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POMONA DCFS NEWSLETTER

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Eliminating Racial Disproportionality & Disparity (ERDD)



On April 22, 2010 DCFS Director, Patricia S. Ploehn and her Executive Team came to our office to discuss the concerns of the Pomona staff and to clarify the direction of our department. This writer would like to share the encouraging comments made by our Director regarding the work being done in our office towards addressing the Elimination of Racial Disproportionality and Disparity (ERDD) among African American Families.

Trish Ploehn stated that the Pomona Action Team has achieved phenomenal results and is leading our Department and the State of California towards the elimination of racial disproportionality and disparity.

Deputy Director Maryam Fatemi and team members from our action group met with Judge Nash and shared the outcomes achieved by the Pomona office thus far. Both Judge Nash and Trish Ploehn acknowledged the significant work being done in our office. They applauded the initiative exhibited by Pomona in analyzing data, recognizing the disproportionate numbers of African

American foster youth and implementing effective strategies to address the problem.

The Director hopes the Department can replicate the success Pomona has achieved throughout the County. She concluded by saying that we should be very proud of what we have been able to achieve on behalf of the children and families we serve.

The ERDD Action Team would like to thank our Director Patricia S. Ploehn and her Executive Team for their continued support, recognition and encouragement, but most of all we would like to thank the staff here in Pomona because **without you** none of this would have been possible.

**POMONA ACTION
TEAM**

On Eliminating Racial Disproportionality & Disparity (ERDD)

2nd Wednesday of each month

From 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Next meeting: May, 12th at Pomona DCFS

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