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Juvenile Law | Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Funding Allocations for Court-Appointed Special Advocate Local Assistance (Action Required) Summary

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends approving Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) program grant funding allocations for fiscal year (FY) 2020-21. The judicial branch budget for Judicial Council CASA grants for FY 2020-21 is \$2.713 million, which includes a \$500,000 augmentation to support efforts to increase the number of foster children served. The recommended allocations were calculated based on the CASA funding methodology approved by the Judicial Council at its July 20 and September 21, 2018, business meetings.

Recommendation

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective September 24, 2020, (1) continue the allocation of the \$500,000 augmentation as base funding for FY 2020-21 to CASA programs using the four-tiered base funding methodology approved by the council on September 21, 2018; and (2) allocate \$2.713 million for CASA local assistance grants to 46 CASA programs serving 51 California counties using the council's funding methodology approved July 20 and September 21, 2018. Attachment A, Proposed Allocation for FY 2020-21 Court Appointed Special Advocate Local Assistance, is attached to this report.