

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**  
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ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. r-58-88

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: MAKING REASONABLE EFFORTS: STEPS FOR KEEPING FAMILIES TOGETHER  
(Publication)

The National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, the Child Welfare League of America, the Youth Law Center, and the National Center for Youth Law, prepared a booklet to assist judges, attorneys and child welfare services professionals to understand the "reasonable effort" requirement mandated by the Adoption Assistance and Child Welfare Act of 1980 (Public Law (PL) 96-272).

Attached is a copy of their publication for your review and use. If you find the information contained in the booklet of benefit to your agency, we urge you to make copies available for all appropriate staff. Copies of the attached booklet are available, free of charge and may be obtained by calling Ms. Arnie Horowitz at (212) 986-7050. We were not provided with a toll free telephone number.

If you have any questions regarding the information contained in the booklet, the address and phone numbers of the agencies responsible for providing the information are listed in the resource section in the back of the booklet. If you have questions regarding the reasonable efforts requirements for child welfare services, please contact your Adult and Family Services Operations consultant at (916) 1(45-0623 or ATSS 485-0623.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Loren D. Suter".

LOREN D. SUTER  
Deputy Director  
Adult and Family Services

Attachment (County Welfare Directors Only)

cc: County Welfare Directors Association