

COLOMBIA ADOPTION FEES
For Networking Families of Colombian Descent

US Adoption Agency Fees	Fee	Fee Information (Fees are fixed unless otherwise noted)
SPCO Application Fee	No charge	N/A
IAAME Monitoring & Oversight Fee	\$500 (per child)	This is a mandated monitoring and oversight fee by the accredited entity payable to SPCO when client contracts with and is accepted by SPCO for an international program.
Agency Processing Fee #1	\$3,500	Payable to SPCO at time of acceptance into Colombia program, or, if a host family, at time of approval by ICBF to communicate with child. This fee includes, but is not limited to, personnel and operational costs, licensing and accreditation, administrative overhead, staff training, communications and publications, insurance, and other costs related to providing adoption services in the US. Additionally, this fee includes introduction to the adoption process, discussion of home study and USCIS requirements, coordination with home study agency and review of home study agency reports for Hague compliance and completeness, assistance with filing I-800A with USCIS.
Agency Processing Fee #2	\$4,000	Payable to SPCO at Home Study Approval. This fee covers SPCO's cost to facilitate a family's adoption with agency and government officials in both the United States and foreign country including, but not limited to, guidance on dossier preparation, courier expenses for submission of documents, coordination of child referral and referral documents, providing travel information, post adoption administration.
Foreign Country Fees		ICBF Administrative Costs are free of charge
Colombia Adoption Program Fee #1	\$4,500	Payable to SPCO at time of submission of dossier to Colombia. This fee covers the cost of facilitating an international adoption in Colombia and includes, but is not limited to, in-country personnel and administrative overhead, training and education, program development, professional services such as interacting with ICBF, governmental ministries, authorities in the U.S. embassy, dossier translation and submission of dossier to ICBF.
Colombia Adoption Program Fee #2	\$3,000	Payable to SPCO at time of referral. This fee includes, but is not limited to, translation of referral documents, assistance with filing of I-800 and DS-260, arranging for adoption support services during adoptive parents stay in Colombia, translation and filing of post-adoption reports.
Attorney Fees	\$2,000	This fee covers the cost of the attorney to advance the process before the ICBF and before the judge when the family is in Colombia. Payable by family in US dollars (cash) to SPCO legal representative upon arrival in Colombia to be passed on to attorney after the final adoption decree is issued.

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Child Care Expenses	Fee	ICBF does not require adoptive parents to pay any child care costs
Third Party US Services		
Pre-Adoption Education & Training	\$200 - \$400	Minimum of 10 hours of Hague compliant pre-adoption education and training. Payable to education provider of adoptive couple's choosing.
Background Clearances	\$150 - \$250	Payable to entities completing background clearances. Includes finger-print based FBI criminal record check, state and local criminal record check, child protective services check, driving record; these are required for anyone living in the home who is 18 years and above.
Documents Fee	\$600 - \$1,000	This is an estimated cost for acquiring certified copies of birth and marriage certificates, notarizations and apostilles, courier services.
Health Examinations	\$500 per person	Payable to health service provider. Cost varies with the physician/medical facility charges, extent of lab work needed, etc.
Psychological Evaluation	\$650 - \$1,000	Payable to psychologist when preparing dossier and dossier updates. Fee varies based upon the provider and may be covered by family's medical insurance.
I-800A Application & Fingerprinting Fee	\$945	Payable to Department of Homeland Security and is based on two adults; additional persons age 18 and above living in the home would also incur the \$85 per person fingerprinting fee.
Pre-Adoption Medical Review of Child Referral Material	\$250 - \$1,000	It is recommended that adoptive parents review child referral materials with a pediatrician experienced in international adoption to discuss potential diagnosis and outcomes as well as identify resources to meet the child's needs. Cost varies by clinic.
Courier Expenses	\$100	Payable to courier service for costs of sending documents to USCIS and to agency. This is a variable cost.
Re-Adoption Court Costs	\$0 - \$1,000	It is recommended that adoptive parents re-adopt their child in the US in order to get a birth certificate issued by their state. Cost varies as some lawyers will provide this service pro bono.
Miscellaneous Costs	\$300	Possible other expenses that could be incurred by adoptive parents.
Estimated Home Study & Post-Adoption Expenses		
Home Study Fee	\$2,000 - \$2,500	Payable to agency conducting home study according to agency's payment schedule. Cost varies based on agency's fees.
Post-Adoption Services	\$2,000	Payable to home study agency in advance or per report according to agency's requirements. Four (4) post-adoption reports are required and cost varies based on agency's fees.
Post-Adoption Deposit	\$1,000	Payable to SPCO at Home Study Approval. Fully refundable if no adoption. Fully refundable after completion of four (4) apostilled reports are received by SPCO office.

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Third Party In-County Services	Fee	Fee Information (Fees are fixed unless otherwise noted)
Adoption Visa for Adoptive Parents	\$300 per person	Payable by adoptive family to U.S. Embassy upon entry into Colombia. This fee can vary depending on the value of the Colombia peso at the time.
Bi-lingual Guide	\$300 - \$550	Payable by adoptive family to bi-lingual guide; an additional guide will be needed if adoptive family has to go to another state in Colombia to receive their child which will reflect the higher amount.
Legal Assistance	\$0 - \$250	Payable by adoptive family to person providing legal assistance in another state should the family need to travel outside of Bogota to receive their child.
Copies of Adoption Decree	\$60	Payable by adoptive family directly to Attorney.
Child's New Birth Certificate	\$20	Payable by adoptive family to the corresponding bank.
Child's Identity Card	\$14	Payable by adoptive family to the corresponding bank.
Child's Passport	\$55	Payable by adoptive family to Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Colombia.
Child's Medical Appointment	\$100	Payable by adoptive family to U.S. Embassy doctor in Colombia.
Child's Vaccinations	\$30 - \$800	Payable by adoptive family to U.S. Embassy doctor in Colombia. Cost varies depending on number of vaccinations needed.
Child's Lab Tests	\$200 - \$1,000	Payable by adoptive family to U.S. Embassy doctor in Colombia. Cost varies depending on if additional tests are required.
Child's Visa & Photos	\$385	\$360 payable by adoptive family to U.S. Embassy in Colombia; estimated cost of \$25 for visa photos.
Travel & Accommodations		
Passports for Adoptive Parents	\$290 - \$330	Payable to adoptive parents to service providers; cost varies depending on shipping method.
Airfare for Two People	\$1,600 - \$3,000	This is an estimated cost of airfare round trip to Colombia.
One Way Airfare for Child	\$500 - \$1,000	This is an estimated cost of airfare one way for the adopted child.
Lodging, Meals	\$2,590 - \$3,765	Accommodation costs and meals in Colombia will be paid directly by the adoptive parents to the service providers. Cost will vary by length of stay and the particulars for each family. Families should budget a 3-5 week stay in Colombia.
In-Country Ground Transportation	\$300 - \$550	Payable by adoptive parents to driver; an additional driver is needed if adoptive family has to travel to another state to receive their child which will reflect the higher amount.
In-Country Air Transportation	\$150 - \$650	Payable by adoptive family to service provider; this cost is in the event that the adoptive family has to travel to another state in Colombia that is too far for ground transportation.

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SUMMARY OF EXPECTED COSTS

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US Adoption Agency Fees	\$8,000
Foreign Country Fees	\$9,500
Child Care Expenses	\$0
Documents/Third Party US Services	\$4,195 - \$6,995
Third Party In-Country Services	\$1,764 - \$3,834
Estimated Home Study & Post-Adoption Services	\$4,000 - \$4,500
Travel & Accommodations	\$5,430 - \$9,295
TOTAL EXPECTED COSTS	\$32,889 - \$42,124

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SPCO Application Fee	\$500	Payable to SPCO at time of submission of formal application. This non-refundable fee covers the cost of a review of potential client's application to determine eligibility for agency's services.
Hague Accreditation Monitoring & Oversight Fee	\$500 (per child)	This is a mandated monitoring and oversight fee by the accredited entity payable to SPCO when client contracts with and is accepted by SPCO for an international program.
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