



# UAS EASTERN EUROPEAN ADOPTIONS INC.

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Adoption from Ukraine, Bulgaria and India.

## **SEMI-ANNUAL NEWS LETTER**

### **UAS Eastern European Adoptions**

#### **OVERVIEW**

UAS was incorporated in 2003 and licensed by the province of Manitoba in 2004 as a not-for-profit organization.

UAS Eastern European Adoptions Inc. is a private adoption agency licensed by the Manitoba Government. Adoption and facilitation services are provided in accordance with The Adoption Act, the Province of Manitoba and the Inter-Country Adoption (Hague Convention) Act. The UAS team consists of the Executive Director, Program Supervisor, Registered Social Workers, Adoption Support Coordinator and Post Adoption Support Coordinator. The management team consists of a Board of Directors and Advisory Consultants. UAS is also pleased to have an extensive local, national and international support network. UAS recognizes every child's right to grow and develop in a loving and understanding family environment. The child's best interests are our first priority when providing adoption and facilitation services.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors develops policies for the organization, implements program campaigns by defining objectives and outcomes, deals with major personnel matters, approves budgets and oversees expenditures within the budgetary framework, develops fundraising initiatives, and evaluates the ongoing activities of the organization.

##### **Chair**

Darla Penner

##### **Secretary**

Darcy Grosney

##### **Treasurer**

Iryna Konstantiuk

##### **Members at Large**

Sandra Slogan

##### **Members at Large**

Alysha Gail Buck

#### **STAFF**

##### **Program Supervisor**

Randee Pollock

##### **Social Workers:**

1. Monique Gougeon
2. Marla Fellner
3. Leo Pantel

##### **Director**

Oleg Chopyk

##### **Adoption Support Coordinator**

Valeriya Stetovych

##### **Post Adoption Support Coordinator**

Kateryna Bilokon



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## ADOPTION PROGRAM OVERVIEW FOR JANUARY – JULY 2019

UAS active programs are: **Ukraine, Bulgaria, Haiti, India.**

Previously, the agency had facilitated adoptions from **Kazakhstan**. 17 children have been adopted from Kazakhstan between the years 2008-09.

## STATISTICS FOR JANUARY – JULY 2019 YEAR

<b>The number of child proposals – 7</b>	<b>Ukraine - 4; Bulgaria - 3;</b>
<b>The number of finalized adoptions – 4</b>	<b>Ukraine - 4</b>
<b>The number of pending adoptions to be finalized - 2</b>	<b>Haiti -1; Bulgaria - 1</b>
<b>Waiting Registered Adoptive Parents - 12</b>	<b>Bulgaria - 9; Ukraine - 2; Haiti -1;</b>

## ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN 2019

UAS employed paid-for Facebook ads to provide information about international adoption from Eastern Europe and other countries. We also use free Community relations bus advertisement for July 2019.



Route: 162 Richmond express to St. Norbert



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## Events

### **Easter egg (Pysanka) Decoration 2019**

Traditional Ukrainian Easter Egg (Pysanka) decoration workshop at UAS. We had a blast to host families at our workshop!! Special thanks to Ivanka Babiak for creating, organizing and running the workshop for UAS families! There were twenty participants at the UAS office. Check out some amazing artwork below!



### **We have successfully hosted two Seminars in March and July 2019**

The Seminars cover a range of topics related to international adoption and review our adoption programs with Ukraine, Bulgaria and India. Upon completing the seminar adoptive parents are able to proceed with international adoption process.

