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Reason for this Transmittal

[ ] State Law or Regulation Change
[ ] Federal Law or Regulation Change
[ ] Court Order or Settlement Change
[ ] Clarification requested by One or More Counties
[X] Initiated by DCSS

August 11, 2000

CSS LETTER NO. 00-03

TO: ALL IV-D DIRECTORS
ALL DISTRICT ATTORNEYS
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

SUBJECT: STATE FISCAL YEAR 2000/01 CHILD SUPPORT ADMINISTRATIVE ALLOCATIONS

REFERENCE: FSD LETTER 00-02; FSD LETTER 00-13

This letter is to provide counties with the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2000/01 allocation for administrative costs, exclusive of funds required for Electronic Data Processing (EDP) Maintenance and Operation (M&O) costs. These allocations are based on the planning allocations furnished in FSD Letter 00-13. Adjustments have been made as a result of appeals to the planning allocations and additional funds provided based on premises included in the Budget Act and statewide funding priorities. Separate letters will be sent to each county from the Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) Systems Division to provide individual allocations for funding EDP M&O.

This allocation is based on funds appropriated in the Budget Act of 2000, pursuant to the local agency funding provisions found in Family Code Section 17704. The allocations displayed on Attachment I follow the same format as the SFY 2000/01 planning allocation letter (FSD Letter 00-13). The total allocation is displayed first, and the level of federal funds available from both the normal 66% federal financial participation (FFP) and the estimated federal incentive funds are deducted from the total program cost to arrive at the state General Fund (GF) share. The Budget Act included state GF to back-fill the federal penalties, but counties must have a current signed Annual Automation Cooperation Agreement on file to be eligible for full FFP and avoid pass-through of the penalty.

Please be reminded that this state GF allocation is based on the expectation of receiving $58.8 million in federal incentive funds as appropriated in the Budget Act. If

federal incentive funds received by the state decrease as a result of the new federal incentive formula, state GF will be requested to back-fill the decrease. Any additional state GF required for this purpose will be identified in the Governor's Budget released in January 2001.

In SFY 2000/01 Federal incentive funds received by the state will be passed through to counties at a flat 3% rate based on actual reported distributed collections. Counties that experience a decline in federal incentives below the levels estimated in this letter will be reimbursed with state GF as long as their total expenditures are within their total allocation, and contingent on the availability of funds in the statewide appropriation. Unspent funds from other county allocations will be included in the redistribution process at year-end. The control on the GF allocation is necessary to comply with Family Code Section 17704 (b)(1)(B)(i) that prohibits the expenditures from exceeding the amount authorized in the Budget Act.

Attachment II presents the detail contained in the total allocation in Attachment I. Attachment IIA provides a description of the amounts contained in each column of Attachment II.

Counties were informed at the June 7, 2000 IV-D Directors meeting that an appeal of their SFY 2000/01 Administrative Planning Allocation could be submitted. All appeals were reviewed by DCSS staff and adjustments were approved using the same criteria applied to the development of the original allocations. Several counties requested additional funding for customer service and training as part of their appeals. These requests were not funded through the appeal process. Approximately $25 million is available for a state initiative in this area. State staff will be meeting with members of the IV-D Directors group to receive input toward the development of a distribution methodology. We recognize the importance of releasing this funding to counties as soon as possible. We plan on sharing preliminary information with counties early and finalizing the funding in October.

Local Agency transition costs are not included in this allocation. A transition schedule was released in CSS Letter 00-02 and DCSS staff is working with counties to determine associated costs. Counties will be given additional information and appropriate funding once county transition budgets are submitted and approved.

Funds for Document Imaging Systems are also not included in this allocation. Funding is delayed until further information can be obtained to ensure cost consistency among counties and compatibility with statewide automation efforts.

It continues to be the goal of the Department to maintain funding in the child support program to allow for stability in the program, to allow for collections to increase at continually improving rates, to allow for improved customer service and to allow for the implementation of effective automation.

Any specific questions you have regarding the development of your allocation for this year should be addressed to either your Child Support Program Improvement Analyst at (916) 263-4601 or to Mike Farrell, manager of the Program Improvement Unit at (916) 263-4716. Questions regarding the allocation process may be directed to Annette Siler, Chief of Budget and Fiscal Operations at (916) 651-6255.

Sincerely,

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Director

Attachment

C: California State Association of Counties

ATTACHMENT I

CHILD SUPPORT NON-EDP ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDING FOR SFY 2000/01				
COUNTY	TOTAL NON-EDP ADMINISTRATIVE ALLOCATION	FULL FFP AVAILABLE ONLY IF CURRENT AACA IS ON FILE	FEDERAL INCENTIVES FUNDS	TOTAL STATE GENERAL FUND ALLOCATION
STATEWIDE	655,461,961	432,604,894	58,760,000	164,097,067
Alameda	21,740,259	14,348,571	2,838,406	4,553,282
Alpine	143,615	94,786	3,860	44,969
Amador	1,059,739	699,428	92,747	267,564
Butte	8,176,902	5,396,755	360,584	2,419,562
Calaveras	830,559	548,169	91,691	190,699
Colusa	614,422	405,519	51,240	157,664
Contra Costa	16,476,943	10,874,782	1,398,024	4,204,137
Del Norte	2,351,051	1,551,694	100,587	698,770
El Dorado	4,366,441	2,881,851	411,116	1,073,474
Fresno	19,223,742	12,687,670	2,684,434	3,851,638
Glenn	765,879	505,480	71,806	188,593
Humboldt	5,347,460	3,529,324	403,471	1,414,665
Imperial	3,017,981	1,991,867	372,252	653,861
Inyo	715,741	472,389	69,124	174,228
Kern	19,017,996	12,551,877	1,619,306	4,846,813
Kings	4,022,787	2,655,039	353,434	1,014,313
Lake	2,549,451	1,682,638	160,839	705,975
Lassen	880,960	581,434	77,153	222,373
Los Angeles	132,253,510	87,287,317	11,250,577	33,715,616
Madera	2,502,568	1,651,695	283,156	567,717
Marin	4,131,223	2,726,607	282,562	1,122,054
Mariposa	563,756	372,079	53,841	137,836
Mendocino	2,521,651	1,664,290	228,344	629,018
Merced	8,724,675	5,758,286	843,338	2,123,051
Modoc	462,579	305,302	19,487	137,790
Mono	324,597	214,234	21,244	89,118
Monterey	10,525,456	6,946,801	842,769	2,735,887
Napa	3,942,527	2,602,068	293,405	1,047,055
Nevada	3,368,516	2,223,221	219,233	926,062
Orange	55,036,199	36,323,891	4,234,862	14,477,445
Placer	5,695,670	3,759,142	426,957	1,509,571
Plumas	754,244	497,801	62,318	194,125
Riverside	31,536,238	20,813,917	3,221,325	7,500,996
Sacramento	27,445,417	18,113,975	2,419,947	6,911,495
San Benito	1,647,217	1,087,163	114,345	445,709
San Bernardino	34,809,121	22,974,020	3,329,194	8,505,907
San Diego	41,369,550	27,303,903	4,291,014	9,774,633
San Francisco	10,639,715	7,022,212	994,108	2,623,395
San Joaquin	13,924,399	9,190,103	1,420,525	3,313,771
San Luis Obispo	4,117,850	2,717,781	441,647	958,422
San Mateo	10,383,076	6,852,830	885,653	2,644,593
Santa Barbara	7,912,412	5,222,192	795,953	1,894,268
Santa Clara	30,168,506	19,911,214	2,713,832	7,543,461
Santa Cruz	6,079,739	4,012,628	440,600	1,626,512
Shasta	6,478,458	4,275,782	582,113	1,620,563
Sierra	156,541	103,317	9,928	43,296
Siskiyou	2,834,394	1,870,700	180,380	783,314
Solano	11,282,462	7,446,425	882,307	2,953,730
Sonoma	14,113,669	9,315,022	945,020	3,853,627
Stanislaus	13,369,810	8,824,075	1,290,701	3,255,035
Sutter	2,887,160	1,905,526	196,121	785,514
Tehama	1,718,502	1,134,211	150,893	433,398
Trinity	471,827	311,406	36,134	124,287
Tulare	14,627,838	9,654,373	1,121,930	3,851,535
Tuolumne	1,472,383	971,773	139,452	361,158
Ventura	16,544,242	10,919,200	1,422,965	4,202,077
Yolo	4,669,460	3,081,844	355,185	1,232,432
Yuba	2,692,876	1,777,298	156,564	759,014

ATTACHMENT II

CHILD SUPPORT NON-EDP ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDING FOR SFY 2000/01							
	PLANNING ALLOCATION (FSD Letter 00-13)	APPEALS/OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	COUNTY TRANSITION COORDINATOR (Premise)	FAMILY VIOLENCE INDICATOR MAILING COSTS (Premise)	PC & INTERNET CAPABILITY	P3 PROJECT STAFF	TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
TOTAL	645,595,939	5,038,084	2,900,000	1,228,752	348,000	351,186	655,461,961
Alameda	21,624,576	0	50,000	41,683	6,000	18,000	21,740,259
Alpine	87,512	0	50,000	103	6,000	0	143,615
Amador	992,344	10,000	50,000	1,395	6,000	0	1,059,739
Butte	8,069,818	36,055	50,000	15,029	6,000	0	8,176,902
Calaveras	710,619	62,000	50,000	1,940	6,000	0	830,559
Colusa	557,652	0	50,000	770	6,000	0	614,422
Contra Costa	16,381,660	0	50,000	39,283	6,000	0	16,476,943
Del Norte	2,292,125	0	50,000	2,926	6,000	0	2,351,051
El Dorado	4,303,916	0	50,000	6,525	6,000	0	4,366,441
Fresno	19,024,766	75,682	50,000	51,799	6,000	15,495	19,223,742
Glenn	708,315	0	50,000	1,564	6,000	0	765,879
Humboldt	5,284,881	0	50,000	6,579	6,000	0	5,347,460
Imperial	2,793,426	160,865	50,000	7,690	6,000	0	3,017,981
Inyo	658,408	0	50,000	1,333	6,000	0	715,741
Kern	18,906,172	21,000	50,000	34,824	6,000	0	19,017,996
Kings	3,959,914	0	50,000	6,873	6,000	0	4,022,787
Lake	2,435,364	53,504	50,000	4,583	6,000	0	2,549,451
Lassen	818,994	0	50,000	1,366	6,000	4,600	880,960
Los Angeles	129,605,099	2,134,037	50,000	373,273	6,000	85,101	132,253,510
Madera	2,440,760	0	50,000	5,808	6,000	0	2,502,568
Marin	4,072,079	0	50,000	3,144	6,000	0	4,131,223
Mariposa	506,984	0	50,000	772	6,000	0	563,756
Mendocino	2,460,880	0	50,000	4,771	6,000	0	2,521,651
Merced	8,595,306	60,888	50,000	12,481	6,000	0	8,724,675
Modoc	405,861	0	50,000	718	6,000	0	462,579
Mono	268,219	0	50,000	378	6,000	0	324,597
Monterey	10,392,753	58,197	50,000	18,506	6,000	0	10,525,456
Napa	3,882,360	0	50,000	4,167	6,000	0	3,942,527
Nevada	3,301,937	0	50,000	4,706	6,000	5,873	3,368,516
Orange	54,945,417	0	50,000	8,374	6,000	26,408	55,036,199
Placer	5,631,296	0	50,000	8,374	6,000	0	5,695,670
Plumas	697,100	0	50,000	1,144	6,000	0	754,244
Riverside	30,660,945	717,724	50,000	96,567	6,000	5,002	31,536,238
Sacramento	27,335,988	0	50,000	53,429	6,000	0	27,445,417
San Benito	1,588,372	0	50,000	2,845	6,000	0	1,647,217
San Bernardino	34,169,407	439,088	50,000	115,264	6,000	29,362	34,809,121
San Diego	40,929,307	384,243	50,000	0	6,000	0	41,369,550
San Francisco	10,562,002	0	50,000	21,713	6,000	0	10,639,715
San Joaquin	13,838,395	0	50,000	30,004	6,000	0	13,924,399
San Luis Obispo	4,061,850	0	50,000	0	6,000	0	4,117,850
San Mateo	10,287,030	0	50,000	13,426	6,000	26,620	10,383,076
Santa Barbara	7,842,882	0	50,000	13,530	6,000	0	7,912,412
Santa Clara	29,952,903	109,968	50,000	49,635	6,000	0	30,168,506
Santa Cruz	6,016,983	0	50,000	5,265	6,000	1,491	6,079,739
Shasta	6,285,224	120,030	50,000	10,904	6,000	6,300	6,478,458
Sierra	100,413	0	50,000	128	6,000	0	156,541
Siskiyou	2,749,978	24,795	50,000	3,621	6,000	0	2,834,394
Solano	11,124,923	83,127	50,000	18,412	6,000	0	11,282,462
Sonoma	14,009,369	0	50,000	14,540	6,000	33,760	14,113,669
Stanislaus	13,172,815	90,657	50,000	26,088	6,000	24,250	13,369,810
Sutter	2,826,106	0	50,000	5,054	6,000	0	2,887,160
Tehama	1,662,502	0	50,000	0	6,000	0	1,718,502
Trinity	414,889	0	50,000	938	6,000	0	471,827
Tulare	14,280,358	238,143	50,000	30,292	6,000	23,045	14,627,838
Tuolumne	1,413,444	0	50,000	2,939	6,000	0	1,472,383
Ventura	16,261,957	158,081	50,000	22,325	6,000	45,879	16,544,242
Yolo	4,604,097	0	50,000	9,363	6,000	0	4,669,460
Yuba	2,627,287	0	50,000	9,589	6,000	0	2,692,876

COLUMN 1:

SFY 2000/01 Administrative Planning Allocation transmitted in FSD Letter 00-13.

COLUMN 2:

Approved adjustments resulting from appeals of the Planning Allocation.
Other adjustments, such as, funding requested as EDP but determined to be administrative costs after the release of the Planning Allocation.

COLUMN 3:

Funding for one coordinator per county or consulting services to help in transition planning and preparation efforts at the local level.

COLUMN 4:

Funding for costs associated with the materials, supplies and postage needed to mail the Family Violence Indicator notices to custodial and noncustodial parents to identify victims or potential victims of family violence for those counties implementing in FY 2000/01.

COLUMN 5:

Funding to provide PC and Internet capability to every county. Counties should follow normal EDP approval requirements in using these funds.

COLUMN 6:

Funding to back-fill behind county staff participating in the P3 Project. This represents the funds requested by each county for salaries and benefits of the P3 Project participants.

COLUMN 7:

Total of Columns 1 through 6.