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ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 11-03

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

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

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY WELFARE FISCAL OFFICERS
ALL CHIEF PROBATION OFFICERS
ALL INDEPENDENT LIVING PROGRAM (ILP) MANAGERS
ALL INDEPENDENT LIVING PROGRAM (ILP) COORDINATORS
ALL COUNTY TRANSITIONAL HOUSING COORDINATORS
COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2010/11 ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR THE
TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PLACEMENT PROGRAM (THPP) AND
TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM-PLUS (THP-PLUS)

REFERENCE: ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 427 (CHAPTER 125, STATUTES OF 2001),
AB 1119 (CHAPTER 639, STATUTES OF 2002), AB 824 (CHAPTER
636, STATUTES OF 2005), AB 1808 (CHAPTER 75, STATUTES OF
2006;); ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE (ACIN) No. I-88-06
(NOVEMBER 20, 2006,) ACIN No. I-56-07 (OCTOBER 5, 2007,) ACIN
No. I-40-09 (AUGUST 10, 2009); ALL COUNTY LETTER (ACL)
NO. 06-38 (SEPTEMBER 8, 2006,) ACL NO. 07-38
(OCTOBER 18, 2007,) ACL 08-62 (DECEMBER 23, 2008,) ACL 09-73
(November 25, 2009;) COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) NO. 04/05-54
(JUNE 17, 2005)

The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) has developed this transmittal to provide the FY 2010/11 allocations to counties participating in the THPP and/or the THP-Plus Programs.

Funding

This allocation includes funding reductions to both the THPP and THP-Plus due to the reduction in Child Welfare Services (CWS) Program funding this FY. The following are appropriations and allocation methodology for each program:

THPP

A total of \$3,459,000 in General Funds (GF) was appropriated in the FY 2010-11 budget for THPP. Due to an \$80 million dollar reduction in CWS funding, there was a reduction of \$2,876,000 to THPP. The new statewide allocation amount is \$583,000 (see Attachment A). The reduction was distributed equally across participating counties.

The THPP allocation for Alameda and Los Angeles Counties, who are participating in the federal Title IV-E Child Welfare Waiver Demonstration Capped Allocation Project, is not displayed in Attachment A as these funds are included in the counties' foster care assistance waiver base allocation.

Modoc and San Mateo Counties are not participating in THPP this year.

Counties are reminded that the first \$2,100 of the rate paid to providers is claimed on Line 1 of the CA-800 FC Fed claim. That payment portion is not reflected in this allocation. The allocation amounts outlined in this letter is the funding available to pay for the amount over the base rate (\$2,100) and is claimed on Line 16, that is entitled, "THPP Rate Increase." Line 16 is required to be filled out even if a county makes a rate increase request that is ultimately denied. Please refer to CFL 04/05-54 for more information about claiming. A link to the letter is listed below.

The sharing ratio for THPP is the same as Aid for Dependent Children-Foster Care. Counties are responsible for a 60 percent share of the non-federal portion.

THP-Plus

A total of \$35,878,000 was appropriated for THP-Plus for FY 2010-11. Due to the reduction in CWS funding, THP-Plus funding is reduced by \$461,000 or 1.28 percent. The new statewide allocation is \$35,417,000 (see Attachment B). There are a total of 53 counties participating in FY 2010-11, including new counties, Modoc and Kings. One county, Sierra, is not financially participating this year, but has a county plan on file with CDSS.

The following methodology was developed to achieve the additional CWS reduction:

- All counties participating in FY 2009/10 initially received the same allocation amount for FY 2010/11.

- Three new counties in FY 2009/10 that received a portion of the beds requested, initially received funding for their full bed request in FY 2010/11.
- The two new counties in FY 2010/11 received half of the beds requested with the base being at least two beds.
- The additional CWS reduction to THP-Plus was applied on a percent to total basis across all counties.

The THP-Plus is funded at 100 percent GF.

Start-Up Costs

Counties are reminded that start-up costs are part of the normal process of implementing THPP/THP-Plus. Welfare and Institutions Code (W&IC) section 16522.1 (g) and (h) require providers in their provider plans to set up program rules for the activities noted below. These are the basic program guidelines. Any costs incurred must be intended to help program participants fulfill program goals and objectives. Program activities and rules for THPP and THP-Plus must be age appropriate for participants who are in foster care versus emancipated participants.

Program Activities as Outlined in W&IC section 16522.1(g) and (h)

- (g) A system for payment for utilities, telephone and rent.
- (h) Policies regarding all of the following:
 1. Education requirements
 2. Work expectations
 3. Savings requirements
 4. Personal safety
 5. Visitors, including, but not limited to, visitation by the placement auditor pursuant to subdivision (d)
 6. Emergencies
 7. Medical problems
 8. Disciplinary measures
 9. Child care
 10. Pregnancy
 11. Curfew
 12. Apartment cleanliness
 13. Use of utilities and telephone
 14. Budgeting
 15. Care of furnishings
 16. Decorating of apartments
 17. Cars
 18. Lending or borrowing money
 19. Unauthorized purchases
 20. Dating

21. Grievance Procedures

Other important considerations include:

- Mentoring services, services to build and support relationships with family and community and mental health services including support groups.

Fiscal Claiming

The CFL No. 04/05-54 provides updated information and clarification for the claiming costs for both THPP and THP-Plus. The CFL instructions and claim forms may be accessed at: <http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/lettersnotices/PG970.htm>.

Fiscal questions regarding either THPP or THP-Plus Programs may be addressed to: assistance.claims@dss.ca.gov.

If you have questions or require additional assistance, please contact Lyn Stueve, Analyst, Independent Living Program Policy Unit, at (916) 657-3329. Information regarding both Transitional Housing Programs is also available at: www.childsworld.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original Document Signed By:

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Children and Family Services Division

Attachments

Attachment A THPP

County	FY 2010-11 Allocation
BUTTE	\$27,802
COLUSA	\$4,562
CONTRA COSTA	\$36,474
DEL NORTE	\$6,426
EL DORADO	\$8,568
GLENN	\$7,778
HUMBOLDT	\$6,438
LAKE	\$12,486
LASSEN	\$6,555
MARIN	\$2,731
MENDOCINO	\$7,491
MONTEREY	\$16,688
NEVADA	\$14,222
ORANGE	\$42,217
PLACER	\$46,939
PLUMAS	\$2,419
SAN BERNARDINO	\$39,217
SAN FRANCISCO	\$112,058
SAN LUIS OBISPO	\$18,260
SANTA BARBARA	\$23,645
SANTA CLARA	\$53,657
SHASTA	\$14,046
SISKIYOU	\$4,916
SOLANO	\$6,682
SONOMA	\$19,080
TEHAMA	\$7,187
TRINITY	\$10,425
VENTURA	\$9,048
YUBA	\$14,983
	\$583,000

Attachment B THP-Plus Allocation

County	Beds	Final 2010-11 Allocation	County	Beds	Final 2010-11 Allocation
Alameda	126	\$2,966,473	Plumas	2	\$62,781
Butte	13	\$331,333	Riverside	34	\$886,717
Calaveras	3	\$106,691	Sacramento	67	\$2,032,194
Colusa	2	\$49,789	San Bernardino	31	\$1,077,479
Contra Costa	42	\$1,115,319	San Diego	143	\$4,947,002
Del Norte	9	\$383,766	San Francisco	94	\$2,533,900
El Dorado	9	\$311,536	San Joaquin	17	\$552,787
Fresno	17	\$534,851	San Luis Obispo	10	\$431,385
Glenn	5	\$212,196	San Mateo	50	\$1,511,449
Humboldt	5	\$177,818	Santa Barbara	9	\$338,956
Imperial	3	\$102,387	Santa Clara	67	\$2,136,181
Inyo	5	\$124,472	Santa Cruz	17	\$483,664
Kern	42	\$845,155	Shasta	7	\$199,156
Kings	3	\$73,911	Siskiyou	5	\$201,704
Lake	9	\$256,057	Solano	26	\$985,678
Lassen	4	\$142,254	Sonoma	13	\$385,271
Los Angeles	84	\$2,216,792	Stanislaus	17	\$335,139
Madera	4	\$149,130	Sutter	9	\$266,726
Marin	7	\$290,435	Tehama	10	\$363,933
Mariposa	5	\$182,737	Trinity	7	\$277,158
Mendocino	10	\$284,508	Tulare	9	\$220,849
Marin	9	\$249,976	Tuolumne	5	\$107,817
Modoc	2	\$84,860	Ventura	5	\$67,571
Monterey	15	\$420,538	Yolo	5	\$165,963
Napa	10	\$455,331	Yuba	10	\$325,999
Nevada	5	\$148,181			
Orange	67	\$1,738,771			
Placer	17	\$564,274			
Total				1198	\$35,417,000