

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Children

- Children ages 4 years and older at time of referral. All children are school-aged.
- Sibling groups
- Children with special needs

Ecuador Intercountry Adoption Requirements

- Heterosexual married couples at least 25 years and married for more than 3 years.
- Single individuals (men and women).
- At least 14 years between the parent and the child but no more than 45 years.
- Knowledge of basic Spanish.
- Additional educational training requirements (outside of USCIS requirements).
- No major current or past health concerns.

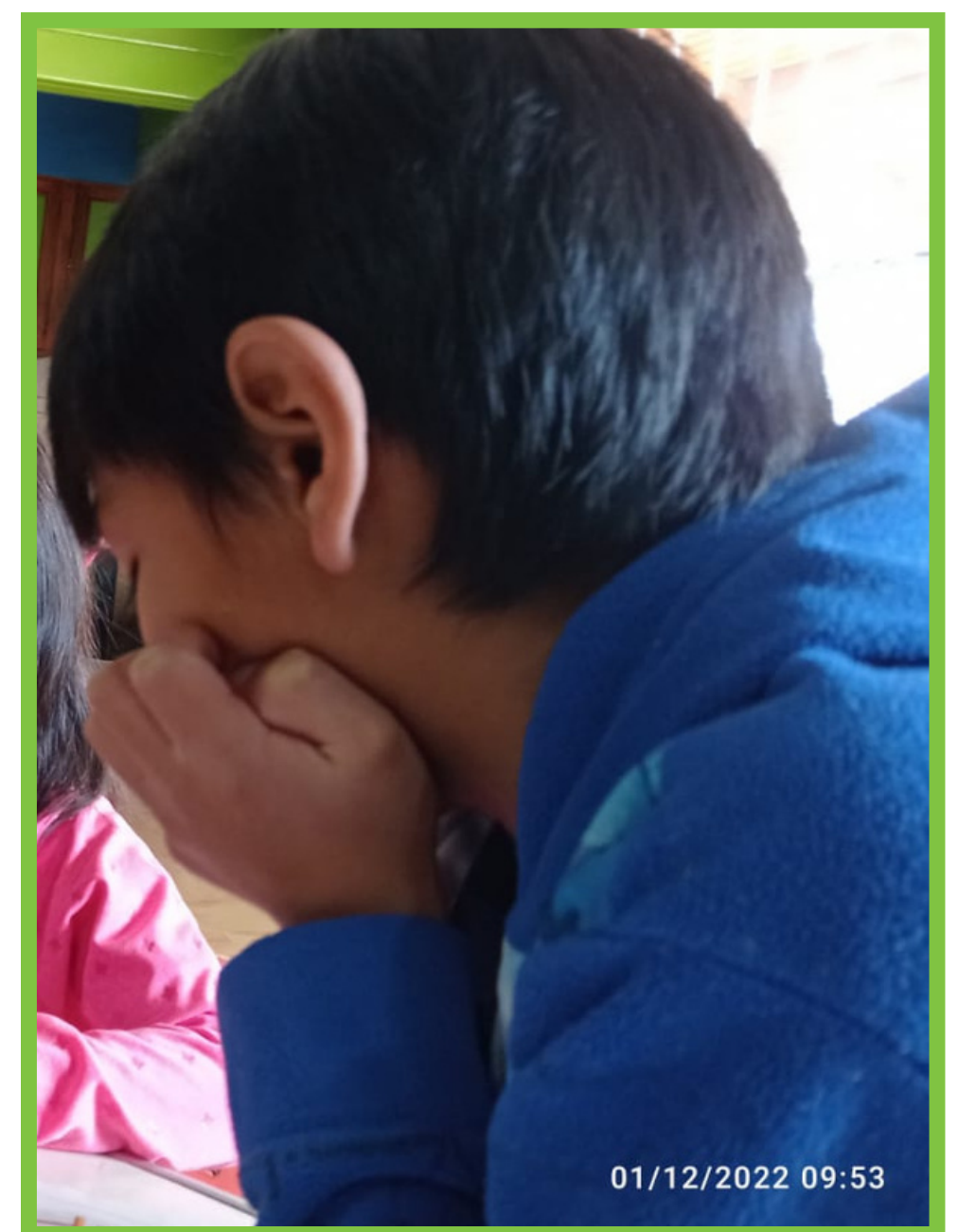
The Wait to Welcome Home

- 9-24 months from submission of dossier to completion

Excited to Travel

- 1 trip about 8-10 weeks long; only one parent must remain in country for the entirety of the trip

Children's Adoption Services



Ecuador

Galapagos
Islands

Colombia

★ Quito

● Guayaquil

Pacific

PROGRAM OVERVIEW EXPLAINED

THE CHILDREN

There are many children in Ecuador who want to be part of a loving family. Children live in residential facilities while awaiting adoption. There are children ages 4 years and older available to be matched with families as well as sibling groups. Children eligible for adoption are assessed for medical and developmental needs. Most children do have an identified medical diagnosis which ranges from mild to severe. Additional evaluations for most current diagnostic information can be provided. Waiting Children from Ecuador are available for adoption.

THE PROGRAM

Children's Adoption Services works closely with our partner attorney in Ecuador as well as the central adoption authority. Dossiers are translated and submitted to our partner attorney for review. Upon approval, our partner attorney submits the dossier to the central adoption authority to register the family as prospective adoptive parents. Families can also submit a dossier to be matched with a Waiting Child.

THE PROCESS

Three to four months after a child is matched with a family, the family will be invited to travel to Ecuador. Prior to travel, families can have video calls with their child. Only one parent must remain in country for the entire trip. While in country, the family will bond with their child, attend court and receive custody of their child, and obtain their child's visa. Families are assisted every step of the way by our English-speaking representative. Upon arrival home, families will continue to receive support from the CAS team. CAS and the central adoption authority require post adoption reporting to be completed at 1 month, 4 months, 8 months, 12 months, 18 months, and 24 months after the adoption is finalized.



ECUADOR: COSTS AT A GLANCE

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

Total Costs

Placement Only: \$28,935

Full Service (Home Study & Placement): \$30,335 – \$37,085

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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.

Visit these pages for more information:

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

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[Ecuador](https://childrensadoptionservices.org/project/ecuador/)

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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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