



Human Services Children's Network

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

REPORT TO THE CHILDREN'S POLICY COUNCIL

COUNTY CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND AND CERTIFICATION

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Assembly Bill 2994 (1983) authorized the creation of a County Children's Trust Fund (CCTF) in any county in which the board of supervisors establishes a commission, board or council to coordinate child abuse and neglect prevention and intervention activities. The San Bernardino Board of Supervisors (BOS) designated the Children's Policy Council as the official Child Abuse Prevention Council (CAPC) in 1988.

The purpose of the CCTF is to support child abuse prevention activities. The purpose of this report is to review the transactions under the County of San Bernardino Children's Trust Fund for the Fiscal Year 2014-2015.

The CAPC designated by the Board of Supervisors is required to collect and publish annually the following:

- Descriptions of the types of programs and services funded from the CCTF;
- Target populations benefiting from these programs;
- The amount of each revenue source (e.g. Community Based Child Abuse Prevention grants, birth certificate fees, Kids Plate fees, and donations, etc.) in the CCTF as of June 30 of each year; and
- The amount disbursed in the preceding fiscal year, including administrative expenses which are limited to 5 percent of the fund.

The CCTF had \$559,740 to start the fiscal year and ended with \$229,796. The primary sources of revenue were Birth Certificates and Kid's Plate. The CCTF expenditures went to support the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Services (CAPTS), Children's Network, and Loma Linda Children Assessment Center (CAC) programs.

The County of San Bernardino Children's Trust Fund revenues have declined. Fiscal Year 2014/15 was the last year of a three year contract with Loma Linda Pediatrics to support the CAC with \$200,000 annually from the CCTF. This will assist with reducing expenditures. The CAC will be receiving funding from other sources. The CCTF was used to supplement programs within the parameters of its mandate, raising awareness of the dangers of child abuse and providing needed services to thousands of San Bernardino County residents.

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