

October 03, 2022

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 22-53E

The purpose of this erratum is to provide a revised Federal Fiscal Year 2023 Income Reporting Threshold chart for the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Program.



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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY CALWORKS PROGRAM SPECIALISTS
ALL CALFRESH PROGRAM SPECIALISTS
ALL COUNTY REFUGEE COORDINATORS
ALL COUNTY CONSORTIA REPRESENTATIVES

SUBJECT: ERRATUM CONCERNING THE CALIFORNIA WORK
OPPORTUNITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO KIDS (CALWORKS),
REFUGEE CASH ASSISTANCE (RCA), ENTRANT CASH
ASSISTANCE (ECA), AND TRAFFICKING AND CRIME VICTIM
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TCVAP) FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR
(FFY) 2023 INCOME REPORTING THRESHOLD (IRT)

REFERENCE: [MANUAL OF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES \(MPP\) SECTIONS
40-173.8, MPP 44-316.321\(e\), MPP 44-316.324, ALL COUNTY
LETTER \(ACL\) 22-53](#)

The purpose of this erratum is to transmit the correct monthly federal poverty level (FPL) for a household of three used for establishing the Tier One Income Reporting Threshold (IRT) found on the attachment in [ACL 22-53](#). The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) developed the attached chart to provide County Welfare Departments (CWD's) with the IRTs that trigger recipient income reporting requirements in the [MPP Sections 44-316.321\(e\)](#) and [44-316.324](#).

The previous attachment referenced \$1,055, which is an incorrect monthly figure amount for Tier One IRT. The **correct** monthly figure for Tier One IRT, A. as shown in the revised attachment, is **\$1,056** (55% of the FPL for a family of three) plus the amount of income last used to calculate the Assistance Unit's (AU's) monthly benefits. These IRT levels are effective October 1, 2022 for all AU's.

The CWDs must inform recipients of their IRT at least once per Semi-Annual Reporting Period (SAR) or Annual Reporting Period/ Child Only (AR/CO) or whenever the AU's IRT changes. The CWD shall follow notification rules regarding individualized IRT levels in accordance with [MPP Sections 40-173.8](#) and [44-316.324](#).

The IRT level in which the recipient was last notified will be used for reporting purposes until the CWD has had an opportunity to inform the recipient of any applicable IRT change. In the event the Statewide Automated Welfare System (SAWS) is unable to automate these changes prior to the effective date of October 1, 2022, CWDs will be required to manually complete the SAR 2, AR 2 and AR 2 SAR forms until automation is implemented.

If you have any questions or need additional guidance regarding the information in this letter, contact CalWORKs Early Engagement and Eligibility Bureau at CWEligibilityPolicy@dss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original Document Signed By

ELIZABETH GRIFFITH
Acting Branch Chief
CalWORKs and Family Resilience Branch

Attachment

cc: County Welfare Directors Association (CWDA)

Attachment

**Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2023 CalWORKs Income Reporting Threshold (IRT)
Effective October 1, 2022 Through September 30, 2023**

The CalWORKs IRT amount for each AU is the lesser of A or B below.

- A. \$1,056 (55% of the FPL for a family of three) plus the amount of income last used to calculate the AUs monthly benefits or;
- B. The amount of income which may render the AU of that size ineligible for CalFresh benefits, or 130% of the FPL, as shown in the chart below.

Assistance Unit/Family Size	IRT
0	\$1,473
1	\$1,473
2	\$1,984
3	\$2,495
4	\$3,007
5	\$3,518
6	\$4,029
7	\$4,541
8	\$5,052
Each additional member	Add \$512