L.A. County CSWs Take Child Safety Roadmap to Board of Supervisors

L.A. County CEO Commits to Implement First Step



On Tuesday, September 27th, SEIU 721 Children's Social Workers David Green, Javier Ibanez, Joan Marks, Sarah Garfield and several of their colleagues presented a **Roadmap to Child Safety** — our union's three-point plan for protecting children in the L.A. County child welfare system — to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisions. The plan, which includes reducing turnover through a department-wide mentorship program, improving the quality of foster care placement, and a 15:1 staffing ratio, was well received by supervisors. L.A. County CEO Sachi Hamai said the County and the Department of Children and Family Services have committed to the funding and positions for the mentorship program called for as part of the **Roadmap to Child Safety**, which was developed by SEIU 721 children's social workers.

"DCFS, along with the CEO's Office, have been talking with the union and we're in agreement. We have committed to ensuring that, if they start the mentorship program, the ordinance positions will be available and the funding will be available...."

— Sachi Hamai, CEO, L.A. County September 27th, 2016

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