

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES  
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All County Letter No. 86-83

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS  
ALL COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS  
ALL COUNTY ADOPTION AGENCIES  
ALL GROUP HOME PROVIDERS  
ALL HOMEFINDING AGENCIES  
ALL GROUP HOME CONSULTANTS AND ASSOCIATIONS

SUBJECT: 1986/87 AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN-FOSTER CARE  
(AFDC-FC) COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE (COLA)

FOSTER FAMILY HOMES

The state will participate in the following standardized basic rate schedule which has been adjusted by the one percent COLA in the 1986/87 Budget Act.

<u>AGE</u>	<u>1986/87 STANDARDIZED SCHEDULE</u>
0 - 4	\$ 294
5 - 8	319
9 - 11	340
12 - 14	378
15 - 20	412

The one percent COLA also applies to those counties whose basic rates exceed the standardized level and to the counties' existing specialized care increments and clothing allowance rates.

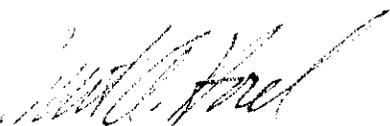
GROUP HOMES

The 1986/87 Budget Act does not provide for a COLA for AFDC-FC funded group homes. As a result, Operations Policies and Procedures (OPP) Manual Section 11-402.17 (2) does not apply for fiscal year 1986/87.

HOMEFINDING AGENCIES

The Budget Act provides a maximum 5.1% COLA for Homefinding Agencies (HFAs). HFAs whose existing rates are below or equal to the amount calculated by using the methodology specified in OPP Section 11-403(d) will receive a COLA increase. No COLA is available for those HFAs whose existing rates exceed the amount calculated by using OPP Section 11-403(d) methodology.

Questions regarding foster family home rates should be referred to the Foster Care Program Bureau at (916) 445-0813 (ATSS) 485-0813. Questions regarding group homes and homefinding agencies should be referred to the Foster Care Rates Bureau at (916) 323-1263 (ATSS) 473-1263.



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