

California Association of Black Social Workers Presents:  
**“OUR CHILDREN MATTER”**  
**2016 SYMPOSIUM**

Hosted by the San Diego Association of Black Social Workers  
at

**Bayview Baptist Church**  
**6126 Benson Ave**  
**San Diego, CA 92114**  
**Friday, October 28, 2016**  
**8:30 am – 5:00 pm**



**Our Children Matter**

The symposium will provide attendees information about the challenges that have prevailed in providing Black children and children in foster care quality and culturally sensitive care.

We will explore strategies that are necessary to help youth achieve their highest potential by identifying their natural strengths as aspiring Black youth. We will examine the existing resources that have been ineffective as well as those proven to be effective.

We will also address the challenges of parenting all Black youth in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century from a psychological and educational perspective.

Our Children are at risk!  
We need to revisit The Village concept, but we need your assistance.



**Mission Statement:**

*San Diego Association of Black Social Workers is comprised of people of African Ancestry who are committed to enhancing the quality of life, promoting social justice, and empowering people of African Ancestry through advocacy, human services and outreach.*

**Topics of Discussion**

**Update on the Reduction of African American Children Deaths in Sacramento County**

Presenter:  
Essence Webb, MSW

**Examining Foster Care Placement Post MEPA:**

Presenters:  
Deborah Fitch, MSW  
Anzette Shackelford, LCSW

**Aging Out of the Foster Care System - You Can Make a Difference**

Panel Moderator:  
Constance English, M.A.

**The Challenges of Parenting in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century – From a Psychological and Educational Perspective**

Presenters:  
Psychological: Dr. Arrie Rose-Smith, PhD  
Educational: Dr. Patricia Oyeshiku, PhD

**Title: TBD**

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Presenter:  
Dionne Puckett, MSW

**REGISTRATION / CEU'S / CONTACT**

**Before October 15, 2016**

\$60 General Admission  
\$50 Senior (age 62 and over)\*  
\$40 Students\*

**After October 15, 2016**

\$75 at door/late registration

\*ID and current student ID required for Senior and Student rates

**LUNCH INCLUDED / \$20 CEU's**

**Vendor opportunities are available**

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