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ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 86-11

TO: ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ADOPTION AGENCIES
ALL SDSS ADOPTION DISTRICT OFFICES

Attention: Adoption Supervisors
ARRC Coordinators

SUBJECT: EXPIRATION OF ARRC

Effective immediately the Adoption Resource Referral Center (ARRC) Program has ceased all computer-matching operations. Please do not submit child or adoptive applicant registrations or discontinuance notifications after receipt of this letter.

ARRC will continue to publish the ARRC Children's Album and accept photographs for reproduction and distribution to the holders of the album. Please continue to use the Form AD 134 when submitting photographs for publication in the ARRC Children's Album. Complete the AD 134 in all areas, the same as if you were submitting it for registration on the ARRC computer because the child's description will be used with the photograph in the album.

As you know, ACIN I-68-85, dated September 3, 1985, informed you of our proposal to limit statewide adoption services to the photo-listing of children, with participation by public and private adoption agencies on a voluntary basis. Our proposal was the result of an in-depth study in which we found that there has been a steady decline in both the utilization of, and the benefits provided by the ARRC System during the past three years. In 1983, 14 placements were attributed to ARRC; in 1984 there were seven; and to date in 1985, only two placements have been credited to ARRC referrals.

An advisory committee, consisting of participants from the adoption community, is being organized to assist in the development of the new children's photo-listing.

We expect to have the new children's photo-listing published and distributed in early 1986. All agency representatives who have children who are actively listed in the ARRC Children's Album will be contacted regarding the transfer of those children to the new photo-listing.

If, during the interim, you have questions or comments regarding this change, please address them to Ms. Marsha D. McNeil, Acting Chief, Adoptions Branch, at the above address, or telephone (916) 445-3146.



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cc: CWDA