Heroes
www.rods.org

National Down Syndrome Society
www.ndss.org

National Council for Adoption
www.adoptioncouncil.org

Grant Opportunities

- HEROES Grant
- Blue Bear Family Foundation
- Show Hope
- Gift of Adoption
- Help Us Adopt
- Lifesong for Orphans
- National Adoption Foundation



**Contact us today to schedule a free phone or video consultation with our
Armenia and Bulgaria Program Coordinator!**

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