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| OCFS LOCAL COMMISSIONERS MEMORANDUM |
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Date: August 13, 1998

Division: Administration

TO: Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: Fiscal: Allocation of \$100,000,000 TANF Set Aside for Family
and Children's Services (EAF Allocation)

ATTACHMENTS: SFY 1998-99 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) 1998-99 budget of the \$100,000,000 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 58 of the Laws of 1998.

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 1996-97, net of any retroactive payments and as adjusted by the Statewide Random Moment Survey (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.

Although these funds are not currently available for JD/PINS expenditures, districts are strongly urged to continue establishing EAF eligibility, where appropriate, in order to maintain a chain of eligibility should such funds be available in the future.

Local Social Services Districts should be aware that there is a new \$95 million statewide claiming restriction for Child Protective Services (CPS). 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

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SFY 1998-99 TANF TANF SET ASIDE ALLOCATIONS

DISTRICT	SFY 1998-99 CW EAF ALLOCATION
ALBANY	\$3,308,383
ALLEGANY	\$ 346,994
BROOME	\$1,324,052
CATTARAUGUS	\$ 353,699
CAYUGA	\$ 514,541
CHAUTAUQUA	\$ 586,588
CHEMUNG	\$ 495,068
CHENANGO	\$ 197,443
CLINTON	\$ 331,019
COLUMBIA	\$ 290,894
CORTLAND	\$ 401,158
DELAWARE	\$ 337,543
DUTCHESS	\$1,071,321
ERIE	\$5,777,236
ESSEX	\$ 185,280
FRANKLIN	\$ 204,599
FULTON	\$ 354,060
GENESEE	\$ 219,493
GREENE	\$ 244,995
HAMILTON	\$ 7,777
HERKIMER	\$ 320,531
JEFFERSON	\$ 598,897
LEWIS	\$ 173,654
LIVINGSTON	\$ 332,860
MADISON	\$ 266,209
MONROE	\$6,228,478
MONTGOMERY	\$ 297,598
NASSAU	\$3,292,305
NIAGARA	\$ 990,611
ONEIDA	\$1,260,121
ONONDAGA	\$5,349,315
ONTARIO	\$ 630,744
ORANGE	\$2,162,569
ORLEANS	\$ 166,015
OSWEGO	\$ 778,774
OTSEGO	\$ 310,466
PUTNAM	\$ 190,253
RENSSELAER	\$ 461,717
ROCKLAND	\$1,853,762
ST. LAWRENCE	\$ 477,539
SARATOGA	\$ 692,797
SCHENECTADY	\$2,014,532
SCHOHARIE	\$ 149,684

DISTRICT	SFY 1998-99 CW EAF ALLOCATION
SCHUYLER	\$ 82,111
SENECA	\$ 182,972
STEUBEN	\$ 311,757
SUFFOLK	\$4,525,763
SULLIVAN	\$ 793,150
TIOGA	\$ 202,722
TOMPKINS	\$ 433,521
ULSTER	\$ 915,512
WARREN	\$ 115,799
WASHINGTON	\$ 233,336
WAYNE	\$ 276,988
WESTCHESTER	\$5,195,094
WYOMING	\$ 172,700
YATES	\$ 70,158
UPSTATE	\$59,063,157
NEW YORK CITY	\$40,936,843
NEW YORK STATE	\$100,000,000