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To: Supervisor Kathryn Barger, Chair  
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From:  Brandon T. 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 judgement requires ongoing publishing of information from the County of Los Angeles for a period of 18 months.

The attached report from January 2025, serves as the fifteenth 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 public websites.

If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact me, or your staff may contact Aldo Marin, Board Liaison, at (213) 454-6652.

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Attachment

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**DCFS Number of TA280 Requests for Out of Home Placements Stop or Change  
During the Month of January 2025**

<b>REASON</b>	<b>REQUEST COUNT</b>	<b>%</b>
Adoptive Placement Agreement Signed	182	19.2
Child in Medical Facility	8	0.8
Child Ran Away from Placement	51	5.4
Child Refused Services	2	0.2
Child Returned Home for Trial Visit	15	1.6
Child's Behavior	35	3.7
Committed to State Hospital	1	0.1
Complaint on Foster Home	4	0.4
FFACH Changed Agencies	2	0.2
Fost- Adopt Placement	1	0.1
Foster Home/Agency Request	43	4.5
Higher Level of Care Required	3	0.3
Incarcerated	5	0.5
Intercounty Transfer	8	0.8
Lower Level of Care Required	2	0.2
Moved from Emergency Shelter	5	0.5
Moved to NFC Placement	2	0.2
Moved to SILP	23	2.4
Moved to THPP/THP+FC	16	1.7
NMD Decision	5	0.5
NMD Moved to Unapproved Placement	35	3.7
Other	64	6.8
Other - Age of Majority or Emancipation-Ends PE	43	4.5
Other - Intracounty Transfer-Ends PE	1	0.1
Other - Reunified w/Parent/Grdian(Court)-Ends PE	281	29.6
Other - Reunified w/Prnt/Grdian(Non-Crt)-Ends PE	2	0.2
Placed with Guardian	57	6.0
Placed with Relative/NREFM	52	5.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>948</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Acronyms:**

*FFACH = Foster Family Agency Certified Home*

*NFC = Non Foster-Care*

*SILP = Supervised Independent Living Placement*

*THPP/THP+FC = Transitional Housing Programs*

*NMD = Nonminor Dependent*

*PE = Placement Episode*

*Crt = Court*

*NREFM = Non-Related Extended Family Member*