# Social Services Financing 101

### **Social Service Financing**

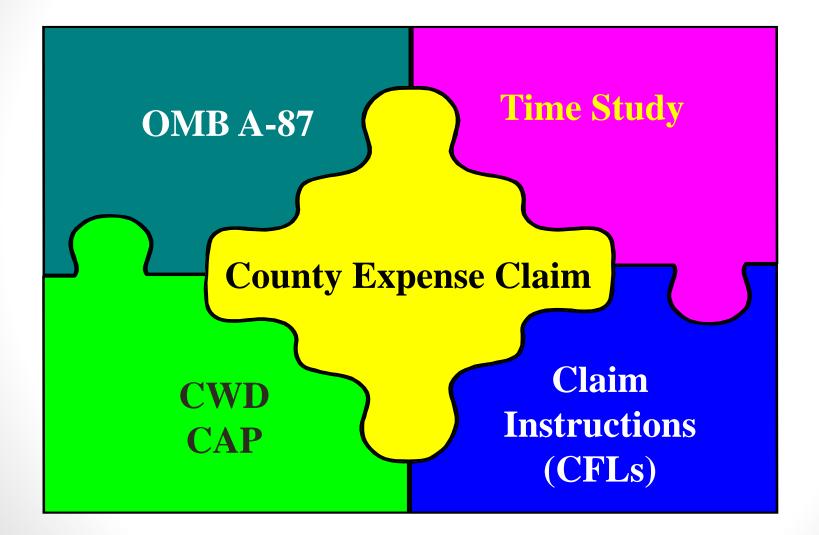
- The CEC is the main document the state uses to authorize federal and state funds be paid to counties (Admin programs)
- Funding is to reimburse Counties for Costs Paid (Cash Basis)
- Advances are based on estimates made by the state, usually based on past history of spending.

#### **Fiscal Regulations**

### Social Services financing is regulated by many agencies and regulations

- County Welfare Department Cost Allocation Plan
- OMB A-87 "Cost Principles for State, Local & Indian Tribal Governments"
- CFL's and ACL's

#### **Fiscal Regulations**



#### **OMB A-87**

- Federal Provisions that outline principles in determining allowable costs.
  - Costs Required to Operate a Program
  - Fixed Assets
  - Space
  - Debt Expenses
  - Employee Morale Expenditures

#### **CWD Statewide CAP**

#### • What is a Cost Allocation Plan?

- A description of the procedures that are used in identifying, measuring and allocating costs incurred in support of all programs administered or supervised by the Department.
- Includes guidance for charging both labor and non labor costs

## Why is the Cost Allocation Plan (CAP) Necessary?

- The Federal Government requires the use of a CAP to satisfy federal reporting and funding requirements.
- Costs not claimed in accordance with the approved CAP will be disallowed by the Federal government.
- Provides expenditure data for efficient welfare operation management.

#### **CWD Statewide CAP**

#### Non Labor Costs

- Client Services
- Overhead –Direct Charge
- Overhead –Spread
- Start Up Costs
- Fixed Assets

#### **Overhead – Spread Costs**

- Support operating costs which:
  - Typically have a department wide benefit to all programs, or
  - Cannot be direct charged to a function and/or program,
  - Will be distributed to the functions based on a ratio of total caseworker time study results.

#### **Overhead Costs – Direct Charge**

- County's can also elect to directly charge to specific programs if:
  - •A formal election is made with the State
  - •County can identify and compile related costs.
  - •Can apply methodology consistently across programs for specific type of expenditure

### Start-Up and One time Only Costs

- Start-up/nonrecurring costs are one-time only costs incurred as a result of major program change, an expansion of an existing program or a major agency or when a county receives an augmentation or one-time receipt of new funds for a program.
- These costs can be direct charged to benefitting programs.

#### **Fixed Assets**

- Fixed assets must be depreciated and claimed over their useful life.
  - Furniture and Fixtures > \$25k
  - EDP Hardware and Software >\$5k

# Importance of Time Studies and Costs Shifts

#### • Time Studies are the basis for:

- Allocating Salary Costs to benefiting programs
- Allocating Overhead based on the Spread Methodology

Importance of Time Studies and Costs Shifts

 Managing and Fully Staffing Programs can Save County Funds

- Understand time study instructions so to Maximize funding while being in compliance
- Use Health Related codes whenever valid
- Reviewing and adjusting your SSTRP can increase flexibility in allocating costs

# Importance of Time Studies and Costs Shifts

#### Fully Staff Programs that have no County and Adequate Funding

#### Overhead Cost Spread \$2,000,000.00

			Overhead Cost	
FTE's/Hours	Hours	Ratio	Allocation	County Cost
CalWorks	1000	0.258065	\$516,129.03	MOE
CalFresh	600	0.154839	\$309,677.42	MOE
Medi-Cal	1600	0.412903	\$825,806.45	None
General				
Relief	175	0.045161	\$90 <i>,</i> 322.58	\$90,322.58
CWS	400	0.103226	\$206,451.61	\$30,967.74
IHSS	100	0.025806	\$51,612.90	MOE
	3875	100%	\$2,000,000.00	\$121,290.32

#### Generic Cost Spread \$2,000,000.00

#### **Increase Staffing in Medi-Cal**

FTE's/Hours		Ratio	Overhead	County Cost
CalWorks	1000	0.233918	\$467,836.26	MOE
CalFresh	600	0.140351	\$280,701.75	MOE
Medi-Cal	2000	0.467836	\$935 <i>,</i> 672.51	None
General Relief	175	0.040936	\$81 <i>,</i> 871.35	\$81,871.35
CWS	400	0.093567	\$187,134.50	\$28,070.18
IHSS	100	0.023392	\$46 <i>,</i> 783.63	MOE
	4275	100%	\$2,000,000.00	\$109,941.52

#### **Decrease Staffing in Medi-Cal**

FTE's/Hours		Ratio	Overhead	County Cost
CalWorks	1000	0.272109	\$544,217.69	MOE
CalFresh	600	0.163265	\$326,530.61	MOE
Medi-Cal	1400	0.380952	\$761,904.76	None
General Relief	175	0.047619	\$95,238.10	\$95,238.10
CWS	400	0.108844	\$217,687.07	\$32,653.06
IHSS	100	0.027211	\$54,421.77	MOE
	3675	100%	\$2,000,000.00	\$127,891.16

# SOCIAL SERVICES FUNDING

# **Funding Components**

- Federal Participation
- State Participation
- County Participation
- Realignment

# **Federal Funding**

- The majority of our funding begins at the federal level.
- Federal program regulations describe the funding parameters that are to be used for each federal funding source.
- Federal fiscal year is October 1-Sept 30

### **State General Funding**

- The State budget delineates how much State General funds will be available
  - State General Fund is used to draw down Federal dollars
  - There are also State only programs.
- State fiscal year is July 1- June 30
- Allocations letters delineates how much each County will receive.

### **Basics of Allocations**

#### Assistance

- State and Federal funding for CalWORKs assistance costs are considered Entitlement programs (open ended) and not allocated to counties
- Foster Care and Adoptions Assistance programs are funded with Federal funds and 2011 Realignment
- IHSS is funded through Title XIX and moved to the new MOE model, making the State share vary

## **Basics of Allocations**

#### Administration

- Allocations are made to the administrative side of the house with capped State funding streams.
- Allocations are reimbursed by the expenditures through CEC.
- Allocations are not controlled at the detail level.
- Allocations are only good for one fiscal year! Use it or lose it.

### **Allocation Development**

- Each Allocation uses a different methodology/ies to develop County Specific Amounts
- Usually outlined in Allocation Letter
- Outlined in Annual Allocation Matrix developed by the CWDA FAAD's workgroup
- Explained in other CWDA publications.

# **1991 REALIGNMENT**

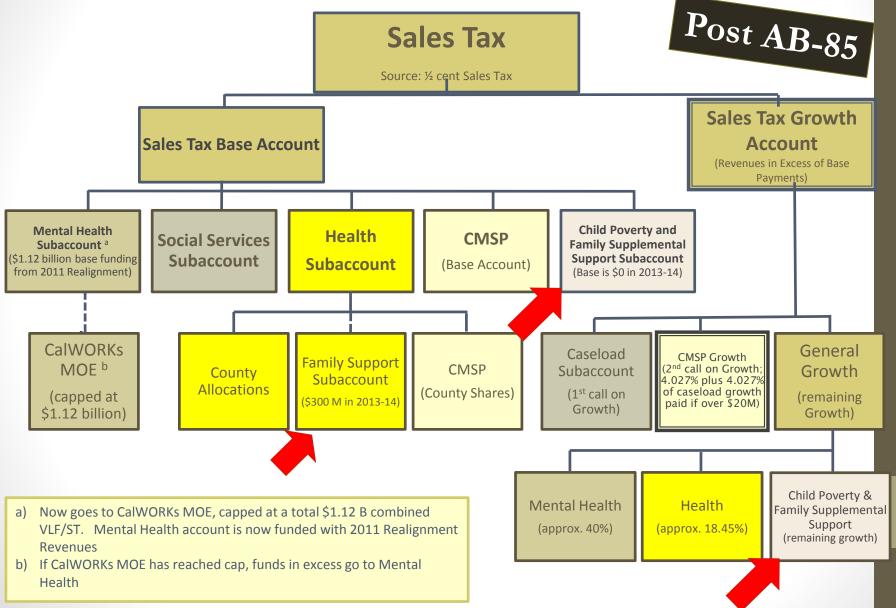
# 1991 Realignment

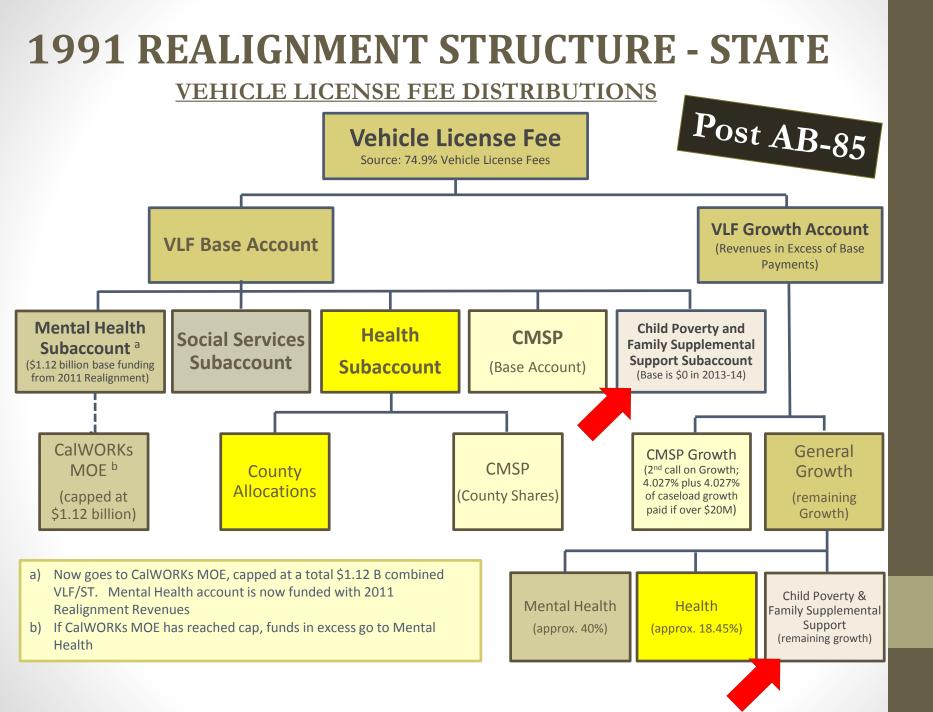
There are two dedicated revenue sources to fund the programs:

- A one-half cent increase in the State sales tax
- An increase in vehicle license fees

#### **1991 REALIGNMENT STRUCTURE - STATE**





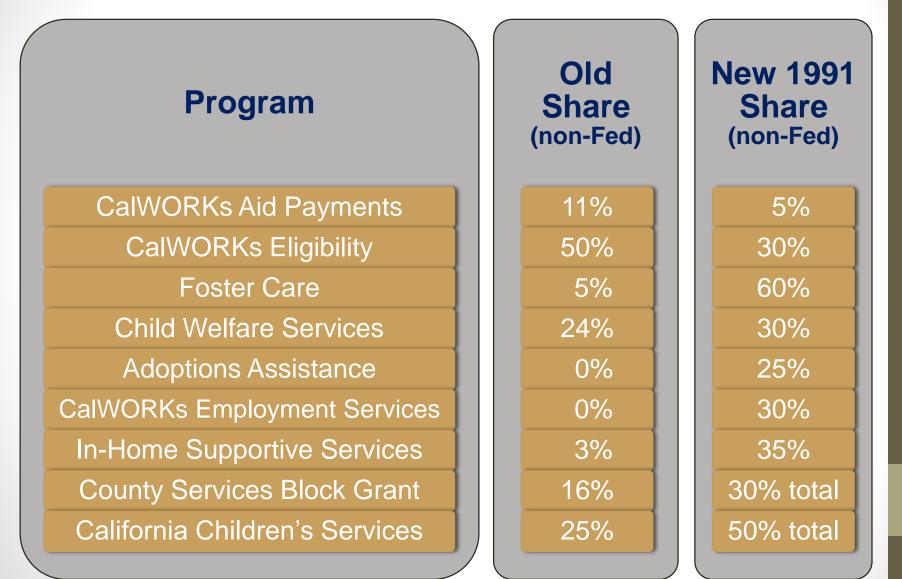


#### 1991 Realignment Programs

•AB 8 County Health **Services**  Local Health Services •California Children's Services •Indigent Health •CalWORKs •Employment Services County Services Block Grant •IHSS

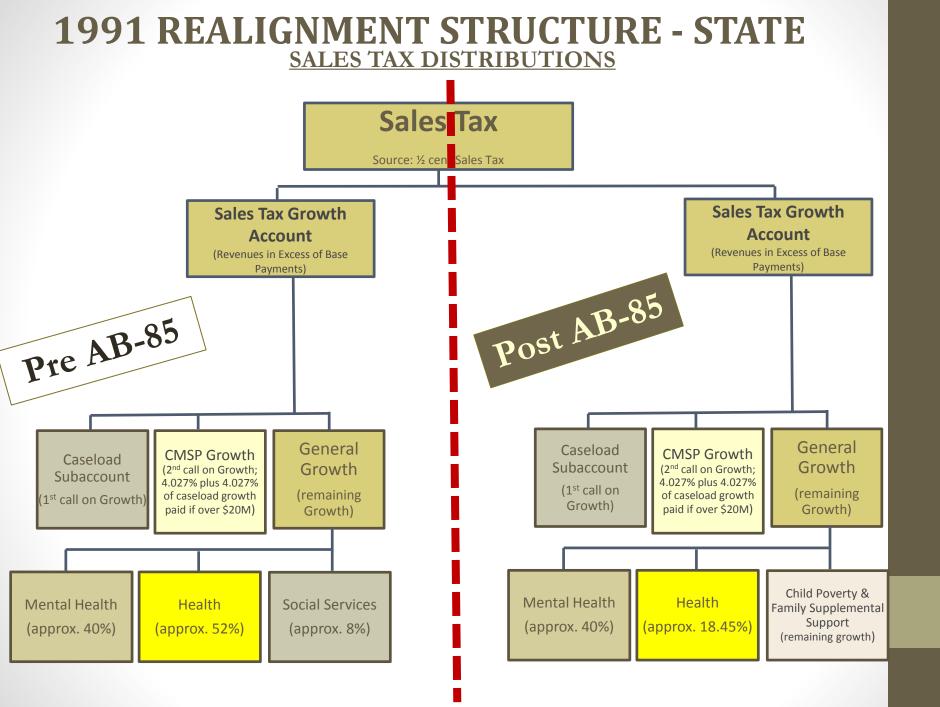
•Foster Care •CWS •Adoptions County Stabilization **Subvention** •County Juvenile Justice Subvention (AB90) •Mental Health •EPSDT Managed Care

### **1991 Realignment Program Ratios**



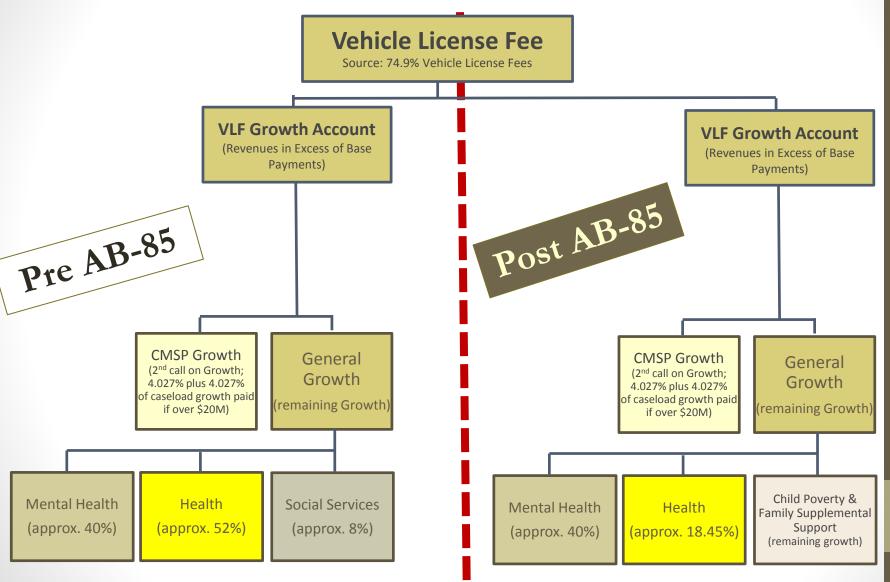
### CalWorks MOE Realignment

- AB 118 and ABX116
- The intent of this legislation is to limit the county's share of cost to the amount of funds received in its CalWORKs MOE Subaccount.
- AB 85 will change the State share of MOE.



#### **1991 REALIGNMENT STRUCTURE - STATE**

#### **VEHICLE LICENSE FEE DISTRIBUTIONS**



# Flow of 1991 Realignment - Theory and Reality

#### "1991 Realignment Social Services (Sales Tax and VLF) – Full Funding 1991 REALIGNMENT (SALES TAX AND VLF) ASSERTION EVIL EUNDING ASSERTION

#### IN THEORY

These funds flow annually and are available to cover the county share of the 1991 Social Services Realignment programs

STATE	FY 06/07	FY 07/08	FY 08/09	FY 09/10	FY 10/11	FY 11/12	FY 12/13	Total
Base *	1,638,646,354	1,732,860,104	1,838,249,556	1,943,222,110	1,987,394,879	1,987,481,703	2,021,120,258	13,148,974,966
growth (caseload)**	91,543,337	105,389,452	104,972,554	44,172,769	86,824	33,638,555	pending	379,803,491
growth (general)	2,670,413						pending	2,670,413
Total	1,732,860,104	1,838,249,556	1,943,222,110	1,987,394,879	1,987,481,703	2,021,120,258	2,021,120,258	13,531,448,870

\* note: The "base" amount in FY 06/07 (\$1.6 billion) is the actual base amount for COSD from SCO website

\*\* note: These are the actual statewide caseload growth amounts, per CDSS and SCO

#### IN REALITY

\* The flow of realignment revenue (sales tax and VLF) is based on the economy and not tied directly to costs

Realignment has not worked over the past years and has forced counties to manage to available resources

- The data demonstrates that it can take over five years to receive owed caseload growth
- Even when caseload growth is paid, there is no "re-payment" for the years it was owed but not paid
- The FY 12/13 base amount is still less than the FY 06/07 Realignment

STATE	FY 06/07	FY 07/08	FY 08/09	FY 09/10	FY 10/11*	FY 11/12**	FY 12/13	Total
Base	1,638,646,354	1,629,011,635	1,420,042,920	1,365,852,335	1,365,852,335	1,475,796,532	1,724,575,703	10,619,777,813
growth for 06/07	17,138,152				74,405,185			91,543,337
growth for 07/08					39,480,983	65,908,469		105,389,452
growth for 08/09						104,972,554		104,972,554
growth for 09/10						44,172,769		44,172,769
growth for 10/11						86,824		86,824
growth for 11/12						33,638,555		33,638,555
growth (general)	2,670,413							2,670,413
Total	1,658,454,920	1,629,011,635	1,420,042,920	1,365,852,335	1,479,738,503	1,724,575,703	1,724,575,703	11,002,251,717
Base compared to 06/07		(29,443,284.99)	(238,411,999.60)	(292,602,584.32)	(178,716,416.61)	66,120,783.05	66,120,783.05	

The amounts listed are from the SCO website on 1991 Realignment: http://www.sco.ca.gov/ard\_payments\_realign.html

\*The growth payments listed as received for FY 10/11, were actually paid Sept 27,2011 (in FY 11/12)

\*\*The growth payments listed as received for FY 11/12, were actually paid 10/18/2012 (FY 12/13)

#### VARIANCE BETWEEN THEORY AND REALITY

STATE	FY 06/07	FY 07/08	FY 08/09	FY 09/10	FY 10/11	FY 11/12	FY 12/13	Total
Base loss/gain	0	(103,848,470)	(418,206,636)	(577,369,775)	(621,542,544)	(511,685,172)	(296,544,556)	(2,529,197,153)
Growth	(74,405,185)	(105,389,452)	(104,972,554)	(44,172,769)	113,799,344	181,415,237	pending	(33,725,379)
Variance	(74,405,185)	(209,237,922)	(523,179,190)	(621,542,544)	(507,743,200)	(330,269,934)	(296,544,556)	(2,562,922,531)

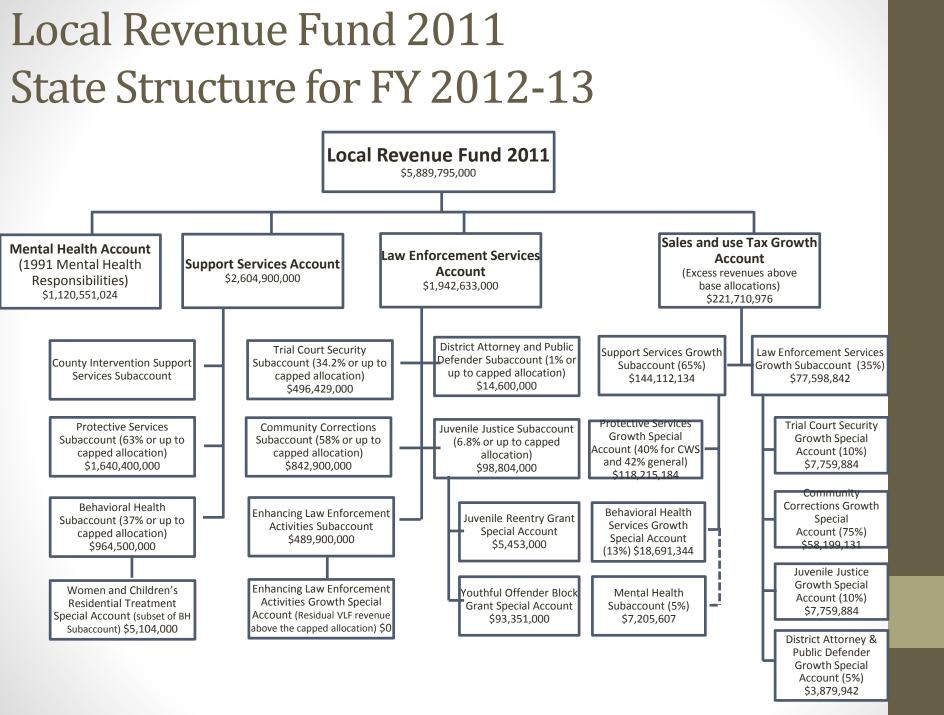
Each year State Controller's Office (SCO) publishes a base amount of realignment (equivalent to its prior year amount of realignment), plus growth for caseload, and possibly "general growth"

<sup>\*</sup> The base amount plus the growth amount becomes the next year's "Base amount"

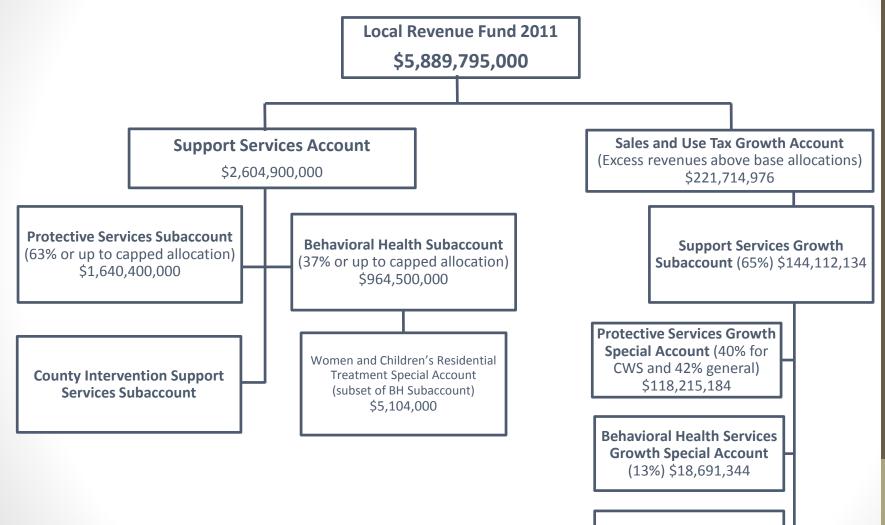
# **2011 REALIGNMENT**

### 2011 Realignment

- Instead of State General fund allocations, Counties will receive a % of 2011 realignment funding.
- Increased risk to Counties if sales tax and VLF do not materialize

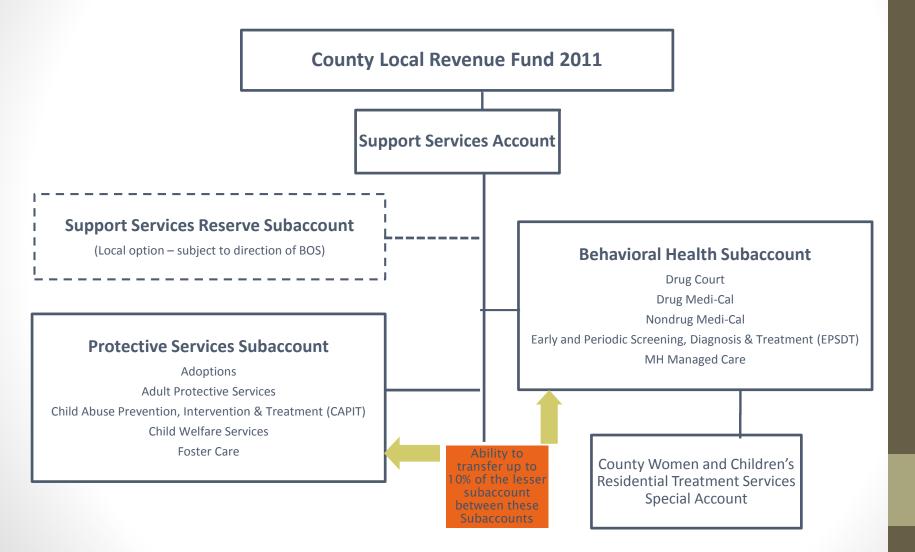


# State Structure for Support Services for FY 2012-13



**Mental Health Subaccount** (5%) \$7,205,607

#### **County Local Revenue Fund 2011 Support Services**



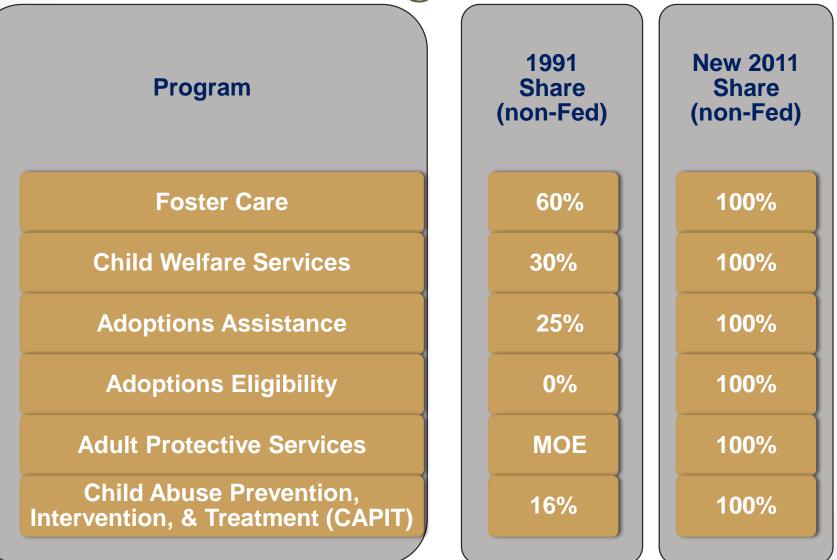
#### 2011 Realignment Programs

- •Foster Care
- •CWS
- •Adoptions
- •Adult Protective Services
- •Child Abuse Prevention, Intervention & Treatment (CAPIT)
- Women and Children's
  Residential Treatment
- •Drug Medical
- Nondrug Medical
- •Drug Court
- •Mental Health

#### •EPSDT

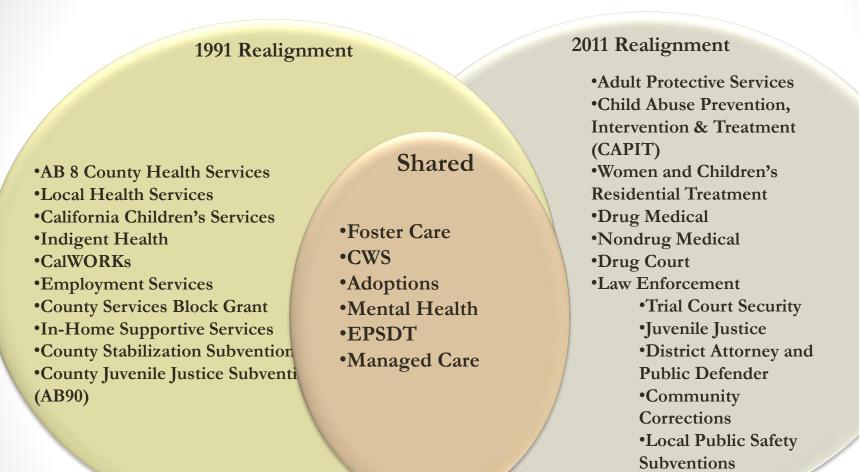
- •Managed Care
- Law Enforcement
  - •Trial Court Security
  - District Attorney and
  - Public Defender
  - •Juvenile Justice
  - •Community
  - Corrections
  - Local Public Safety
  - Subventions

#### Impact of 2011 Realignment to 1991 Sharing Ratios



## INTERSECTION OF REALIGNMENT PROGRAMS

#### **Intersection of Realignment Programs**



## Things to Consider

- Several Years of Growth Adjustments
- \$200 million CWS
- CWS Augmentation
- Base Restoration

## **Opportunities & Possibilities**

- LOOK FOR THE INTERSECTIONS
- LOOK AT CURRENT PROGRAMS
- Possibility?: SB-163 Wrap-Around Services
- Possibility?: Katie A.
- Possibility?: Preventative Services

Enhancing Program Resources to Benefit Service Outcomes

#### Enhancing Program Resources to Benefit Service Outcomes

- CWDA learn from each other about Creative Program Financing
  - County Expense Claim (CEC)
  - Braided Funding Partnerships
  - Leveraging Public/Private Funds
  - Realignment Funding
- Best Model = County's unique needs
- Creative Financial Models can be shared, improved and changed to support individual County goals

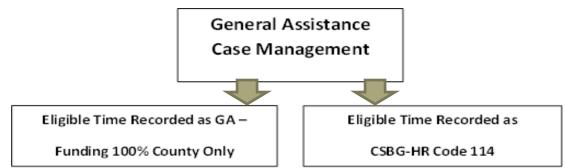
#### Creative Financial Modeling -Process & Documentation

- Leadership Vision & Mission (why)
- Customer Needs (what)
- Service Design & Accounting Model (how)
  - Program Management; Fiscal Lead
  - Flow Chart Funding to Services
  - Braid Funds, Match Model or other
  - Cost Plan Documentation (contract, pin codes, payment methods, budget design, reporting, monitoring, audit plan)
- Outcomes Tracking & Reporting: Did we achieve a better service outcome? (What if?)

# Opportunities within the County Expense Claim (CEC)

- Access to Open-ended Federal Funding
  - Health-Related Title XIX for CSBG, IHSS, CWS
  - Title IV-E for CWS, FC
  - Examples: Public Health Nurses and/or Mental Health Clinicians in Adult/Children's Services
- Internal Braiding
  - SSI Advocacy supported by CSBG Health Related
  - Linkages supported by CWS and/or CalWORKs

## SSI Advocacy Model



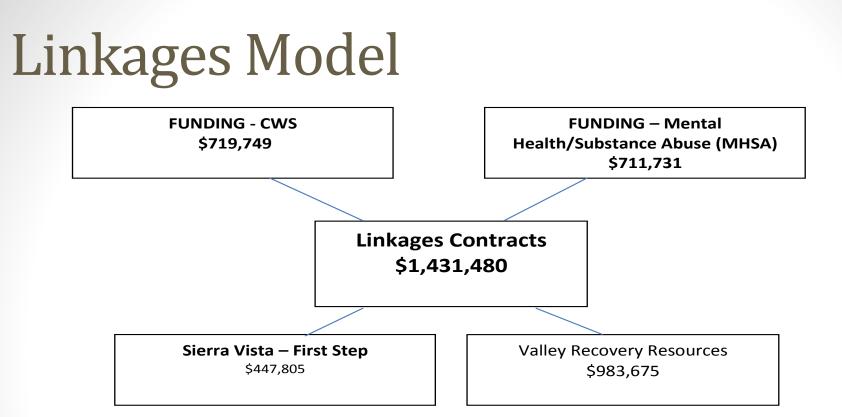
•Vision/Mission: Enhance access to health care. Reduce County General Fund Costs.

•Customer Needs: Many GA customers are disabled and eligible for SSI.

•Service Design & Accounting Model: GA Case Management time refocused to include SSI Advocacy. SSI advocacy time is eligible to CSBG code 114.

•Outcomes: Improved access to health care; SSI financial assistance is ongoing

- •FY 2011-2012 ROI is \$1.63
- •FY 2012-2013 11% reduction in GA caseload



Vision/Mission: Linkages ensure the best services are provided to children and families.

**Customer Needs:** Support for residential and sober living environment services.

**Service Design & Accounting Model:** Close relationship between program and fiscal staff. Client lists reviewed by FSS for StanWORKs funds first. Coordinated Case Plan.

**Outcomes:** Necessary services are provided to the clients that need them at the lowest county cost producing maximum county cost avoidance.

• FY 2012-2013 reflects 32% utilization of StanWORKs funds for CWS "linked" cases

#### **Braided Funding Partnerships**

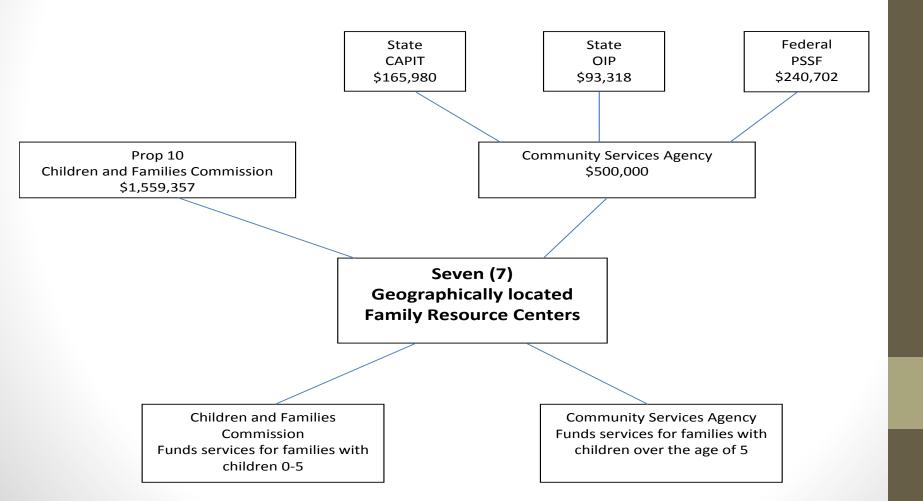
- Partnership to combine resources with other entities to serve a common customer population
- Contract/MOU based agreements
  - define the model
  - governance
  - resource contributions
  - Fiscal Lead
- Can include multiple public and/or private entities
- Example:
  - Differential Response with Children & Families Commission and local CBO Family Resource Centers

## **Differential Response**

- **Vision/Mission:** Improved Safety Net for Children at risk of abuse and neglect in our community
- **Customer Needs:** Family Resource Centers to provide family support services at the community/neighborhood level.
  - A response to every Child Welfare referral to ensure children are safe (CWS) and families have access to services (FRC/CWS)
- Service Design & Accounting Model:
  - Stakeholder process developed three pathways for response to ER calls
  - FRC's since 2005: prevention; early intervention & support
  - Cost reimbursed services for children 0-5 is from Prop 10; 6 and above is Prevention Funding.
- **Outcomes:** Families are supported and safe in communities
  - Reduce incidents of child abuse & maltreatment; Increase positive social support
  - Reduce repeat child maltreatment reports; Increase family resilience capacity

#### **Differential Response**

#### Stanislaus County Family Resource Center Partnership FY 2013/2014



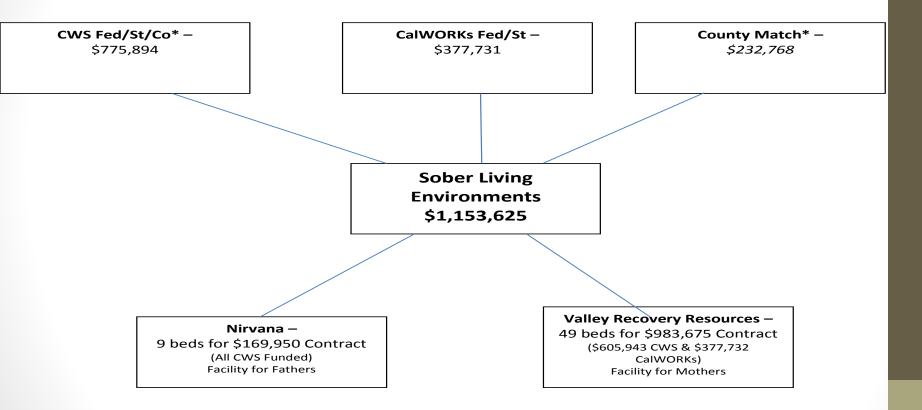
#### Leveraging Public/Private Funds

- Partnership to combine resources with other entities
  - "local match" to access Federal/State program funds
  - provide a specific service or serve a specific customer population
- Contract/MOU based agreements to define the model, governance, resource contributions and Fiscal Lead
  - Can include multiple public and/or private entities
- Federal Funding Matrix- Allowable Usage of Local Match Funds
- Examples:
  - Sober Living Environment Services
  - Family Justice Center

#### **Sober Living Environment Services**

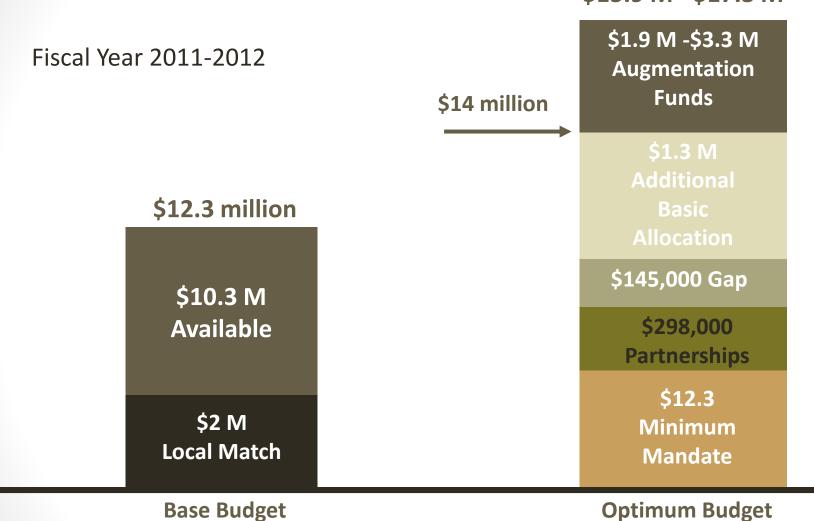
- Vision/Mission: Break the cycle of drug/alcohol dependency and restore families so children can remain safely at home
- Customer Needs: Access to Sober Living Environment Services
  - Economic Environment
  - CWS allocation unattainable due to lack of local match
  - CWS budget reductions; lost services & resources
  - Significant Impact to families and children
- Service Design & Accounting Model:
  - Concerned Citizens: Offer of private contributions as local match
  - Board of Supervisors commitment
  - Establishment of Non-profit & Public Private partnership
- Outcomes: Over \$3 million accessed in total CWS funding. Staffing restored; improved case management; Capacity has grown; 60 families each month avoid OHP

#### Sober Living Environment Services Stanislaus County Sober Living Environments Partnership FY 2013/2014



\*Contracted local match contributions by each contractor are donated in support of these sober living environment contracts. Match contributions are equivalent to 30% local match requirement for costs claimed to CWS funding. County match is 30% of CWS funds. Local match provided by existing contractors consists of vendor private pay revenue and vendor local fundraising revenue.

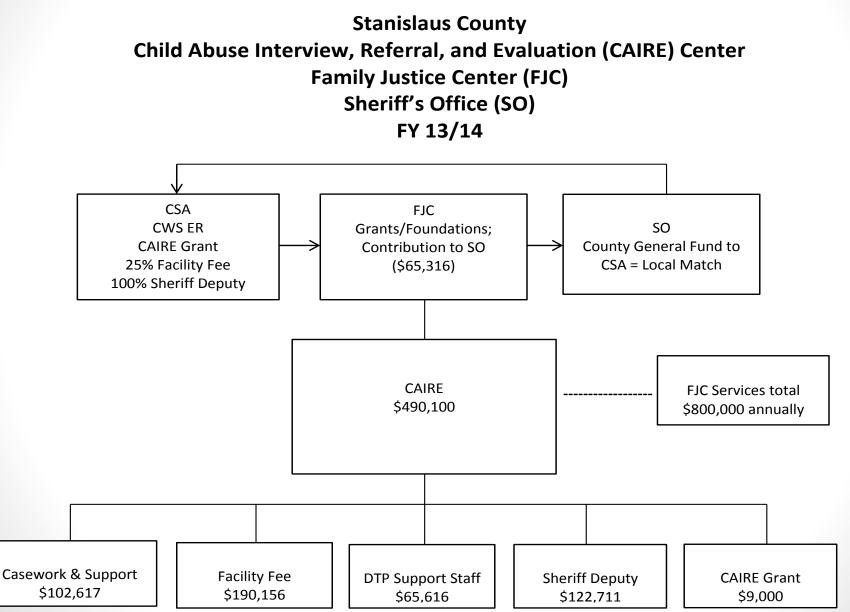
#### Leveraging Donor Funds for Child Welfare Services \$15.9 M - \$17.3 M



## **Family Justice Center**

- Vision/Mission: One-stop center offering help and hope for victims and survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse and elder abuse.
- Customer Needs: Services to meet the individual needs of victims.
- Service Design & Accounting Model:
  - Stakeholder process began with DA as lead; now Non Profit
  - CSA operates the Child Advocacy Center or "CAIRE Center" co-located within the FJC
  - Model leverages CWS funding where applicable, braids with other Government agencies and provides local match through a three way agreement between Social Services, Sheriff & FJC
- Outcomes: Safety Plans for 297 adults ; Services/Support for 881 children; CAIRE Interviews for 252 children

#### **Family Justice Center**



#### **Opportunities with Realignment Funding**

- Flexibility varies by County based on Accounting Structure
- Deferred revenue may allow for multi-year planning
- Sales tax dollars provide opportunities for non-fed match for the realigned programs
- Most flexibility lies in the programs that are both 1990-1991 and 2011 realigned
- Evolving opportunities as more becomes known

#### Enhancing Program Resources to Benefit Service Outcomes

- Creative Financial Models can be shared, improved and changed to support individual County goals for the best service outcomes.
- New opportunities in the future.....