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LEGAL ASSISTANCE, ANALYSIS OR INFORMATION, TRAINING & LITIGATION SUPPORT CONCERNING  
AFDC/CalWORKS WtW/GAIN/WORKFARE CalFRESH/FOOD STAMPS REFUGEES GA/GR MEDI-CAL

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## AFDC ( Also known as CalWORKs/TANF)

**Region 1**  
Alameda  
Contra Costa  
Los Angeles  
Marin  
Monterey  
Napa  
Orange  
San Diego  
San Francisco  
San Luis Obispo  
San Mateo  
Santa Barbara  
Santa Clara  
Santa Cruz  
Solano  
Sonoma  
Ventura  
**Region 2**  
All other counties

Region 1	Family Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Nonexempt Max. Aid Payment (MAP)		\$333	542	670	800	909	1021	1122	1222	1321	1419
Exempt Max. Aid Payment (EMAP)		\$369	606	750	891	1014	1140	1252	1366	1475	1586
Minimum Basic Standard of Care (MBSAC)		\$604	989	1226	1455	1661	1868	2053	2234	2423	2631

*More than 10 Add \$23*

Region 2	Family Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
MAP		\$315	515	638	761	866	972	1067	1164	1258	1350
EMAP		\$351	578	715	849	969	1087	1194	1301	1407	1511
Minimum Basic Standard of Care (MBSAC)		\$572	940	1164	1384	1581	1777	1948	2127	2298	2502

*More than 10 Add \$23 for each extra person*

## 2014-2015 CALWORKs Average Grant Payments & Various Poverty Levels

CalWORKs Average Monthly Benefits Compared to the 100% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) & the Supplemental Poverty Levels (SPL)

Family Size	2014-2015 Average Cal-WORKs Grant	2014 Federal Poverty Level	2014 Supplemental Poverty Level	% of Federal Poverty Level	Percentage of Supplemental Poverty Level
1	\$276	\$973	\$1223	28%	23%
2	452	1311	1708	34%	26%
3	600	1649	2431	34%	23%
4	668	1966	2832	34%	24%
5	760	2326	3193	33%	24%
6	853	2664	3586	32%	24%

CalWORKs Average Monthly Benefits Compared to the 100% FPL & SPL for CalWORKs Families with one (1) Excluded Person Due to a Variety of CalWORKs Penalties and Sanctions.

Family Size	2014-2015 Average Cal-WORKs Grant	2014 Federal Poverty Level	2014 Supplemental Poverty Level	% of Federal Poverty Level	Percentage of Supplemental Poverty Level
1	\$00	\$973	\$1223	0%	0%
2	\$276	1311	1708	21%	16%
3	452	1649	2431	27%	19%
4	600	1966	2832	28%	20%
5	668	2326	3193	29%	21%
6	760	2664	3586	29%	21%

### CalWORKs (AFDC) Grant Levels Effective July 1, 1988 - 26 years Ago

Family Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	\$326	\$535	\$663	\$788	\$899	\$1,010	\$1,109	\$1,209	\$1,306	\$1,403

## CalWORKs Property Limits

**\$3,000** liquid resources for households with member over 60 and **\$2,000** for all other households

**\$9,500** for a motor vehicle **TOTALLY EXEMPT** if used for work, as a home, for fishing or was a gift.

## How to Count Earned Income

1. Subtract the Standard Deduction **\$225** from the Gross Income;
2. Divide the remainder by one half;
3. Subtract that number from the MAP or EMAP of the family size;
4. The difference will be the CalWORKs benefit amount.

**Who Is Eligible for CalWORKs CHILD?**

1. Persons who are getting CalWORKs money and working or participating in any WtW activity and need child care for children 12 unless the child is disabled.
2. Persons who used to get CalWORKs money in the past 2 years if their gross income is below 70% of the State median income (SMI) and need child care.
3. Persons who used to get CalWORKs money longer than 2 years ago if their gross income is below the 70% of the SMI, and they need child care, and if child care money is available

## Food Stamps ( Also known as SNAP and CalFresh)

STANDARD DEDUCTION	Household (HH) Size									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Each Add'l Person	
1-3 persons-\$152	Gross Monthly Income Elig. Stan. (130% FPL)									
4 persons-\$163	Net Monthly Income Elig. Stan. (100% FPL)									
5 persons-\$191	Maximum Benefits Level									
6 persons-\$219	\$1,245	1,681	2,116	2,552	2,987	3,423	3,858	4,294	\$439	
	\$958	1,293	1,628	1,963	2,298	2,633	2,968	3,303	\$335	
	\$189	347	497	632	750	900	995	1137	\$142	

**Note: No Gross Income Test for Elderly or Disabled HHs**

100% OF THE CHILD CARE COSTS DEDUCTED From The Gross Income	SHELTER DEDUCTION	STANDARD UTILITY DEDUCTION	LIMITED UTILITY ALLOWANCE	TELEPHONE UTILITY ALLOWANCE	HOMELESS HOUSING DEDUCTION
	\$478 (maximum)	\$363 (maximum)	\$109	\$20	\$143

**Elderly (over 60) and Disabled 100% of Shelter Deduction plus SUA & Medical Costs Deductions over \$35**

SSI/CAPI	SINGLES		COUPLES		
	SSI	CAPI	SSI	CAPI	SSI/CAPI
BLIND	\$935	\$925	\$1,751	\$1,731	\$1,741
DISABLED	\$877	\$867	\$1,524	\$1,504	\$1,514
DIS. MINOR	\$784	\$774			

## M e d i - C a l

Family Size	1	2	2 adults	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Each Add'l Person
Maintenance of Need	\$600	750	934	934	1,100	1,259	1,417	1,550	1,692	1,825	1,959	+14
1931(b) recipient program	398	653	653	808	961	1,094	1,229	1,350	1,473	1,591	1,709	+0
1931(b) for families with children from 6-18 yrs/ A&D-100%	973	1,311	1,311	1,650	1,988	2,326	2,665	3,003	3,341	3,680	4,018	+339
1931(b) for families with children from 1-5 yrs-133%	1,294	1,744	1,744	2,194	2,644	3,094	3,544	3,994	4,444	4,864	5,334	+450
Transitional Medi-Cal-185%	1,800	2,426	2,426	3,051	3,677	4,303	4,929	5,555	6,181	6,807	7,433	+626
Pregnant Women & Infants Up to 1 yrs.-213%	2,072	2,793	2,793	3,513	4,234	4,955	5,675	6,396	7,116	7,837	8,558	+721
Healthy Families & Working Disabled Program-250%	2,432	3,228	3,228	4,123	4,969	5,815	6,661	7,507	8,353	9,198	10,044	+846

**SUBSTANTIAL GAINFUL ACTIVITY = \$1,070**

### MEDI-CAL PROPERTY LIMITS FOR 1931(B)

Family Size	1	2	2 adults	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Property Limits	\$3,000	3,000	3,000	3,150	3,300	3,450	3,600	3,750	3,900	4,050	4,100

LONG TERM CARE	MEDICARE PREMIUMS	A&D INCOME LIMITS	A&D INCOME DISREGARDS	2014 FEDERAL BENEFIT RATE		2011 CSRA LIMIT
MN/QMB \$35	PART "A" \$426	Individual \$1,203	Individual \$230	Individual \$721	Couple \$1,082	2011 CSTA Limit \$115,920 Community Spouse Maintenance Need: \$2,898
SSI/SSP \$50	PART "B" \$104.90 <small>for individual eligible for the hold harmless</small>	Couple \$1,641	Couple \$310	SSI Standard Allocation \$361		
APPR. \$6,840				"Any Income" Deduction \$20		

# CalWORKs Funding for FY 2013-2014

**TANF Block Grant Allocation - \$3.7 billion**  
**State Maintenance of Need - \$3 billion**

**TOTAL FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR CalWORKs - \$6.7 Billion**

**Total Funding Actually Used for the CalWORKs Program:**  
**\$5.2 Billion**

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## CalWORKs ANNUAL Involuntary Contributions to the California State General Fund

State Fiscal Year	CalWORKs Recipient Involuntary Contribution to the General Funds
FY 98-99	\$708,502,000
FY 99-00	\$745,249,000
FY 00-01	\$1,021,913,000
FY 01-02	\$1,126,647,000
FY 02-03	\$1,088,940,000
FY 03-04	\$1,163,238,000
FY 04-05	\$1,087,321,000
FY 05-06	\$1,299,448,000
FY 06-07	\$1,184,134,000
FY 07-08	\$1,745,291,000
FY 08-09	\$1,268,997,000
FY 10-11	\$1,262,046,000
FY 10-12	\$1,234,159,000
FY 12-13	\$1,222,447,000
FY 13-14	\$1,896,060,000
FY 14-15	\$1,654,806,000
<b>TOTAL TO DATE</b>	<b>\$18 Billion</b>
Source	<a href="http://www.ca.gov/cdssweb/entres/localassistanceest/jan14/DetailTables.pdf">http://www.ca.gov/cdssweb/entres/localassistanceest/jan14/DetailTables.pdf</a> Pages 10-11

## The AFDC/CalWORKs COLA History

Year	MAP	MAP* COLA	MBSAC**	Governor	Year	MAP	MAP COLA	MBSAC	Governor
71-72	\$235	0.9%	\$255	Reagan	7-92	\$663	-5.8	\$703	Wilson
72-73	\$237	2.5%	\$255	Reagan	93-94	\$607	-2.7	\$715	Wilson
73-74	\$243	7.8%	\$262	Reagan	94-95	\$607	0.0%	\$723	Wilson
75	\$293	8.9%	\$282	Brown I	96-97	\$538	-8.9%	\$734	Wilson
76	\$319	6%	\$316	Brown I	97-98	\$538-565	0.0%	\$717-754	Wilson
76-77	\$338	6.3	\$343	Brown I	98-99	\$582-611	2.84%	\$737-775	Wilson
77-78	\$356	0.0%	\$343	Brown I	99-00	\$596-626	2.36%	\$754-793	Wilson
78-79	\$356	15.2%	\$361	Brown I	00-01	\$614-645	2.96%	\$776-816	Davis
79-80	\$410	15.4%	\$416	Brown I	01-02	\$647-679	5.31%	\$817-859	Davis
80-81	\$473	-2.1%	\$480	Brown I	02-03	\$671-704	3.74%	\$848-891	Davis
81-82	\$463	9.3%	\$470	Brown I	03-04	\$671-704	0.0%	\$871-916	Davis
82-83	\$506	0.0%	\$506	Brown I	04-05	\$689-723	2.75%	\$871-916	Davis
83-84	\$526	4%	\$526	Duke*	05-06	\$689-723	0.0%	\$906-953	A.S. **
84-85	\$555	5.5%	\$555	Duke	06-07	\$689-723	0.0%	\$940-989	A.S
85-86	\$587	5.8%	\$587	Duke	07-08	\$689-723	0.0%	\$975-1,026	A.S
86-87	\$617	5.1%	\$617	Duke	08-09	\$689-723	0.0%	\$1,026-1,080	A.S.
87-88	\$633	3.6	\$633	Duke	09-10	\$661-694	-4% & COLA Repealed	\$1,042-1,097	A.S.
88-89	\$663	4.7%	\$663	Duke	10-11	\$661-694	No COLA	\$1,058-1,114	Brown II
89-90	\$694	4.6%	\$694	Duke	11-12	\$608-638	- 8%	\$1,078-1,135	Brown II
90-91	\$694	0.0%	\$694	Duke	12-13	\$608-638	No COLA	\$1,110-1,169	Brown II
					13-14	\$608-638	No COLA	\$1,139-1,200	Brown II

\* Duke . George Deukmejian  
 \*\* Arnold Schwarzenegger

\* MAP- Maximum aid payment

\*\* MBSAC - Minimum Basic Standard of of Adequate Care

# CalWORKs Welfare-to-Work Historical Look

## Highlights:

- The percentage of unduplicated participants being sanctioned increases while- employment that results in termination of aid around 2-3 percent does not change no matter how bad or good the economy is.
- About 50% of unduplicate participants do not receive transportation while surviving on a fixed income that is below 50 of the federal poverty level.

January	Unduplicated Participants	Unduplicated Participants Sanctioned	Percentage of Unduplicated Participants Sanctioned	Unduplicated Participants Aid Stopped Due to Employment	Percentage of Unduplicated Participants Aid Stopped Due to Employment	Unduplicated Participants NOT Getting Transportation	Percentage of Unduplicated Participants NOT Getting Transportation
2000	190,502	33,571	18%	7,077	4%	144,747	76%
2001	181,473	28,410	16%	7,296	4%	110,137	61%
2002	184,134	35,891	19%	5,891	3%	109,605	60%
2003	149,723	44,847	30%	6,388	4%	75,033	50%
2004	121,807	46,030	38%	4,983	4%	69,238	57%
2005	110,504	42,046	37%	3,613	3%	58,381	53%
2006	104,170	38,504	32%	2,884	3%	54,600	52%
2007	111,022	35,107	27%	3,022	3%	55,918	50%
2008	120,685	32,461	25%	2,758	2%	56,353	47%
2009	138,240	34,315	25%	2,928	2%	64,966	47%
2010	141,806	35,273	25%	3,345	2%	77,900	55%
2011	138,960	33,834	24%	3,413	2%	69,598	50%
2012	119,810	33,148	28%	3,145	3%	59,013	49%
2013	116,010	36,124	31%	3,280	3%	55,421	48%
2014	117,845	41,225	38%	2,492	2%	53,088	45%

Source: State Department of Social Services WtW 25 reports

