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Ms. Shaline Hunter
DMC Coordinator, Corrections Standards Authority
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Sacramento, CA 95811

SUBJECT: ENHANCED DISPROPORTIONATE MINORITY CONTACT TECHNICAL
ASSISTANCE PROJECT II REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Dear Ms. Hunter:

The Ventura County Board of Supervisors supports local efforts in the education of and reduction of the overrepresentation of youth of color in the juvenile justice system. The Ventura County Probation Agency is prepared to lead these efforts with state supported technical assistance. Furthermore, members of Ventura County's Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council and Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative have acknowledged the need to address Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) at all decision points throughout the juvenile justice system. It is anticipated that these combined efforts will result in a cohesive system wide approach toward DMC and the development of DMC reduction activities.

The Ventura County Board of Supervisors recognizes that the Ventura County Probation Agency's application for a DMC Enhanced Technical Assistance Program (TAP) II grant will promote DMC reduction efforts. The grant awards up to \$125,000 per project for one year with the possibility of second and third funding should Congress appropriate funds and the project continue to demonstrate effectiveness. The Ventura County Board of Supervisors understands that if funds are awarded, a Board of Supervisors Resolution regarding grant-related issues must be submitted to CSA by the start of the grant, January 1, 2010, in order to receive such funds.

The County of Ventura looks forward to participating in DMC reduction efforts, which will improve the lives of youth throughout Ventura County.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Steve Bennett".

Steve Bennett
Supervisor, First District