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CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS LETTER**

The purpose of this All County Welfare Directors Letter is to provide County Welfare Departments with information regarding advances for the Golden State Grant program payments to California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Assistance Units, pursuant to SB 88 (Chapter 8, Statutes of 2021), signed by the Governor on February 23, 2021.



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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

FROM: JENNIFER HERNANDEZ, DEPUTY DIRECTOR  
FAMILY ENGAGEMENT AND EMPOWERMENT DIVISION

SUBJECT: COUNTY WELFARE DEPARTMENT (CWD) ADVANCE  
PAYMENTS TO SUPPORT THE GOLDEN STATE GRANT  
PROGRAM

REFERENCE: [SENATE BILL \(SB\) 88 \(CHAPTER 8, STATUTES OF 2021\)](#)

The purpose of this All County Welfare Directors Letter (ACWDL) is to provide CWDs with information regarding the advances for the Golden State Grant program payments to California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) assistance units (AUs), pursuant to SB 88 (Chapter 8, Statutes of 2021), signed by the Governor on February 23, 2021. The advances assist counties with cash flow to provide additional financial relief for low-income Californians who may have been adversely impacted by the economic disruptions resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

CWDs will receive an advance of state General Funds to support the costs associated with issuance of the Golden State Grant payments as part of their regular County Administrative advance on March 15, 2021. The advances will be identified as “Golden State Grant advances” on the AA-190 and are included as Attachment I to this letter. The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) has determined each county’s advance payment based on CalWORKs case counts from the CA 237 CW report multiplied by the \$600 one-time payment to eligible CalWORKs AUs. A five percent increase was added to each county advance amount to support adequate cash flow.

Guidance on the treatment of the Golden State Grant payments in the CalWORKs program and the claiming details will be issued under All County Letter (ACL) 21-23 and a separate County Fiscal Letter (CFL), both to be published at a later date.

## **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

The CDSS has launched a [Golden State Grant Payment webpage](#) to support CWDs and community-based organizations serving recipients of programs overseen by CDSS and other members of the public. The materials are designed to be used by CWDs and other partner organizations to raise awareness of the Golden State Grant and notify clients of the payment.

Fiscal questions regarding this letter may be directed to [fiscal.systems@dss.ca.gov](mailto:fiscal.systems@dss.ca.gov). Questions regarding CalWORKs may be directed to the Early Engagement and Bureau at (916) 654-1322.

Attachment I

<b>Advance Amounts for Golden State Grant Payments</b>	
<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>Stipend Total</b>
Alameda	\$4,293,450
Alpine	\$0
Amador	\$65,520
Butte	\$1,163,610
Calaveras	\$171,360
Colusa	\$61,110
Contra Costa	\$3,531,780
Del Norte	\$284,130
El Dorado	\$385,560
Fresno	\$10,297,980
Glenn	\$169,470
Humboldt	\$684,180
Imperial	\$2,080,890
Inyo	\$37,800
Kern	\$9,276,750
Kings	\$1,411,830
Lake	\$408,870
Lassen	\$206,010
Los Angeles	\$62,158,320
Madera	\$1,507,590
Marin	\$388,080
Mariposa	\$103,950
Mendocino	\$386,190
Merced	\$3,286,080
Modoc	\$70,560
Mono	\$10,710
Monterey	\$1,651,860
Napa	\$198,450
Nevada	\$232,470
Orange	\$7,489,440
Placer	\$433,440

<b>Advance Amounts for Golden State Grant Payments</b>	
<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>Stipend Total</b>
Plumas	\$68,040
Riverside	\$9,977,940
Sacramento	\$10,841,040
San Benito	\$220,500
San Bernardino	\$17,283,420
San Diego	\$8,515,710
San Francisco	\$1,619,100
San Joaquin	\$5,395,320
San Luis Obispo	\$621,810
San Mateo	\$454,860
Santa Barbara	\$1,614,060
Santa Clara	\$2,738,610
Santa Cruz	\$724,500
Shasta	\$937,440
Sierra	\$7,560
Siskiyou	\$288,540
Solano	\$1,869,210
Sonoma	\$787,500
Stanislaus	\$3,815,910
Sutter	\$691,740
Tehama	\$456,750
Trinity	\$64,890
Tulare	\$6,025,320
Tuolumne	\$154,980
Ventura	\$2,047,500
Yolo	\$611,730
Yuba	\$776,160
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$191,057,580</b>