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## **Hudson Vicinage to Celebrate National Adoption Day**

The Hudson Vicinage will celebrate National Adoption Day on Friday, Nov. 22 with adoption proceedings beginning at 9 a.m.

Fourteen adoptions will be finalized by Superior Court Judges Nesle Rodriguez, Lois Lipton and Bernadette DeCastro. Following the adoption proceedings, the adoptees and their families and friends are invited to a breakfast celebration in the jury assembly room of the Hudson County Administration Building, 595 Newark Ave., Jersey City.

The celebration will continue Saturday, Nov. 23 with an event at Hudson Play in Jersey City, where the children will have access to different activities, including an indoor obstacle course and play area. Lunch will be served to the children and their families.

National Adoption Day is an annual event in which courts and communities in all 50 states come together to finalize thousands of adoptions. This celebration is part of a national effort to raise awareness of the more than 100,000 children in foster care in the United States waiting to find permanent, loving families and to encourage others to adopt.

Adoption Day activities are sponsored by the vicinage's family division in collaboration with the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P) and the Court Appointed Special Advocates of Hudson County.

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Although adoption proceedings are closed to the public, arrangements can be made for reporters to interview willing families after their proceedings conclude. Contact Kristy Adams, concurrent planner at DCP&P's Bergen/Hudson Area Office, at 201-590-6383 for more information.