DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES 744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-04-83

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: RSDI BENEFIT REPORT

REFERENCE:

In cooperation with the Social Security Administration (SSA), we have developed a monthly report of Retirement, Survivors and Disability Insurance (RSDI) benefit payment information for counties. This Report of RSDI is produced from SSA's Beneficiary and Earnings Data Exchange (BENDEX) system. The report will alert the user to changes in the RSDI income of recipients. We are making every effort to provide your first report by February 1983 in order to enable counties to start realizing savings.

Kern and San Joaquin counties piloted the report. By using the Report of RSDI for three months, these counties identified potential AFDC-FG/U savings which far exceeded the estimated cost of providing the report to all counties for a year.

The Report of RSDI will include recipients in the AFDC-FG/U, AFDC-FC, Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA), Cuban/Haitian Entrant Cash Assistance (ECA), In Home Supportive Services (IHSS) and Medi-Cal Only programs. At this time, it will not include recipients in the new aid code categories of Refugee Medical Assistance (02), Emergency Assistance (06), and Medically Indigent Persons (53, 86, 87). The Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch of the Department of Health Services supports the inclusion of Medi-Cal recipients in the reporting. Instructions for interpreting the report are attached.

Counties have the option of receiving the report format either on paper or tape. The tape option makes possible a county programmed data match of recipient reported income with SSA reported income. It also allows counties to design their own report formats and include routing information that may not be available to the Department.

The paper or tape report will provide recipient RSDI information in district and worker number order to the extent that your county provides worker and district identification to the state's eligibility history file. Where worker and district identification has not been provided, cases will be listed on the report by aid code in case number order. One report will be sent to every county welfare department, which is responsible for further distribution.

You may direct questions regarding the Report of RSDI to the appropriate program management consultant or liaison. Please provide any suggestions that you may have to David Feinberg of the AFDC Program Systems Bureau at (916) 324-2656. If you want the report on tape, please advise David Feinberg by January 31, 1983.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

cc: CWDA