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## **Monmouth Vicinage to Celebrate Adoption Day**

The Monmouth Vicinage will celebrate National Adoption Day on Thursday, Nov. 14 at 1:30 p.m. in the jury assembly room of the Monmouth County Courthouse, 71 Monument Park, Freehold.

Twenty-eight adoptions will be finalized. Several Superior Court judges will preside over the adoption proceedings.

The adoptive families will be guests of honor at a reception arranged by the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P), the Monmouth County Surrogate's Office, the Monmouth Bar Association, and Court Appointed Special Advocates. Judge Richard English, who presides over the vicinage's family division, will speak. Members of an adoptive family will be keynote speakers.

Refreshments will be served to the families, and vicinage staff will dress in children's character costumes. The families will receive photos, flowers for the parents and gifts for the children.

Information about the adoption process will be available. Attendees also will be able to speak with staff from the surrogate's office and DCP&P about adopting children in foster care. For more information about becoming a licensed foster/adoptive parent, call 1-877-NJFOSTER.

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Although adoptions are closed to the public, photographers and reporters can attend the celebration and arrange to interview selected families after their adoptions conclude. Call Janet Slocum at 732-358-8700, ext. 87025 for details.