



Greetings

March is here and Spring is in the air. This is welcomed as this Winter has been fairly punishing. It has been both cold and wet. It has been said that the Winter of 2018/2019 will be remembered as one of the wettest and coldest. Of course this is referring only to Sacramento. Obviously, in other parts of the country this is probably not the case.

We are elated to be at this point and from an Agency standpoint things are looking up. We have not had CCL involvement the entire Winter and only a few Special Incidents. Clearly, this is due to the hard work that both foster parents and staff do. The Agency appreciates this effort.

Training

“Suicide Prevention”

Friday, March 15, 2019

(10:00 to 12:00) At the office

Recruitment

The Agency is again aggressively recruiting foster parents or resource families. At this time the stipend is \$500 once a child is placed in the home.

Working With Children Who Challenge Authority Part 3

For the past two months we have been looking at working with children who challenge authority. So far, we have discussed two (2) reasons why children often buck against authority figures and some possible ways to intervene. For a refresher you are respectfully directed to the last two issues of Shoutout. Other reasons why children challenge authority are:

(3) The child is used to getting too many chances to comply with the authority figure. When this becomes the case the child typically

does nothing when a command is given because he knows he has a lot of time to remain non-compliant. The solution to this problem is to limit the number of chances before coming with the consequences.

(4) Parental figure maybe perceived as not really having any authority or can be over turned. If there are two parents or system people involved they have to get on one accord and send a united command to the child.

(5) There maybe developmental issues that interfere with the child's ability to comply. It is not all that uncommon to discover that a foster child may not be functioning at the level initially assumed. In such a case things must be broken down.

