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Twenty-Three Alameda County Foster Children of All Ages Will Get Permanent Families Just In Time for the Holidays

On Adoption Day the Dreams of Many Alameda County Foster Children Will Be Fulfilled

WHAT:	Oakland CAOn Friday, November 22, 2013, twenty-three Alameda County foster children will get forever Moms and Dads after a very long wait. The Fourteenth Annual Alameda County Adoption Day is in recognition of families who have chosen to adopt children from the Alameda County foster care system. This year we will celebrate the adoptions of 12 girls, 11 boys, and 3 sibling groups . Most importantly, these children will get the one thing they have longed for: a permanent family. Judges, social workers, attorneys, and court personnel will volunteer their services for the day to expedite the hearings that will give these deserving children the families they have been waiting for. Adoption Day is a collaboration between the Alameda County Social Services Agency's Department of Children and Family Services and the Juvenile Courts of Alameda County.
	NOTE: Reporters are welcome to talk with consenting families about their adoption experience. Filming inside chambers during the finalization process will be permitted.
WHEN:	Friday, November 22, 2013 12:30 pm - 1:00 pm - Opening Remarks and Presentations 1:10 pm - 4:00 pm - Adoption Finalizations
WHO:	Twenty-three children of all ages, adoptive families, friends, relatives, Alameda County judges, social workers, attorneys, and court staffers will be in attendance.
WHERE:	Alameda County Juvenile Justice Center 2500 Fairmont Drive San Leandro, CA 94578

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