

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



August 10, 2001

ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-67-01

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL FOOD STAMP COORDINATORSREASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

- State Law Change
- Federal Law or Regulation Change
- Court Order or Settlement Agreement
- Clarification Requested by One or More Counties
- Initiated by CDSS

SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CFAP)

REFERENCE: ALL COUNTY LETTERS (ACL) 98-66, 98-76, 99-78, ACIN I-53-99
and ACIN I-80-00

The purpose of this letter is to provide County Welfare Departments (CWDs) with information regarding removal of the termination date for the limited California Food Assistance Program (CFAP) eligibility period for certain legal noncitizens entering the United States on or after August 22, 1996. On October 1, 1999 counties were issued ACL 99-78 which provided food stamp benefits for several additional categories of legal noncitizens. One of these categories was noncitizens who are otherwise eligible, but who legally entered the United States on or after August 22, 1996.

The above categories of noncitizens were eligible for CFAP for a limited period beginning October 1, 1999 and ending September 30, 2001. However, the limited period of eligibility that was to end as of September 30, 2001 has now been extended by Assembly Bill (AB) 429, Statutes of 2001 approved by the Governor on July 28, 2001. The CFAP benefits will continue indefinitely for new applicants and current recipients covered by these categories.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Sandra Pierce at (916) 653-5208.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:
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Food Stamp Branch