



# TDH (TERRE DES HOMMES) ONTARIO, INC

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## OUR HISTORY

TDH was originally founded in Montreal in 1976. After 30 years of completing hundreds of adoptions, an Ontario office was established in Vankleek Hill in 2006. The Ontario and Quebec offices operate as separate agencies as per provincial restrictions.

### Origin of the Name

TDH is the acronym for the French phrase “Terre des hommes” which is the title of a book by the French aviator/author/philosopher St Exupéry, who also wrote “The Little Prince”. St-Exupéry created the phrase after viewing Europe from his open-cockpit airplane, and noticing that he could not see any national borders. The phrase literally translates to “men of the land” but implies that we are all members of one human family.

### The TDH Family

The Internationally Federation of Terre des hommes is located in Geneva, Switzerland and has national member agencies that operate autonomously.

TDH Canada is a federally registered Canadian charity that is responsible for raising funds to implement international projects that benefit children, such as new school construction and financial aid for food and medicine.

The two TDH adoption agencies in Canada that are loosely connected to TDH Canada are:

- 1) TDH pour les enfants, a Quebec-registered non-profit organization responsible for international adoption that works with Quebec residents.
- 2) TDH Ontario Inc. an Ontario-registered non-profit organization licensed by the Ontario Ministry of Children and Youth Services under the Intercountry Adoption Act to facilitate intercountry adoption for the residents of Ontario.

### Management & Staff

In 2018, No updates

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## PROGRAMS UPDATE

### Vietnam

Our Vietnam accreditation is valid until Dec 31st 2018; we are waiting to receive renewed accreditation. At this time we have accomplished 8 adoptions in 2018.

In 2017, the DA introduced 3 groups of classification based on health conditions of the children and quotas per agency per classification.

Group 1 - healthy to minor correctable medical conditions and our quota is 3 per year.

Group 2 - moderate correctable medical conditions and our quota is 3 per year.

Group 3 - severe medical conditions and our quota is unlimited per year.

Healthy children are not classified in these 3 groups and our yearly quota 2 children.

#### Vietnam Criteria

- Open to married couples or single women
- Applicants must be 25 yrs. or older
- Either gender
- Available children between 1-4 yrs. old
- Older children available (faster to process)

### Haiti

In September 2018, we were able to reduce TDH's waiting list and re-opened the program. We are currently accepting new registrations.

We are currently proposing children to families who have deposited their dossiers in 2016.

#### Haiti Criteria

- Open to single applicants (male/female) between 35 to 50 yrs. old
- Either gender
- 18 months old and up
- Siblings and twins are common
- Special needs children available
- 2 trips to Haiti are required

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## Ukraine

In 2018, 2 families have completed their adoption, 4 families have registered with the program and 1 family will soon travel to complete their adoption.

Once a dossier has been deposited in the country, it usually takes 3 months for the family to travel in Ukraine to complete an adoption.

### Ukraine Criteria

- Open to married couples
- Applicants must be 25 yrs. or older
- Either gender
- Single child between 5-12 yrs. old
- Sibling children between 2-12 yrs. old available
- Siblings groups are common
- An average adoption process is completed within a year of the dossier when deposited

## Bulgaria

TDH is affiliated with the “Our Family” Bulgarian agency and relies on their credibility and expertise.

We presently have 3 families registered with this program.

### Bulgaria Criteria

- Open to married couples or single women
- Applicants must be 25 yrs. or older
- Either gender
- Available children between 2-5 yrs. old
- Older children available (faster to process)
- Special needs children available (faster to process)

## United States

In Jan 2017, Johanne Wagner took over the program.

One family have finished their in country-dossier and is currently waiting for a match.

Our program works through our partner agency which covers most States.

**USA Criteria**

- Open to heterosexual or same sex couples and single applicants
- Applicants must preferably be between 30 to 50 yrs. old
- Open adoption
- Newborn babies

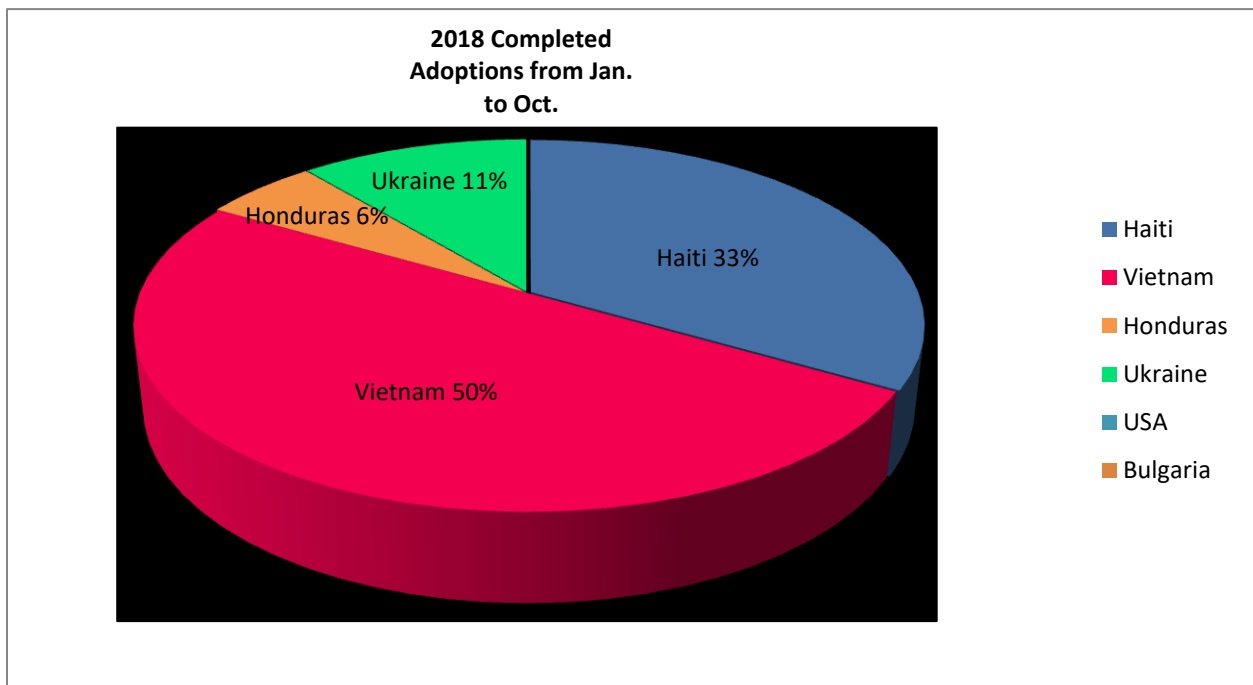
**Honduras**

In 2018, 1 family completed an adoption and 4 families are currently registered in the country.

The waiting period is approximatively 18 months.

**Honduras Criteria**

- Open to married couples or single women
- Applicant must be 25 to 60 yrs. old
- Either gender
- 2 yrs. and older
- Siblings are common
- Special needs children available



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## STRUCTURE, ADMINISTRATION, AND COMMUNICATIONS

### Our Administration Team



**Manon Parent**  
Executive Director



**José Garcia**  
Controller



**Christine Cernivz**  
Administrative Assistant

### Our Programs Coordinators



**Johanne Wagner**  
Vietnam / USA / Honduras  
Program Coordinator



**Nadia Luts kaya**  
Ukraine / Bulgaria  
Program Coordinator



**Manon Parent**  
Haiti  
Program Coordinator

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## Board of Directors

- Wendy DeVries, President
- Mat Braganca, Vice-President
- Rosalind Chan, Secretary
- Kevin Maynes, Treasurer
- Marlene Alt, Member
- Erin Maynes, Member
- Martha Murray, Member

## Intercountry Staff

- Martha Montaya, TDH Representative in Honduras
- Kseniya Myslyvets, TDH Representative in Ukraine
- Caleb Girodier, TDH Representative in Haiti
- Sofia Mocombe, TDH Administrative Assistant in Haiti
- Thuy Tran Bich, TDH Representative in Vietnam
- Nguyen Thi Cam Loan, TDH Representative in Vietnam

## Complaint Procedure

Complaints about any part of the adoption procedure or decisions of the agency are always taken seriously, and an effort is made to reach a satisfactory conclusion to any problems. Individuals with complaints are welcomed and encouraged to first address their concerns to the agency directly. Subsequently complaints may also be channeled through the President of the Board of Directors of the agency, Mrs. Wendy DeVries ([wendydevries@sympatico.ca](mailto:wendydevries@sympatico.ca)).

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## Communications

Agathe Bélanger, Website Master.

## Financial Statements

- Our 2017 financial statements prepared by our accountant, Jose Garcia and audited by Chris Schreindorfer, CPA.

## CONCLUSION

We hope this report has given you a “snapshot” of who we are and our accomplishments, challenges, and goals for and the future. We welcome you to contact us with your comments and questions.

Respectfully yours,

Manon Parent, Executive Director  
TDH (Terre des hommes) Ontario, Inc.

*N.B. The statistics in this report include all adoptions done by TDH Ontario, including those done in other provinces.*