DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814
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July 18, 1984

ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 84-77

TO: ALL-COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: PROVIDING NOTICE OF COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT IN AFDC, RCA/ECA

Attached is the stuffer language required by MPP Section 63-504.392 to inform food stamp recipients of the AFDC, Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA) and Entrant Cash Assistance (ECA) cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) increase which was effective July 1, 1984. Counties who choose to use the mass change notice may do so. Those counties who prefer to issue an individual notice may do so.
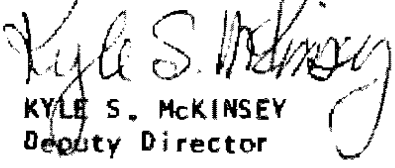
The CWD shall reflect the change in the food stamp allotment in the same time period that the COLA is reflected in the AFDC, RCA or ECA grant. As an example, if the CWD reflects the COLA in the August grant, the CWD will also reflect the change in the August food stamp allotment; if the CWD reflects the COLA in the September grant, it will also be included in the September allotment.

Any portion of the AFDC, RCA, or ECA grant which represents a retroactive lump sum payment shall be treated as a resource, not income, when computing food stamp benefits per MPP 63-502.2(h).

CWDs must retype the attached stuffer notice using county specific information where parenthesis are shown, e.g., in the third paragraph where (has/has not) is indicated. CWDs must choose either has or has not according to the method selected to notify households of other changes. No other modifications are permitted.

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Also attached are the approved Spanish and Vietnamese language notices for your use. Counties are instructed to print their own supplies as necessary. Counties needing translations of these notices in other languages should contact Jeanne Rodriguez, Manager, Language Services Unit at (916) 323-9562.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Food Stamp Policy Implementation Bureau at (916) 445-6907.

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Attachment   * Chinese translation also enclosed.

cc: CWDA