

# CHILD WELFARE SERVICES FAMILY FIRST PREVENTION SERVICES ACT (FFPSA) OVERVIEW

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## SOCIAL SERVICES

HEALTH

SECURITY

SAFETY

## PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- California Vision for Comprehensive Prevention Services
- FFPSA Part I Statute (AB 153)
- CWS Data
- California Prevention Plan
- Next Steps



CALIFORNIA  
PREVENTION  
SERVICES  
VISION

# CALIFORNIA VISION FOR COMPREHENSIVE PREVENTION SERVICES

An integrated prevention system that supports families to provide safe, stable, nurturing relationships and environments for their children and youth.

This vision can be achieved by focusing on:

- Family Voice Centeredness
- Racial Equity
- Tribal Consultation and Collaboration
- Strength-Focused and Trauma-Informed
- Community Capacity Building
- Workforce Excellence
- Integration and Collaboration
- Monitoring Integrity and Continuous Quality Improvement

# PREVENTION-BASED INITIATIVES

OCAP  
Community  
Based Prevention

Continuum of  
Care Reform

Integrated Core  
Practice Model

System of Care

FFPSA

# FFPSA PART I STATUTE (AB 153)

# FFPSA PART I PREVENTION SERVICES

Signed into law February 9, 2018 with a goal to enhance public child welfare agencies, while creating new opportunities to receive federal funding for the provision of prevention services to children at imminent risk of entering foster care

- First open-ended entitlement program for prevention services.
- Most substantial funding reform in the child welfare arena in the last 20 years.
- Challenges states to explore ways to reform the entire continuum of the child welfare system.

# FFPSA PART I PREVENTION SERVICES PROGRAM

## Title IV-E Reimbursement for Limited-Time, Approved Prevention Services

- Mental Health
- Substance Use Disorder
- In-Home Parenting Skills

## Candidates for Prevention Services

- Imminent risk of entry or re-entry into foster care

## Implementing in CA via

- Trailer Bill AB 153
- Creation and Submission of State Five-Year Prevention Plan



# GOALS FOR PREVENTION SERVICES

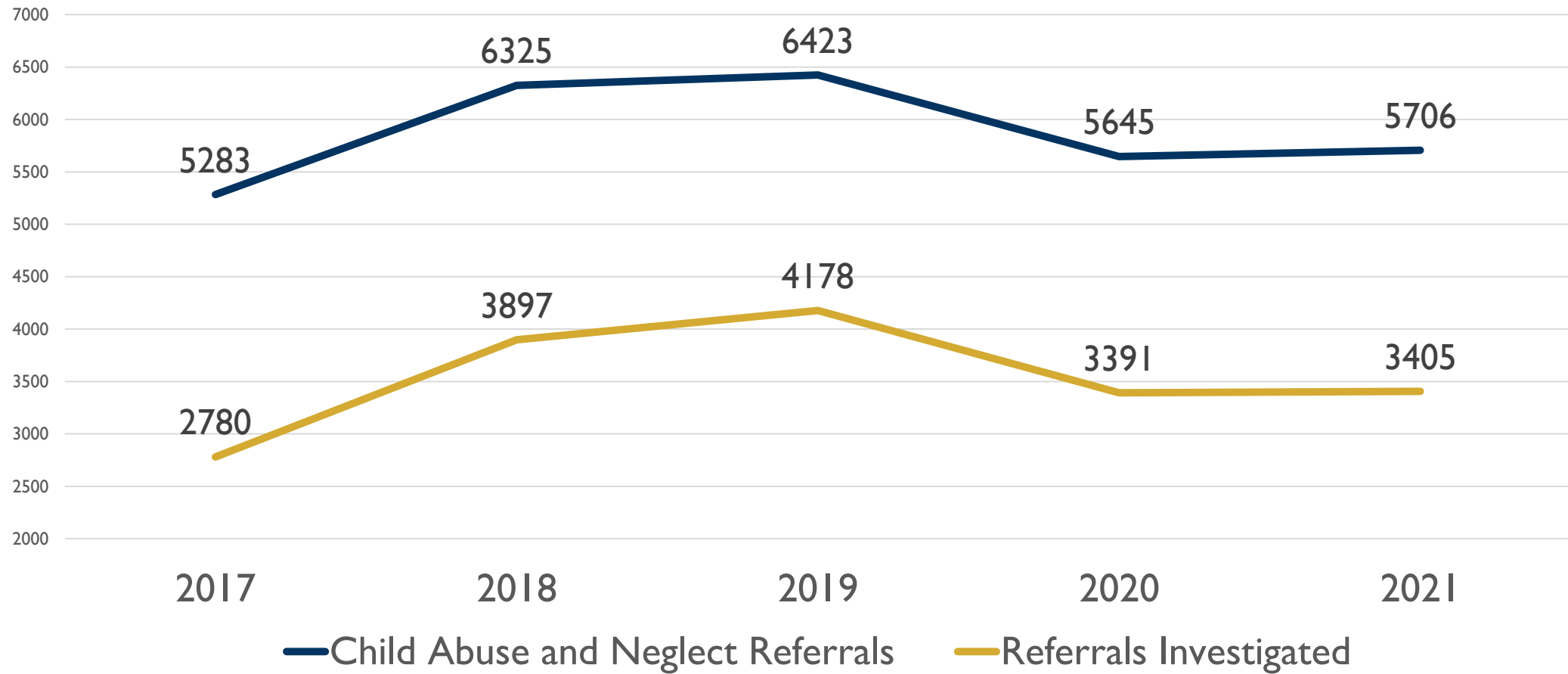
Serve families as early as possible to prevent maltreatment

Reduce entries to foster care

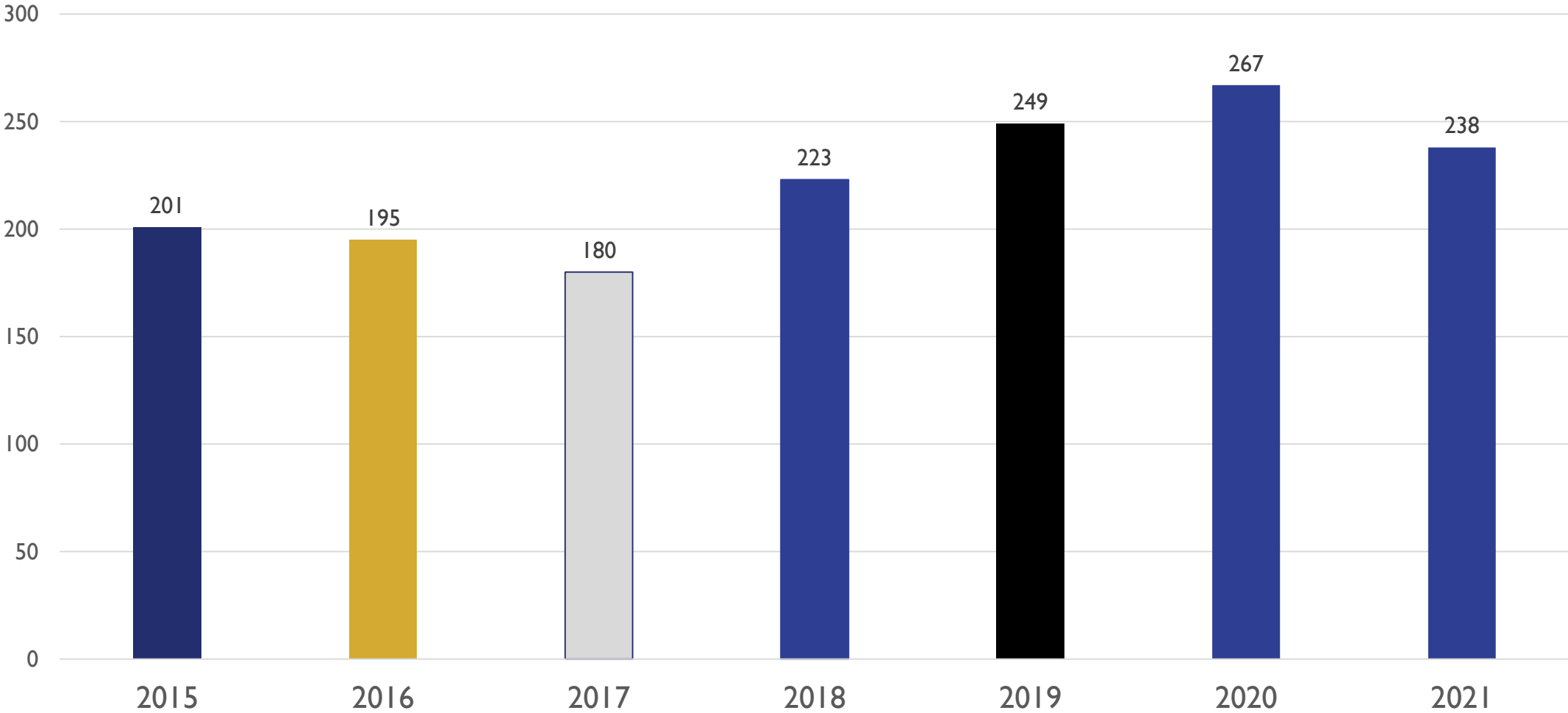
Reduce disproportional representation of communities of color in CWS

# CWS DATA

# Child Abuse And Neglect Referrals

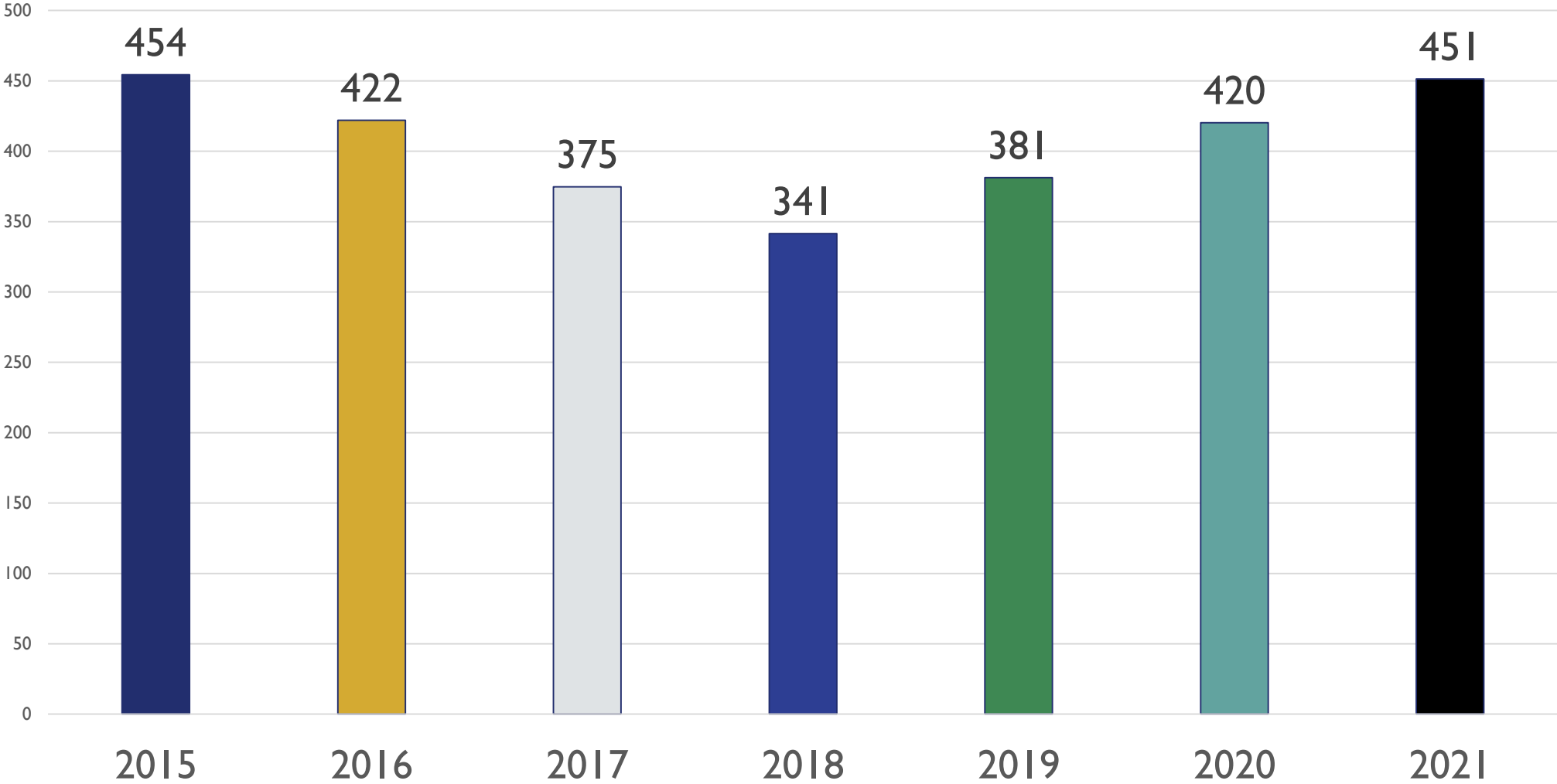


# Entries into Out of Home Care



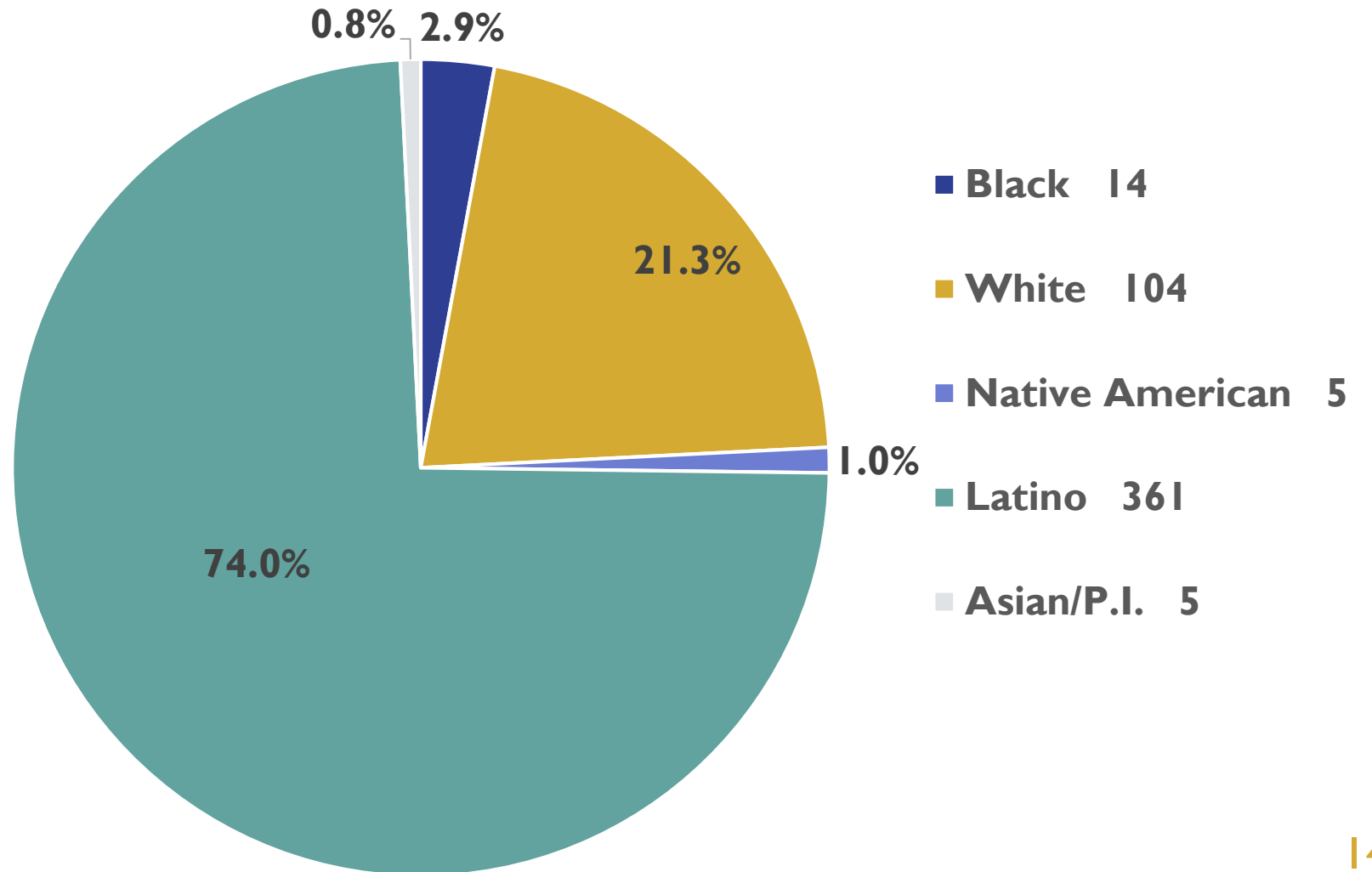
Data Source: CWS/CMS 2021 Quarter 4 Extract.

# Average Monthly Number of Children in Care



Data Source: CWS/CMS 2021 Q2 Extract/Santa Barbara County CWS Report Card 2021

# Ethnicities of Children in Care on July 1, 2021



# Ethnicity and Path Through the Child Welfare System 2020

## Santa Barbara County Children 0-17

	Population	Allegations	Investigations	Substantiations	Entries	In Care (on 7/1/20)
Total Number	101,761	5,416	4,014	590	267	393
Black	1.3%	2.5%	1.9%	3.2%	1.5%	3.8%
White	32.2%	21.5%	20.7%	23.4%	26.2%	25.4%
Latino	62.6%	74.7%	76.2%	71.8%	70.4%	69.2%
Native American	0.3%	0.6%	0.5%	1.2%	1.5%	0.3%
Asian\P.I.	3.6%	0.8%	0.7%	0.4%	0.4%	1.3%



# CALIFORNIA'S FIVE YEAR FFPSA IMPLEMENTATION PLAN



# FFPSA PART I PREVENTION SERVICES

California has submitted a five-year implementation plan to Administration for Children and Families detailing the state's prevention strategy. The Plan outlines the following:

- Candidacy/eligibility for services
- Equity, Inclusion, and Disproportionality
- Pathways to Prevention Services
- Delivery of trauma-informed evidence-based services
- Continuous Quality Improvement
- Outcome assessment evaluation
- Workforce Training and Development

# DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY FOR SERVICES

## Candidates for Foster Care

- Includes children in open CWS family maintenance cases.
- Targeted populations at risk of entry.

## Pregnant and Parenting Youth in Foster Care

- Automatically eligible
- Includes fathers
- Services are voluntary.

## Family Members of Candidates

- Eligible upon determination of child(ren) being identified as candidates

# EQUITY INCLUSION & DISPROPORTIONALITY

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Focus on addressing disproportionality among BIPOC, Native American, and LGBTQ+ children and youth

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Adapt to the Integrated Core Practice Model to ensure authentic engagement and partnership

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Ensure a Trauma-Informed Approach and incorporate cultural adaptations to eligible Evidence-Based Programs

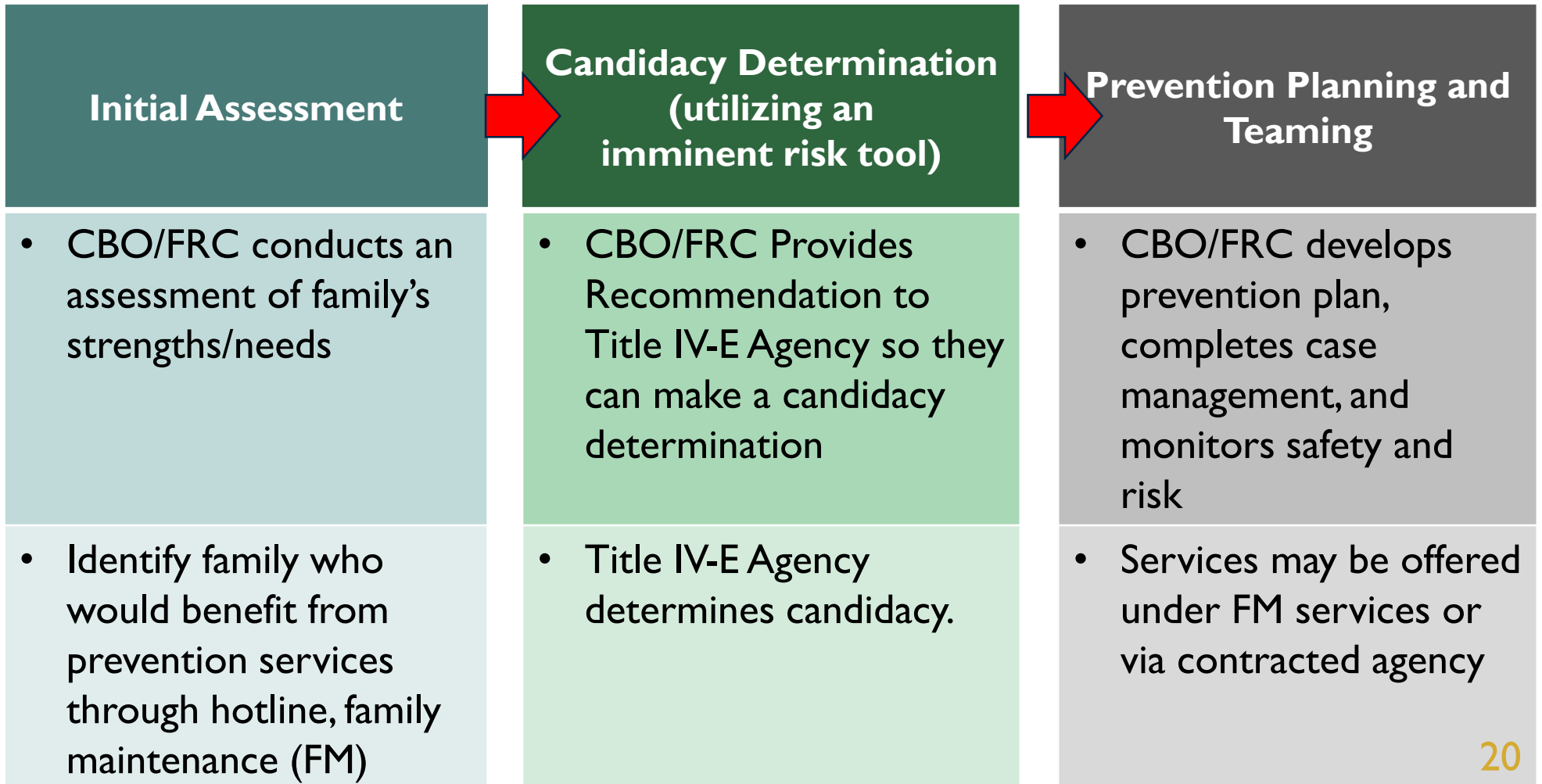
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Include Community Pathway to provide access to services prior to the creation of a referral

# PATHWAYS TO PREVENTION SERVICES

**Community**

**Title IV-E Agency**



# DELIVERY OF TRAUMA-INFORMED EVIDENCE-BASED SERVICES

## Evidence Based Programs as Prevention Services

- Well-supported, supported, and/or promising in Prevention Services Clearinghouse
- Delivered by a qualified clinician
- California Plan includes 10 currently approved programs

# CONTINUOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT, EVALUATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

## Continuous Quality Improvement

- Continuously monitor the implementation and services to ensure fidelity to the model, determine outcomes achieved, and determine how information learned from monitoring will be used to refine and improve practices.

## Outcome Assessment Evaluation

- Facilitate outcome evaluations to assess whether selected services are meeting the goals of program and improving lives as intended

## Workforce Training and Development

- Promoting Prevention
- Implicit Bias and Disproportionality
- Candidacy and Eligibility
- Individual Prevention Plan
- Monitoring and Risk Assessment

# LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION & NEXT STEPS

## Receive Final federal & State Guidance:

- Comprehensive Prevention plan approval and Opt in process
- Funding Resources and Allocations
- Reporting Requirements

## Leverage Existing Workgroups and Meetings to:

- Solicit Stakeholder and Community input
- Align and submit Prevention Plan with Child and Family Services Review Process
- Partner with CBO's for capacity building, training, and certification of Evidence Based Prevention Services

## Continue Implementation Planning:

- Workforce Development and Training
- Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI), Outcomes and Model Fidelity Oversight
- Data Collection, Documentation and Reporting
- Automation for Prevention Services Delivery and Claiming

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QUESTIONS??

THANK YOU