DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE: I-43-96

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE OFFICERS REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

- () State Law Change
- () Federal Law or Regulation Change
- () Court Order or Settlement Agreement
- () Clarification Requested
- by One or More Counties (X) Initiated by CDSS

SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE REIMBURSEMENT FOR AFDC OVERPAYMENTS AND COLLECTIONS (SB 627, Chapter 64, Sec. 46, June 30, 1993)

The purpose of this notice is to discuss the process for determining reimbursement amounts for county collections activity in state fiscal year (FY) 1995-96, and to update you on changes in the program for FY 1996-97.

The program's second year (FY 1995-96) ended June 30, 1996, and the fourth Quarterly Report of Overpayments and Collections (CA 812) was due to the CDSS Information Services Bureau by July 31, 1996. As was the case in FY 1994-95, you were asked to certify your county's collections and administrative cost amounts for the fiscal year. Your county's reimbursement amount will again be determined from the increase in collections over the base year (FY 1992-93) and your county's share of administrative cost of AFDC collections reported on the administrative claim. The certification documents should be sent to you in October 1996, and reimbursement checks will be issued after January 1, 1997.

As part of the Trailer Bill for the FY 1996-97 budget (SB 1780), the CDSS Fraud Bureau has permanent authority to administer the overpayment collection reimbursement program (SB 627). This will result in some changes in the way reimbursements are determined starting in FY 1996-97. The base year for collections will be changed from FY 1992-93 to FY 1994-95. Page Two

The Department will approve reimbursement based on increased performance compared to the FY 1994-95 base year. Counties are encouraged to submit requests for additional positions if they can be justified by projected increases in collections.

This overpayment collection reimbursement incentive program has proven to be a tremendous success, and has resulted in significant increases in collections in California. We are looking forward to working with you and your staff to increase overpayment collections in California. Please call John Moist at (916) 323-0445 if you have any questions.

Bruce Washert

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Attachment

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Fifty-three counties participated in the incentive program for state fiscal year (FY) 1995-96 and may qualify for cash reimbursement. The following counties (40) received reimbursement payments for FY 1994-95:

Amador	\$608
Butte	63,814
Calaveras	1,532
Contra Costa	43,157
Del Norte	1,358
Fresno	155,824
Glenn	487
Humboldt	5,603
Imperial	3,316
Kern	82,150
Lassen	1,446
Los Angeles	545,347
Marin	9,881
Merced	9,881
Monterey	35,655
Nevada	2,128
Orange	96,271
Napa	12,653
Placer	7,095
Riverside	77,541
San Diego	117,443
San Luis Obispo	7,120
San Mateo	18,234
Santa Barbara	7,601
Santa Clara	78,770
Siskiyou	1,316
Solano	1,563
Santa Cruz	9,808
Sonoma	24,555
Stanislaus	42,048
Sutter	2,891
Tehama	3,090
Trinity	2,714
Tulare	45,887
Tuolumne	1,638
Ventura	15,311
Yolo	3,002
Yuba	3,938
Total:	\$1,742,161