

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT
OCCY COMMISSION MEETING
January 13, 2023**

PERSONNEL

Business Manager: This position remains vacant and has been posted again. The posting closes in mid-January.

Community Planner: Nicole George resigned from the Office of Planning and Coordination. She will be missed. The position has been posted and will close in mid-January.

FINANCES

General Budget Monitoring: Monthly finance meetings with the OMES and OCCY staff continue, however with new staff. Megan Patton will now be serving as our OMES Finance Manager. Welcome Megan! We thank Brandy Bahm for working with us and wish her much success in her new position with the Oklahoma Indigent Defense System. ***(Please see report in Commissioner Packet.)***

OCCY PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Post Adjudication Review Board - PARB (Keith Pirtle)

Plans are underway for a PARB pre-institute at the annual Oklahoma Child Abuse and Neglect Conference in April. Mr. Pirtle and the planning committee have been working to create a meaningful day for PARB members full of relevant trainings and presentations.

Oklahoma Child Death Review Board – CDRB (Lisa Rhoades)

Congratulations to the CDRB staff for making huge strides in preparing cases and assuring that cases are reviewed. Having three staff as opposed to one has made a tremendous difference – as the below chart shows. The blue line represents the number of cases prepared for review per year (staff's efforts). The orange line represents the number of cases reviewed and closed per year (board members' efforts). Note: Cases may not be closed in the same year the death occurred.



Children's Justice Act Grant: Upcoming Trainings (Brittany Gassner, Makala Pittman)

For more information about the below trainings and/or how to register, please contact Makala Pittman at (405) 606-4903 or makala.pittman@occy.ok.gov.

1. It Takes a Team to Protect a Child: child Protection Team Investigation Strategies

Presenter: Detective Michael Johnson

Date: January 12, 2023

Format/Location: In-person in Ada, Oklahoma

2. ChildFirst Oklahoma: Interviewing Children and Preparing for Court

Presenters: Maria Rosales-Lambert, Oklahoma Interviewing Services, Inc.; Vicki Boan, MHR, Oklahoma Interviewing Services; Holly Chandler, The Saville Center for Child Advocacy; Andi Hamilton, Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigations; Jaclyn Rivera and Lori McConnell, District Attorney's Office #7

Date: January 30 – February 3, 2023

Format/Location: In-person in Oklahoma City

Foster Youth Matters/Foster Parent Voices (Mark James and Tina Pendergraft)

	# of Youth Complaints		# of Foster Parents Complaints
July 2021	41		6
August 2021	42		22
September 2021	35		14
October 2021	37		9
November 2021	30		18
December 2021	24		16
January 2022	28		9
February 2022	24**		14**
March 2022	26		17
April 2022	21		16
May 2022	46		10
June 2022	12		41
July 2022	18		41
August 2022	14		29
September 2022	19		32
October 2022	14		28
November 2022	42		11
December 2022	37		13

TOTALS	# of Foster Youth Complaints		# of Foster Parent Complaints
SFY19	183*		180
SFY20	395		178
SFY21	405		182
SFY22	366		192
SFY23 YTD	144		154

*Program started in November 2018 (SFY19)

** In previous reports, the foster parent and foster youth numbers for the month of February were transposed.

Respectfully submitted,

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