

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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June 12, 1985

ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 85-65

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

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

Attached is the stuffer language required by Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP) Section 63-504.392 to inform food stamp recipients of the Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA) and Entrant Cash Assistance (ECA) and Refugee Demonstration Project (RDP) Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) increase which will be effective July 1, 1985. Counties which choose to use the mass change notice may do so. Those counties who prefer to issue an individual notice may do so.

The County Welfare Department (CWD) shall reflect the change in the food stamp allotment in the same time period that the COLA is reflected in the AFDC, RCA, ECA or RDP grant unless the CWD has not had 30 days advance knowledge of the amount of the COLA adjustment as specified in MPP Section 63-504.392(a). Notification of the amount of the COLA adjustment was issued in All-County Letter No. 85-58 dated May 28, 1985. Those CWDs which have not had 30 days advance knowledge of the adjustment shall reflect the change in the food stamp allotment effective not later than the month following the month in which the AFDC, RCA, ECA or RDP grant change was made.

Any portion of the AFDC, RCA, ECA or RDP grant which represents a retro-active 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 as shown:

1) Upper right corner - (Effective _____)

Enter the month in which the COLA is reflected in the food stamp allotment, i.e., August, for the CWDs which reflect the COLA in the August allotment.

2) Third paragraph - (has/has not)

Choose either has or has not according to the method selected to notify households of other changes.

3) Fourth paragraph - ()

Enter the county-specific address for receipt of written state hearing requests.

No other modifications are permitted.

Also attached are the approved Spanish, Chinese 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

cc: CWDA