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Mission

The Children's Council provides leadership and policy direction to encourage the development of a comprehensive and collaborative delivery system of services to children and youth in Monterey County.

GENERAL MEETING

901 Blanco Circle, Salinas, CA MCOE Monday, January 13, 2024 12:00-1:30pm

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome Jose Ramirez, Chair
- 2. Public Comment for items not on the agenda (limited to 3 minutes per person)
- 3. Action Items:
 - a. Approve the minutes of the December 9, 2024, Monterey County Children's Council meeting *Attached*
 - b. Approve Designated Alternate Ramona McCabe for Member Fran

4. Presentations/Discussions:

- a. Bright Beginnings 2024 Annual Report presentation Sonja Koehler
- b. Reflective Practice Relindis Diaz

5. Announcements

6. Adjourn

Next meeting: February 10, 2025