

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



August 7, 2000

ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-80-00

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS  
ALL FOOD STAMP COORDINATORS

## REASON 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): EXTENSION OF PROGRAM

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

The purpose of this letter is to provide County Welfare Departments (CWDs) with information regarding extension of 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 category of noncitizens were eligible to CFAP for a limited period beginning October 1, 1999 and ending September 30, 2000. However, the limited period of eligibility that was to end as of September 30, 2000 has now been extended to September 30, 2001 by Assembly Bill (AB) 2876, Chapter 108 (Statutes of 2000), a trailer bill of the 2000 Budget Act. New applicants and current recipients covered by this category continue to receive benefits until September 30, 2001.

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

Sincerely,

**Original document signed by**  
GARY SWANSON, Chief  
Food Stamp Branch