

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 F Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



November 15, 1991

ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 91-115

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: REFUGEE CHARACTERISTICS SURVEY  
STUDY MONTH: JANUARY 1992

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Statistical Services Bureau of the Department of Social Services will be conducting a refugee characteristics survey. This survey is being conducted due to the need for updated demographic information on the California refugee population receiving public assistance. In addition, with the elimination of the Refugee Demonstration Project, the need to evaluate the impact of this change on the refugee population receiving Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) is important.

The study month will be January 1992. The survey will be directed toward the refugee population receiving AFDC and Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA). The target universe will include both time-eligible and time-expired refugees. The statewide sample will yield approximately 1,200 sample cases.

Utilizing the Medi-Cal Eligibility History File, a refugee extract file will be developed by the Department of Health Services. The Department of Social Services will randomly select the sample cases from the refugee extract file and provide you with a list of AFDC and RCA cases to sample, by specific case number. The list of sample cases and the questionnaires will be sent to you in mid-February 1992.

As one of the first steps in this project, the counties will need to submit the name of a person to act as liaison for the survey. Attachment A is a form which should be used to transmit the name of the liaison person for your county. Please mail Attachment A to the Statistical Services Bureau by December 13, 1991. Direct this information, as well as any questions regarding this survey, to:

Department of Social Services  
Statistical Services Bureau  
744 P Street, M.S. 19-84  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Attention: Ms. Mary Ann Y. Kashiwagi

(916) 323-4668 or ATSS (916) 473-4668

Thank you for your cooperation.



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Deputy Director  
Administration

Attachment

cc: CWDA

Attachment A

**REFUGEE RECEIVING CASH ASSISTANCE  
CHARACTERISTICS SURVEY**

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COUNTY LIAISON INFORMATION

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Liaison Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN BY DECEMBER 13, 1991 TO:**

Department of Social Services  
Statistical Services Bureau  
744 P Street, M.S.: 19-84  
Sacramento, CA 95814.

Attention: Mary Ann Y. Kashiwagi