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INFORMATION NOTICE

TO: COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS
COUNTY AUDITOR CONTROLLER

FROM: ERIC LAU, Chief
Financial Services Bureau

SUBJECT: **ESTIMATED SHARING RATIOS FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2015-16
CALIFORNIA WORK OPPORTUNITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO KIDS
(CalWORKs) - CA 800 FEDERAL ASSISTANCE EXPENDITURES**

This letter informs counties of the estimated federal and state sharing ratio for the CalWORKs assistance expenditures for FY 2015-16. Due to the complexities in federal welfare reform laws and regulations and implementing legislation enacted by the state, the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) is unable to determine the actual segregation of the CalWORKs assistance amounts claimed on the CA 800 federal claim until after the close of the FY. The final federal and state sharing ratio letter for CalWORKs Assistance expenditures will be provided in December 2016.

Without actual data, it is recommended that counties estimate the federal, state and county shares of CalWORKs assistance expenditures and revenues for FY 2015-16 using sharing ratios of 36.5 percent federal, 60.9 percent state and 2.5 percent county. Please note, the amount of federal and state funds your county received throughout the year may reflect a different sharing ratio.

To determine the amount of federal and state funds for the CalWORKs assistance program for year-end accrual purposes, please refer to the example below.

If the county's total FY 2015-16 CalWORKs assistance expenditures claimed on the CA 800 federal claim was \$1 million, the break down of the funding is as follows:

Total (100%)	Federal (36.5%)	State/County 2011 (61.0%)	County (2.5%)
\$1,000,000	\$365,000	\$610,000	\$25,000

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please direct them to the Financial Services Bureau at Assistance.claims@dss.ca.gov.