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Hamilton County Highlights Child Available for Adoption

Cincinnati (Feb. 2, 2010) An artist and violinist who would someday like to be an attorney is February'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."

Fourteen-year-old Lakasia is intelligent and disciplined, doing well in school. The challenge of math class inspires her to try hard and do well. Reading is one hobby for this pleasant and responsible girl; she devours books about history.

She loves bunnies, guinea pigs, anything pink, and being outdoors! Incredibly active and full of energy, this teenager is a great artist and also plays the violin.

A family who shares her love of doing things and staying busy would be a wonderful match for Lakasia, and she would definitely benefit from spending time with dynamic role models who can nurture her and help her reach her dream of someday becoming a successful lawyer.

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 can learn more at www.hckids.org or by calling (513) 946-1000 or e-mailing 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.