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**Hamilton County Highlights Child Available for Adoption**

**Cincinnati (Nov. 2, 2010)** An 11-year-old boy who collects rocks and admires beautiful flowers is November's Waiting Child 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."

Energetic Elijah likes playing outdoors at the park and playing sports, including basketball at the local recreation center. He also likes to go to the movies.

He gets good grades in school, especially in his favorite subject, math. He wants to be a doctor or a police officer some day.

Elijah hopes to find a nice, funny family that will envelop him in their love.

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](http://www.hckids.org) or by calling (513) 946-1000 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 assistance 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.