

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



August 26, 1996

ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE: I-43-96

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
 ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS
 ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE
 SERVICE OFFICERS

<u>REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	State Law Change
<input type="checkbox"/>	Federal Law or Regulation Change
<input type="checkbox"/>	Court Order or Settlement Agreement
<input type="checkbox"/>	Clarification Requested by One or More Counties
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SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE REIMBURSEMENT FOR AFDC OVERPAYMENTS
 AND COLLECTIONS (SB 627, Chapter 64, Sec. 46,
 June 30, 1993)

The purpose of this notice is to discuss the process for determining reimbursement amounts for county collections activity in state fiscal year (FY) 1995-96, and to update you on changes in the program for FY 1996-97.

The program's second year (FY 1995-96) ended June 30, 1996, and the fourth Quarterly Report of Overpayments and Collections (CA 812) was due to the CDSS Information Services Bureau by July 31, 1996. As was the case in FY 1994-95, you were asked to certify your county's collections and administrative cost amounts for the fiscal year. Your county's reimbursement amount will again be determined from the increase in collections over the base year (FY 1992-93) and your county's share of administrative cost of AFDC collections reported on the administrative claim. The certification documents should be sent to you in October 1996, and reimbursement checks will be issued after January 1, 1997.

As part of the Trailer Bill for the FY 1996-97 budget (SB 1780), the CDSS Fraud Bureau has permanent authority to administer the overpayment collection reimbursement program (SB 627). This will result in some changes in the way reimbursements are determined starting in FY 1996-97. The base year for collections will be changed from FY 1992-93 to FY 1994-95.

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The Department will approve reimbursement based on increased performance compared to the FY 1994-95 base year. Counties are encouraged to submit requests for additional positions if they can be justified by projected increases in collections.

This overpayment collection reimbursement incentive program has proven to be a tremendous success, and has resulted in significant increases in collections in California. We are looking forward to working with you and your staff to increase overpayment collections in California. Please call John Moist at (916) 323-0445 if you have any questions.



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Deputy Director
Welfare Programs Division

Attachment

c: CWDA

Fifty-three counties participated in the incentive program for state fiscal year (FY) 1995-96 and may qualify for cash reimbursement. The following counties (40) received reimbursement payments for FY 1994-95:

Amador	\$ 608	San Benito	3,490
Butte	63,814	San Bernardino	195,995
Calaveras	1,532	San Diego	117,443
Contra Costa	43,157	San Luis Obispo	7,120
Del Norte	1,358	San Mateo	18,234
Fresno	155,824	Santa Barbara	7,601
Glenn	487	Santa Clara	78,770
Humboldt	5,603	Siskiyou	1,316
Imperial	3,316	Solano	1,563
Kern	82,150	Santa Cruz	9,808
Lassen	1,446	Sonoma	24,555
Los Angeles	545,347	Stanislaus	42,048
Marin	9,881	Sutter	2,891
Merced	9,881	Tehama	3,090
Monterey	35,655	Trinity	2,714
Nevada	2,128	Tulare	45,887
Orange	96,271	Tuolumne	1,638
Napa	12,653	Ventura	15,311
Placer	7,095	Yolo	3,002
Riverside	77,541	Yuba	3,938
		TOTAL	\$1,742,161