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IDCFS Pep Action Team Progress Report

#	Selected Outcome	Outcome Objective
☐ 1	Improve ***Remain Home*** Permanency Outcomes	Increase the % of Youth who are diverted from foster care following an indicated CANTS report
☐ 2	Improve ***Return Home*** Permanency Outcomes	Increase the % of youth in foster care who return home within 12 months
☐ 3	Improve ***Adoption/Guardianship*** Permanency Outcomes	Increase the % of youth in foster care who achieve permanency through adoption or guardianship
☐ 4	Improve Cultural Responsiveness to Reduce ***Overrepresentation of African American Youth*** in Foster Care	Decrease the % of African American youth who enter or remain in foster care

Summarize actions, decisions, and policies implemented to move your action plan forward	**CHAMPAIGN SOFTT Mission Statement**: We are joining together, as a community, to address issues regarding the children and families in our community. We are meeting to find ways to deal with the disproportionate number of children of color in the foster care system and find ways to support families in remaining united. ■ ***Four community forums*** addressing topics such as corporal punishment, domestic violence, and family support programs and resources ■ ***Community panel*** *with* faith representatives, DCFS administrators, and child development experts to raise community awareness about permanency and overrepresentation ■ ***Two Action Team workshop with ISU*** to streamline action plan activities and develop strategies for tracking outcomes and promoting more widespread community involvement.

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Describe successes/milestones associated with your action plan	***-Consistent meetings*** with stakeholders (Monthly/bi-monthly since 3-07) ***-Diverse community representation at meetings:*** ■ DCFS staff ■ POS staff ■ Service providers ■ Adoptive parents ■ Foster parents ■ School personnel ■ Law enforcement ■ Court Personnel ■ Champaign CASA ***-E-mail distribution list of 50 participants*** who receive ongoing information about meetings, and SOFTT initiatives ***-Average meeting attendance:10-15 participants***
Describe barriers that have hampered progress related to your action plan	■ Initial disagreement on the direction and goals of the group ■ Insufficient front end family preservation services (e.g. DV, Substance abuse, family advocacy,) ■ Difficulty engaging court personnel and school officials on a regular basis ■ Difficulty gaining access to timely permanency data ■ Need to improve communication and information flow between action team members and DCFS administration
Identify any additional information or resources needed to overcome barriers	■ Follow-up symposium to examine and discuss progress by year 2 of the PEP ■ Additional intact family services and supports: ○ -mental health, ○ -domestic violence intervention, ○ -substance abuse treatment, and ○ -paralegal services
Identify any changes in strategies or actions that your team plans to make during the next six months	■ Convene an executive committee to develop a strategic plan and prioritize action team goals ■ Use community advocacy center to develop wraparound plans and provide support to intact families ■ Request case outcome reports from community-based contracted service providers ■ Target school personnel/school social workers to improve collaboration and information sharing ■ Target court personnel to strengthen collaborative decision making ■ Target law enforcement to improve collaboration and information sharing ■ Work with ISU to develop web-based information sharing and links to community services/resources ■ Develop a SOFTT news letter to disseminate to community stakeholders