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NATIONAL ADOPTION DAY

with

The Alliance for Children's Rights

Friday, November 18, 2011

Over 150 foster children's adoptions will be finalized on this day at the Edelman's Children's Court
201 Centre Plaza Drive in Monterey Park

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Be a Court Buddy on National Adoption Day



Being a Court Buddy gives kids (over 6) accompanied by a parent, or teen friends (over 12) a chance to help foster children in Los Angeles have a joyful, celebratory adoption day.

This is a valuable opportunity for both the volunteer Court Buddy and the child being adopted. The adopting child will have a friend in court, and the Court Buddy will have the experience of "being there" for another child. Volunteers play the important role helping make the whole day fun and relaxing for the kids since it is a celebratory event, as opposed to the fear and trauma foster children normally associate with going to court.

The Court Buddy team of four will assist during the adoption hearings. They'll greet the families, assist the court bailiff with the court room schedule and hand out teddy bears to all the children in the court room.

While the families wait for their hearings, the team can read or do arts & crafts with the children. The time frame for volunteers is from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, November 18th, 2011 at the Los Angeles Children's Court located in Monterey Park.

If you're interested in becoming a Court Buddy or simply attending to witness this special day, please contact Joelle (213) 368-6010 x115 or j.warren-lane@kids-alliance.org

