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COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) NO. 07/08-20

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY WELFARE FISCAL OFFICERS

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2007-08 FINAL ALLOCATION FOR THE
ADMINISTRATION OF THE NON-ASSISTANCE FOOD STAMP
(NAFS) PROGRAM

The purpose of this letter is to inform counties of the final administrative allocation for the NAFS Program for FY 2007-08. A total of \$245,530,000 General Fund (GF) was made available upon approval of the FY 2007-08 Budget Act.

Attachment I displays the GF amount for each component of the NAFS allocation. It includes costs and savings associated with approved premises. The major premises in FY 2007-08 include: NAFS Administrative Basic Costs, Legacy Systems Savings, Public Assistance (PA) to Non-Assistance (NA) Fund Shift, Prospective Budgeting, Simplification Options, Emergency Freeze Response, California Food Assistance Program, and *Be Vu v. Mitchell*. Attachment II provides a description of each of the individual premises and allocation methodologies. Attachment III provides a complete listing of the Program Codes which capture costs to the NAFS allocation on the County Expense Claim.

In accordance with the County Welfare Directors Association (CWDA) recommendation, funding for NAFS administration has been adjusted to ensure that all counties were held harmless to their FY 2006-07 allocation.

As a reminder, transferability of funds between Foster Care and NAFS continues to be allowed for the following counties: Alpine, Amador, Colusa, Glenn, Inyo, Lassen, Mariposa, Modoc, Mono, Plumas, Sierra, and Trinity. It is anticipated that any surplus funds within this small county group will be redistributed at closeout among those counties that overspent their allocations.

Any questions regarding this letter should be directed to fiscal.systems@dss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Attachments

**FY 2007-08 ALLOCATION FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE NON-ASSISTANCE FOOD STAMP PROGRAM (NAFS)
GENERAL FUNDS (GF)**

COUNTY	NAFS ADMIN. BASIC ALLOCATION	LEGACY SYSTEMS SAVINGS	PA TO NA FUND SHIFT	PROSPECTIVE BUDGETING	SIMPLIFICATION OPTIONS	EMERGENCY FREEZE RESPONSE NAFS	CALIFORNIA FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CFAP)	BE VU v. MITCHELL ALLOCATION	NAFS GF ALLOCATION
Alameda	\$8,205,657	(\$64,764)	\$2,077,816	(\$426,167)	(\$4,741)	\$0	\$37,584	\$7,184	\$9,832,569
Alpine	\$19,024	\$0	\$16,543	\$0	(\$13)	\$0	\$144	\$0	\$35,698
Amador	\$164,580	\$0	\$33,060	\$0	(\$166)	\$0	\$1,939	\$0	\$199,413
Butte	\$1,203,451	\$0	\$660,533	(\$200,914)	(\$3,036)	\$0	\$24,731	\$5,241	\$1,690,006
Calaveras	\$273,739	\$0	\$50,992	\$0	(\$245)	\$0	\$2,819	\$0	\$327,305
Colusa	\$141,084	\$0	\$42,694	\$0	(\$168)	\$0	\$1,969	\$0	\$185,579
Contra Costa	\$6,124,715	(\$66,281)	\$1,967,703	(\$278,761)	(\$3,065)	\$0	\$23,536	\$1,920	\$7,769,767
Del Norte	\$195,761	\$0	\$130,728	\$0	(\$529)	\$0	\$5,894	\$420	\$332,274
El Dorado	\$625,542	\$0	\$187,884	(\$48,752)	(\$587)	\$502	\$6,283	\$22	\$770,894
Fresno	\$6,456,009	(\$45,362)	\$2,224,522	(\$935,421)	(\$10,844)	\$2,490	\$84,639	\$0	\$7,776,033
Glenn	\$187,093	\$0	\$137,553	\$0	(\$271)	\$0	\$3,221	\$376	\$327,972
Humboldt	\$1,191,571	\$0	\$428,908	(\$138,789)	(\$1,667)	\$0	\$12,407	\$1,371	\$1,493,801
Imperial	\$1,351,962	\$0	\$411,260	(\$167,813)	(\$2,301)	\$0	\$18,178	\$22	\$1,611,308
Inyo	\$136,695	\$0	\$40,450	\$0	(\$144)	\$0	\$1,633	\$22	\$178,656
Kern	\$4,381,076	\$0	\$1,695,941	(\$770,680)	(\$8,911)	\$2,430	\$72,168	\$707	\$5,372,731
Kings	\$693,159	\$0	\$305,676	(\$153,320)	(\$1,821)	\$60	\$13,538	\$44	\$857,336
Lake	\$353,859	\$0	\$214,944	\$0	(\$560)	\$0	\$6,495	\$0	\$574,738
Lassen	\$152,810	\$0	\$67,522	\$0	(\$216)	\$0	\$2,450	\$0	\$222,566
Los Angeles	\$68,312,633	\$0	\$18,764,382	(\$6,977,366)	(\$77,517)	\$0	\$562,648	\$9,488	\$80,594,268
Madera	\$609,182	\$0	\$278,681	(\$157,284)	(\$1,742)	\$1,165	\$15,756	\$22	\$745,780
Marin	\$747,354	\$0	\$255,379	(\$70,529)	(\$865)	\$0	\$6,624	\$287	\$938,250
Mariposa	\$88,610	\$0	\$44,895	\$0	(\$120)	\$0	\$1,359	\$0	\$134,744
Mendocino	\$1,154,640	\$0	\$218,474	(\$104,418)	(\$1,323)	\$0	\$9,870	\$0	\$1,277,243
Merced*	\$1,539,531	\$0	\$853,157	(\$221,337)	(\$2,607)	\$382	\$20,865	\$6,806	\$2,196,797
Modoc	\$75,555	\$0	\$49,732	\$0	(\$96)	\$0	\$1,121	\$0	\$126,312
Mono	\$74,789	\$0	\$33,947	\$0	(\$51)	\$0	\$605	\$0	\$109,290
Monterey	\$2,767,926	\$0	\$772,623	(\$194,496)	(\$2,444)	\$60	\$20,021	\$44	\$3,363,734
Napa	\$612,657	\$0	\$94,251	(\$33,378)	(\$378)	\$0	\$2,889	\$44	\$676,085
Nevada	\$584,315	\$0	\$125,546	\$0	(\$396)	\$0	\$4,505	\$0	\$713,970
Orange	\$8,990,175	(\$115,902)	\$3,844,985	(\$753,940)	(\$9,842)	\$0	\$78,927	\$4,572	\$12,038,975
Placer	\$874,581	(\$21,873)	\$316,699	(\$60,854)	(\$761)	\$0	\$6,324	\$119	\$1,114,235
Plumas	\$122,018	\$0	\$54,638	\$0	(\$88)	\$0	\$1,047	\$0	\$177,615
Riverside	\$7,719,460	(\$115,625)	\$2,502,901	(\$586,865)	(\$6,995)	\$181	\$57,198	\$2,123	\$9,572,378
Sacramento	\$10,298,982	(\$153,112)	\$3,997,303	(\$932,248)	(\$10,265)	\$0	\$76,383	\$21,614	\$13,298,657
San Benito	\$214,792	\$0	\$60,434	\$0	(\$377)	\$0	\$4,350	\$0	\$279,199
San Bernardino	\$9,523,215	(\$145,559)	\$3,412,970	(\$1,028,741)	(\$12,071)	\$40	\$95,014	\$3,414	\$11,848,282
San Diego	\$8,677,391	(\$95,154)	\$2,689,806	(\$602,817)	(\$6,781)	\$60	\$55,409	\$8,372	\$10,726,286
San Francisco	\$9,329,552	(\$62,443)	\$1,532,948	(\$579,663)	(\$6,398)	\$0	\$47,439	\$5,838	\$10,267,273
San Joaquin	\$2,609,728	\$0	\$1,091,261	(\$509,098)	(\$4,036)	\$0	\$22,792	\$12,051	\$3,222,698
San Luis Obispo	\$1,277,617	(\$13,243)	\$461,886	(\$76,862)	(\$921)	\$0	\$7,173	\$60	\$1,655,710
San Mateo	\$2,477,752	(\$71,923)	\$594,112	(\$82,770)	(\$910)	\$0	\$8,060	\$178	\$2,924,499
Santa Barbara	\$2,341,565	(\$45,808)	\$538,283	(\$156,036)	(\$1,735)	\$1,486	\$17,699	\$119	\$2,695,573
Santa Clara	\$8,430,508	(\$152,818)	\$2,796,582	(\$563,524)	(\$6,197)	\$20	\$48,577	\$10,588	\$10,563,736
Santa Cruz	\$1,554,877	(\$20,636)	\$447,149	(\$127,977)	(\$1,464)	\$0	\$11,155	\$99	\$1,863,203
Shasta	\$1,019,997	\$0	\$329,588	(\$148,571)	(\$1,799)	\$0	\$13,416	\$553	\$1,213,184
Sierra	\$68,831	\$0	\$19,478	\$0	(\$20)	\$0	\$226	\$0	\$88,515
Siskiyou	\$526,325	\$0	\$112,395	\$0	(\$514)	\$0	\$5,816	\$221	\$644,243
Solano	\$2,757,288	(\$38,615)	\$751,973	(\$172,251)	(\$1,918)	\$0	\$14,954	\$2,474	\$3,313,905
Sonoma	\$1,461,670	(\$36,035)	\$661,749	(\$159,425)	(\$1,807)	\$0	\$14,013	\$554	\$1,940,719
Stanislaus	\$2,770,401	\$0	\$1,116,237	(\$331,550)	(\$3,858)	\$2,530	\$36,799	\$4,080	\$3,594,639
Sutter	\$432,653	\$0	\$152,381	(\$60,249)	(\$732)	\$0	\$5,535	\$442	\$530,030
Tehama	\$369,276	\$0	\$211,957	\$0	(\$635)	\$0	\$7,267	\$0	\$587,865
Trinity	\$121,027	\$0	\$38,754	\$0	(\$135)	\$0	\$1,521	\$0	\$161,167
Tulare	\$3,146,163	(\$46,464)	\$916,794	(\$494,436)	(\$5,908)	\$18,072	\$95,679	\$0	\$3,629,900
Tuolumne	\$323,126	\$0	\$95,282	\$0	(\$349)	\$0	\$3,991	\$0	\$422,050
Ventura	\$3,740,771	(\$25,165)	\$819,679	(\$276,832)	(\$3,013)	\$2,189	\$28,208	\$1,227	\$4,287,064
Yolo	\$1,115,383	(\$31,218)	\$374,401	(\$84,166)	(\$677)	\$0	\$4,363	\$673	\$1,378,759
Yuba	\$744,892	\$0	\$367,579	(\$79,700)	(\$970)	\$3,333	\$16,774	\$2,609	\$1,054,517
TOTAL	\$201,465,000	(\$1,368,000)	\$62,496,000	(\$18,748,000)	(\$218,000)	\$35,000	\$1,752,000	\$116,000	\$245,530,000

**FY 2007-08 NON-ASSISTANCE FOOD STAMP (NAFS)
ALLOCATED PREMISES**

The following provides a brief description of each premise amount included in the NAFS Allocation.

PREMISE NAME	DESCRIPTION	COST	SAVINGS
NAFS Administrative Basic	<p>Reflects the administrative costs for the NAFS Program. Counties' NAFS administrative basic costs are funded at the same level as FY 2006-07, with an adjustment for actual caseload growth. In addition, Staff Development allocation, Merced Magic Maintenance and Operation, Transitional Benefits allocation, Face-to-face Interviews allocation, Vehicles Exclusion savings, and Electronic Benefit Transfer Administrative Impact savings were rolled into the Basic for FY 2007-08.</p> <p>An adjustment was made to hold counties harmless to the FY 2006-07 NAFS allocation and to 93 percent of the FY 2006-07 Food Stamps GF Expenditures. As a final step, the remaining funds were distributed on a percent to total basis to those counties whose allocation would have increased above this amount based on the standard methodology.</p>	✓	
Legacy Systems Savings	Reflects the net savings that counties will realize following their conversion from outdated legacy systems to their new automated systems.		✓
Public Assistance (PA) to Non-Assistance (NA) Shift	Reflects the shift of funds from the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids Program (CalWORKs) to the NAFS Program for the share of eligibility costs associated with the FS recipients that receive CalWORKs. The Public Assistance Food Stamp (PAFS)/CalWORKs shared administrative costs were determined by multiplying the CalWORKs total administrative costs by the continuing cost ratio. This amount is then multiplied by the PAFS/CalWORKs ratio, and the result was divided in half to determine the PAFS share. The PAFS share of the common intake costs was then added to determine the total fund shift. The budgeted cost is distributed on a percent to total of each county's total CalWORKs PAFS shift.	✓	
Prospective Budgeting	Reflects the administrative savings associated with implementing a quarterly reporting system using prospective budgeting in determining benefits based on projected income over a three-month period for NAFS. The savings were distributed according to county-specific methodology.		✓
Simplification Options	Reflects the impact to county administrative costs associated with the implementation of options designed to simplify the Food Stamp Program by easing administrative processes and aligning certain aspects of the program with CalWORKs. Funds were distributed based on a percent to total of each county's average monthly NAFS caseload for Calendar Year (CY) 2006 as reported on the DFA 296.		✓
Emergency Freeze Response (NAFS)	Reflects the administrative costs of 16 counties associated with the increase in NAFS applications received due to freezing weather conditions that devastated many farming-related businesses and left many farm workers unemployed. Funds were distributed based on a percent to total of each county's Emergency Freeze Response caseload.	✓	

California Food Assistance Program (CFAP)	Reflects the administrative costs associated with CFAP for eligible non-citizens. Funds were distributed based on a percent to total of each county's average monthly NAFS caseload for CY 2006 as reported on the DFA 296. This premise also includes savings associated with CFAP Prospective Budgeting and the CFAB related allocations for Undocumented Citizen (SB 1569) and Emergency Freeze Response.	✓	
<i>Be Vu v. Mitchell</i>	Reflects the administrative costs associated with complying with the terms of settlement agreement in the <i>Be Vu v. Mitchell</i> court case. The settlement agreement specifies that in addition to Chinese, Russian, Spanish, and Vietnamese, the Food Stamp Program forms must be translated into Arabic, Armenian, Cambodian, Farsi, Hmong, Lao, and Tagalog. Funds were distributed according to county-specific methodology.	✓	

**FY 2007-08 NON-ASSISTANCE FOOD STAMP (NAFS)
PROGRAM CODES**

Expenditures reported to following Program Codes on the quarterly County Expense Claim capture costs against the NAFS allocation.

- 211 – FS Issuance (& EBT Project for San Diego and San Bernardino only)
- 214 – FSOLIS
- 218 – NAFS – IEVS
- 234 – Fraud – NAFS AFIRM (LA County)
- 268 – SAVE Program – NAFS
- 275 – EFD/P – NAFS
- 310 – NAFS – Fraud
- 334 – Fraud – NAFS AFIRM (LA County)
- 341 – EFD/P – NAFS (WFI)
- 343 – NAFS Eligibility
- 344 – NAFS Program Integrity
- 347 – NAFS Quality Control
- 606 – CFAP – Families
- 609 – CFAP – Singles
- 611 – NAFS – Jail Match (SB1556)

State Use Only Codes

- 284 – SUO - NAFS
- 298 – SUO-NAFS SB90 / CalWORKs County MOE Related