

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) NO. 00/01 - 79

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE FISCAL OFFICERS
ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY ADOPTIONS SUPERVISORS

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2001/02 PLANNING ALLOCATION FOR
ADOPTIONS PROGRAM - BASIC

Contingent upon approval of the State Budget, the amounts identified on the enclosed attachment are your planning allocations for the Adoptions Program-Basic Costs. It is anticipated that a total of \$71,211,000 will be made available upon approval of the FY 2001/02 Budget Act. \$40,887,000 of that amount is State General Fund (SGF). The FY 2000/01 Adoption Backlog Reduction funding was one-time funding and did not carry over into FY 2001/02.

The 1996 Adoptions Initiative (Assembly Bill 1524, Chapter 1083, Statutes of 1996) was introduced to maximize adoption opportunities for children in public foster care and reduce the foster care population.

Previously, the Adoptions Program basic cost premise was separated from the Adoptions Initiative premise in order to illustrate the fiscal impact of the Initiative. However, since Adoptions Initiative funding expires on June 30, 2001, funding for the services portion of the Initiative premise will be combined with the Adoptions Program basic funding and reflected as one premise in the budget year. Also, because the Initiative funding will end, there will no longer be an adjustment to counties' allocation to fund the 6.5 county staff positions that were on loan to the California Department of Social Services.

To budget the actual unit cost for adoptions case workers for FY 2001/02, the total program costs from the County Expense Claims (CEC) for the calendar year was divided by the number of actual Full Time Equivalent (FTEs) for each county for the same time period. A 5.4 percent cost-of-doing-business was then added to arrive at a total adoption budget.

It should be noted that while the number of FTEs funded by counties is consistent with the prior year, there are fluctuations in individual county allocations from FY 2000/01 to FY 2001/02. These fluctuations are due to the updated unit cost developed using the above methodology.

Adoptions program and staff development costs reported on the CEC will be charged to the adoptions program allocation as follows:

- 117 – Adoptions, Case Management
- 118 – Adoptions, Independent
- 123 – Adoptions, Federal Direct Costs
- 125 – Adoptions, Training

The state share exceeding the allocation will be shifted to the county share on State Use Only (SUO) Code 191. If surplus SGF are available at closeout, they may be redistributed among those counties who overspent their SGF allocation.

Questions concerning the allocation methodology should be directed to your County Financial Analysis Bureau analyst at (916) 657-3806. Questions concerning the Adoptions Program should be directed to Maria Barriga of the Adoptions Policy Bureau at (916) 322-4228.

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Financial Planning Branch

Attachment

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FY 2001/02 ALLOCATION ADOPTIONS - BASIC

COUNTIES	ADOPTIONS - BASIC STATE GENERAL FUND ALLOCATION
ALAMEDA	\$1,583,658
ALPINE	\$0
AMADOR	\$0
BUTTE	\$0
CALAVERAS	\$0
COLUSA	\$0
CONTRA COSTA	\$1,394,841
DEL NORTE	\$0
EL DORADO	\$116,373
FRESNO	\$693,806
GLENN	\$0
HUMBOLDT	\$0
IMPERIAL	\$82,601
INYO	\$0
KERN	\$919,100
KINGS	\$0
LAKE	\$0
LASSEN	\$0
LOS ANGELES	\$14,097,119
MADERA	\$0
MARIN	\$193,849
MARIPOSA	\$0
MENDOCINO	\$0
MERCED	\$202,114
MODOC	\$0
MONO	\$0
MONTEREY	\$513,968
NAPA	\$0
NEVADA	\$0
ORANGE	\$2,750,328
PLACER	\$136,605
PLUMAS	\$0
RIVERSIDE	\$1,976,831
SACRAMENTO	\$1,731,455
SAN BENITO	\$0
SAN BERNARDINO	\$1,944,777
SAN DIEGO	\$4,309,278
SAN FRANCISCO	\$1,813,462
SAN JOAQUIN	\$1,211,180
SAN LUIS OBISPO	\$481,093
SAN MATEO	\$958,632
SANTA BARBARA	\$248,909
SANTA CLARA	\$1,588,249
SANTA CRUZ	\$314,135
SHASTA	\$294,007
SIERRA	\$0
SISKIYOU	\$0
SOLANO	\$262,062
SONOMA	\$0
STANSLAUS	\$374,458
SUTTER	\$0
TEHAMA	\$0
TRINITY	\$0
TULARE	\$330,782
TUOLUMNE	\$0
VENTURA	\$363,328
YOLO	\$0
YUBA	\$0
TOTAL	\$40,887,000