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### **Hamilton County Highlights Child Available for Adoption**

**Cincinnati (Dec. 1, 2009)** A 14-year-old who likes sports and wants to be a U.S. Marine is December's Adoptable Children at Hamilton County's Department of Job and Family Services.

Hamilton County is spotlighting some of the children it has available for adoption with monthly releases to local media.

"We're looking at innovative ways of getting our children before the public so we can find them safe, loving homes," said Moira Weir, director of the department. "Every child deserves a permanent home and we know there are hundreds of loving families throughout this community who would be willing to open up their doors and their hearts to our children."

Respectful, intelligent Diron says math is his favorite subject. He enjoys adding, multiplying, and playing with numbers. After school he likes to go bike riding and play Matrix, Mortal Combat, Lion King, and NBA Live '07 on his Play Station.

Diron enjoys action movies and cartoons too, as well as reading books about some of his favorite heroes. He also likes playing card games and board games like Monopoly. He plays on his community league's football team as part of the special kick-off return team. He likes football, basketball, and baseball; his favorite teams are the Bengals and the Cavaliers.

Hamilton County currently has about 215 children available for adoption. The county's Children's Services Division often must take custody of children who are the victims of abuse or neglect and cannot be safely reunited with their families.

Those interested in adopting or becoming foster parents can learn more at [www.hckids.org](http://www.hckids.org) or by calling (513) 632-6366 or e-mailing [adoption@jfs.hamilton-co.org](mailto:adoption@jfs.hamilton-co.org). Also, follow Hamilton County JFS Foster Care and Adoption recruitment on Facebook!

**About Hamilton County's Department of Job and Family Services**

The Department of Job and Family Services administers federal, state and local programs for those in need. The Department helps with local child protection, elderly protection, child care, child support enforcement, workforce development, cash assistance, food stamp disbursement and Medicaid disbursement. Servicing Hamilton County since 1947, the Department helps hundreds of thousands each year and is accredited by the Council on Accreditation, an international, independent, not-for-profit child and family service accrediting organization.