

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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REFUGEE COORDINATOR LETTER NO. 03-23

This letter is to advise counties of their final Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2003 Targeted Assistance (TA) Formula Funding Program allocations. The federal Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) published the Final Notice of 2003 Targeted Assistance Formula Allocations in ORR State Letter #03-16, dated September 8, 2003. The Targeted Assistance counties are encouraged to review the Final Notice through ORR's website <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/program/orr>. TA Grants are for Services to Refugees in Local Areas of High Need. A copy of it may also be found on the Funding Opportunities Page of the Refugee Programs Branch (RPB) website at <http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/refugeeprogram/>.

The final FFY 2003 TA grant for California is \$5,510,161, an increase of \$228,449 from the amount indicated in the Proposed Notice. The state's allocation represents the sum of allocations to all eligible California counties. County allocation amounts are determined by ORR according to a formula based on each eligible county's proportion of refugee arrivals during FFY 1998 through 2002. (As noted in the proposed allocation letter, FFY 2003 represents the second year of a three-year period for which ORR has determined the eligibility of counties to receive TA funding). Six previously eligible California counties continue to be eligible: Los Angeles, Orange, Sacramento, San Diego, San Francisco and Santa Clara. These counties will remain qualified through FFY 2004. The ORR will not consider the eligibility of additional counties for TA funding until FFY 2005.

Please note that counties' population estimates have been adjusted to include data submitted by counties on persons granted asylum within the 60-month period ending September 30, 2002 and/or those certified as victims of a severe form of trafficking to whom Refugee Program services were provided in the past three years. As advised in RCL #03-12, the RPB is awaiting re-evaluation of the refugee arrivals data by ORR. The RPB will inform the counties of the outcome. Based on the award letter received from ORR, county TA allocations are shown in Column 6 of the enclosed spreadsheet.

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If you have any questions on this information, please contact Phyllis Iwasaki, Manager of the Community Development & Fiscal Services Bureau, at (916) 654-2387 or Bunny Furlo at (916) 651-9770.

Sincerely,

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On September 24, 2003

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**FINAL TARGETED ASSISTANCE (TA) FORMULA ALLOCATIONS
FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2003**

\$ 5,510,161

(1) County	(2) Allocation Number	(3) Total Five-Year Arrivals¹	(4) ORR Allocation Based on Arrivals	(5) State Administration	(6) County Allocation	(7) County Administration	(8) Services
		<i>FFYs 1998 - 2002</i>		<i>@ 5% Maximum</i>		<i>@ 15% Maximum</i>	
Los Angeles	TAFO0301	12,528	\$ 1,941,653	\$ 97,083	\$ 1,844,570	\$ 276,686	\$ 1,567,885
Orange	TAFO0302	3,326	\$ 466,978	\$ 23,349	\$ 443,629	\$ 66,544	\$ 377,085
Sacramento	TAFO0303	10,587	\$ 1,382,794	\$ 69,140	\$ 1,313,654	\$ 197,048	\$ 1,116,606
San Diego	TAFO0304	4,561	\$ 729,050	\$ 36,453	\$ 692,598	\$ 103,890	\$ 588,708
San Francisco	TAFO0305	2,656	\$ 357,999	\$ 17,900	\$ 340,099	\$ 51,015	\$ 289,084
Santa Clara	TAFO0306	4,647	\$ 631,687	\$ 31,584	\$ 600,103	\$ 90,015	\$ 510,087
Total		38,305	\$ 5,510,161	\$ 275,508	\$ 5,234,653	\$ 785,198	\$ 4,449,455

State Administration Funds	\$ 275,508
Local Assistance Funds	\$ 5,234,653
Total California TA Award	\$ 5,510,161

Notes:

1 Final allocations were based on amended arrivals data and asylees and trafficking victims data as submitted to ORR by the Refugee Programs Branch. Arrivals figures includes refugees, entrants and Havana parolees.