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Mercer Vicinage Celebrates National Adoption Day

Assignment Judge Mary C. Jacobson has announced that the Mercer Vicinage will hold its seventh annual Adoption Day program on Friday, Nov. 21 at the Trenton War Memorial, 1 Memorial Dr., Trenton. Approximately five adoptions will be finalized at the courthouse in the morning prior to the event.

Co-hosted by the Mercer Vicinage, the New Jersey Division of Child Protection & Permanency (DCP&P) and the Court Appointed Special Advocates of Mercer County, the event will celebrate the joy of adoption and recognize those who open their hearts and homes to children.

The celebration will begin at 10 a.m. after court proceedings have concluded. Speakers will include the Rev. Darryl Armstrong of Shiloh Baptist Church. Adopting families and their children will enjoy a breakfast buffet, complimentary family portraits, and children's activities provided by the Trenton Thunder, My Fairytale Dream, Business Bistro, One Simple Wish and Main Event.

National Adoption Day is an annual event in which courts and communities around the state and nation finalize thousands of adoptions and celebrate families who adopt.

Adoptions are private and not open to the public. Anyone interested in adoption can obtain information from DCP&P by calling 800-99-ADOPT.

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Although adoptions are closed to the public, arrangements will be made for reporters to interview willing families after their adoption proceedings conclude. Call Kathleen Wardlow at 609-571-4407 for more information.