

**Beatrice Fund- Adoption Assistance Program**

Bridge a Life exists to “share Christ-centered hope with children who have been abused, orphaned, abandoned, or neglected while supporting foster and adoptive families through awareness, training, outreach, and partnerships.”

We understand that some families encounter financial hurdles when navigating the adoption process. In addition to other support programs, Bridge a Life desires to help families meet their financial obligations regarding adoption.

**About The Beatrice Fund**

The Beatrice Fund Adoption Assistance Grant is available to any 12th Circuit Florida resident (Sarasota, Manatee, and DeSoto Counties) who has an approved and current home study from a licensed and accredited adoption agency. International and domestic adoptions will be considered. Grants are awarded regardless of race, age, or marital status. Applicants must be professing Christians who are members in good standing with a local church community. Due to limited funding, we cannot guarantee all qualified applicants will receive a grant.

**Please consider the following below applying:**

+Your adoption has not already been fully funded (Bridge a Life grants cannot be used as reimbursements for expenses already paid).

+Your adoption has not been finalized.

+You have a completed home study.

+You are a resident of the 12th Circuit in Florida.

+You are able to provide a reference letter from your church’s staff/clergy.

+You are working with a Hague-accredited agency (for international applicants).

**Beatrice Fund- Amounts:**

Bridge a Life does not fully fund adoptions but can assist with a small portion of the expenses. Adoption assistance amounts range from $250-1,500. Funds will be awarded directly to your adoption agency on your behalf.

**How to Apply:**

Complete the following application (with family story). Submit application along with proof of approved current home study and a reference letter from your church staff/clergy.



**Beatrice Fund Adoption Assistance Application**

Applicant #1 Name

Address

Phone Number

Email Address

Birthday

Social Media User Names (Twitter/Facebook/InstaGram)

Applicant #2 Name

Phone Number

Email Address

Birthday

Social Media User Names (Twitter/Facebook/InstaGram)

Church Name

Church Address

Church Website

Church Phone Number

Pastor/Staff Member’s Name

Pastor/Staff Member’s Email

Country/State from where you are adopting

Name of Adoption Agency

Website of Adoption Agency

Address of Adoption Agency

Phone Number of Adoption Agency

Name of Case Manager

We’d love to know a little more about you! What led to your decision to adopt? Do you have other children? Why should you be considered for the Beatrice Fund? What can you tell us about the child you’ve been matched with? Anything else you’d like us to know? Please share your story in 300-700 words.

Please submit this completed application (with family story) along with proof of approved current home study and a reference letter from your church staff/clergy stating that you are a current member/attendee in good standing.