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Somerset/Hunterdon/Warren Vicinage Celebrates Adoption Day

The Somerset/Hunterdon/Warren Vicinage will hold its annual Adoption Day program on Friday, Nov. 16 at the Hunterdon County Courthouse, 65 Park Ave., Flemington.

Adoption proceedings for eight children and their families will begin at 1:30 p.m. Family Division Presiding Judge Kimarie Rahill will officiate. A reception with lunch, craft tables, family photos, and face painting will be held in the jury assembly room following the proceedings.

The vicinage's Adoption Day program is co-hosted by the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency, the Court Appointed Special Advocates program, the Somerset County Bar Association, the Hunterdon County Surrogate's Office, and Hunterdon Healthcare. The Somerset, Hunterdon and Warren local offices of the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency and the Hunterdon County Bar Association will provide gifts to the children.

"It is a joy and an honor to participate in National Adoption Day, which is a collective national effort to raise awareness of the thousands of children in foster care waiting to find permanent, loving families," Judge Rahill said.

National Adoption Day is an annual event in which courts and communities in all 50 states come together to finalize thousands of adoptions of children, and to celebrate families who adopt. Those interested in becoming a licensed foster/adoptive parent should call 1-877-NJFOSTER.

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Although adoption hearings are closed to the public, arrangements will be made for reporters to interview willing families upon conclusion of the adoption proceedings. For further information, contact Eliana Pazos, team leader, at 908-332-7700, ext. 13593.