

East Main Adoption Ministry Grant Guidelines:

What type of adoptions will we fund?

- We fund domestic and international adoption.

Who is eligible for grants?

- At the present time, we only consider grant applications from the East Main Presbyterian Church congregation.
- Single and married couples are eligible for grants.

What are the financial guidelines for eligibility?

- We require a list of adoption costs.

How far along in the adoption process must families be to apply for a grant?

- We require that families have a completed and approved dossier, and completed and approved home study.

What percentage of the total adoption process will this grant supply?

- We hope to be able to cover roughly 10% of total adoption costs up to a maximum grant per child of \$2,500 for international adoption and up to a maximum grant per child of \$1,500 for domestic adoption.

Who on the Adoption Ministry Team will make the actual grant decisions?

- Currently the chair of the adoption team, along with two team delegates will review the adoption grant applications and make a recommendation to the entire committee. Pastors will not be involved in this process, and we will actively seek to avoid conflicts of interest whenever they present themselves.

To whom or to what organization will the funds be disbursed?

- We will disburse funds directly to the adoption agency, home study agency, or adopting parents. Any funds dispersed directly to the adopting parents will be accompanied by a IRS Form 1099.