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TO: UPVALLEY FAMILY CENTERS OF NAPA COUNTY; COLUSA COUNTY COMMUNITY ADVOCATES FOR PARENTS & CHILDREN; HEALTH CARE FOUNDATION FOR VENTURA COUNTY; SOUTH BAY CENTER FOR COUNSELING; SAN FRANCISCO CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION CENTER

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY IN UNITY GRANT AWARDS

The California Department of Social Services, Office of Child Abuse Prevention (OCAP) is committed to preventing child abuse and neglect and its lasting effects through the creation of safe, stable, nurturing relationships and environments for children and families. The OCAP recognizes that evidence increasingly demonstrates the power of thoughtfully-designed collective impact approaches within communities make a greater difference than agencies and organizations working in silos.

In March 2016, the OCAP released a competitive Request for Applications to support collective impact approaches through the Community in Unity grant opportunity, allowing up to five applicants to apply for funding to deliver innovative collective impact projects specific to the needs of their communities. The OCAP is pleased to announce that five proposals were chosen to receive the award of approximately \$60,000 per organization, per year. The five organizations to be funded are: UpValley Family Centers of Napa County, Colusa County Community Advocates for Parents & Children, the Health Care Foundation for Ventura County, the South Bay Center for Counseling, and the San Francisco Child Abuse Prevention Center.

The Community in Unity programs will be funded through the federal Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA) and Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) funds. The funding cycle will begin on July 1, 2016 and may continue through June 30, 2018.

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Sincerely,

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