

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, California 95814



May 24, 2006

ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. I-38-06

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL FOOD STAMP COORDINATORS**REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL**

- State Law Change
- Federal Law or Regulation Change
- Court Order
- Clarification Requested by One or More Counties
- Initiated by CDSS

SUBJECT: H&R BLOCK FOOD STAMP OUTREACH PROJECT

REFERENCE: ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NUMBER I-79-05

The purpose of this letter is to request information pursuant to I-79-05 regarding the Food Stamp Program (FSP) outreach project conducted by H&R Block from January 2006 through April 2006. Information on the FSP was supplied as part of the services provided by local H&R Block offices. The project allowed H&R Block customers to obtain FSP applications, contact information and brief application instructions directly from the local H&R Block offices at no charge. These applications were printed with "Distributed by H&R Block" on the bottom left-hand corner.

We are asking counties to provide information on the number of applications received from H&R Block offices and the number of applications that were approved. Also, we are requesting information regarding the reasons for denial. Collecting this information will be helpful in evaluating the effectiveness of the project.

Please complete the attached form and return by email to Ms. Detta Hunt, Food Stamp Policy Development Unit, at detta.hunt@dss.ca.gov or by regular mail to:

California Department of Social Services
Food Stamp Branch
744 P Street, MS 16-32
Sacramento, California 95814
Attn: Detta Hunt

Please complete the form and return it by **June 23, 2006**. If you have any questions please contact Ms. Hunt at (916) 653-6161.

Sincerely,

RICHTON YEE, Chief
Food Stamp Branch

Attachment

H&R BLOCK OUTREACH PROJECT
January 2006 to April 2006

County:	
Contact Information	
Name:	
Phone:	
1) How many applications did your county receive from H&R Block?	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know -- did <u>not</u> track.
2) How many were approved?	
3) How many were denied?	
4) For those applications that were denied, what were the general reasons?	
5) What recommendations do you have to make this outreach effort more successful?	
5) Additional Comments:	