

OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

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| LOCAL COMMISSIONERS MEMORANDUM |  
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Date: December 07, 1999

Division: Administration

TO: Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: Fiscal: Allocation \$100 Million TANF Set Aside for  
Family and Children's Services (EAF Allocation)

ATTACHMENTS: SFY 1999-2000 TANF Set Aside Allocations  
(On-Line)

The purpose of this memorandum is to notify social services districts of their allocation from the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 1999-2000 budget of the \$100 million in TANF funds set aside for foster care and other child welfare services provided under the State's Emergency Assistance to Families (EAF) program, pursuant to Chapters 53 and 405 of the Laws of 1999, and claimed during January - December 1999.

These Set Aside funds have been allocated on a percentage basis based on each district's claiming history for foster care and other child welfare services under EAF in FFY 1997-98, net of any retroactive payments and as adjusted by the Services Random Moment Study (SRMS) cost allocation plan. The allocation schedule is included with this memorandum as an on-line attachment.

These funds are available to provide foster care and child welfare services under the State's EAF program. The services provided with these funds are subject to EAF eligibility and need requirements. Under Federal requirements, using these TANF funds for on-going cash assistance, such as Preventive Housing Services rent subsidies to families with an adult or minor-head of household although provided under Preventive Services eligibility standards, would result in the family being considered to be receiving TANF assistance. Consequently, each month that such family receives on-going cash assistance from these funds would count towards the family's 60-month lifetime limit for TANF assistance. It would also result in the family having to be included in the district's work participation rate calculations. It is therefore recommended that districts, whenever possible, use these funds for on-going cash assistance, such as Preventive Housing Services rent subsidies, only for families with an adult or minor-head of household that are already receiving TANF benefits. Use of these funds for foster care will result in additional TANF data collection requirements.

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Effective October 1, 1999, TANF funds are available above the \$100 million set aside allocation for eligible foster care EAF expenditures. Eligible foster care EAF expenditures made on or after October 1, 1999 that are not reimbursed out of the \$100 million set aside will be 100 percent reimbursed with TANF funds. Federal financial participation in the cost of eligible temporary and disability assistance expenses will be reduced dollar for dollar to the extent funds are provided for foster care EAF.

These funds are not available for JD/PINS expenditures. An additional \$60,000,000 has been set aside for expenditures for JD/PINS in voluntary agencies. These funds are separate from the \$43,000,000 available for EAF tuition costs of social service districts with a population in excess of two million.

Local Social Services Districts are reminded that the \$95 million statewide claiming restriction for Child Protective Services (CPS) continues. The claiming restriction requires that districts claim a portion of their CPS expenditures for reimbursement from their Title XX funds and/or the TANF funds set aside for child welfare services under the Emergency Assistance to Families (EAF) program. A separate LCM will be issued to provide more details on the claiming restriction.

Information/Questions Contact

To request addition information or to ask questions regarding these allocations, contact:

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## TANF Set Aside

DISTRICT	ALLOCATION
ALBANY	\$2,667,170
ALLEGANY	352,852
BROOME	1,289,086
CATTARAUGUS	335,494
CAYUGA	382,799
CHAUTAUQUA	583,822
CHEMUNG	466,104
CHENANGO	159,654
CLINTON	365,863
COLUMBIA	263,611
CORTLAND	320,664
DELAWARE	333,637
DUTCHESS	1,056,719
ERIE	4,759,131
ESSEX	145,728
FRANKLIN	231,585
FULTON	313,906
GENESEE	256,848
GREENE	251,115
HAMILTON	7,846
HERKIMER	272,122
JEFFERSON	522,624
LEWIS	141,453
LIVINGSTON	303,679
MADISON	268,472
MONROE	5,642,062
MONTGOMERY	182,481
NASSAU	3,160,771
NIAGARA	822,321
ONEIDA	1,161,556
ONONDAGA	4,068,270
ONTARIO	457,583
ORANGE	2,119,342
ORLEANS	152,208
OSWEGO	897,985
OTSEGO	355,442
PUTNAM	177,666
RENSSELAER	506,169
ROCKLAND	1,711,691
ST. LAWRENCE	541,590
SARATOGA	675,294
SCHENECTADY	1,988,625
SCHOHARIE	163,595
SCHUYLER	85,779
SENECA	165,294
STEUBEN	328,334
SUFFOLK	4,513,868
SULLIVAN	674,516
TIOGA	193,581
TOMPKINS	370,148

DISTRICT	ALLOCATION
ULSTER	915,457
WARREN	131,318
WASHINGTON	220,649
WAYNE	296,914
WESTCHESTER	5,162,066
WYOMING	164,068
YATES	59,588
UPSTATE	\$54,118,215
NYC	\$45,881,785
NYS	\$100,000,000