

The Decline and Fall of Child Protective Services: Sic Semper Tyrannis

Child protective services (CPS) is a government agency responsible for investigating reports of child abuse and neglect. In recent years, CPS has come under fire for its high rate of false allegations, its heavy-handed approach to investigations, and its focus on punishment rather than prevention. As a result, CPS has seen a decline in its public support and funding.

This article will explore the decline and fall of CPS in the United States. We will examine the factors that have led to the decline of CPS, the impact of the decline on children and families, and the prospects for the future of CPS.

There are a number of factors that have led to the decline of CPS in the United States. These factors include:



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- **The high rate of false allegations.** CPS has a high rate of false allegations, which means that many families are investigated for child abuse or neglect when there is no evidence to support the allegations. This can lead to families being harassed and traumatized by CPS.
- **The heavy-handed approach to investigations.** CPS often uses a heavy-handed approach to investigations, which can result in families being separated from their children without due process. This can be a traumatic experience for children and families.
- **The focus on punishment rather than prevention.** CPS has a focus on punishment rather than prevention, which means that it is more interested in punishing parents for child abuse or neglect than in preventing child abuse or neglect from happening in the first place. This approach is ineffective and counterproductive.

The decline of CPS has had a negative impact on children and families. This impact includes:

- **An increase in the number of children who are abused or neglected.** The decline of CPS has led to an increase in the number of children who are abused or neglected. This is because CPS is less able to investigate reports of child abuse or neglect, and because families are less likely to report child abuse or neglect to CPS.
- **An increase in the number of children who are placed in foster care.** The decline of CPS has led to an increase in the number of

children who are placed in foster care. This is because CPS is more likely to remove children from their homes without due process.

- **A decrease in the quality of foster care.** The decline of CPS has led to a decrease in the quality of foster care. This is because CPS is less able to monitor foster homes and to provide support to foster parents.

The future of CPS is uncertain. However, there are a number of things that can be done to improve CPS and to prevent its decline. These things include:

- **Reducing the rate of false allegations.** CPS can reduce the rate of false allegations by screening out reports that are not credible.
- **Using a less heavy-handed approach to investigations.** CPS can use a less heavy-handed approach to investigations by working with families to develop safety plans and by providing support to families.
- **Focusing on prevention rather than punishment.** CPS can focus on prevention rather than punishment by providing services to families that are at risk of child abuse or neglect.

These are just a few of the things that can be done to improve CPS and to prevent its decline. By taking these steps, we can help to protect children and families from abuse and neglect.

The decline of CPS is a serious problem that has had a negative impact on children and families. However, there are a number of things that can be done to improve CPS and to prevent its decline. By taking these steps, we can help to protect children and families from abuse and neglect.



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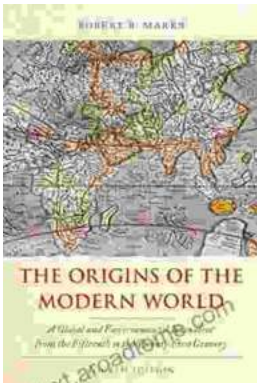
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