

The Petition includes...

- ✓ The facts which bring the child within the jurisdiction of the court.
- ✓ A statement that it is in the best interest of the child and the public that the proceeding be brought.
- ✓ The name, age and residence address of the child.
- ✓ The names and addresses of the parents, guardian, or custodian of the child and of the spouse, if any, of the child.

- ✓ Whether or not the child is in custody. If the child is in custody, you must provide the place of his/her detention and the time he/she was taken into custody.

- ✓ The reasonable efforts taken by the agency to prevent the placement OR a statement of the facts the County agency or the child's attorney intends to prove to support an allegation of aggravated circumstances. The county agency or the child's attorney should also be prepared to make recommendations to the court regarding reasonable efforts to reunify should the court find aggravated circumstances.