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To: Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath, Chair  
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From: Brandon Nichols  
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**REQUIRED MONTHLY REPORTING, PURSUANT TO THE NOVEMBER 29, 2023  
JUDGMENT OF THE KATIE A. LAWSUIT, REGARDING THE DCFS "TA280"  
REQUESTS FOR OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT STOP OR CHANGE REPORT**

On November 29, 2023, the United States District Court for the Central District of California entered a judgment ending the Katie A. lawsuit; however, the judgment requires ongoing publishing of information from the County of Los Angeles for a period of 18 months.

The attached reports from October and November 2023 serve as the first monthly publishing of the County of Los Angeles Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) "TA280" reports. The "TA280" report shows a summary table of the requests made by DCFS staff for out-of-home placements to be stopped or changed.

These reports will be publicly available and can be accessed on the Los Angeles County Board Correspondence website (<https://lacounty.gov/government/board-of-supervisors/board-correspondence/>). They will also be posted on the DCFS and Department of Mental Health (DMH) public websites.

If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact me, or your staff may contact Board Liaison Aldo Marin at (213) 351-5530.

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Attachments

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**DCFS Number of TA280 Requests for Out-of-Home Placements Stop or Change  
During the Month of November 2023**

<b>REASON</b>	<b>REQUEST COUNT</b>	<b>%</b>
Adoptive Placement Agreement Signed	70	8.0
Child in Medical Facility	6	0.7
Child Ran Away from Placement	49	5.6
Child Refused Services	2	0.2
Child Returned Home for Trial Visit	11	1.3
Child's Behavior	27	3.1
Committed to State Hospital	1	0.1
Complaint on Foster Home	12	1.4
Fost- Adopt Placement	5	0.6
Foster Home/Agency Request	46	5.2
Higher Level of Care Required	4	0.5
Incarcerated	4	0.5
Intercounty Transfer	3	0.3
Licensed Substitute Care Provider Moved	1	0.1
Lower Level of Care Required	3	0.3
Minor Mother Needs to be Placed w/ Child	1	0.1
Moved from Emergency Shelter	5	0.6
Moved to NFC Placement	2	0.2
Moved to SILP	22	2.5
Moved to THPP/THP+FC	23	2.6
NMD Decision	10	1.1
NMD Moved to Unapproved Placement	29	3.3
Other	60	6.8
Other - Adoptv Placement w/ Nonrelative-Ends PE	1	0.1
Other - Age of Majority or Emancipation-Ends PE	45	5.1
Other - Reunified w/Parent/Grdian(Court)-Ends PE	323	36.8
Other - Reunified w/Prnt/Grdian(Non-Crt)-Ends PE	7	0.8
Placed with Guardian	46	5.2
Placed with Relative/NREFM	60	6.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>878</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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During the Month of October 2023**

<b>REASON</b>	<b>REQUEST COUNT</b>	<b>%</b>
Adoptive Placement Agreement Signed	75	7.3
Child Abducted	3	0.3
Child in Medical Facility	11	1.1
Child Ran Away from Placement	62	6.0
Child Refused Services	3	0.3
Child Returned Home for Trial Visit	28	2.7
Child's Behavior	24	2.3
Complaint on Foster Home	2	0.2
FFACH Changed Agencies	1	0.1
Fost- Adopt Placement	4	0.4
Foster Home/Agency Request	64	6.2
Higher Level of Care Required	6	0.6
Incarcerated	6	0.6
Intercounty Transfer	3	0.3
Licensed Substitute Care Provider Moved	1	0.1
Minor Mother Needs to be Placed w/ Child	2	0.2
Moved from Emergency Shelter	5	0.5
Moved to NFC Placement	3	0.3
Moved to SILP	33	3.2
Moved to THPP/THP+FC	21	2.0
NMD Decision	13	1.3
NMD Moved to Unapproved Placement	34	3.3
Other	58	5.6
Other - Age of Majority or Emancipation-Ends PE	41	4.0
Other - Death of Child-Ends PE	1	0.1
Other - Reunified w/Parent/Grdian(Court)-Ends PE	373	36.3
Other - Reunified w/Prnt/Grdian(Non-Crt)-Ends PE	9	0.9
Placed with Guardian	54	5.3
Placed with Relative/NREFM	89	8.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,029</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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