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Child Support: Midyear Funding  
Reallocation for Fiscal Year 2023–24

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### Executive Summary

Effective January 17, 2020, the Judicial Council approved the Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee’s recommendation to combine the previous two Assembly Bill 1058 Child Support Program midyear funding reallocation processes into one administrative process to maximize program efficiencies. This administrative process for midyear reallocation delegates ongoing authority to the Administrative Director on an annual basis. This report details the midyear reallocation of funding for the AB 1058 Child Support Commissioner and Family Law Facilitator Program for fiscal year 2023–24.

### Relevant Previous Council Action

The Judicial Council is required to annually allocate non–Trial Court Trust Fund funds to the AB 1058 Child Support Commissioner and Family Law Facilitator Program and has done so since 1997. Funds for this program are provided through a cooperative agreement between the California Department of Child Support Services and the Judicial Council. Any funds unspent during the fiscal year revert to the state General Fund and cannot be used in subsequent years.

Under an established procedure described in the standard agreement with each superior court, at midyear the Judicial Council redistributes both base funding and federal drawdown funds to courts that indicate a need for additional funds from any unallocated funds and any available funds from courts that are projected not to spend their full grants.

Effective January 17, 2020, the Judicial Council delegated ongoing authority to the Administrative Director to reallocate funds at midyear based on an approved methodology to ensure program efficiencies and maximize the use of program funding by moving funds from courts that voluntarily return funds to courts that will exhaust their annually allocated funds before the end of the fiscal year.<sup>1</sup>

## **Analysis/Rationale**

The midyear reallocation process is a one-time adjustment in each fiscal year and is intended to maximize the funding for the AB 1058 trial court program. Each court completes a form to indicate whether it anticipates having additional funds that can be reallocated to courts that have demonstrated a need for additional funds.

### **Annual midyear reallocation**

The Judicial Council is required to annually allocate nontrial court funding for the AB 1058 Child Support Program made available through a cooperative agreement with the California Department of Child Support Services. Two-thirds of the funds are federal, and one-third comes from the state General Fund (base funds). In addition, courts have the option of participating in the federal drawdown option whereby courts use local trial court funds as matching funds to obtain federal funds for the program.

Any funds left unspent during the fiscal year revert to the state General Fund and cannot be used in subsequent years. For fiscal year (FY) 2023–24, the Child Support Commissioner (CSC) program received \$35.0 million in base funds and \$12.6 million in federal drawdown funds, and the Family Law Facilitator (FLF) program received \$11.9 million in base funds and \$4.4 million in federal drawdown funds.

To maximize the use of these funds, each year the courts participate in the midyear reallocation process where funds made available from courts that did not take their full allocation at the beginning of the fiscal year—and from courts that volunteered to return funds not anticipated to be spent before the end of the fiscal year—are reallocated. Using the approved methodology, available funds are proportionally reallocated to courts requesting additional funds based on their share of the total base funding.

### **2023–24 midyear reallocation**

In fiscal year 2023–24, for the CSC program a total of \$662,736 was reallocated. Eleven courts returned \$733,243 in base funds, and 18 courts returned \$2,297,760 in federal drawdown funds. Eight courts requested additional base funds, and one court requested additional federal

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<sup>1</sup> More details can be found in the Judicial Council report for the January 2020 meeting: Judicial Council of Cal., Advisory Com. Rep., *Child Support: Midyear Funding Reallocation Process for the Child Support Commissioner and Family Law Facilitator Programs* (Dec. 20, 2019), <https://jcc.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=7982101&GUID=519545BC-7D0B-4FA0-88F9-3AA25965315B>.

drawdown funds. Seven courts requested additional federal drawdown funds if base funds were not available. All available base funds were reallocated. See Attachment A for details.

For the FLF program, a total of \$285,528 was reallocated. Five courts returned \$181,334 in base funds, and four courts returned \$178,864 in federal drawdown funds. Twenty-two courts requested additional base funds, and five courts requested additional federal drawdown funds. Twenty-one courts requested additional federal drawdown funds if base funds were not available. All available base funds were reallocated. See Attachment B for details.

### **Fiscal Impact and Policy Implications**

The midyear process allows for the maximization of AB 1058 Child Support Program funds to best support courts in meeting their mandates under Family Code sections 4251 and 10002 to hire sufficient program staff to provide AB 1058 Child Support services to the public.

Through this process, base funding made available by courts for reallocation for both the CSC program and the FLF program was fully redistributed to courts with the need for additional funding to maintain service levels. In addition, federal drawdown funding was redistributed to courts requesting additional funding.

### **Attachments and Links**

1. Attachment A: Child Support Commissioner (CSC) Program Midyear Reallocation, 2023–24
2. Attachment B: Family Law Facilitator (FLF) Program Midyear Reallocation, 2023–24

Attachment A

Child Support Commissioner (CSC) Program Midyear Reallocation, 2023-24											
#	CSC Court	A Beginning Base Funding Allocation	B Beginning Federal Drawdown Option	C Midyear Changes to Base Allocation	D Midyear Changes to Federal Drawdown Option	E Recommended Base Funding Allocation (A + C)	F Recommended Federal Drawdown Option Allocation (B + D)	G Federal Share 66% (Column F * .66)	H Court Share 34% (Column F * .34)	I Total Allocation (E + F)	J Contract Amount (E + G)
1	Alameda	1,474,740	549,815		-166,497	1,474,740	383,318	252,990	130,328	1,858,058	1,727,730
2	Alpine (see El Dorado)										
3	Amador	140,250	45,736			140,250	45,736	30,186	15,550	185,986	170,436
4	Butte	259,055	0	-138,047		121,008	0	0	0	121,008	121,008
5	Calaveras	132,667	10,000	-2,667	-10,000	130,000	0	0	0	130,000	130,000
6	Colusa	45,691	20,809	-10,000	-5,000	35,691	15,809	10,434	5,375	51,500	46,125
7	Contra Costa	753,850	0			753,850	0	0	0	753,850	753,850
8	Del Norte	63,791	29,023			63,791	29,023	19,155	9,868	92,814	82,946
9	El Dorado	203,169	100,382			203,169	100,382	66,252	34,130	303,551	269,421
10	Fresno	1,704,980	1,141,685		-70,000	1,704,980	1,071,685	707,312	364,373	2,776,665	2,412,292
11	Glenn	120,030	0			120,030	0	0	0	120,030	120,030
12	Humboldt	111,198	59,801		-39,469	111,198	20,332	13,419	6,913	131,530	124,617
13	Imperial	224,088	147,000			224,088	147,000	97,020	49,980	371,088	321,108
14	Inyo	79,264	0	-64,264		15,000	0	0	0	15,000	15,000
15	Kern	1,079,358	200,000	99,442	-200,000	1,178,800	0	0	0	1,178,800	1,178,800
16	Kings	261,308	166,716		-162,716	261,308	4,000	2,640	1,360	265,308	263,948
17	Lake	133,954	113,250		-73,717	133,954	39,533	26,092	13,441	173,487	160,046
18	Lassen	60,000	0			60,000	0	0	0	60,000	60,000
19	Los Angeles	6,922,976	3,198,270		-1,006,899	6,922,976	2,191,371	1,446,305	745,066	9,114,347	8,369,281
20	Madera	247,874	88,000			247,874	88,000	58,080	29,920	335,874	305,954
21	Marin	108,983	40,396			108,983	40,396	26,661	13,735	149,379	135,644
22	Mariposa	75,216	0	-30,113		45,103	0	0	0	45,103	45,103
23	Mendocino	147,030	56,550			147,030	56,550	37,323	19,227	203,580	184,353
24	Merced	466,068	297,354			466,068	297,354	196,254	101,100	763,422	662,322
25	Modoc										
26	Mono	45,974	0	-30,974		15,000	0	0	0	15,000	15,000
27	Monterey	365,228	137,550	30,020		395,248	137,550	90,783	46,767	532,798	486,031
28	Napa	90,958	0			90,958	0	0	0	90,958	90,958
29	Nevada	327,593	0			327,593	0	0	0	327,593	327,593
30	Orange	2,149,386	424,810			2,149,386	424,810	280,375	144,435	2,574,196	2,429,761
31	Placer	296,704	0	8,296	15,000	305,000	15,000	9,900	5,100	320,000	314,900
32	Plumas	95,777	0			95,777	0	0	0	95,777	95,777
33	Riverside	1,635,589	0			1,635,589	0	0	0	1,635,589	1,635,589
34	Sacramento*	1,446,037	500,000	187,610	170,580	1,633,647	670,580	442,583	227,997	2,304,227	2,076,229
35	San Benito	135,384	50,000	-10,000	-10,000	125,384	40,000	26,400	13,600	165,384	151,784
36	San Bernardino	3,260,118	870,733			3,260,118	870,733	574,684	296,049	4,130,851	3,834,802
37	San Diego	1,968,496	1,048,079	255,394	-220,979	2,223,890	827,100	545,886	281,214	3,050,990	2,769,776
38	San Francisco	779,283	363,320			779,283	363,320	239,791	123,529	1,142,603	1,019,074
39	San Joaquin	866,577	83,046			866,577	83,046	54,810	28,236	949,623	921,387
40	San Luis Obispo	199,204	127,093			199,204	127,093	83,881	43,212	326,297	283,085
41	San Mateo	336,483	225,411			336,483	225,411	148,771	76,640	561,894	485,254
42	Santa Barbara	413,356	264,204	53,629	11,865	466,985	276,069	182,206	93,864	743,054	649,191
43	Santa Clara	1,531,621	977,183			1,531,621	977,183	644,941	332,242	2,508,804	2,176,562
44	Santa Cruz	168,434	98,140	21,853	-46,973	190,287	51,167	33,770	17,397	241,454	224,057
45	Shasta	417,575	205,874			417,575	205,874	135,877	69,997	623,449	553,452
46	Sierra (see Nevada)										
47	Siskiyou	112,559	0	-27,559		85,000	0	0	0	85,000	85,000
48	Solano	536,562	95,481			536,562	95,481	63,017	32,464	632,043	599,579
49	Sonoma	430,721	5,656	-219,376	-5,656	211,345	0	0	0	211,345	211,345
50	Stanislaus	665,867	360,000	77,000		742,867	360,000	237,600	122,400	1,102,867	980,467
51	Sutter	173,492	63,487		-33,487	173,492	30,000	19,800	10,200	203,492	193,292
52	Tehama	114,459	56,982			114,459	56,982	37,608	19,374	171,441	152,067
53	Trinity (see Shasta)										
54	Tulare	519,227	69,388		-6,367	519,227	63,021	41,594	21,427	582,248	560,821
55	Tuolumne	150,638	78,346			150,638	78,346	51,708	26,638	228,984	202,346
56	Ventura	501,078	175,000	-150,243	-175,000	350,835	0	0	0	350,835	350,835
57	Yolo	201,367	15,000	-50,000	-15,000	151,367	0	0	0	151,367	151,367
58	Yuba	203,149	50,000		-50,000	203,149	0	0	0	203,149	203,149
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>34,954,436</b>	<b>12,609,570</b>			<b>34,954,436</b>	<b>10,509,255</b>	<b>6,936,108</b>	<b>3,573,147</b>	<b>45,463,691</b>	<b>41,890,544</b>
	CSC Base Funds	34,954,436				34,954,436					
	CSC Federal Drawdown	12,609,570					10,509,255				
	Total Funding Allocated	47,564,006								45,463,691	Total Funding Allocated

\*Court did not accept all Recommended Federal Drawdown Option Allocation from initial award letter during midyear reallocation. Column F reflects the updated amount.

Attachment B

Family Law Facilitator (FLF) Program Midyear Reallocation, 2023-24											
#	FLF Court	A Beginning Base Funding Allocation	B Beginning Federal Drawdown Option	C Midyear Changes to Base Allocation	D Mid-Year Changes to Federal Drawdown Option	E Recommended Base Funding Allocation (A + C)	F Recommended Federal Drawdown Option Allocation (B + D)	G Federal Share 66% (Column F * .66)	H Court Share 34% (Column F * .34)	I Total Allocation (E + F)	J Contract Amount (E + G)
1	Alameda	427,656	247,743			427,656	247,743	163,510	84,233	675,399	591,166
2	Alpine (see El Dorado)										
3	Amador	47,097	4,701			47,097	4,701	3,103	1,598	51,798	50,200
4	Butte	93,008	61,250			93,008	61,250	40,425	20,825	154,258	133,433
5	Calaveras	70,907	8,000	-30,907	-8,000	40,000	0	0	0	40,000	40,000
6	Colusa	38,685	8,900			38,685	8,900	5,874	3,026	47,585	44,559
7	Contra Costa	325,463	0			325,463	0	0	0	325,463	325,463
8	Del Norte	50,155	5,971			50,155	5,971	3,941	2,030	56,126	54,096
9	El Dorado	107,111	50,384			107,111	50,384	33,253	17,131	157,495	140,364
10	Fresno	361,481	198,479	12,498	10,405	373,979	208,884	137,863	71,020	582,862	511,842
11	Glenn	75,971	0			75,971	0	0	0	75,971	75,971
12	Humboldt	81,205	12,443	2,808	2,337	84,013	14,780	9,755	5,025	98,793	93,768
13	Imperial	69,686	36,940			69,686	36,940	24,380	12,560	106,626	94,066
14	Inyo	57,289	0	-27,289		30,000	0	0	0	30,000	30,000
15	Kern	325,360	210,696	11,249	9,365	336,609	220,061	145,240	74,821	556,670	481,849
16	Kings	68,120	0	-38,383		29,737	0	0	0	29,737	29,737
17	Lake	52,299	28,555			52,299	28,555	18,846	9,709	80,854	71,145
18	Lassen	65,167	0	2,253	1,876	67,420	1,876	1,238	638	69,296	68,658
19	Los Angeles	2,354,734	803,431			2,354,734	803,431	530,264	273,167	3,158,165	2,884,998
20	Madera	73,759	26,840	2,550	2,123	76,309	28,963	19,116	9,847	105,272	95,425
21	Marin	124,657	0			124,657	0	0	0	124,657	124,657
22	Mariposa	45,491	0	-37,122		8,369	0	0	0	8,369	8,369
23	Mendocino	56,553	30,722			56,553	30,722	20,277	10,445	87,275	76,830
24	Merced	103,021	70,778		2,965	103,021	73,743	48,671	25,073	176,764	151,692
25	Modoc	70,995	1,247			70,995	1,247	823	424	72,242	71,818
26	Mono	48,322	1,350			48,322	1,350	891	459	49,672	49,213
27	Monterey	139,169	61,633	4,812	4,006	143,981	65,639	43,322	22,317	209,619	187,302
28	Napa	67,700	41,337	2,341	1,949	70,041	43,286	28,569	14,717	113,326	98,609
29	Nevada	116,579	0			116,579	0	0	0	116,579	116,579
30	Orange	719,452	128,948	24,874	20,708	744,326	149,656	98,773	50,883	893,982	843,099
31	Placer	116,133	0	-47,633		68,500	0	0	0	68,500	68,500
32	Plumas	55,935	7,803			55,935	7,803	5,150	2,653	63,738	61,085
33	Riverside*	647,113	239,380	22,373	-28,022	669,486	211,358	139,496	71,862	880,844	808,982
34	Sacramento	382,653	223,578	13,230	11,014	395,883	234,592	154,831	79,761	630,475	550,713
35	San Benito	60,627	29,907	2,096	1,745	62,723	31,652	20,890	10,762	94,375	83,613
36	San Bernardino	546,115	330,331			546,115	330,331	218,018	112,313	876,446	764,133
37	San Diego	774,012	278,385	26,760	22,279	800,772	300,664	198,438	102,226	1,101,436	999,210
38	San Francisco	249,644	2,144			249,644	2,144	1,415	729	251,788	251,059
39	San Joaquin	222,201	85,349	7,682	6,396	229,883	91,745	60,551	31,193	321,628	290,435
40	San Luis Obispo	88,799	32,246			88,799	32,246	21,282	10,964	121,045	110,081
41	San Mateo	184,398	92,455	6,375	5,308	190,773	97,763	64,523	33,239	288,536	255,297
42	Santa Barbara	156,466	77,323	3,711	-77,323	160,177	0	0	0	160,177	160,177
43	Santa Clara	506,978	210,712			506,978	210,712	139,070	71,642	717,690	646,048
44	Santa Cruz	92,216	45,951	3,188	2,654	95,404	48,605	32,079	16,526	144,009	127,484
45	Shasta	186,519	111,913			186,519	111,913	73,863	38,050	298,432	260,382
46	Sierra (see Nevada)										
47	Siskiyou	67,608	37,222	2,337	1,946	69,945	39,168	25,851	13,317	109,113	95,796
48	Solano	141,837	39,710			141,837	39,710	26,209	13,501	181,547	168,046
49	Sonoma	154,217	65,519		-65,519	154,217	0	0	0	154,217	154,217
50	Stanislaus	200,661	123,963	6,937	5,776	207,598	129,739	85,628	44,111	337,337	293,226
51	Sutter	60,351	31,409	2,087	1,737	62,438	33,146	21,876	11,270	95,584	84,314
52	Tehama	39,713	3,535			39,713	3,535	2,333	1,202	43,248	42,046
53	Trinity (see Shasta)										
54	Tulare	280,401	141,511	9,694	8,071	290,095	149,582	98,724	50,858	439,677	388,819
55	Tuolumne	58,532	30,084			58,532	30,084	19,855	10,229	88,616	78,387
56	Ventura	245,297	85,800	8,481	7,060	253,778	92,860	61,288	31,573	346,638	315,066
57	Yolo	86,762	38,154	3,000	2,497	89,762	40,651	26,830	13,821	130,413	116,591
58	Yuba	59,845	44,953			59,845	44,953	29,669	15,284	104,798	89,514
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>11,902,125</b>	<b>4,449,685</b>			<b>11,902,125</b>	<b>4,403,037</b>	<b>2,906,004</b>	<b>1,497,032</b>	<b>16,305,162</b>	<b>14,808,129</b>
	FLF Base Funds	11,902,125				11,902,125					
	FLF Federal Drawdown	4,449,685				4,403,037					
	Total Funding Allocated	16,351,810				16,305,162					

\*Court did not accept all Recommended Federal Drawdown Option Allocation from initial award letter during midyear reallocation. Column F reflects the updated amount.