

Democratic Republic of Congo Adoption Program Fee Schedule

Below is a list of standardized fees incurred in the adoption of a child from DR Congo.

1. All Blessings International, Inc. Agency Fees:..... \$6,100.00

- \$50 Preliminary Application Fee
- \$200 Formal Application Fee
- \$750 First Agency Fee due with submission of Agency Business Agreement
- \$2350 Second Agency Fee due with submission of Dossier
- \$2750 Third Agency Fee due upon finalization of adoption in DR Congo

2. Home Study & Post-placement Fees:\$1,200.00 - \$3,000.00

Home study and post-placement service fees are determined by the agency you choose and are paid directly to that provider. The fees above are an estimate only. ABI can provide home study and post-placement services to families residing in Kentucky & Missouri. ABI charges a \$1550 Home Study fee, along with \$200 per post-placement visit. Please call or email us to request a Guide to Services, which will provide more detailed information about the services and fees for ABI.

3. Dossier Translation & Legalization Expenses:\$1,500.00 \$1,700.00

These fees cover the cost of the translation of the family’s dossier into French and the translation by a certified individual of the child’s dossier from French to English as required by the US Consulate in Kinshasa. Any notarizations will be paid directly by the family.

4. Post-Placement/Post-Adoption Monitoring Fee\$1,000.00

This fee is paid to ABI at the time of finalization of your adoption in DR Congo and is to cover post-placement/post-adoption monitoring, shipping of reports after the adoption and any translations of reports after the adoption if needed.

5. Adoption Education\$200.00

This fee is paid to International Adoption Training Program through ABI, as a minimum 10 hours of education are required.

6. USCIS Fees & Fingerprinting:\$720.00 Form Fee

.....**Fingerprinting Per Person: \$85.00**

Citizenship and Immigration Services charges \$720 to process the I-600A. This check is made payable to USCIS and sent with the I-600A application. Please note: CIS charges an additional \$720 for a second, unrelated child. This is payable to the US Embassy in DR Congo. Citizenship and Immigration Services charges \$85 per person for fingerprinting. This check is made payable to USCIS and sent with the I-600A application.

6. International Fees:..... \$15,000.00 - \$18,000.00

- Program fee of \$9,500 due upon acceptance of referral. \$5,000 is immediately sent to D.R. Congo for case processing. \$3,000 is held in escrow and is sent to D.R. Congo upon finalization of the adoption in D.R. Congolese court. Should D.R. Congo officially close for adoptions and a case not have been legally finalized in D.R. Congolese court, family may receive \$3,000 back. \$1,500 is applied toward international trips for ABI staff to visit the children and orphanages, shipping & communication costs, and unexpected expenses or emergencies encountered in serving Congolese children)

Note: A portion of the International fee is used for humanitarian projects in Congo.

- Child care fees:
 - Child > 2 years of age at referral..... **\$8500.00**
 - Child aged 2 to 4 years at referral.....**\$7000.00**
 - Child 4 years or older at time of referral..... **\$5500.00**

Child care fees are due at the time of referral and 50% is sent immediately to D.R. Congo. No part of the child care fee is refundable under any circumstances. **Please note: No part of the International fee is refundable unless otherwise specified! It is impossible to predict the length of processing time for adoptions!**

8. DNA Testing Fee:\$350.00 - \$500.00

On occasion the US Embassy in DR Congo requires DNA testing. This fee is payable via credit card directly to the lab.

9. Visa Costs \$400 per child

Payable at Visa appointment.

****PLEASE NOTE: All fees are subject to change and any fees not paid to ABI are not under the control or discretion of ABI. All fees paid to ABI are considered fees for services and are not refundable.***

- Travel expenses for one or both parents and the child are in addition to the above fees.
- All fees listed are in U.S. currency and subject to change.