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Hello all and Happy New Year!

We're excited to continue our work together for the well-being of our community alongside existing and new partners for our new project, the Community Well-being Coalition. We hope that you will join us for our kickoff event on February 16*th*, 2024 at 10am held at the Jackie Robinson YMCA.

Please see more information below on this project and what we hope to do and accomplish together!

Our overall objective:

The YMCA of San Diego County (YMCA), in partnership with the County of San Diego Child Welfare System (CWS), culturally specific organizations, and community members with lived expertise, will develop, implement, and evaluate innovative community-developed and led approaches to address historical racism, racial bias, and inequity in Child Welfare Services.

Our goal is to integrate the expertise of community members and establish meaningful roles for families and youth with lived expertise to develop or build upon innovative and effective strategies, activities, and solutions to address disproportionality, racial bias, and inequity in the child welfare system.

Provide ongoing input and collaboration on how to go about achieving the objectives together with the community's best interest in mind. We hope to do this in full collaboration with our community partners and by compensating community members with lived experience to contribute their expertise and insight on a level playing field.

What will we be presenting at the kick-off?

- 1. More details on the Project Vision and Mission
- 2. Concrete opportunities for engagement Community Well-Being Coalition
- 3. Explicit details on roles and responsibilities

Please reach out with any questions, ideas, concerns, or inspiration! We hope to see you at our kick-off event!