

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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COUNTY FISCAL LETTER NO. 07/08-05

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

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2007-08 PLANNING ALLOCATION FOR THE
SUPPORTIVE AND THERAPEUTIC OPTIONS PROGRAM (STOP)

Contingent upon approval of the FY 2007-08 State Budget, the amount identified on the attachment is the planning allocation for STOP. It is anticipated that a total of \$9,954,000 General Fund (GF) will be made available for this program.

The purpose of STOP is to enable counties to expand treatment and support options for families with children returning from out-of-home placement or at risk of such placements. This program helps to minimize the trauma of change and loss of services by developing aftercare strategies to continue supportive and therapeutic relationships with these children.

Counties may use STOP funds to contract with other county agencies such as Mental Health or Probation to provide treatment such as group therapy and drug and alcohol programs. Counties may also use these funds for a wide variety of interventions such as recreation activities, including after school programs; respite care; independent living services; music therapy; and crisis intervention. Funding for this program is shared at 70 percent state and 30 percent matching county share.

In consultation with the County Welfare Directors Association (CWDA), it was agreed that individual county allocations would be based on FY 2006-07 levels. However, funds were adjusted to ensure a minimum allocation of \$5,676 GF for participating counties. This amount is based on the projected FY 2007-08 annual cost per child for mental health services. The California Department of Social Services will soon enter into discussions with the CWDA to establish a new allocation methodology for STOP.

STOP related costs reported on the County Expense Claim will be charged to Program Code 588 – Supportive and Therapeutic Options Program Services. Expenditures exceeding the total GF allocation will be transferred to county share using State Use Only Code 549.

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Questions regarding this allocation should be directed to fiscal.systems@dss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original document signed by:

FRAN MUELLER, Chief
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Attachment

c: CWDA

FY 2007-08 STOP ALLOCATION

COUNTY	SGF ALLOCATION
Alameda	\$338,109
Alpine	\$0
Amador	\$7,052
Butte	\$60,729
Calaveras	\$0
Colusa	\$0
Contra Costa	\$218,146
Del Norte	\$8,882
El Dorado	\$34,881
Fresno	\$345,970
Glenn	\$10,261
Humboldt	\$34,921
Imperial	\$0
Inyo	\$0
Kern	\$265,212
Kings	\$47,114
Lake	\$17,250
Lassen	\$8,083
Los Angeles	\$3,187,295
Madera	\$47,737
Marin	\$39,297
Mariposa	\$0
Mendocino	\$26,306
Merced	\$96,526
Modoc	\$5,676
Mono	\$0
Monterey	\$122,621
Napa	\$26,843
Nevada	\$19,259
Orange	\$722,150
Placer	\$53,305
Plumas	\$5,676
Riverside	\$495,234
Sacramento	\$384,012
San Benito	\$0
San Bernardino	\$623,009
San Diego	\$748,014
San Francisco	\$114,492
San Joaquin	\$204,942
San Luis Obispo	\$51,585
San Mateo	\$125,619
Santa Barbara	\$105,921
Santa Clara	\$359,120
Santa Cruz	\$60,266
Shasta	\$49,800
Sierra	\$0
Siskiyou	\$13,470
Solano	\$104,578
Sonoma	\$95,177
Stanislaus	\$159,710
Sutter	\$25,812
Tehama	\$19,143
Trinity	\$5,676
Tulare	\$175,745
Tuolumne	\$12,404
Ventura	\$201,677
Yolo	\$44,538
Yuba	\$24,758
Total	\$9,954,000