

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, California 95814



November 29, 2004

ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 04-53

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
 ALL CHILD CARE COORDINATORS
 ALL FISCAL OFFICERS

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

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

SUBJECT: RESERVE FUNDING REQUESTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004/05
 STAGE ONE CHILD CARE

REFERENCE: COUNTY FISCAL LETTER NO. 04/05-15, COUNTY FISCAL
 LETTER NO. 04/05-17, COUNTY FISCAL LETTER NO. 04/05-26

The purpose of this letter is to inform counties of the availability of California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Stage One child care reserve funds for Fiscal Year (FY) 04/05. Counties may seek funds from the CalWORKs Stage One Child Care reserve if they determine that the CalWORKs allocations provided to them for FY 04/05 will not meet their child care needs.

Counties in need of reserve funds must request them in writing by December 31, 2004. Requests must specify the amount of funding being sought from the FY 04/05 reserve and the amounts of child care and Single Allocation expenditures for the first quarter of FY 04/05. Counties should seek reserve funding prior to discontinuing or placing limits on child care services.

Requests may be faxed to (916) 654-1516, Attention: Tom Grant, or mailed to the following address:

Tom Grant, Analyst
 Child Care Programs Bureau
 California Department of Social Services
 744 P Street, M.S. 6-139
 Sacramento, CA 95814

The California Department of Social Services will use the information provided by the county, along with caseload data from the CW 115 and 115A, to assess counties' need for additional child care funding and to substantiate that need to the Department of Finance, which must approve all allocations from the reserve. Counties should be prepared to respond to additional requests for information, if necessary.

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Any questions about this All County Letter should be directed to Tom Grant, Analyst, Child Care Programs Bureau, at (916) 657-3434.

Sincerely,

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c: CWDA