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COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) NO. 17/18-42

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS
ALL CHILD WELFARE SERVICES PROGRAM MANAGERS
ALL TITLE IV-E AGREEMENT TRIBES
CHIEF PROBATION OFFICERS

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR 2017-18 CHILD AND FAMILY TEAMS GENERAL
FUND ALLOCATION

REFERENCE: CFL NO. 17/18-29, DATED NOVEMBER 15, 2017
CFL NO. 17/18-09E, DATED SEPTEMBER 19, 2017
CFL NO. 17/18-09, DATED JULY 31, 2017
CFL NO. 16/17-24, DATED OCTOBER 12, 2016
CFL NO. 16/17-22, DATED OCTOBER 11, 2016
ALL COUNTY LETTER (ACL) NO. 16-84, DATED
OCTOBER 7, 2016
WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE (W&IC) SECTIONS 16501
AND 16501.1(c) & (d)

This letter informs County Welfare Departments (CWDs) and County Probation Departments (CPDs) of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-18 Child and Family Teams (CFT) allocation. A total of \$51.1 million General Fund (GF) is available based on the Budget Act of 2017, as shown in the attachment.

As stated in ACL No. 16-84, a CFT includes the child or youth, family members, professionals, natural community supports and other individuals identified by the family who are invested in the child, youth and family's success.

This allocation is provided to CWDs and CPDs for activities related to facilitating and participating in CFT meetings, as required by W&IC section 16501.1(c) and (d), to identify supports and services that are needed to achieve permanency, enable a child to live in the least restrictive family setting, and promote normal childhood experiences.

The FY 2017-18 GF allocations for the counties participating in the Title IV-E California Well-Being Project will be included in a forthcoming Title IV-E California Well-Being Project final allocation CFL, but are also displayed in the attachment for informational purposes.

Allocation Methodology

The attachment displays the FY 2017-18 CFT allocation for each CWD and CPD. Each department may use these distributions to plan CFT-funded activities for FY 2017-18.

CWDs

In conjunction with the County Welfare Directors Association of California, the FY 2017-18 methodology remains the same as used in FY 2016-17, as displayed in CFL No. 16/17-24. A total of \$45.5 million GF was distributed to CWDs based on the following:

- Counties provided their individual hourly social worker cost based on data submitted through the County Expense Claim for the 2016 calendar year. The county specific hourly social worker cost was multiplied by the total estimated child welfare CFT hours to obtain the preliminary total costs for CFT activities. The estimated CFT hours were based on a proportion of urgent needs, high needs, stable, more stable, and Supervised Independent Living Placement cases and by the CFT meeting duration and frequency based on the level of need identified for the child. The cases used to allocate the CFT hours were determined using the average point in time FY 2016-17 Child Welfare Services Foster Care cases from the California Child Welfare Indicators Project.
- As certain activities related to Increased Family Case Planning were already subsumed within 2011 Realignment based funding, the preliminary total costs were offset by approximately \$5.2 million GF.
- The allocation of \$45.5 million GF was then distributed based on each county's percentage of the statewide calculated GF costs for CFT activities.
- A minimum floor was incorporated to ensure that counties receive a minimum allocation of no less than \$11,000 GF.

CPDs

In conjunction with the Chief Probation Officers of California, the FY 2017-18 methodology remains the same as used in FY 2016-17. A total of \$5.6 million GF was distributed to the CPDs based on the following:

- Funds were distributed based on a percentage of the average point-in-time FY 2016-17 Child Welfare Services Foster Care cases as reported on the California Child Welfare Indicators Project.
- A minimum floor was incorporated to ensure that counties receive a minimum allocation of no less than \$5,500 GF.

A funding distribution for Behavioral Health staff participation will be addressed in a separate letter from the California Department of Health Care Services.

Claiming

For claiming CFT administrative costs, please refer to CFL No. 16/17-22, CFL No. 17/18-09, and CFL No. 17/18-09E.

Contacts

For questions regarding CFTs, contact the Integrated Services Unit at (916) 651-6600 or by email at CWSCoordination@dss.ca.gov. Questions regarding this allocation should be directed to fiscal.systems@dss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original Document Signed By:

SALENA CHOW, Chief
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Attachment

**FY 2017-18 CHILD AND FAMILY TEAMS
GENERAL FUND (GF) ALLOCATION FOR
COUNTY WELFARE AND PROBATION DEPARTMENTS**

COUNTY	COUNTY WELFARE DEPARTMENT GF ALLOCATION	COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT GF ALLOCATION	TOTAL GF ALLOCATION
ALAMEDA*	\$1,926,462	\$373,379	\$2,299,841
ALPINE	\$11,000	\$5,500	\$16,500
AMADOR	\$30,494	\$5,500	\$35,994
BUTTE	\$245,622	\$7,930	\$253,552
CALAVERAS	\$37,270	\$6,797	\$44,067
COLUSA	\$16,444	\$6,797	\$23,241
CONTRA COSTA	\$979,028	\$162,509	\$1,141,537
DEL NORTE	\$35,556	\$18,125	\$53,681
EL DORADO	\$179,004	\$22,656	\$201,660
FRESNO	\$1,232,528	\$149,575	\$1,382,103
GLENN	\$26,987	\$7,930	\$34,917
HUMBOLDT	\$299,178	\$22,656	\$321,834
IMPERIAL	\$195,548	\$80,975	\$276,523
INYO	\$11,000	\$5,500	\$16,500
KERN	\$1,094,646	\$357,073	\$1,451,719
KINGS	\$177,497	\$22,656	\$200,153
LAKE	\$78,677	\$26,054	\$104,731
LASSEN	\$14,691	\$27,754	\$42,445
LOS ANGELES*	\$16,618,275	\$1,796,602	\$18,414,877
MADERA	\$181,212	\$11,328	\$192,540
MARIN	\$83,938	\$43,859	\$127,797
MARIPOSA	\$27,909	\$5,500	\$33,409
MENDOCINO	\$267,756	\$16,426	\$284,182
MERCED	\$390,060	\$71,414	\$461,474
MODOC	\$11,000	\$6,797	\$17,797
MONO	\$11,000	\$5,500	\$16,500
MONTEREY	\$363,147	\$78,162	\$441,309
NAPA	\$87,454	\$39,082	\$126,536
NEVADA	\$39,621	\$9,629	\$49,250
ORANGE	\$1,685,512	\$149,575	\$1,835,087
PLACER	\$172,637	\$29,453	\$202,090
PLUMAS	\$21,218	\$11,328	\$32,546
RIVERSIDE	\$2,774,544	\$267,662	\$3,042,206
SACRAMENTO*	\$2,087,578	\$309,837	\$2,397,415
SAN BENITO	\$27,047	\$5,500	\$32,547
SAN BERNARDINO	\$4,135,595	\$201,308	\$4,336,903
SAN DIEGO*	\$1,756,777	\$278,911	\$2,035,688
SAN FRANCISCO*	\$1,065,229	\$214,241	\$1,279,470
SAN JOAQUIN	\$1,142,674	\$93,908	\$1,236,582
SAN LUIS OBISPO	\$297,791	\$48,923	\$346,714
SAN MATEO	\$341,506	\$27,754	\$369,260
SANTA BARBARA	\$296,435	\$95,592	\$392,027
SANTA CLARA*	\$1,203,170	\$45,547	\$1,248,717
SANTA CRUZ	\$201,227	\$40,488	\$241,715
SHASTA	\$238,071	\$45,547	\$283,618
SIERRA	\$11,000	\$5,500	\$16,500
SISKIYOU	\$55,051	\$11,328	\$66,379
SOLANO	\$432,151	\$55,108	\$487,259
SONOMA*	\$451,787	\$76,473	\$528,260
STANISLAUS	\$489,446	\$69,726	\$559,172
SUTTER	\$70,644	\$5,500	\$76,144
TEHAMA	\$105,082	\$26,054	\$131,136
TRINITY	\$32,674	\$5,500	\$38,174
TULARE	\$525,299	\$21,523	\$546,822
TUOLUMNE	\$39,763	\$7,930	\$47,693
VENTURA	\$787,893	\$73,108	\$861,001
YOLO	\$261,981	\$24,355	\$286,336
YUBA	\$130,214	\$22,656	\$152,870
TOTAL	\$45,513,000	\$5,664,000	\$51,177,000

*The allocations for the counties participating in the Title IV-E California Well-Being Project will be included in a forthcoming Title IV-E California Well-Being Project final allocation County