FAMILIES WILL APPRECIATE RECEIVING COMPREHENSIVE INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR CHILD, AND THE THOUGHTFUL PREPARATION FOR ADOPTION OFFERED TO THE CHILDREN BY CAREGIVERS IN HONG KONG. THE PROCESS IS WELL ORGANIZED, WITH EXCELLENT SUPPORT BOTH IN THE U.S. AND IN HONG KONG. FAMILIES CAN ENJOY SPENDING TIME IN THIS BEAUTIFUL AND HISTORIC CITY AS THEY MEET AND BEGIN BONDING WITH THEIR CHILD. UNLIKE MAINLAND CHINA, CHILDREN LEAVE HONG KONG UNDER GUARDIANSHIP AGREEMENTS AND ADOPTIONS ARE FINALIZED IN THE U.S. IN LOCAL FAMILY COURT AFTER A SHORT POST PLACEMENT PERIOD. HAND IN HAND STAFF REMAIN AVAILABLE TO HELP YOU AND YOUR CHILD ADJUST TO FAMILY LIFE WHEN YOU ARRIVE HOME.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM
Hand In Hand's program in Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, People's Republic of China is one of our newest programs. This program is mainly focused on children identified as having some type of special need.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR: PAM THOMAS
Our Program Director, Pam Thomas has 26 years of experience assisting families to adopt from China, and has traveled extensively in Hong Kong and mainland China. She and her husband are also parents of a daughter adopted from China in 1995.
Please note that there are many factors that impact the cost of international adoption, including travel costs, number of children being adopted and whether you are using Hand In Hand as a full service or placement agency. The numbers below represent one child being adopted as a full service agency and don’t include travel:

HIH Fees: $14,375
Hong Kong Fees: $973

**WHO CAN ADOPT**

Married Heterosexual Couples and some single women. Parents must be a minimum of 25 years of age. Couples must be married for at least 3 years, or minimum of 5 years if someone was previously married. Single women may apply if they have a history of childcare experience and a strong support network.

**WHO CAN BE ADOPTED?**

Children 1-15 years of age. Most have some type of special need.

**TRAVEL**

Hong Kong requires adoptive parents to take one trip of just one week.

**TIMELINE**

Adopting a child from Hong Kong takes between 1 and 2 years.