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Dear Friends:

I am committed to working with other agencies to see if we can do a better job of protecting our children in this county from abuse and neglect.

Last month, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office convened 200 people: prosecutors, social workers and law enforcement personnel to determine if we can improve the way that we investigate these cases.

You may not be aware but the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office – prosecutor's offices, actually, throughout the state – are mandated to audit those suspected child abuse reports.

To that end, I made the decision to add more staff to our newly formed ESCARS Unit.

In the first four months of this year, we audited 36,000 cases of suspected child abuse. Those results are impressive.

As your District Attorney, I will remain vigilant in protecting our children from abuse and neglect.

Jackie Lacey
Los Angeles County District Attorney