

## Media Release

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## Thirteen Children to receive "Forever Homes" at National Adoption Day Event

(Columbus, Ohio)- November is *National Adoption Month*, and Franklin County Children Services will celebrate with community partners to honor the adoptions of 13 children during the 17<sup>th</sup> annual National Adoption Day event.

Central Ohio will recognize National Adoption Day on Thursday November 17<sup>th</sup>, when Probate Judge Robert G. Montgomery and his staff of magistrates will finalize the adoptions of 13 children to five adoptive homes. The celebration will begin at 1:30 p.m. in Montgomery's courtroom on the 22<sup>nd</sup> floor at the Franklin County Courthouse, 373 S. High Street.

There will be media opportunities for photos and interviews with pre-selected families and children, at this private event, after the ceremony.

FCCS will be joined by the National Center for Adoption Law and Policy at Capital University Law School and the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption for this memorable event. FCCS Executive Director Chip Spinning will also make brief remarks.

The National Adoption Day celebration continues to gain support through its community partners like the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption and the National Center for Adoption Law and Policy at Capital University Law School.

National Adoption Day demonstrates how government, public policy and corporate professionals can work together to strengthen the community. Nationwide, this event has helped 58,500 children find permanent homes since its inception in 2000. For more information, please call the FCCS Adoption Division at (614) 341-6060, the Dave Thomas Foundation at 1-800-ASK-DTFA <a href="https://davethomasfoundation.org/">https://davethomasfoundation.org/</a> or log onto <a href="mailto:childrenservices.franklincountyohio.gov">childrenservices.franklincountyohio.gov</a> and search under our Programs tab.



