



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

# MEDIA ADVISORY

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## **SPRING FLING PICNIC ALLOWS FOSTER YOUTH, ADOPTIVE FAMILIES CHANCE TO GET ACQUAINTED**

- WHAT:** Children waiting to be adopted and potential adoptive families are introduced in a fun setting that allows both the children and families to get acquainted. There are interactive games, sports activities, artistic outlets for the children and families, and a traditional picnic lunch. This event is sponsored by the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) and the Rivers of Hope Foundation.
- WHO:** Approximately 50 foster youth waiting for adoptive families, 75 families approved for adoption and social workers from HHSA's adoptions program.
- WHEN:** 10:30 AM to 2:00 PM  
Saturday, May 8, 2010
- WHERE:** Admiral Baker Field  
2400 Admiral Baker Road  
San Diego, CA 92120  
Cookhouse Picnic Area
- WHY:** There are approximately 50-100 foster children waiting for permanent adoptive families in San Diego County. HHSA is continually working to ensure that all of these children are placed with a loving family. The annual "Spring Fling Picnic" turns the dream of a family into a reality for many of these children.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** This event is not open to the public. Due to confidentiality concerns, only selected children and adoptive families can be photographed at the event and are available to be interviewed.

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