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## Programs Summary Chart

	<b>South Africa</b>	<b>Haiti</b>	<b>Guyana</b>	<b>Ethiopia</b>	<b>Lagos State, Nigeria</b>	<b>Nigeria</b>	<b>Ghana</b>	
<b>Age of Applicants</b>	25 - 44 years old at time of application	30 – 50 years old If married, one applicant can be under 30 Single aps > 35 yrs	18 - 65 years old No more than 50, no less than 17 years between child and adopter	25 - 65 years old	At least 25 years old; must be 21 years older than the child; a married couple's combined ages cannot exceed 100.	At least 25 years old; must be 21 years older than the child	Relative adoptions are permitted. Non-relative adoptions are not permitted currently	
<b>Marital Status</b>	Minimum of two (2) years. Does not recognize common law	Married at least 5 years or Common law (with proof) for more than 5 years (*no combination of marriage and common law is permitted)	Common Law or Married or combination of both for minimum 5 years	No minimum Does not recognize common law	No minimum time married.	No minimum time married.	No minimum	
<b>Accepts Single Applicants</b>	Case by Case Basis. Please contact FBA.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Case by case basis. Please contact FBA	
<b>Can Relatives apply to adopt?</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
<b>Other Eligibility Criteria</b>	Body Mass Index (BMI) of 32 or under	Must obtain a Psychological Evaluation Report, in addition to the homestudy.	Letter from doctor if a history of health issue	Letter from doctor if a history of health issue	<b>Do not need to be a Nigerian national to adopt from Lagos State.</b>	Must be a Nigerian national to adopt from most states.		

<b>Is the Agency Accepting New Applicants for this program?</b>	Yes	Yes	No	No, we are not accepting new applicants into the program at this time.	Yes. Please contact our office.	Yes.	Yes, for relative adoptions and for applicants who receive permission to proceed from the Ghanaian Department of Social Development.	
<b>Timeline to receive a child proposal</b>	24- 30 months once dossier is in South Africa	15+ months once dossier is in Haiti	18-24 months once dossier is in Guyana	24- 36 month once dossier is in Ethiopia	12+ months from the time the provincial Letter of Approval is issued		Unknown due to program suspension	
<b>Age of Children</b>	12 months to 4 years	12 months to 8 years	36 months to 10 years	12 months to 17 years	12 months to 17 years	12 months to 17 years	12 months to 17 years	
<b>Estimated Cost*</b>		Program costs range from \$26,000 to \$39,000.						
<b>Trips/ Stay Overseas</b>	One trip for a total of 5 weeks	Two Trips: Trip 1: 2 weeks mandatory socialization visit  Trip 2: 1 week stay to transition child into parents care	Two Trips: Trip 1: 2 weeks  Trip 2: 3 - 4 weeks. (Guyana law stipulates a 3 month residency period before any adoption can be finalized in Guyana, which may be waived by court for an international adoption)	One or Two Trip Option:  One trip: 3 – 4 month stay  Two Trip: Trip 1: under 2 weeks  Trip 2:	One trip of 3-4 months. Some Nigerian states require a foster period and some do not.		Unknown due to program suspension for non-relative adoptions	
<b>Hague or Non Hague Country</b>	Hague	Hague	Non Hague	Non Hague	Non Hague	Non Hague	Non Hague	

\*Includes total local and foreign FBA agency fees. Does not include travel, accommodation, homestudy or other third party fees. Costs vary for relative adoptions.