

# MEDIA RELEASE



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## 17<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL ADOPTION DAY TAKING PLACE NOVEMBER 21

**Kennewick, WA** – National Adoption Day will be celebrated in Washington State on November 21, the Friday before Thanksgiving. There are currently over 1,000 children in foster care in Washington that are legally free and in need of belonging to new families. We invite the public to join in spreading awareness by recognizing, celebrating and commemorating these children and adoptive families and to spread the word to potential adoptive parents that these children need homes.

**The event will take place on Friday, November 21 at 3:00 p.m. at the Benton County Justice Center (Courtroom B) located at 7122 W Okanogan Place, Kennewick, WA 99336. National Adoption Day is open to the public, we invite you to join us in celebrating children finding their forever families.**

*This is a special celebration that we encourage our community to participate in. For more information about National Adoption Day, please contact Benton & Franklin Counties Superior Court by phone at 509-376-3071, or email: Hannah Smedsrud ([Hannah.smedsrud@co.benton.wa.us](mailto:Hannah.smedsrud@co.benton.wa.us)).*

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### About Benton County

Benton County is located in south-central Washington. The county seat is located in Prosser, and its largest city is Kennewick. Benton County was created on March 8, 1905 and was named after U.S. Senator Thomas Hart Benton. Benton County operates under the plural executive form of government with three commissioners and seven other elected officials. Benton County has offices located in Prosser and Kennewick. For more information, visit our [website](#).