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Atlantic/Cape May Vicinage Celebrates National Adoption Day

The Atlantic/Cape May Vicinage will hold National Adoption Day celebrations on Thursday, Nov. 15 in Cape May County and Friday, Nov. 16, in Atlantic County. The vicinage will finalize the adoptions of 17 children.

The Cape May County adoption proceedings and celebration will begin at 9 a.m. at the Cape May County Courthouse, 9 N. Main St., Cape May Court House. Adoptions will be conducted by Judges Nancy Ridgway and M. Susan Sheppard.

In Atlantic County, adoptions will begin at 9 a.m. in the jury assembly room on the first floor of the Atlantic County Civil Courts Building, 1201 Bacharach Blvd., Atlantic City. The proceedings will be conducted by Judges Ridgway, W. Todd Miller and Pamela D'Arcy. Gifts will be presented to the children.

The events in Atlantic and Cape May counties will be co-hosted by the vicinage's family division and the New Jersey Division of Child Protection & Permanency, in collaboration with the Court Appointed Special Advocates of Atlantic and Cape May Counties and Surrogates Dean R. Marcolongo of Cape May County and James Curcio of Atlantic County.

Information on the adoption process will be available for the public at the events. For more information, go to www.nationaladoptionday.org.

National Adoption Day is an annual event in which courts and communities in all 50 states join to finalize thousands of adoptions and to celebrate families who adopt. This month's events bring the total number of completed adoptions this year to nearly 120 between the two counties.

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Although adoptions are closed to the public, arrangements will be made for reporters to interview willing families after the proceedings. Contact John Thomas, family division manager, for more information.