**FCA Midwest Heritage Grant**

**What: One $1,000 FCA Travel Grant to be used for expenses for one of the following:**

* **A Heritage Trip to China**
* **Chinese Language Camp**
* **Colorado National Culture Camps**
* **Adopteen Conference**

**Who: FCA members with serious intent to participate in any of the above and have a financial need. No proof of financial need is required with application, but this grant is offered in good faith for those who might not otherwise be able to afford the opportunity to participate in a cultural adoption event. FCA members who are traveling as a family or young adult adoptees who are FCA members traveling independently (e.g. school group, adoptee volunteer trip) are eligible. (Current Board Members are not eligible to apply.)**

**When: Application deadline postmarked by February 5th, 2018. Travel Grant is available for use for travel dates between March 1, 2018 and September 1, 2019.**

**Why: Many adoptive families have spoken of the positive experiences of events and opportunities highlighting issues of identity and benefits of personal growth for their children. This grant can help offset expenses and enable a family to experience a cultural heritage opportunity that otherwise may be out of reach. If using grant for heritage travel, please consider the issues that can arise, we encourage families to reach out for support. One particularly good resource available is: *From Home to Homeland*, by authors Jacobs, Ponte and Wang.**

**How*:*  Please print, complete the form in full, and mail this application to:**

 FCA, attn Travel Grant

 P.O. Box 23068

 Richfield, MN 55423.

**Application must be postmarked by February 5th, 2018. Recipients will be chosen at random as part of the Chinese New Year luncheon February 11th, 2018. You do not need to be present to win.**

**After the grant event, the recipient family/individual will be expected to give a brief presentation to the FCA group, and write a short essay for the FCA newsletter describing the experience.**

**Parent(s) first and last names:**

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**FCA/FCC member since (year): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Email address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Cell Phone:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**What is the best way for you to be reached?**

**❑ Email ❑ Cell ❑ Home**

**Where, specifically, did you hear about this grant?**

* **FCA Website**
* **FCA email**
* **FCA Facebook**
* **FCA Activity:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
* **FCA member/friend: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
* **Other:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Please list child(ren) in your family:**

**Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Do you have event/travel dates scheduled? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**What are the scheduled dates? If no dates are yet scheduled, what is the time frame you plan to participate/travel? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**If going on a Heritage Trip will you use an agency, independent travel, or other (i.e.; school trip)? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**What is the primary reason you and your family would like to participate in a cultural heritage event/travel (please summarize in 2-3 sentences)?**

**If FCA could do one thing to help prepare me and/or my child for the trip, it would be:**

**Do you plan to attend the Chinese New Year Luncheon on February 11th, 2018 (winner chosen and announced at this luncheon)? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**I understand that if I should receive the Travel Grant funds, I need to use the money before September 1, 2019. I can expect the funds to be distributed directly to my travel agency or to myself after submission of expense receipts. I also understand that I will be expected to make a brief presentation to the FCA group, or write a short essay for a newsletter describing our trip.**

**Signature:**

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**Family name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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