

IBSEN ADOPTION NETWORK GRANTS ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

The Ibsen Adoption Network is a Washington state nonprofit, Christian organization. Our purpose is to create a network that provides funds, educational and emotional support to families residing in Washington State who are in the process of adopting waiting children, difficult to place and/or special needs* children. Ibsen Adoption Network reserves the right, in its sole discretion to determine the criteria for selection of applicants, to make the selection of applicants, and determine the amount of funding provided to successful applicants. Funding decisions by Ibsen Adoption Network are final and not subject to appeal.

1. Selection of recipients shall be based on a combination of the needs of the child, cost of the adoption and financial need of the family.
2. Financial needs shall be assessed using the completed form which takes into consideration current family income, accumulated assets, and family size.
3. Applicants must have a completed home study and have a child designated or a referral assigned to them.
4. Grant payments will be made payable to a non-profit agency, not to individuals, at the time the child is placed.
5. No member of the Allocations committee or the Board is eligible to apply for assistance from the fund. Any committee and board member or immediate family members of a committee or board member who wishes to apply shall be eligible with the provision that the member not be involved with the review process in which their application is being considered.
6. Applications will be analyzed by the Allocations Committee which is appointed by the board of the Ibsen Adoption Network. Serving on this committee are both members of the board and other community representatives. After careful considerations, the Allocations Committee submits its recommendations to the Board for final action. Recipients are notified as soon as possible.
7. **For 2010**, grants will be made twice throughout the year. The deadlines are **May 31st** and **October 31st**.

Applications may be mailed to: Ibsen Adoption Network
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Olympia, WA 98502

Or E-mailed to: admin@ibsenadoptionnetwork.com

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*Special needs usually refers to those children who are older, who are part of a sibling group, may include children of color, if these children are waiting longer for adoption, and includes children who have special physical, emotional or developmental needs.