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# COUNTY FISCAL LETTER NO. 15/16-22

- TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS ALL COUNTY WELFARE FISCAL OFFICERS ALL COUNTY CHILD WELFARE DIRECTORS ALL CHIEF PROBATION OFFICERS ALL CHILD WELFARE SERVICES PROGRAM MANAGERS
- SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR 2015-16 COMMERCIALLY SEXUALLY EXPLOITED CHILDREN PROGRAM – TIER I AND TIER II PLANNING ALLOCATIONS
- REFERENCE: ACL NO. 15-48, DATED MAY 29, 2015 CFL NO. 14/15-25, DATED OCTOBER 10, 2014 CFL NO. 14/15-32, DATED DECEMBER 1, 2014 WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE SECTION 16524.6-16524.11

This letter informs counties of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2015-16 Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) Program Tier I allocation and Tier II planning allocation. A total of \$10,750,000 General Fund (GF) for the CSEC Program is available based on the Budget Act of 2015. The FY 2015-16 allocation for the counties participating in the Title IV-E Waiver will be also shown in the forthcoming waiver County Fiscal Letter (CFL).

# Background

The Budget Act of 2014 appropriated \$5 million GF for the FY 2014-15 CSEC Program. For information on the FY 2014-15 allocations, please refer to <u>CFL NO. 14/15-25</u> and <u>CFL NO. 14/15-32</u>. Counties will have through June 30, 2016 to expend these funds. Additional information regarding the FY 2014-15 unspent funds will be provided in a forthcoming CFL.

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Per <u>All County Letter (ACL) NO. 15-48</u>, the FY 2015-16 CSEC Program will be a two-tiered system. Counties that submitted a County Plan to the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) by June 30, 2015 will receive either a Tier I allocation or Tier II enhanced planning allocation. A minimum level of funding will be provided to Tier I counties to support the development of their Interagency Protocols. Counties that have taken substantial steps towards the development of an Interagency Protocol may be eligible for Tier II funding based upon the prevalence of children who are victims or at risk of commercial sexual exploitation and the county's readiness to serve this population.

The enclosed attachment provides the following allocations:

# **Tier I Allocation**

Counties that submitted a County Plan to CDSS by June 30, 2015, and are in the initial stages of developing an Interagency Protocol are allocated a flat amount of \$25,000 GF. These counties can claim cost effective with the September 2015 claiming quarter. Claiming instructions will be forthcoming shortly in a CFL.

### **Tier II Planning Allocation**

Counties that submitted an Interagency Protocol by October 1, 2015 that fulfill the statutory requirements set forth in W&IC section 16524.8 are provided a Tier II allocation. This planning allocation is based on the county's prevalence of CSEC and readiness to serve this population. To determine the Tier II enhanced planning allocation:

- Counties were grouped into size categories based on the prevalence of their CSEC and readiness to serve this population.
- Each size category was allotted a percentage of the \$10,300,000.
- Counties were then distributed an allocation amount based on the allotted percentage.

Counties may claim to the Tier II enhanced funding once an Interagency Protocol has been submitted and is determined to meet the requirements of W&IC section 16524.8 and will receive a final Tier II allocation in a forthcoming CFL. The following counties are conditionally placed in Tier II:

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- Contra Costa, Fresno and San Joaquin: These counties will each receive an allocation for Tier II for the period of January 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016, contingent upon receipt of their Interagency Protocol submitted by October 1, 2015 and an updated County Plan submitted to CDSS by December 1, 2015.
- Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz: These counties will each receive an allocation for the period of January 1, 2016, through June 30, 2016, to identify, evaluate and analyze the prevalence of their CSEC population. Funding will be contingent upon receipt of their Interagency Protocol submitted by October 1, 2015.

A county's participation in the FY 2015-16 CSEC Program does not imply the county is participating in FY 2016-17. Contingent upon approval of the 2016 Budget Act, separate instructions will be provided by CDSS in a forthcoming ACL regarding how counties who elect to participate in FY 2016-17 may do so.

Consistent with the CSEC protocols developed by each county, it is the state's expectation that each county is responsible for implementation of and compliance with those protocols.

For program-related questions, please contact the CSEC Program at <u>CSECProgram@dss.ca.gov</u>. Any questions regarding this allocation should be directed to <u>fiscal.systems@dss.ca.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

**Original Document Signed By:** 

BRIAN DOUGHERTY Deputy Director Administration Division

Attachment

COUNTY	Tier I Total Allocation	COUNTY	Tier II Total Allocation
Calaveras	\$25,000	Alameda	\$1,110,512
Colusa Kern	\$25,000 \$25,000	<sup>1</sup> Contra Costa El Dorado	\$277,628 \$277,628
Madera	\$25,000 \$25,000	<sup>1</sup> Fresno	\$277,628
Marin	\$25,000	Los Angeles	\$2,776,280
Monterey	\$25,000	Merced	\$277,628
Placer	\$25,000	<sup>2</sup> Monterey	\$27,763
Plumas	\$25,000	Orange	\$555,256
San Benito	\$25,000	Riverside	\$721,833
Santa Cruz	\$25,000	Sacramento	\$721,833
Shasta	\$25,000	<sup>2</sup> San Benito	\$27,763
Siskiyou	\$25,000	San Bernardino	\$555,256
Solano	\$25,000	San Diego	\$555,256
Sonoma	\$25,000	San Francisco	\$555,256
Stanislaus	\$25,000	<sup>1</sup> San Joaquin	\$277,628
Tulare	\$25,000	San Luis Obispo	\$166,577
Ventura	\$25,000	San Mateo	\$277,628
Yolo	\$25,000	Santa Barbara	\$277,628
		Santa Clara	\$555,256
		<sup>2</sup> Santa Cruz	\$27,763
TOTAL	\$450,000	TOTAL	\$10,300,000

### FY 2015-16 Commerically Sexually Exploited Children Tier I and Tier II Planning Allocation

<sup>1</sup> Contra Costa, Fresno, and San Joaquin will receive an allocation for Tier II for the period of January 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016.

<sup>2</sup> Monterey, San Benito, and Santa Cruz will receive an enhanced funding allocation, as shown in the Tier II allocation.