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Hamilton County Highlights Child Available for Adoption

Cincinnati (Jan. 3, 2011) A 14 year-old aspiring hero is January's Waiting Child at Hamilton County 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 that would be willing to open up their doors and their hearts to our children."

Aschistian is looking for a home that can assist in reaching his dreams of helping people. He hopes to join the ranks of some of the modern day heroes by becoming a police officer or a firefighter. This intelligent, sharp-minded boy has even entertained the idea of joining the SWAT team one day.

Aschistian loves reading and watching movies. He especially loves the Harry Potter series. A forever family that shares his love and takes frequent trips to the library would be ideal. Aschistian craves the solidarity of a family unit and is awaiting that special family he can share his life with.

A video featuring Aschistian is available at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xjxn6FH3sjM>

Hamilton County currently has about 190 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) 632-6366 or e-mailing adoption@jfs.hamilton-co.org. Also, follow Hamilton County JFS Foster Care and Adoption recruitment on Facebook!

About Hamilton County Job and Family Services

Hamilton County 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.