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COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) NO. 18/19-34

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY WELFARE FISCAL OFFICERS

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR 2018-19 ALLOCATION FOR THE PROMOTING SAFE
AND STABLE FAMILIES PROGRAM

REFERENCE: [WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE \(W&IC\) SECTION 16600](#)
[TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE FEDERAL GRANT](#)

This letter informs counties of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-19 Promoting Safe and Stable Families (PSSF) program federal grant in the amount of \$33.3 million. Based on the Budget Act of 2018, \$32.9 million of the FY 2018-19 grant amount is approved. As a result of a revision to the 2018 federal grant award, there is an increase in the amount of \$366,312 which is pending update in the 2019-20 Governor's Budget. Ten percent (or \$3.3 million) of the 2018 federal grant award has been set aside for the PSSF program related contracts, state operations, and the Statewide Cost Allocation Plan pursuant to [W&IC section 16600](#) with the remaining \$30.0 million available for distribution, as shown in the attachment.

This allocation is specific to the funding for the PSSF program. Information regarding the allocation for the Promoting Safe and Stable Families Caseworker Visitation Program can be found in [CFL No. 18/19-36](#).

In consultation with the County Welfare Directors Association, the PSSF program grant is distributed as follows:

- Fifty percent of the allocation funds are distributed based on each county's percentage of the total statewide number of children ages 0 to 17 as of 2017, using the most current United States Census Bureau (USCB) estimates.

- The remaining 50 percent is distributed based on each county's percentage of the total statewide number of children ages 0 to 17 who are in poverty as of 2016, using the most current USCB data.
- The allocation is adjusted to ensure that each county receives a minimum of \$10,000.

Consistent with current policy, there are two requirements for the PSSF program grant: 1) the 25 percent federal match in the amount of \$10.0 million, and 2) the additional maintenance of Effort (MOE) in the amount of \$13.2 million. Both requirements can be satisfied by utilizing the county expenditures related to the State Family Preservation (SFP) program. Therefore, it is important that counties continue to claim SFP program related activities to the program codes (PCs) that counties have been using for SFP program related expenditures. The federal match and MOE requirements are the shares that counties may be required to satisfy using county funds if those requirements were to be distributed across all counties. However, no county is required to begin an SFP program if it did not operate one prior to 2011 Realignment. If a county operated an SFP program in FY 2017-18 and continues to spend the same amount on the program in FY 2018-19, then the match and MOE requirements will continue to be met. At close-out, adjustments will be made to ensure the 25 percent federal match and MOE requirements are met.

The PSSF program expenditures should be claimed to the following PCs:

- 515 – Family Preservation Services
- 516 – Family Support Services
- 675 – Adoption Promotion and Support
- 676 – Time-Limited Family Reunification

As a condition of receiving the PSSF program grant, counties are required to comply with the [“Terms and Conditions”](#) of the federal grant award. In compliance with federal requirements, counties must spend a minimum of 20 percent of PSSF program funds on each of the four program components outlined above. Expenditures exceeding the total federal fund allocation will be shifted to county share using State Use Only (SUO) code 521 (SUO-PSSF).

Questions regarding PSSF program should be directed to the Office of Child Abuse Prevention at (916) 651-6960. Questions regarding this allocation should be directed to fiscal.systems@dss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original Document Signed By:

SALENA CHOW, Chief
Fiscal Forecasting and Policy Branch

Attachment

**FISCAL YEAR 2018-19
PROMOTING SAFE AND STABLE FAMILIES
FEDERAL FUND ALLOCATION***

COUNTY	ALLOCATION
Alameda	\$928,252
Alpine	\$10,000
Amador	\$17,797
Butte	\$162,253
Calaveras	\$25,816
Colusa	\$17,592
Contra Costa	\$658,518
Del Norte	\$24,084
El Dorado	\$94,186
Fresno	\$1,328,943
Glenn	\$26,654
Humboldt	\$90,430
Imperial	\$228,958
Inyo	\$11,984
Kern	\$1,095,907
Kings	\$140,667
Lake	\$54,702
Lassen	\$17,338
Los Angeles	\$8,055,423
Madera	\$177,986
Marin	\$124,885
Mariposa	\$11,319
Mendocino	\$73,349
Merced	\$313,583
Modoc	\$10,000
Mono	\$10,000
Monterey	\$368,577
Napa	\$73,353
Nevada	\$48,264
Orange	\$2,024,606
Placer	\$196,787
Plumas	\$11,177
Riverside	\$2,085,690
Sacramento	\$1,301,212
San Benito	\$44,533
San Bernardino	\$2,168,374
San Diego	\$2,194,956
San Francisco	\$306,473
San Joaquin	\$654,890
San Luis Obispo	\$130,190
San Mateo	\$368,829
Santa Barbara	\$299,515
Santa Clara	\$1,087,947
Santa Cruz	\$156,529
Shasta	\$142,000
Sierra	\$10,000
Siskiyou	\$34,515
Solano	\$298,001
Sonoma	\$258,766
Stanislaus	\$479,496
Sutter	\$93,713
Tehama	\$61,580
Trinity	\$10,000
Tulare	\$629,894
Tuolumne	\$30,054
Ventura	\$534,859
Yolo	\$134,663
Yuba	\$75,501
Total	\$30,025,570

*Federal funds are Title IV-B and awarded under
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