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CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 21-57E

The purpose of this errata is to amend All County Letter (ACL) No. 21-57 and clarify that Golden State Grant Program payments are to be treated as disaster assistance and excluded as a resource for the Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants (CAPI).



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ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 21-57E

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL CASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR IMMIGRANTS
PROGRAM MANAGERS

SUBJECT: ERRATA TO ALL COUNTY LETTER (ACL) NO. 21-57
TREATMENT OF GRANT PAYMENTS RECEIVED BY CASH
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR IMMIGRANTS RECIPIENTS
FROM THE GOLDEN STATE GRANT PROGRAM PURSUANT
TO SENATE BILL (SB) 88 (CHAPTER 8, STATUTES OF 2021)
AND ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 88 (CHAPTER 12, STATUTES
OF 2021)

REFERENCE: [SOCIAL SECURITY EMERGENCY MESSAGE EM-20014 REV 3](#);
[SOCIAL SECURITY EMERGENCY MESSAGE EM-21050](#);
[PROGRAM OPERATIONS MANUAL \(POMS\) §SI 00830.620](#);
[WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE \(WIC\) §8151\(d\)](#).

Currently, ACL No. 21-57 states that receipt of the Golden State Grant Program payment is not counted as income for Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants (CAPI) recipients and will not count toward the resource limit for 12 months from receipt of the payment. ([Welfare and Institutions Code \(WIC\) §8151\(d\)](#)). As CAPI follows federal Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Program (SSI/SSP) rules and based on updated SSI guidance from the Social Security Administration, the Golden State Program payments are to be treated as disaster assistance and subject to the disaster assistance exclusion. Accordingly, such payments are excluded from being counted as income and resources. (Social Security Emergency Messages [EM-20014 REV 3](#) & [EM-21050](#); [Program Operations Manual \(POMS\) §SI 00830.620](#)).

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If you have any questions or need additional guidance regarding the information in this letter, please contact the Benefit Programs Unit in the California Department of Social Services, Adult Programs Division at 916) 653-3850 or capi@dss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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