

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS  
ALL COUNTY FOSTER CARE SUPERVISORS  
ALL COUNTY ADOPTION SUPERVISORS  
ALL COUNTY FOSTER CARE EDUCATION PROJECT COORDINATORS  
THE CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE OF CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES  
CALIFORNIA STATE FOSTER PARENT ASSOCIATION  
CALIFORNIA STATE CARE PROVIDERS ASSOCIATION  
COUNTY AB 2129 PROJECT COORDINATORS  
THE FOSTER CARE EDUCATION COORDINATORS OF THE  
CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES  
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THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION  
CALIFORNIA STATE OFFICE OF THE FOSTER CARE OMBUDSMAN

**SUBJECT: RESOURCE FAMILY RECRUITMENT, TRAINING AND RETENTION ANNUAL  
YEAR-END REPORT FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR (SFY) 2002-2003**

The California Department of Social Services (CDSS), Child and Youth Permanency Branch has finalized the Resource Family Recruitment, Training and Retention Annual Year-End Report for SFY 2002-2003. This summary report represents child welfare program data collected and compiled regarding county foster and adoptive parent recruitment, training and retention from July 1, 2002, through June 30, 2003, and is displayed regionally, as well as, county-by-county.

To improve accuracy, administrative ease, and clarity, an online version was developed by Data Systems and Survey Design Bureau. The CDSS website address to obtain a copy of the report is: <http://www.childsworld.ca.gov/res/pdf/RFTRREPORT02-03.PDF>. Counties should find the information in the report useful in the recruitment, training and retention of resource families.

We would like to thank those counties that provided input to the online reporting tool. Should you have any questions regarding the above, feel free to contact Robert Markell, Chief, Foster Care Support Services Bureau, at (916) 651-7465 or Vebra Switzer, Program Consultant, Recruitment Network Development Unit, at (916) 654-2572.

Sincerely,

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Child and Youth Permanency Branch