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## **SAN DIEGO COUNTY ADOPTIONS TO UNVEIL “LEAP OF FAITH” CALENDAR**

*Oct. 3 Event Intended to Rally the Community to Help Foster Children Find Permanent Homes*

On any given day, there are approximately 100 – 150 foster children waiting for a permanent adoptive home in San Diego County. To help find “forever homes” for these children, San Diego County Adoptions is producing the “Leap of Faith” calendar featuring full color photos of foster children that capture the heart and soul of San Diego County’s most vulnerable children.

The Leap of Faith Calendar 2007 unveiling will take place on Tuesday, Oct. 3, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Scott Memorial Community Church, 2716 Madison Avenue, San Diego California, 92116.

The calendar, produced annually, is an adoption recruitment project designed to encourage local churches and communities to commit to spreading the word about the needs of these children and to provide support for families interested in pursuing the adoption process. The project’s goal is to increase the number of available homes for waiting children by increasing adoption education and community awareness.

The event is by invitation only. Invited guests include leaders in the faith community, civic organizations, and community leaders who will be asked to participate in the call to action by raising adoption awareness in San Diego County.

San Diego County Adoptions works diligently to find homes for foster children needing adoptive placement. Children of minority backgrounds, large sibling groups, children over the age of five and those with special medical or behavioral needs often wait much longer for adoptive homes than other children eligible for adoption.

For more information about adoption, please call 1-877-I-Adopt-U.

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