

# Caregivers of Kern County

Foster a Child's Journey Home



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## Dear Caregivers,

Your 2016 Board has met twice and needs your help. Due to unforseen medical problems we are without a secretary and treasurer for the new year. There will be a meeting February 18th at Cocoa's on Rosedale at 9am. Please join us to decide the fate of our organization. We are trying to revamp our officers, meetings, and other areas to avoid closing. Please call Gayla Gibson (661) 332-5129 to rsvp your spot.

Current Officers who have taken Oath of Office:

President: Dahlia Langendoerfer/not sworn

Vice President: Kathryn Aragon

Secretary: Open Treasurer: Open Chaplain: Bettie Neito

## MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to assist all caregivers of foster/adopt/kinship children by offering our experience, support, training, Understanding and love. Our goal is to work closely with agencies, each other, and community partners to meet the needs of caregivers and to assist in better outcomes for These children and families.

Please Pray for CKC Families. Many have had medical emergencies, lay offs from jobs, and the usual stress from being a foster family. As we go through these struggles remember we are in God's Hands and he will not forsake us.







Please join Kathryn and Bettie and other concerned members as we try to update our Bylaws, reorganization, and recommittment to helping foster families. Bring your ideas and share in the process.

A little history: CKC was established in 2010 and since that time we have been able to support many families, children and agencies. Our goal as always is to help at risk kids.

### CKC Goals

- Support all caregivers
- · Safeguard children in our homes
- . Network with Child Welfare Agencies
- Socialize events for families
- Education and information on current policies and regulations
- Share ideas in a friendly atmosphere
  And fund raise, fund raise, fund raise!

These are our current goals that we will be discussing at the meeting Thursday, February 18, 2016 Plan on joining us.

Meeting Spot - 125 Thursday of each Month will also be updated as well as the BC College Trainings. Other items are our bills and financial obligations plus distribution of funds should we decide to close.

As your newsletter editor I have had a great five years. I have made so many new friends and I would not have been able to make it without your support and the support of the Dept. of Human Services, Bakersfield College, and so many others. Thank you and I hope to see you Thursday, February 18, at Cocoa's in Rosedale! With respect for all you do, Opal.