

Media Advisory for Wed., Oct. 4, 2023

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## **HUNDREDS OF CHILDREN’S SOCIAL WORKERS TO DESCEND ON LOS ANGELES COUNTY HALL OF ADMINISTRATION DEMANDING ‘LOWER CASELOADS NOW’**

*Social Workers Will Sound the Alarm on Increasingly Dangerous Conditions for Youth in County’s Care with Caseloads as High as 22 Cases Per Social Worker, Far Higher Than the Accepted Rate of 15 to Ensure Child Safety*

LOS ANGELES – Hundreds of social workers fed up with perpetually increasing caseloads that jeopardize the safety of thousands of children in LA County’s care will demand change at the office of the LA County Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

As a massive rally and demonstration by social workers will take place outside the Hall of Administration, where social workers will provide official testimony insisting that the CEO take immediate action to lower caseloads now.

Currently, caseloads are as high as 22 per social worker, well above the accepted rate of 15 per social worker to ensure child safety. This urgent matter continues to be punted by county management, a violation of the spirit of child welfare services as well as the social workers union contract between SEIU 721 and LA County.

**WHO:** Hundreds of Social Workers from SEIU 721  
SEIU 721 President David Green

**WHAT:** Massive Rally and Official Testimony by Hundreds of LA County Social Workers  
Demanding “Lower Caseloads Now”

**WHEN:** Wed., Oct. 4, 2023 at 8:30 AM

**WHERE:** LA County Hall of Administration, 500 W. Temple St., Los Angeles, CA 90012

**VISUALS:** Hundreds of social workers will rally with signs and banners demanding “Lower Caseloads Now” as their colleagues testify officially during a meeting of the LA County Board of Supervisors to demand immediate action

**PARKING:** TV news trucks may park along the south side of Temple St. between Grand Ave. and Hill St.

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