

Children's Court Hosting National Adoption Day

Judges from the Second Judicial District Court and Albuquerque-area children's law attorneys are volunteering to process a group of adoptions on Saturday, November 17, 2018, completing the parent-child relationship with their forever families.

Albuquerque Mayor Tim Keller and the Bernalillo County Commission are expected to issue proclamations declaring Saturday, November 2018 National Adoption Day in the Metro area.

The Second Judicial District Children's Court has participated in National Adoption Day since 2013. The number of adoptions processed during these events typically range from 40 to 50. However, the court, in the course of its normal work, has completed more than 3,000 adoptions over the years.

"Being adopted into a permanent home is a dream come true for hundreds of children in New Mexico," said Children's Court Presiding Judge Marie Ward. "We work to make that dream a reality throughout the year, but National Adoption Day allows us to come together as a community and see the joy in the faces of adopted children and their families. It also is a chance to inspire some people who may not have considered it before to open their hearts and homes to some children still waiting to be adopted."