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COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) NO. 12/13-10

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS
ALL COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2012-13 ALLOCATION FOR THE PROMOTING
SAFE AND STABLE FAMILIES (PSSF) CASEWORKER VISITS
GRANT (CVG)

REFERENCE: [CFL NO.11/12-18 DATED SEPTEMBER 16, 2011](#)

This letter informs counties of the PSSF CVG allocation for FY 2012-13. A total of \$2,040,230 federal funds are available based on the approved FY 2012-13 Budget Act. The allocation was adjusted to ensure that each county would receive a minimum of \$1,740. Total funds are to be spent by September 30, 2013.

The PSSF grant was established under Title IV-B to provide funding for community-based family support and preservation services to promote better outcomes for children. In keeping with this goal, additional funding has been added to the PSSF grant for the purpose of increasing monthly visits to children in foster care. The federal grant stipulates that funding is to be used only for improving the quality of monthly caseworker visits with an emphasis on caseworker decision making and caseworker recruitment and retention. These funds cannot supplant Title IV-E funds. Counties may utilize their Local Revenue funds received under the 2011 Realignment for any additional administrative activities for caseworker visits. Please refer to CFL No.11/12-18 under the Child Welfare Services section.

The PSSF CVG allocation is based on a weighted calculation of hours per visit, cost per hour, and caseload. Funds were then distributed using a percent-to-statewide total of the following three caseloads: 1) total Foster Family Agency (FFA) and Out-of-State placements monthly visit caseload, 2) total Foster Family Home placement caseload (excluding FFA and Group Home), and 3) average Out-of-County caseload.

The 2012 PSSF CVG and the \$2,040,230 federal funds are only available until September 30, 2013. Expenditures claimed on the quarterly expense claims listed below can be charged against this grant.

- September 2012 quarter
- Supplemental September 2012 quarter
- December 2012 quarter
- March 2013 quarter
- June 2013 quarter

During the audit of the June 2013 quarter expense claims, the California Department of Social Services will ensure maximization of the federal grant. The allocation will be capped after the June 2013 quarter is audited. Since supplemental claims for the December 2012 quarter, the March 2013 quarter, and the June 2013 quarter are not available after September 30, 2013, any costs charged to the PSSF Caseworker Visit Allocation will be automatically shifted, utilizing State Use Only (SUO) Codes 684 and 734.

Claiming

Costs for eligible activities can be claimed upon receipt of a county's allocation letter. Costs will be funded at 100/00/00/00 (Federal/State/Health/County). Administrative costs associated with Increased Funding for Caseworker Visits can be captured using existing Program Code 677—PSSF Monthly Caseworker Visits. Once a county exceeds their PSSF Caseworker Visits allocation, SUO Code 684 will be utilized to shift the overmatch costs. As a result of the 2011 Realignment, all costs shifted to General Fund expenditures for the realigned programs will be automatically transferred to county-only share via appropriate SUO Codes 684, 734, and ultimately via SUO Code 166.

Any questions regarding this allocation can be directed to Fiscal.systems@dss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original Document Signed By:

BRIAN DOUGHERTY, Chief
Financial Management and Contracts Branch

Attachment

FY 2012-13 PSSF CASEWORKER VISITS ALLOCATION

CFDA #: 93556
PSSF CASEWORKER VISITS
ALLOCATION

COUNTY	ALLOCATION
Alameda	\$135,054
Alpine	\$1,740
Amador	\$1,740
Butte	\$80,556
Calaveras	\$1,740
Colusa	\$2,064
Contra Costa	\$60,747
Del Norte	\$1,740
El Dorado	\$9,684
Fresno	\$67,429
Glenn	\$14,311
Humboldt	\$9,821
Imperial	\$9,560
Inyo	\$1,740
Kern	\$55,659
Kings	\$10,264
Lake	\$3,983
Lassen	\$5,172
Los Angeles	\$394,152
Madera	\$14,446
Marin	\$3,103
Mariposa	\$2,004
Mendocino	\$6,740
Merced	\$14,051
Modoc	\$1,740
Mono	\$1,740
Monterey	\$6,856
Napa	\$2,234
Nevada	\$2,801
Orange	\$79,114
Placer	\$13,822
Plumas	\$7,654
Riverside	\$71,542
Sacramento	\$175,764
San Benito	\$3,446
San Bernardino	\$124,014
San Diego	\$146,260
San Francisco	\$117,760
San Joaquin	\$50,165
San Luis Obispo	\$16,720
San Mateo	\$10,598
Santa Barbara	\$23,713
Santa Clara	\$44,316
Santa Cruz	\$15,824
Shasta	\$24,158
Sierra	\$1,740
Siskiyou	\$15,263
Solano	\$12,925
Sonoma	\$21,830
Stanislaus	\$13,247
Sutter	\$6,824
Tehama	\$27,195
Trinity	\$2,154
Tulare	\$39,746
Tuolumne	\$3,668
Ventura	\$25,243
Yolo	\$17,027
Yuba	\$5,627
Total	\$2,040,230