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**Indiana DCS celebrates permanency during National Adoption Month**

**INDIANAPOLIS (Nov. 1, 2022)** – The Indiana Adoption Program, the Indiana Department of Child Services (DCS) and Firefly Children and Family Alliance are working together to share stories of children who have found permanent, loving homes across Indiana.

Each November, in celebration of National Adoption Month, these agencies make great efforts to spread the word about children waiting to find their forever families and share success stories of those who already have. This year, DCS will share photos and videos from adoption events around the state on [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#).

“Children are able to thrive and live up to their full potential when they’re given permanent homes and families,” DCS Director Terry Stigdon said. “We’re incredibly grateful for the individuals and families that open their hearts and their homes.”

DCS recognizes the importance of giving children in foster care permanent, safe and loving homes. Currently, 156 children in DCS care are available for placement in an adoptive home in Indiana. For more information about adoption and profiles of some of Indiana’s waiting youth, click [here](#).

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