

## **ADOPTION-RELATED GROUPS & PUBLICATIONS**

The following are some of the organizations providing support services to adoptive parents. The brief description includes some, but by no means all, of the services provided. Contact each organization for additional information. Resources listed are suggestions, not endorsements, by the agency.

### **ADOPTIVE FAMILIES MAGAZINES**

This award winning national adoption magazine is published six times a year. It offers information for families before, during and after an adoption on issues, books and events geared toward domestic and international adoptions.

[www.adoptivefamilies.org](http://www.adoptivefamilies.org)

### **ASSOCIATION OF SINGLE ADOPTIVE PARENTS**

P.O. Box 3618, Merrifield, Virginia 22116-3618  
(703) 521-0632

Volunteer support group for single adoptive parents and prospective adoptive parents, serving the national capital area.

### **C.A.S.E. (Center for Adoption Support and Education, Inc.)**

4000 Blackburn Lane, Suite 260, Burtonsville, MD 20866  
Burtonsville Office: (301) 593-9200; Burke office (703) 425-3703

[www.adoptionsupport.org](http://www.adoptionsupport.org)

An independent, non-profit organization offering a "Preparation for Adoption Course," as well as counseling, support and education services for adoptive families and for those considering adoption.

### **The Child Welfare Information Gateway**

330 C Street, SW; Washington, DC 20447  
Phone: (703) 352-3488 or (888) 251-0075; Fax: (703) 385-3206

[www.childwelfare.gov](http://www.childwelfare.gov)

Provides free publications and services to the general public on all aspects of adoption. Resources include: a list of adoption agencies, adoption law of all 50 states, and a computer database of adoption articles.

### **THE EVAN B. DONALDSON ADOPTION INSTITUTE**

525 Broadway, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10012  
(212) 925-4089

[www.adoptioninstitute.org](http://www.adoptioninstitute.org)

### **FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN FROM CHINA**

The local chapter of FCC is open to families in the Metro-D.C. area, including Northern Virginia and Maryland. This group hosts a number of annual events, like the Chinese New Year dinner, as well as having smaller groups with playgroups and activities in specific geographic areas.

[www.fcccapital.com](http://www.fcccapital.com)

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There is also a chapter in the Baltimore area, for families who may be closer to Baltimore than to Washington D.C. <http://www.geocities.com/fccmd>

## **FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN FROM VIETNAM**

[www.fcvn.org](http://www.fcvn.org)

Non-denominational network of parents in U.S., Canada and Europe who have adopted from Vietnam.

## **FRIENDS OF FANA DC**

PMB 256

11654 Plaza America Drive, Reston, VA 20190-4700

[www.friendsoffanna.org](http://www.friendsoffanna.org)

## **IFC (Interracial Family Circle)**

P.O. Box 53291, Washington, D.C. 20009

(202) 393-7866

[www.interracialfamilycircle.org](http://www.interracialfamilycircle.org)

Group of individuals and families dedicated to providing a community for multiracial families, couples and individuals, made up of families who have adopted transracially. Maintains a list of interracial organizations throughout the country and a listing of materials related to interracial families. Publishes a monthly newsletter. Holds a variety of events throughout the year.

## **INDIAN ADOPTION RESOURCES**

[www.ichild.org](http://www.ichild.org)

The purpose of this site is to offer a source of inspiration, information, support & resources for those interested in adoption from India and to help bring together prospective adoptive parents and children in India who wait for their families.

## **JOINT COUNCIL ON INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S SERVICES**

[www.jcics.org](http://www.jcics.org)

Consortium of non-profit international adoption agencies that serve children through international adoption and relief projects.

## **KOREAN FOCUS**

1906 Sword Lane, Alexandria, VA 22308

[www.koreanfocus.org](http://www.koreanfocus.org)

[info@koreanfocus.org](mailto:info@koreanfocus.org)

Korean Focus is a support organization for families with children from Korea, providing information and programs on Korean culture and the adoption experience.

## **LAPA (Latin America Parents Association of the National Capital Region)**

Maryland Region Chapter

P.O. Box 4403, Silver Spring, Maryland 20904-4403

(301) 431-3407

[www.lapa-ncr.org](http://www.lapa-ncr.org)

Offers extensive material on Latin American Adoption. Publishes a newsletter and holds educational and social functions.

## **NATIONAL ADOPTION CENTER**

1500 Walnut Street - Suite 701; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19102

1-800-TO-ADOPT

[www.adopt.org](http://www.adopt.org)

Has a computerized national adoption exchange network that matches families with special needs children. Promotes and publicizes the adoption of waiting children.

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## **NCFA (National Council for Adoption)**

225 N. Washington Street; Alexandria, VA 22314-2561

Phone: (703) 299-6633

Fax: (703) 299-6004

[www.ncfa-usa.org](http://www.ncfa-usa.org)

Provides information services to agencies, prospective parents and pregnant adolescents. Also promotes adoption policies and professional practice.

## **NACAC (North American Council on Adoptable Children)**

970 Raymond Avenue, Suite 106; St. Paul, MN 55114

phone: 651-644-3036; fax: 651-644-9848

[www.nacac.org](http://www.nacac.org)

Serves as an umbrella for 500 local parent groups and coalitions that work on behalf of children waiting to be adopted. Sponsors an annual conference for adoptive parents and professionals and coordinates "Adoption Awareness Month."

## **OUR CHINESE DAUGHTERS FOUNDATION**

PO Box 1243; Bloomington, Illinois 61701-1243

(309) 662-5718

[www.ocdf.org](http://www.ocdf.org)

OCDF is a non-profit foundation that supports families with children adopted from China. They sponsor a number of tours to China, based on various interests, for adoptive parents and their children.

## **RESOLVE OF WASHINGTON METRO AREA**

PO Box 3423; Merrifield VA 22116-3423

202-362-5555

<http://www.resolvedc.org>

Offers counseling, referral and support dealing with infertility, publishes a newsletter, and provides education and assistance to associated professionals.

## **SPAULDING FOR CHILDREN**

16250 Northland Dr., Suite 120, Southfield, Michigan 48075

(248) 443-7080

[www.spaulding.org](http://www.spaulding.org)

Handles special needs adoptions.

## **TAPESTRY BOOKS**

[www.tapestrybooks.com](http://www.tapestrybooks.com)

This company provides one of the most comprehensive sources of adoption-related books. They have books relating to all aspects of infertility and adoption, directed toward both adults and children, professionals and families.

## **INTERNATIONAL ADOPTION CLINICS**

[www.chinaconnectiononline.com/clinics.htm](http://www.chinaconnectiononline.com/clinics.htm)

For a listing of many of the International adoption clinics serving parents throughout the country. NOTE: You do not necessarily need to live in the state where the clinic is located in order to receive consultative services.