



CALIFORNIA CHILD WELFARE COUNCIL



The next **Child Welfare Council Annual Report** covering the period **from July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023**, will feature highlights on the work of the Council and its committees. Please use this template to write your committee report and submit it to Sarah.Saria@jud.ca.gov no later than **November 17, 2023**.

Readers may not be familiar with acronyms and abbreviations. Please fully write out acronyms and abbreviations the first time you use them and be consistent in using the same acronym or abbreviation throughout the rest of the report.

Readers may not be familiar with policies, organizations, or programs that are well known to your committee. Please consider including brief explanations so readers can better understand your report.

July 2022 through June 2023 Activities and Accomplishments: Please briefly list major activities and accomplishments for FY 2022-23.

Concerns or Challenges: Describe any issues that you feel need the Council’s attention in order to maximize opportunities to address barriers to the work of the Council.

2023 – 2024 Goals & Objectives: Indicate your committee’s goals and objectives for the coming year.

Committee/ Task Force Name	Empowerment Committee formerly known as Child Development and Successful Youth Transition (acronym CDSYT) Committee
Purpose	The CDSYT Committee explores issues related to the health, mental health, and educational and social development needs of all children and youth in the child welfare system, from the very young through those transitioning to adulthood, and makes recommendations on how to address those needs. It also identifies successful policies and practices at the local and state levels so they can be replicated in more jurisdictions.
July 2022 through June 2023 Activities and Accomplishments	On June 14, 2023, the CDSYT committee transitioned its name to Empowerment Committee as a pathway to re-establish CDSYT to better serve and develop youth leaders together with adult mentors and coaches.
Concerns or Challenges	No.
2023 - 2024 Goals/Objectives	

	<p>Assess and seek council and department leadership to engage youth with leadership opportunities that support the success of council goals, strengthen relationships, and empower youth to pursue career pathways into human service to meet the needs of system-involved youth through public policy, social services, behavioral health, peer to peer, and other workforce opportunities.</p>
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