COMPLIANCE BUDGET 5635 General Fund

	octual 003-04	 Adopted 2004-05	Re	ecommended 2005-06	 Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY						
Appropriations						
Salaries & Benefits Services & Supplies	\$ 0 0	\$ 65,253 39,813	\$	267,541 131,662	\$ 202,288 91,849	310% 231%
Total Appropriations	\$ 0	\$ 105,066	\$	399,203	\$ 294,137	280%
Revenues						
Managed Care Prog-State Op Trans In - Special Rev	\$ 0 0	\$ 28,406 76,660	\$	268,003 131,200	\$ 239,597 54,540	843% 71%
Total Revenues	\$ 0	\$ 105,066	\$	399,203	\$ 294,137	280%
Net County Cost	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$	0	\$ 0	0%
	dgeted)03-04	 Current 2004-05	Re	ecommended 2005-06	 Increase/ Decrease	
Position Summary	0	3		3	0	

COMPLIANCE – 5635

FUNCTION

The Compliance Office (within the County Administrative Office) develops and implements policies, procedures, and practices designed to ensure compliance with the Integrity Agreement, and with Federal health care program requirements. The responsibilities include analysis of the departments risk, monitoring of internal and external audits and investigations related to compliance, coordinating compliance training and education, investigating and resolving compliance issues and promoting an awareness and understanding of the positive ethical and moral practices consistent with the mission and values of the County and those required by all applicable laws, regulations, rules or guidelines.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget of \$399,203 reflects full year appropriations and revenues. There is no net County cost associated with this budget. The State Managed Care allocation and realignment fund all costs. The 2004-05 Compliance budget was not adopted until March 29, 2005 after the compliance program was approved and reflects only partial year funding. Staffing is recommended at three positions.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

The Compliance office has trained over 900 County employees and over 200 contractors. A disclosure program has been developed to report any activities that may violate the Compliance program's mission, standards, and any applicable laws, regulations, rules or guidelines.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

SALARIES AND BENEFITS

• Salaries and Benefits represent a net increase of 310% over the prior year. This includes funding for a full-year. In 2004-05, salaries and benefits were only funded since March 29, 2005. There are no increases in positions for the 2005-06 year.

SERVICES AND SUPPLIES

• Services and Supplies represent a 231% increase from the prior year due to funding the program for a full-year.

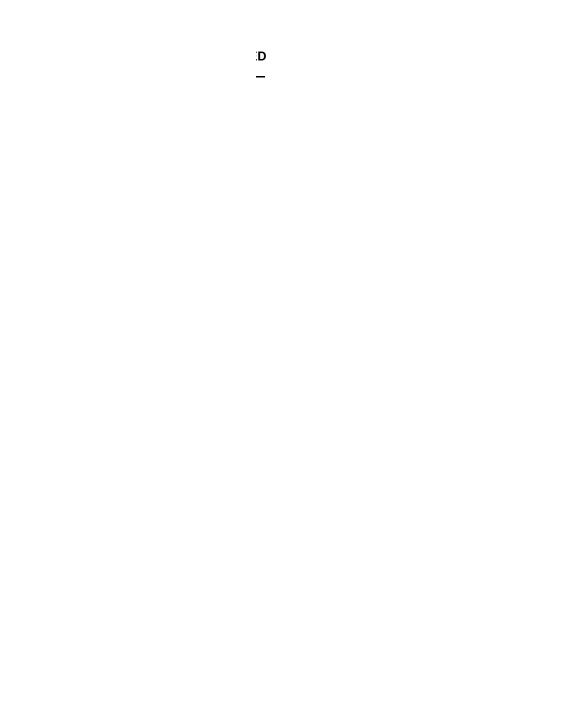
SUMMARY OF REVENUES

• Revenues are recommended at \$399,203, an increase over the prior year. This represents revenue for a full-year.

REGULAR SALARIES

BUDGETED POSITIONS

<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	BAND/ RANGE		SITIONS RECOMMENDED	-	COMMENDE
1384 3140 2294	Compliance Officer Secretary IV Senior Staff Analyst	D 926 F	1 1 1	1 1 1	\$	94,768 33,280 64,376
Subtotal			3	3	\$	192,424
TOTAL	REGULAR SALARIES				\$	192,424



HUMAN SERVICES FINANCE BUDGET 5600 General Fund

	_	Actual 2003-04	-	Adopted 2004-05	R	ecommended 2005-06	-	Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY									
Appropriations									
Salaries & Benefits Services & Supplies Residual Equity Transfer Fixed Assets	\$	10,635,607 5,299,592 0 24,833	\$	4,886,885 5,183,504 20,000 0	\$	5,213,091 1,394,476 15,000	\$	326,206 (3,789,028) (5,000) 0	7% -73% -25% 0%
Total Appropriations	\$	15,960,032	\$	10,090,389	\$	6,622,567	\$	(3,467,822)	-34%
Revenues									
Federal Aid Charges for Services Trust Fund Intrafund Revenues	\$	179,013 321,971 391,963 15,343,546	\$	436,770 0 118,923 9,534,696	\$	394,954 6,227,613	\$	(41,816) 0 (118,923) (3,307,083)	-10% 0% -100% <u>-35%</u>
Total Revenues	\$	16,236,493	\$	10,090,389	\$	6,622,567	\$	(3,467,822)	-34%
Net County Cost	\$	(276,461)	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	0%
	-	Budgeted 2003-04	_	Current 2004-05	R	ecommended 2005-06	_	Increase/ Decrease	
Position Summary				87		87		0	

Department Requests Above Recommended Budget

	Appropriations	2005-06
	Services & Supplies	\$ 246,51
Net County Cost \$ 246,519	Total Appropriations	\$ 246,51
	Net County Cost	\$ 246,51

HUMAN SERVICES FINANCE – 5600

FUNCTION

The Human Services Finance budget provides for centralized financial services for the Human Services departments, which include the Departments of Community Health (5620), Behavioral Health (5630), Employment and Temporary Assistance (5610), and Children and Family Services (5640). State and Federal program funding, through the Human Services departments, reimburse all costs included in this budget. This budget unit has been a division of the Auditor-Controller/Treasurer-Tax Collector Department (AC/TTC) since July 1, 2004.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget of \$6,622,567 reflects a 34% (\$3,467,822) decrease in appropriations from the 2004-05 Adopted Budget due primarily to the elimination of the remaining shared cost elements supporting the four Human Services departments. This budget now includes only centralized Human Services Finance functions. All administrative and operations functions previously contained in this budget have been decentralized to Human Services departments or eliminated, as directed by your Board on May 18, 2004. There are no General Fund costs associated with this budget. Staffing is recommended at 87 positions.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

The Human Services Finance Department is a centralized unit designed to provide accounting and finance services to the program-specific Human Services departments (Community Health, Employment and Temporary Assistance, Behavioral Health, and Children and Family Services). The centralization of the finance functions allows for economies of scale by combining similar functions and tasks into one department. The funding streams and reporting requirements for Human Services programs are similar and interrelated.

During Fiscal Year 2004-05, the department completed the transfer, begun in Fiscal Year 2003-04, of program-related functions to the appropriate Human Services (HS) departments and eliminating the Human Services System.

"Providing timely, friendly, and accurate fiscal support services for the Human Services departments" is the vision statement which guides the department. Integration with the AC/TTC to standardize and improve processes is ongoing, as well as documentation of work flows, review of reporting requirements and deadlines, and audits of compliance with federal and state regulations.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

SIGNIFICANT PROGRAM CHANGES

 Human Services Finance finalized the decentralization of direct support costs during 2004-05 with the transfer of the remaining shared contractual costs to the Human Services (HS) Departments of Behavioral Health, Children & Family Services, Community Health, and Employment & Temporary Assistance. Service departments will directly charge the appropriate HS department, eliminating the need

HUMAN SERVICES FINANCE – 5600

for HS Finance to allocate the costs. Therefore, HS departments will have direct control over their support costs from other County departments. The new methodology provides the mechanism to maximize revenue collection through the claiming process and eliminates unnecessary steps.

SALARIES AND BENEFITS

• Salaries and Benefits represent a 7% increase from the prior year due primarily to the increased retirement, health insurance and Workers' Compensation rates for HS Finance.

SERVICES AND SUPPLIES

• Services and Supplies represent a 73% decrease from the prior year primarily due to the elimination of shared Countywide contractual agreements, as previously discussed.

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

- Revenues are recommended at \$6,622,567, a 34% (\$3,467,822) decrease from the prior year due to the transfer of support functions to other budget units.
 - Federal Aid reflects a decrease in Medi-Cal Administrative Activities revenues used to cover the staff cost associated with the program.
 - Physicians Services (Prop 99) Trust Fund eliminated due to midyear transfer of staff and functions to Department of Community Health.
 - Intrafund Revenues reflects the reimbursement of departmental overhead charges from other Human Services departments.

PENDING FACTORS

 The implementation of CalWin in July 2006 (a new social services information system in Employment & Temporary Assistance) and the demise of the CaseData Management System will directly impact the workflow of HS Finance. The magnitude of the impact is as yet unclear, but there will be a requirement to add check payment systems (for the Departments of Children & Family Services and Behavioral Health) as well as the replacement for the CaseData System. In addition, privacy requirements, which require changes in paper documentation and in information systems, continue to absorb resources.

DEPARTMENT REQUEST ABOVE RECOMMENDED BUDGET

PRIORITY ONE – FINANCE ITSD EXPENSES FOR THE SECURITY PORTION OF THE UNFUNDED FEDERAL MANDATE FOR HIPAA COMPLIANCE WITHIN THE COUNTY.

TOTAL NET COUNTY COST OF PRIORITY ONE	<u>\$ 246,519</u>
TOTAL DEPARTMENT REQUEST ABOVE RECOMMENDED BUDGET	<u>\$ 246,519</u>

REGULAR SALARIES

BUDGETED POSITIONS

<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	BAND/ <u>RANGE</u>	<u>POSITI</u> <u>CURRENT</u> <u>RE</u>	ONS COMMENDED		COMMENDED SALARIES
3205	Account Clerk II	882	12	12	\$	337,577
3260	Account Clerk III	991	33	33		1,027,282
3210	Accountant I	1404	4	5		239,484
3215	Accountant II	1625	3	3		157,741
3245	Accounting Technician	1268	1	1		36,035
2218	Fiscal Services Manager - HSS	D	1	1		83,317
3110	Office Assistant II	843	3	3		83,295
3080	Office Assistant III	938	5	5		150,114
3269	Patient Accounts Supervisor - Health	F	1	1		69,237
3265	Principal Accountant	F	2	2		142,157
2297	Principal Staff Analyst	E	1	0		0
3160	Secretary IV	1156	1	1		37,097
3255	Senior Accountant	1897	10	10		579,077
2294	Senior Staff Analyst	F	2	2		128,236
2240	Senior Systems & Procedures Analyst	2215	1	1		71,106
3235	Supervising Account Clerk I	1134	2	2		70,595
3240	Supervising Account Clerk II	1268	4	4		162,900
2212	Systems & Procedures Analyst III	1978	1	<u> </u>		58,627
Subtotal			87	87	\$	3,433,877
	Bilingual Skill Pay					3,000
	Less Salary Savings					(68,678)
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TOTAL REGULAR SALARIES

\$ 3,368,199

CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES BUDGET 5640 General Fund

	_	Actual 2003-04	-	Adopted 2004-05	- <u>-</u>	Recommended 2005-06	_	Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY									
Appropriations									
Salaries & Benefits	\$	39,741,934	\$	44,910,460	\$	46,043,636	\$	1,133,176	3%
Services & Supplies		10,105,921		11,488,643		15,501,969		4,013,326	35%
Other Charges		8,621,431		6,315,769		6,949,394		633,625	10%
Residual Equity Transfer		29,433		5,216		0		(5,216)	-100%
Fixed Assets		18,775		0		0		0	0%
Total Appropriations	\$	58,517,494	\$	62,720,088	\$	68,494,999	\$	5,774,911	9%
Revenues									
State Aid	\$	23,064,042	\$	19,168,090	\$	20,270,079	\$	1,101,989	6%
Federal Aid		16,142,303		21,915,611		26,063,297		4,147,686	19%
Charges for Services		6,507,318		7,563,671		5,971,093		(1,592,578)	-21%
Misc. Revenues Realignment:		1,023,981		983,100		1,246,001		262,901	27%
Social Services		3,540,517		5,071,070		4,596,649		(474,421)	-9%
Mental Health		6,686,630		6,286,855		6,274,309		(12,546)	0%
Intrafund Revenues		253,719		1,416,552		3,758,432		2,341,880	165%
Total Revenues	\$	57,218,511	\$	62,404,949	\$	68,179,860	\$	5,774,911	9%
Net County Cost	\$	1,298,983	\$	315,139	\$	315,139	\$	0	0%
		Budgeted 2003-04		Current 2004-05	I	Recommended 2005-06		Increase/ Decrease	
	-	2003-04	-	2004-00	-	2003-00	-	Declease	
Position Summary		704		740		699		(41)	

Department Requests Above Recommended Budget

Appropriations	_	2005-06
Salaries & Benefits Services & Supplies	\$	2,261,769 35,105
Total Appropriations	\$	2,296,874
Revenues		
Charges for Services	\$	(349,012)
Net County Cost	\$	1,947,862
Additional Positions (restored)		41

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FUNCTION

The Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), comprised of Child Protective Services and Child and Youth Mental Health Services divisions, is an indispensable component of the public safety continuum. Children and families requiring protection and mental health treatment are provided comprehensive, integrated and coordinated services. The budget supports the Departments' vision "to lead an integrated network of community partners that supports, protects and strengthens families."

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget of \$68,494,999 reflects a 9% (\$5,774,911) increase in appropriations due to increased costs. Projected revenues are \$68,179,860, a 9% (\$5,774,911) increase over the 2004-05 Adopted Budget due to an anticipated increase in Federal funds based on the implementation of revenue management and deficit offset strategies in Child Welfare Services and Mental Health Services. Recommended funding includes full-year costs for staff and functions transferred from the County Administrative Office to DCFS for support of the Interagency Council for Children and Families, as well as the addition of 10 positions approved by your Board in March 2005. The County's mandated \$4,911,788 share-of-cost associated with the Child Welfare Services allocation is financed with Social Services Realignment revenues of \$4,596,649 and a net County cost of \$315,139. The County's share-of-cost for Children's Mental Health is financed with Mental Health Realignment revenues of \$6,274,309. Staffing is recommended at 699 positions, a decrease of 41 positions from the prior year level.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

The department's mandate is to improve services with fewer resources. With continuing implementation of the Family to Family Initiative as the framework for improving outcomes for children and families, the department has realized several fiscal and program goals during the current fiscal year. These include:

- Additional increase in child welfare allocation (\$1,174,478) through increased FTE caseload activity, and an increase in Federal Revenue (\$1,171,056) based on maximizing Federal participation in the child welfare claiming process.
- Conversion of relative Guardianship cases to KinGap, resulting in an annual saving of \$460,940 (6410 Budget Org).
- Decrease in number of children in foster placement, from 2,705 in February 2004 to 2,522 in February 2005, a decrease of 6.7%. In February 2005 there were 3,388 open child welfare cases, compared to 3,856 in February 2004, a decrease of 13.8%. Early intervention and prevention efforts and focused efforts to place children in permanent homes have reduced the number of children in or at risk of out-of-home placement.
- Aggressive expansion of Family to Family, including neighborhood collaboratives, is expected to increase family foster homes in neighborhoods with high child welfare referral/removal rates, decreasing the need for more costly emergency placement options.
- Stabilization for children whose placement is at risk of disruption through Team Decision-Making. Since September 2004 there have been 177 team interventions, resulting in placement stabilization for 38% (68) of the children involved.

- The Child Welfare Outcomes and Accountability Act continues to be a major focus of staff activity. The Department's System Improvement Plan was submitted to the State in September 2004, and implementation is proceeding.
- Senate Bill 163 wraparound program continues to serve children in or at risk of placement at level 10 or above, or to step minors down into lower levels of placement. The services, including Multi-Dimensional Treatment Foster Care, are expected to decrease foster care costs and increase funding for early intervention and prevention.
- Incredible Years roll-out, a collaborative with Fresno Unified School District serving young children at risk of educational barriers. The district is training teachers to implement the program in the classroom setting. DCFS has completed one parenting class and currently has a class in session, facilitated by a collaboration between Children's Mental Health and Child Welfare Social Work staff. There are children's groups being conducted by DCFS Social Work staff at two K-Six sites. The parenting class is available to the public, listed in the Adult Education Course directory; DCFS is planning another course for County foster parents, including Foster Family Agencies.
- Expanding services in Adolescent Substance Abuse Treatment Services at the Tielman Day Reporting Center. As of February 2005, the Center has generated over \$78,000 in charges billable to Drug Medi-Cal since its 2004 certification.
- Implementation of financial screening at every visit and appointment reminders have decreased the number of unfunded outpatient visits and increased the rate of consumers' appointment compliance.
- Fresno County is contributing to a project with the California Institute for Mental Health (CIMH) for data collection from mental health demographic and diagnostic data elements. In support of evidence-based practice, CIMH will aggregate and analyze the data, then provide comparative reports to participating counties. Counties will use the data to identify internal and external practice trends. Over time, such analysis will help evaluate best-practice models of mental health assessment and treatment.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

SIGNIFICANT PROGRAM CHANGES

In order to minimize cost increases and meet the Target Budget, the following action is recommended. Based on service volume, costs for providing the service, and net revenue generated, the following program is recommended for elimination:

 Delete 41 positions assigned to the Children's Crisis Assessment, Intervention, and Resolution (CCAIR) unit. The unit provides voluntary emergency psychiatric assessment, evaluation and treatment 24 hours-a-day, 7 days-a-week. The freestanding facility at the Heritage Centre, the only one of its kind in the Central region, is also designated as an involuntary detention facility under Welfare and Institutions Code 5150. Under State and Federal regulations, a minimum staffing level must be maintained at all times, regardless of the number of consumers being served. Because the volume of services does not consistently support the costs of doing business, the unit operates at a net loss.

Although there will be a savings of \$1,947,862 recognized for staff and services and supplies, closure will potentially result in decreased availability of intensive mental health services for children in psychiatric crisis. During calendar year 2004, the unit served 1,356 children. Without local access, there could be an increase in the number of children referred out of Fresno County for intensive mental health services, including hospitalization. In addition, lack of emergency services for foster children and youth in

the juvenile justice systems may increase out-of-home placement disruptions and incarceration intensity.

SALARIES AND BENEFITS

Salaries and Benefits represent a 3% increase over the prior year. This includes salary
and benefit costs for two positions included with the transfer of the Interagency Council
for Children and Families to the department and ten positions added midyear. The
increase also reflects higher rates for retirement, workers' compensation, and health
insurance. Offsetting the increase is the recommended elimination of 41 positions that
comprise the Children's Assessment, Intervention and Resolution (CAIR) program.
Staffing is recommended at 699 positions, a decrease of 41 positions from the prior
year.

SERVICES AND SUPPLIES

 Services and Supplies reflect a 35% increase over the prior year primarily due to the midyear adjustment that included the addition of several contracts for Child Welfare Services. Also contributing to the increase are the charges from the Internal Service Fund departments that were previously included in Human Services Finance (5600) that will now be directly billed to the department.

OTHER CHARGES

• Other Charges recommended at a 10% increase over the prior year based on the inclusion of the Senate Bill 163 contract with Families First, slightly offset by the reduction in overhead costs from Human Services Finance (5600) for charges now being directly billed to the Department of Children and Family Services.

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

- Revenues are recommended at \$68,179,860, a 9% (\$5,774,911) increase over the prior year.
 - State Aid Represents an increase due to a midyear revision of the State Child Welfare Services Allocation. Also included is an increase in EPSDT (Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment) revenues based on higher productivity levels within Children's Mental Health, offset by a decrease in revenue from the Managed Care Allocation.
 - Federal Aid Reflects an increase based on the County Expense Claim process and continuation of revenue maximization strategies through the Title IV-E and Title XIX open-ended CWS allocations as well as the Title XX State match.
 - Charges for Services Recommended at a decrease based on the EPSDT/Medi-Cal cost settlement of \$2,035,650 and an estimated reduction in Medi-Cal revenue due to the closure of the CAIR program. Partially offsetting this decrease is higher Medi-Cal revenue reimbursement for contracted Level 14 Group Homes due to recent Medi-Cal site certifications as well as the implementation of Drug Medi-Cal billing through the Tielman Juvenile Justice facility.
 - Miscellaneous Revenues Represents an increase from the prior year based on the addition of the Walter S. Johnson Foundation grant and the transfer of the Interagency Council for Children and Families revenues to the Department of Children and Family Services.

- State/Local Program Social Services Realignment Represents a decrease from the prior year level based on the projection for available 2005-06 funds. Realignment revenues provide matching requirements for State and Federal Aid revenues and help offset the required County share-of-cost associated with the CWS allocation.
- State/Local Program Mental Health Realignment Trust Fund Reflects a slight decrease from the prior year based on projected revenues for 2005-06. Revenues are used to offset county share-of-cost for Medi-Cal and EPSDT claims and all other non-reimbursed Mental Health Services.
- Intrafund Revenues Reflects an increase over the prior year primarily due to the transfer of revenue from the Dependent Children – Foster Care budget (6410) to the Department of Children and Family Services for the Senate Bill 163 program. It also reflects an increase based on the transfer of revenue from the Department of Employment and Temporary Assistance budget (5610) for Medi-Cal Administration billing for services provided by the departments' admitting interviewers.

PENDING FACTORS

- Fresno County was selected as one of four Family to Family counties to implement a fifth strategy, the Youth Transition Project, focused on preparing Probation and Child Welfare youth for emancipation from foster care. With approval of the County's proposal, the Walter S. Johnson Foundation will fund \$100,000 per year for three years; with matching Federal funding and in-kind contributions from the County and partner agencies, the project budget will exceed \$600,000 over the three-year period.
- The department will submit an application for funding to the Federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for a Children's System of Care Grant. If approved, the six-year budget will be approximately \$9 million, a blend of Federal funding, Medi-Cal revenue, and County in-kind match. Because the grant period is based on a Federal fiscal year, application results will not be known until at least August 2005.
- With the passage of the Mental Health Services Act, effective January 1, 2005, counties can anticipate additional funding for mental health services beginning in approximately December 2005. Although the actual funding amount per county is not yet determined, statewide estimates are approximately 15% above current baseline revenue, at \$275 million for six months in 2005, \$750 million in Fiscal Year 2005-06, and \$800 million in 2006-07, with an estimated 7% increase annually in subsequent years.
- Increased revenue shall be generated through the established eligibility verification and higher billing standard in Children's Mental Health. When billing is generated for 50% -60% of productive time, the estimated increase in revenue will be \$5,296,866 to \$7,560,343.

DEPARTMENT REQUESTS ABOVE RECOMMENDED BUDGET

The department is requesting funding above the recommended Target Budget for the restoration of staffing and all related operational costs for the following program:

RESTORE CHILDREN'S CRISIS ASSESSMENT, INTERVENTION AND RESOLUTION UNIT

Because the Children's Crisis Assessment, Intervention and Resolution (CCAIR) unit is the only children's psychiatric emergency facility in the region, the level of services provided is not available elsewhere within the county or in neighboring counties. Maintaining the

current staffing level will allow children to be served close to their homes and families, rather than being transferred to facilities outside Fresno County for the care they need. In particular, foster children at high risk for psychiatric episodes and subsequent placement disruption can benefit from immediate access to local intensive mental health services, resulting in cost savings in both the mental health and the child welfare systems. Maintenance of intensive stabilization services contributes to decreased inpatient hospitalization and placement disruptions, and increased positive outcomes for children, youth, and their families when mental health issues threaten stability.

TOTAL DEPARTMENT REQUESTS ABOVE RECOMMENDED BUDGET	<u>\$1,947,862</u>
TOTAL NET COUNTY COST	<u>\$1,947,862</u>
Restore Revenues for Charges for Services	(349,012)
Restore Services and Supplies	35,105
 Restore Salaries and Benefits for 41 positions 	\$2,261,769

REGULAR SALARIES

BUDGETED POSITIONS

<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	BAND/ <u>RANGE</u>	<u>Positio</u> <u>Current</u> <u>Re</u>		RECOMMENDED SALARIES
0295	Assistant Director Children and Family Services	D	1	1	\$ 91,468
1309	Division Manager - Mental Health	E	3	2	178,367
1322	Mental Health Nurse I	1997	3	0	43,632
1323	Mental Health Nurse II	2284	3	2	157,516
1363	Clinical Supervisor	2356	14	12	893,556
1366	Chief Child Psychiatrist	А	1	1	180,440
1367	Psychiatrist	A	5	5	741,728
1450	Licensed Vocational Nurse III	1129	11	5	228,790
1463	Psychiatric Technician II	1162	1	1	37,258
1468	Psychiatric Technician III	1273	1	0	9,629
1494 1501	Licensed Vocational Nurse II Admitting Interviewer I	985 849	1 3	0 3	7,891 75,914
1564	Nurse Practitioner	2775	2	0	44,473
1591	Recreational Therapist I	1229	2	1	37,354
1592	Recreational Therapist II	1377	6	5	229,381
1593	Senior Admitting Interviewer	1121	1	1	30,277
1670	Admitting Interviewer II	997	2	2	63,960
1910	Senior Licensed Psychologist	2232	5	5	357,630
1910	Senior Licensed Psychologist (1/2T)	2232	1	1	35,724
1911	Licensed Psychologist	2103	3	3	177,250
1915	Unlicensed Psychologist	1836	6	6	333,624
1917	Unlicensed Mental Health Clinician	1552	47	40	1,912,943
1919	Licensed Mental Health Clinician	1867	15	14	766,177
1920	Senior Licensed Mental Health Clinician	2005	25	20	1,266,074
1920	Senior Licensed Mental Health Clinician (1/2T)	2005	1	1	27,105
1924	Social Services Program Manager	E	7	7	462,306
1927	Community Mental Health Specialist I	1124	7	7	229,312
1928	Community Mental Health Specialist II	1241	25	22	861,453
1930	Social Work Supervisor	1912	43	43	2,598,978
1931	Social Work Practitioner	1640	87	87	4,442,126
1935	Social Worker III (PT)	1503	1	1	33,908
1935	Social Worker III	1503	134	134	6,396,940
1940	Social Worker II	1337	27	27	1,100,766
1945	Social Worker I	1214	46	46	1,592,829
1951	Substance Abuse Specialist I	1136	3	3	92,118
1952	Substance Abuse Specialist II	1253	2	2	80,340
1960	Mental Health Worker II	831	1	1	26,353
1963	Mental Health Worker I	685	2	0	10,659
2200	Deputy Director of Children and Family Services	D	2	2	174,954
2212	Systems and Procedures Analyst III	1978	4	4	242,799
2213	Systems and Procedures Analyst I	1383	1	1	37,362
2240	Senior Systems and Procedures Analyst	2215	1	1	70,954
2247	Principal Administrative Analyst	E	1	1	64,376
2291	Staff Analyst I	1460	1	1	39,442
2292	Staff Analyst II	1621	1	1	51,922
2293	Staff Analyst III	1872	7	7	413,396
2294	Senior Staff Analyst	F	4	4	250,640
2297	Principal Staff Analyst	E	2	2	138,164
3037	Driver	804	8	6	160,624
3070	Supervising Office Assistant II	1253	5	5	200,850
3078	Supervising Office Assistant I	1065	2	2	62,694
3080	Office Assistant III	938	88	87	2,574,141
3081	Office Assistant III - Conf.	942	2	2	59,217
3110	Office Assistant II	843	16	16	399,582
3125 3140	Office Assistant I Secretary III	750 1048	4 4	4 4	83,724 131,812
3140 3142	Secretary II	938	4	4 1	25,350
3142	Secretary II - Conf.	938	1	1	29,636
3160	Secretary IV	1156	7	6	231,725
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<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	BAND/ <u>RANGE</u>	<u>Positi</u> <u>Current</u> <u>Re</u>	<u>ONS</u> COMMENDED		OMMENDED
3166	Administrative Secretary - Conf.	1290	1	1	\$	40,048
3260	Account Clerk III	991	1	1		31,746
5091	Social Worker Aide I	702	6	6		119,201
5093	Social Worker Aide II	855	21	21		565,551
8072	Director of Children and Family Services	В	1	<u> </u>		110,578
Subtota	I		740	699	\$ 32	2,166,737
	Auto Allowance					6,156
	Bilingual Skill Pay					120,000
	Shift Differential					759,780
	Less Salary Savings				(2	2,921,898)
TOTAL	REGULAR SALARIES				\$ 30	0,130,775

TOTAL REGULAR SALARIES

FILLED POSITIONS RECOMMENDED FOR DELETION (September 30, 2005)

<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	<u>STATUS</u>	BAND/ <u>RANGE</u>	POSITIONS	SALARIES & EXPENSES
1309	Division Manager - Mental Health	Filled	Е	-1	78,268
1322	Mental Health Nurse I	Filled	1997	-3	171,901
1323	Mental Health Nurse II	Filled	2284	-1	64,644
1450	Licensed Vocational Nurse III	Filled	1129	-6	203,635
1468	Psychiatric Technician III	Filled	1273	-1	37,975
1494	Licensed Vocational Nurse II	Filled	985	-1	31,143
1564	Nurse Practitioner	Filled	2775	-2	175,092
1592	Recreational Therapist II	Filled	1377	-1	43,487
1963	Mental Health Worker I	Filled	685	-2	42,143
3037	Driver	Filled	804	-2	48,325
3160	Secretary IV	Filled	1156	<u>-1</u>	36,561
	Cost of Restoring Filled Positions			-21	\$ 933,174

VACANT POSITIONS RECOMMENDED FOR DELETION (September 30, 2005)

<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	<u>STATUS</u>	BAND/ RANGE	POSITIONS	SALARIES & <u>EXPENSES</u>
1363	Clinical Supervisor	Vacant	2356	-2	\$ 200,884
1591	Recreational Therapist I	Vacant	1229	-1	48,341
1917	Unlicensed Mental Health Clinician	Vacant	1552	-7	443,493
1919	Licensed Mental Health Clinician	Vacant	1867	-1	78,233
1920	Senior Licensed Mental Health Clinician	Vacant	2005	-5	391,024
1928	Community Mental Health Specialist II	Vacant	1241	-3	160,779
3080	Office Assistant III	Vacant	938	-1	40,946
	Cost of Restoring Vacant Positions			-20	\$ 1,363,700

DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BUDGET 5630 General Fund

	Actual 2003-04	Adopted 2004-05	Recommended 2005-06	Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY					
Appropriations					
Salaries & Benefits Services & Supplies Other Charges Residual Equity Transfer Fixed Assets	\$ 38,617,474 27,060,433 3,571,303 11,520 29,560	\$ 42,526,598 26,531,244 2,245,409 26,808 0	\$ 42,895,637 25,288,873 1,762,393 3,900 0	\$ 369,039 (1,242,371) (483,016) (22,908) 0	1% -5% -22% -85% 0%
Total Appropriations	\$ 69,290,290	\$ 71,330,059	\$ 69,950,803	\$ (1,379,256)	-2%
Revenues					
State Aid Federal Aid Charges for Services Misc. Revenues Realignment:	\$ 10,443,930 6,150,779 14,914,484 1,338,223	<pre>\$ 11,960,370 5,902,878 18,246,237 902,816</pre>	\$ 13,512,480 5,614,146 15,867,648 1,042,462	\$ 1,552,110 (288,732) (2,378,589) 139,646	13% -5% -13% 15%
Social Services Mental Health Intrafund Revenues	1,180,190 29,416,147 3,897,750	1,246,982 27,853,401 5,024,572	1,202,281 28,423,874 4,095,109	(44,701) 570,473 (929,463)	-4% 2% -18%
Total Revenues	\$ 67,341,503	\$ 71,137,256	\$ 69,758,000	\$ (1,379,256)	-2%
Net County Cost	\$ 1,948,787	\$ 192,803	\$ 192,803	\$0	0%
	Budgeted 2003-04	Current 2004-05	Recommended 2005-06	Increase/ Decrease	
Position Summary	627	635	611	(24)	
Depa	rtment Reque	ests Above Re	commended E	Budget	
				-	
Appropriations			2005-06		
Salaries & Benefits (Balance o	of Jail Psychiatric Serv	vices)	\$ 477,410		
Total Appropriations			\$ 477,410		
Net County Cost			\$ 477,410		

FUNCTION

The Department of Behavioral Health is one of the four human services departments and provides comprehensive, integrated services to the adult population requiring mental health, and social services program assistance. The department is organized into seven divisions: Intensive Services, Metro Services, Senior Care and Specialty Services, Community Integration Services, Regional Services, Forensic Services and Administrative Services. Crisis mental health services provided to consumers who need immediate treatment are provided within this department. In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS), Adult Protective Services (APS), and older adult mental health services are provided to keep adults aged 60 and over safe from abuse, neglect, and exploitation while encouraging independent living. Mental health programs teach skills for daily living helping consumers achieve independent living, employment, and socialization skills. Mental health services are provided to consumers at thirteen sites located throughout metropolitan and rural Fresno County.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget reflects a net County cost of \$192,803, unchanged from the prior year adopted budget. The proposed budget assumes repayment of 1999-00 audit exceptions of \$549,136. The County-operated substance abuse Perinatal Addiction Treatment and Health Services (PATHS) program has been moved to the Substance Abuse Organization 5602 budget. Staffing is recommended at 611 positions, a net decrease of 24 positions from the prior year level.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

The department has undertaken the challenge of redirecting its focus from the traditional medical/treatment to a recovery and wellness model for addressing mental illness and improving quality of life outcomes. In keeping with the framework of the Mental Health Services Act (Proposition 63), the department will preserve the intensive, crisis-oriented services for those who need it. Staff will actively involve consumers in their own recovery. For those individuals with serious and persistent mental illness who are currently stable, the department will maintain services that emphasize empowerment, recovery and wellness for the consumer. These programs will utilize peer support as a cornerstone, building on the person's strengths, providing them with practical tools to help them live successfully with their mental illness.

During the past fiscal year, the department has continued to emphasize improved operating efficiency and cost effectiveness. Efforts to curtail the escalating costs of pharmaceuticals have resulted in savings attributable to the increased use of samples and Patient Assistance Programs. A change to a Pharmaceutical Benefit Management (PBM) provider will produce further savings and will allow mental health consumers the convenience of obtaining their medications at any participating pharmacy.

Efforts to transition consumers residing in State hospitals and Institutions for Mental Disease (IMDs) to lower levels of care whenever possible are ongoing. Costs continue to grow while State revenues that support mental health programs have not kept pace. This trend is expected to continue over the next few years and will not support the growth in demand and increased costs for mental health services.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

SIGNIFICANT PROGRAM CHANGES

In order to meet the required Target Budget, significant administrative and program reductions which are in keeping with improved quality of life outcomes of recovery and wellness, are recommended:

- Department Administration The deletion of six positions is the result of downsizing the department's administrative and internal support units.
 - The deletion of one vacant Health Education Specialist position will eliminate support for education and training activities at the department level.
 - Elimination of two filled positions (one Program Technician, one Office Assistant), one filled Staff Analyst position that will transfer to Substance Abuse Services to support the PATHS program, and elimination of two vacant positions (one Secretary IV and one Staff Analyst) will impact the quality and timeliness of processing agenda items, agreements, correspondence, facilities requests, inventories, reports and administrative support, as the duties of these positions will be reassigned to existing staff within the department.
- Metro Services Reductions in the costs for medications, development of less restrictive/less costly alternatives to hospitalization services, improved billing to capture additional revenues, and integration of the STAR co-occurring treatment services into various programs throughout the department.
 - One Mental Health Worker added to assist conservatees residing out of county returning to Fresno for court appearances will result in a reduction in the department's reliance on County Security to monitor conservatees while they are waiting to appear in court.
 - Services from the Public Guardian are reduced to reflect actual caseloads for representative payee and conservatorship services in the prior year (\$270,000).
 - The implementation of cost reductions for medications, development of alternatives to hospitalization, and improved revenue generation was accomplished utilizing existing staff and resources from the Metro Services programs.
 - The elimination at mid-year of 2005-06 of two Mental Health Nurse positions and full year elimination of six positions (one Clinical Supervisor, four Senior Licensed Mental Health Clinician, one Community Mental Health Specialist) will require increased productivity of existing staff.
- Intensive Services Privatization of food services at the Apollo program, expansion of the Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF) from 16 beds to 30 beds, and transition of crisis response services from University Medical Center to Psychiatric Assessment Center for Treatment (PACT).
 - Privatization of food services at the Apollo program will result in modest cost savings (\$17,000) and the elimination of two Cook positions.
 - Expansion of the PHF will be accomplished by utilizing existing positions as follows: seven nursing and one Mental Health Worker positions currently assigned to University Medical Center and one clinician position assigned to PACT. The expansion will be financed through net savings of \$200,000 generated by the reduction in consumer placements in contract hospitals, as reflected in the Managed

Care 5601 budget. Ten new Mental Health Worker positions will be added to complete the expansion plan.

- The redesign of crisis response services from University Medical Center (UMC) to the PACT will be implemented which calls for all 5150 admissions to be directed to the PACT unit, except when an emergency medical condition exists. Two Mental Health Nurse, and six Licensed Vocational Nurse positions will be reassigned to staff the PHF Expansion. Crisis services at UMC will be provided for a transition period of nine months, after which the six clinicians assigned there will provide services from the PACT facility.
- The deletion of two Senior Licensed Mental Health Clinician and conversion of a Senior Licensed Mental Health Clinician to two Mental Health Worker I positions will provide the staffing needed to monitor the behavior of consumers assessed at the PACT.
- Jail Psychiatric Services Redesign of program scope, reducing focus to crisis evaluation and stabilization per Title XV mandates.
 - The shift in program focus will result in the elimination of one Senior Licensed Psychologist position, one Unlicensed Mental Health Clinician, two Senior Licensed Mental Health Clinician positions, and an estimated savings in medication costs of \$680,000.
 - Increased nursing services will be purchased from Department of Community Health for medication dispensing (\$97,000).
- Senior Care and Specialty Services An increase of \$33,000 for the District Attorney's Fraud Unit will provide ongoing investigation and prosecution of providers who misuse the In-Home Supportive Services program.
- PATHS Program A total of thirteen positions will be deleted from the 5630 budget as a
 result of the shift of this program to Substance Abuse Services budget 5602. One
 Clinical Supervisor, one Licensed Mental Health Clinician, one Substance Abuse
 Specialist I, four Substance Abuse Specialist II, two Senior Substance Abuse Specialist,
 one Driver, one Supervising Office Assistant II, and two Office Assistant III will be added
 to Substance Abuse Services budget 5602. In addition, one vacant Social Worker Aide
 II position will be eliminated as a result of the closure of the Narcotic Replacement
 Therapy component of the program.

SALARIES AND BENEFITS

• Salaries and Benefits reflect a 1% increase from the prior year adopted budget. Staffing is recommended at 611 positions.

SERVICES AND SUPPLIES

• Services and Supplies represent a 5% decrease due primarily to savings in pharmaceuticals, contracted services associated with Institutes of Mental Disease beds and offset by increases in data processing and PeopleSoft charges.

OTHER CHARGES

• Other Charges reflect a decrease of 22% from the 2004-05 level related to charges for Departmental Overhead Allocation and reduced use of State Hospital beds.

RESIDUAL EQUITY TRANSFERS (\$3,900)

(1). Facsimile Machine	\$1,500 Replacement – IHSS
(1) Facsimile Machine	2,400 Replacement – JPS

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

- Revenues are recommended at a 2% decrease from the prior year.
 - State Aid Increase of 13% due to Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT), Proposition 63 planning allocation, which is a new revenue source in the department in Fiscal Year 2004-05, and State Welfare Administration revenues due to a shift in sharing ratios. These increases are partially offset by reduction in the Managed Care Allocation, reduced funding for the Assembly Bill 2034 program, and a reduction in State Department of Rehabilitation revenues to adjust estimates to reflect actual receipts in prior year.
 - Federal Aid Decrease of 5% due to reduction in Federal Welfare Administration revenue based on a shift in the cost-sharing ratios and actual usage of the allocation for Older Adult programs, increased Federal funding for the Public Authority due to the waiver, and an allocation increase in the Federal PATHS homeless program grant.
 - Charges for Services Represents a decrease of 13% based on actual Medi-Cal receipts in the prior year.
 - Miscellaneous Revenues Increase of 15% for conservatee Supplemental Security Income/State Supplemental Payment reimbursements from the Public Guardian based on actual receipts.
 - State/Local Program Social Services Realignment Trust Fund Decrease of 4% from the 2004-05 level based on available revenue. This funds the required Maintenance-of-Effort and County match to support social services Older Adult programs.
 - State/Local Program Mental Health Realignment Trust Fund Increase of 2% due to increased available Mental Health Realignment revenue. The Mental Health Realignment Trust Fund is used to offset share of cost for Medi-Cal, and all nonreimbursed costs.
 - Intrafund Revenues Decrease of 18% is due primarily to shift of PATHS substance abuse program and corresponding CalWORKs revenue to Org 5602. This also includes reimbursement from County Personnel for employment fitness evaluations; the second year of a three-year program funded by the Sheriff's Department for mental health services to newly released inmates in order to reduce recidivism; and, the Department of Employment and Temporary Assistance to reflect the estimated County Expense Claim revenue.

PENDING FACTORS

• The department intends to restructure services providing care only to consumers and those indigent adults diagnosed as serious and persistent mentally ill. Implementation of this restructure is expected to reduce the number of unsponsored consumers treated with medications and case management services. There is no cost savings assumed in the proposed budget related to this strategy. Once fully implemented, significant savings in medications and staffing costs are anticipated. This transition will affect approximately 3,000 individuals annually who are currently receiving services paid for by County realignment funding who do not have a diagnosis of serious and persistent mental illness.

- The department is exploring opportunities for privatization of services in several programs, including the Apollo and the Psychiatric Health Facility. No savings have been included in the requested budget, but should analysis prove program feasibility and fiscal benefit, recommendations will be made to proceed during Fiscal Year 2005-06.
- The Department of Mental Health Master Plan states recovery oriented services should be part of the Mental Health delivery system. Several years ago, the department created the consumer Peer Support and Recovery Program and the United Consumer Advocacy Network (UCAN) with use of extra-help employees. The Student Professional Worker (SPW) classification was chosen for the extra-help employees because there was no permanent classification to hire consumers to provide these specialized services. The SPWs work with other consumers on their road to recovery in various programs throughout the department. They also provide recovery training programs to other programs/departments throughout the County, the Fresno Police Department, etc. Some of these SPWs have worked as extrahelp for more than three years. The department will be seeking to provide permanence to these long-term extra-help employees.
- Any changes as a result of the State Budget could necessitate changes in the department budget.
- An item is scheduled for Board action that will increase the salary and benefits for Licensed Vocational Nurse classifications by \$150,000.

DEPARTMENT REQUESTS ABOVE RECOMMENDED BUDGET

The Department of Behavioral Health requests funding above the recommended Target Budget for the restoration of specific staffing, including reinstatement of program reductions and associated operational costs. These requests are listed below in the department's order of priority:

PRIORITY ONE – RESTORE FUNDING FOR STAFF AND OPERATIONAL COSTS – JAIL PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES TREATMENT PROGRAM

The department has requested restoration of six positions required to be deleted to meet the Target Budget. Impacts due to the deletion of these positions are discussed in the Significant Program Changes section of this narrative. Restoration of funding for the following is being requested:

Tc	TAL DEPARTMENT REQUESTS ABOVE RECOMMENDED BUDGET	<u>\$477,410</u>
<u>Tc</u>	TAL NET COUNTY COST OF PRIORITY ONE	<u>\$477,410</u>
٠	One Unlicensed Mental Health Clinician (vacant)	73,628
•	One Community Mental Health Specialist (filled)	59,813
•	One Senior Licensed Psychologist (filled)	103,309
•	One Senior Licensed Mental Health Clinician (filled)	93,404
•	Two Unlicensed Mental Health Clinician (filled)	\$147,256

REGULAR SALARIES

BUDGETED POSITIONS

<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	BAND/ <u>RANGE</u>	POS CURRENT	SITIONS RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED SALARIES
1309	Division Manager - Mental Health	E	4	4	\$ 311,896
1322	Mental Health Nurse	1997	3	3	192,513
1323	Mental Health Nurse I	2284	33	31	2,387,696
1324	Health Education Specialist	1334	1	0	0
1347	Utilization Review Specialist	2176	1	1	59,592
1363	Clinical Supervisor	2356	22	20	1,530,209
1367	Psychiatrist	А	21	21	2,920,060
1450	Licensed Vocational Nurse III	1129	23	23	825,276
1454	Nursing Services Manager	E	1	1	70,460
1463	Psychiatric Technician II	1162	6	6	221,364
1450	Licensed Vocational Nurse III (PT)	1129	1	1	29,328
1467	Psychiatric Technician I	1046	1	1	29,970
1468	Psychiatric Technician III	1273	8	8	314,186
1494	Licensed Vocational Nurse II	985	1	1	32,006
1501	Admitting Interviewer I	849	5	5	138,119
1564	Nurse Practitioner	2775	1	1	86,227
1592	Recreational Therapist II	1377	7	7	313,040
1593	Senior Admitting Interviewer	1121	1	1	36,452
1670	Admitting Interviewer II	997	4	4	129,376
1904	Job Specialist II	1324	2	2	74,721
1910	Senior Licensed Psychologist	2232	3	2	144,924
1911	Licensed Psychologist	2103	1	1	68,276
1917	Unlicensed Mental Health Clinician	1552	30	29	1,406,014
1919	Licensed Mental Health Clinician	1867	13	12	691,860
1920	Senior Licensed Mental Health Clinician	2005	58	49	3,131,553
1920	Senior Licensed Mental Health Clinician (PT)	2005	1	1	52,078
1924	Social Services Program Manager	E	1	1	77,454
1926	Mental Health Consumer Advocate	1403	1	1	45,604
1927	Community Mental Health Specialist I	1124	17	16	535,660
1928	Community Mental Health Specialist II	1241	70	70	2,772,756
1930	Social Work Supervisor	1912	7	7	434,616
1931	Social Work Practitioner	1640	5	5	227,097
1935	Social Worker III	1503	52	52	2,518,559
1940	Social Worker II	1337	7	7	290,680
1945	Social Worker I	1214	11	11	339,885
1946	Medical Interpreter Escort	702	3	3	68,406
1951	Substance Abuse Specialist I	1136	1	0	0
1952	Substance Abuse Specialist II	1235	4	0	0
1953	Senior Substance Abuse Specialist	1384	2	0	0
1960	Mental Health Worker II	831	20	20	524,716
1963	Mental Health Worker I	685	11	24	398,547
2212	Systems and Procedures Analyst III	1978	4	4	243,749
2240	Senior Systems & Procedures Analyst	2215	1	1	67,906
2292	Staff Analyst II	1621	2	1	51,856
2293	Staff Analyst III	1872	8	7	402,603
2293	Senior Staff Analyst	F	4	4	234,475
2294	Principal Staff Analyst	E	3	3	206,310
2316	Deputy Director of Behavioral Health	D	1	1	86,294
2350	IHSS Public Authority Executive Director	E	1	1	70,564
0294	Assistant Director of Adult Services	D	2	2	180,102
3037	Driver	804	5	4	104,416
5057		004	5	7	104,410

<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	BAND/ RANGE	<u>POS</u> CURRENT	<u>SITIONS</u> RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED SALARIES
<u>JCN</u>		KANGE	CORRENT	RECOMMENDED	JALARIES
3070	Supervising Office Assistant II	1253	11	10	\$ 405,700
3078	Supervising Office Assistant I	1065	1	1	34,554
3080	Office Assistant III	938	66	63	1,886,667
3110	Office Assistant II	843	42	42	1,034,014
3110	Office Assistant II (HT)	843	1	1	12,014
3111	Office Assistant II - Confidential	850	1	1	27,612
3142	Secretary II	938	1	1	30,136
3160	Secretary IV	1156	8	7	257,949
3166	Administrative Secretary - Conf.	1290	1	1	41,886
3260	Account Clerk III	991	1	1	32,162
3620	Program Technician I	1115	1	1	36,192
3621	Program Technician II	1248	2	1	35,934
5020	Cook	861	2	0	0
5093	Social Worker Aide II	855	1	0	0
8073	Director of Adult Services	В	1	1	105,586
Subtotal			635	611	\$ 29,019,857
	Auto Allowance				6,156
	Shift Differential				218,152
	Bilingual Skill Pay				120,016
	Standby Pay				80,000
	Less Salary Savings				(2,022,991)
TOTAL					¢ 07 404 400

TOTAL REGULAR SALARIES

\$ 27,421,190

FILLED POSITIONS RECOMMENDED FOR DELETION

(September 30, 2005)

<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	<u>STATUS</u>	BAND/ <u>RANGE</u>	POSITIONS	-	ALARIES &
1363	Clinical Supervisor	Filled	2299	-1	\$	106,011
1919	Licensed Mental Health Clinician	Filled	1867	-1		81,443
1920	Senior Licensed Mental Health Clinician	Filled	2005	-4		455,430
1952	Substance Abuse Specialist II	Filled	1235	-4		220,909
1953	Senior Substance Abuse Specialist	Filled	1384	-1		64,644
2293	Staff Analyst III	Filled	1872	-1		74,862
3037	Driver	Filled	804	-1		39,973
3070	Supervising Office Assistant II	Filled	1253	-1		59,089
3080	Office Assistant III	Filled	938	-2		91,248
3621	Program Technician II	Filled	1248			57,396
	Cost of Restoring Filled Positions			-17	\$	1,251,005

VACANT POSITIONS RECOMMENDED FOR DELETION

(September 30, 2005)

<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	<u>STATUS</u>	BAND/ RANGE	POSITIONS	-	ALARIES &
1324	Health Education Specialist	Vacant	2284	-1	\$	53,655
1363	Clinical Supervisor	Vacant	2299	-1		101,241
1910	Senior Licensed Psychologist	Vacant	2232	-1		100,729
1917	Unlicensed Mental Health Clinician	Vacant	1552	-1		71,834
1920	Senior Licensed Mental Health Clinician	Vacant	2005	-5		401,934
1927	Community Mental Health Specialist I	Vacant	1124	-1		52,321
1951	Substance Abuse Specialist I	Vacant	1136	-1		46,515
1953	Senior Substance Abuse Specialist	Vacant	1384	-1		61,849
2292	Staff Analyst II	Vacant	1621	-1		64,248
3080	Office Assistant III	Vacant	938	-1		45,551
3160	Secretary IV	Vacant	1156	-1		50,536
5020	Cook	Vacant	861	-2		84,784
5093	Social Worker Aide II	Vacant	855			36,463
	Cost of Restoring Vacant Positions			-18	\$	1,171,660
FILLED	D POSITIONS RECOMMENDED FOR DELETION	(De	ecember 18, 2005))		
			BAND/		SA	ALARIES &

<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	<u>STATUS</u>	RANGE	POSITIONS	<u> </u>	<u>XPENSES</u>
1323	Mental Health Nurse II	Filled	2284	-2	\$	100,356
	Cost of Restoring Filled Positions			-2	\$	100,356

MENTAL HEALTH MANAGED CARE BUDGET 5601 General Fund

	_	Actual 2003-04	_	Adopted 2004-05	F	Recommended 2005-06	_	Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY									
Appropriations									
Salaries & Benefits Services & Supplies Other Charges Fixed Assets	\$	1,985,701 10,356,308 320,833 0	\$	2,909,229 11,507,679 300,348 0	\$	2,629,739 12,151,186 319,172 6,370	\$	(279,490) 643,507 18,824 6,370	-10% 6% 6% 100%
Total Appropriations	\$	12,662,842	\$	14,717,256	\$	15,106,467	\$	389,211	3%
Revenues									
State Aid Federal Aid Charges for Services Intrafund Revenue	\$	7,092,514 2,569 5,456,505 (1,588)	\$	7,421,151 0 7,296,105 0	\$	7,993,244 0 7,113,223 0	\$	572,093 0 (182,882) 0	8% 0% -3% 0%
Total Revenues	\$	12,550,000	\$	14,717,256	\$	15,106,467	\$	389,211	3%
Net County Cost	\$	112,842	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	0%
	_	Budgeted 2003-04	_	Current 2004-05	F -	Recommended 2005-06	_	Increase/ Decrease	
Position Summary		30		43		39		(4)	

MENTAL HEALTH MANAGED CARE – 5601

FUNCTION

Fresno County contracts with the California Department of Mental Health to operate as a Mental Health Plan and to provide services to enrolled Medi-Cal beneficiaries. Managed Care provides oversight of this State contract. Oversight responsibilities include the screening, authorization, referral, coordination, and payment of medically necessary mental health services, and ensuring that consumers receive timely access to these mental health services. Utilization Review is responsible for the Quality Improvement activities for the Mental Health Plan. These activities include providing a grievance and appeals process for consumers and ensuring that the quality management standards are enforced and monitored in all mental health service programs.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget totals \$15,106,467. There is no County cost associated with this budget. The State Managed Care allocation, Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment funds (EPSDT) and Medi-Cal patient fees fund all costs. Staffing is recommended at 39 positions, a reduction of 4 positions from the prior year level.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

The Managed Care program administers service agreements with 135 individual providers and 6 organizational providers of outpatient mental health services. Inpatient services are contracted with three inpatient providers in various counties across the state. Mental health services authorized for contracted providers total \$11.5 million.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

SIGNIFICANT PROGRAM CHANGES

The number of indigent consumers that require treatment in crisis inpatient facilities has increased and, due to the restricted bed availability in the County facility (Psychiatric Health Facility – PHF), these consumers must be cared for in more expensive contracted hospitals. Since there is no third-party payer source, the only funding available is the Managed Care Allocation or Realignment funds. In order to more efficiently use these County match funds, the Department of Behavioral Health plans to expand the PHF by 14 beds to serve indigent consumers at a significantly lower cost than contract service. As a result of this, the Managed Care budget will realize a decreased use of the Managed Care Allocation. The savings in Allocation revenue allow these funds to be budgeted to the Departments of Behavioral Health and Children and Family Services to fund mental health costs. A \$2.4 million expenditure reduction is reflected in this budget which is dependent on the PHF expansion.

SALARIES AND BENEFITS

 Salaries and Benefits represent a net decrease of 10% from the prior year. The requested budget includes increases in employee benefits and increases associated with COLA and normal step increases. These increases are offset by the elimination of four positions from the prior year.

MENTAL HEALTH MANAGED CARE – 5601

- The elimination of one Supervising Office Assistant II position in Medical Records is due to a duplication of supervisory duties created when the Medical Records Coordinator returned from extended leave. One vacant Office Assistant II position in Medical Records is also requested for deletion to achieve cost efficiencies. The remaining staff is sufficient to process the current workload.
- The elimination of one vacant Office Assistant III position and one vacant Utilization Review Specialist position in Managed Care reflects staffing pattern adjustment to reflect workload adjustments associated with the PHF expansion.

SERVICES AND SUPPLIES

• Services and Supplies represent a 6% increase from the prior year due primarily to an increase in provider contract costs based on service demand and an increase in data processing services.

OTHER CHARGES

• Other Charges are recommended at \$319,172. This represents support costs from Human Services Finance.

FIXED ASSETS (\$6,370)

(1) Copy Machine.......\$ 6,370.....(R)-Medical Records

 One replacement copier is included for Medical Records. The current copier is in a high use area and has been in use for over 6 years. Replacement is necessary due to the number of service calls necessary to keep the current copier operational and the need in that area. Funding is available through the Managed Care allocation with no net County cost.

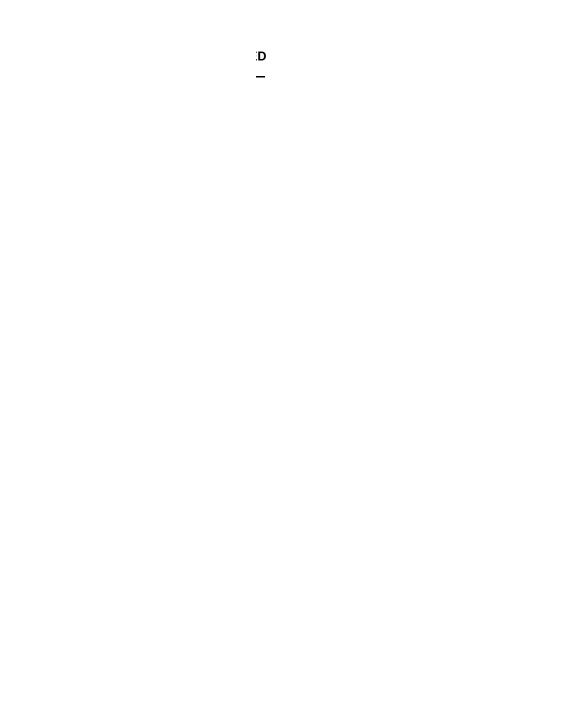
SUMMARY OF REVENUES

- Revenues are recommended at \$15,106,467 a 3% (\$389,211) increase over the prior year.
 - State Aid Estimated to increase due primarily to an increase in the use of the Managed Care Allocation to fund the cost of the Medical Records staff previously in the Human Services (HS) Finance budget (5600). This increase is partially offset with a reduction in estimated EPSDT revenue based on actual receipts in the current year.
 - Charges for Services Reflects a decrease due to reduced MediCal receipts in the prior year. MediCal billing procedures changed in the prior year to comply with audit exceptions received the last two years.

REGULAR SALARIES

BUDGETED POSITIONS

JCN	TITLE	BAND/ RANGE		TIONS RECOMMENDED		COMMENDE SALARIES
1309	Division Manager - Mental Health	Е	1	1	\$	85,020
1323	Mental Health Nurse II	2284	2	2	Ŧ	151,415
1347	Utilization Review Specialist	2176	9	8		563,459
1363	Clinical Supervisor	2356	1	1		76,492
1444	Managed Care Coordinator	Е	1	1		77,870
1550	Med. Records Coordinator	1810	1	1		58,812
1560	Provider Relations Specialist	1114	3	3		106,089
2292	Staff Analyst II	1621	1	1		51,472
2294	Senior Staff Analyst	F	1	1		66,326
3110	Office Assistant II	843	7	6		153,508
3070	Supervising Office Assistant II	1253	2	1		40,690
3080	Office Assistant III	938	13	12		359,372
3140	Secretary III	1048	1	1		30,489
Subtotal			43	39	\$	1,821,014
	Bilingual Skill Pay					4,200
	Less Salary Savings					(20,754)
						(20,704)
TOTAL F	REGULAR SALARIES				\$	1,804,460
FILLED	POSITIONS RECOMMENDED FOR DELETION	(September 3	30, 2005)			
<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	<u>STATUS</u>	BAND/ RANGE	POSITIONS	-	ALARIES & EXPENSES
3070	Supervising Office Assistant II	Filled	1253	<u>-1</u>	\$	60,531
	Cost of Restoring Filled Positions			-1	\$	60,531
VACAN	POSITIONS RECOMMENDED FOR DELETION	(September 3	30, 2005)			
<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	<u>STATUS</u>	BAND/ <u>RANGE</u>	POSITIONS		ALARIES & EXPENSES
1347	Utilization Review Specialist	Vacant	2176	-1	\$	57,354
3110	Office Assistant II	Vacant	843	-1	Ψ	37,577
3080	Office Assistant III	Filled	938	-1		46,782
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	Cost of Restoring Vacant Positions			-3	\$	94,931



SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES BUDGET 5602 General Fund

	_	Actual 2003-04	_	Adopted 2004-05	F	Recommended 2005-06	_	Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY									
Appropriations									
Salaries & Benefits Services & Supplies Other Charges	\$	1,298,811 15,475,721 372,722	\$	1,489,847 18,843,086 372,759	\$	2,494,627 20,072,743 338,827	\$	1,004,780 1,229,657 (33,932)	67% 7% 9%
Total Appropriations	\$	17,147,254	\$	20,705,692	\$	22,906,197	\$	2,200,505	11%
Revenues									
Fines, Forf. & Penalties State Aid Federal Aid Charges for Services Trust Fund Other Financing Intrafund Revenue Total Revenues	\$	0 4,885,885 2,467,469 8,252,950 1,962,808 (158,993) 0	\$	257,659 9,290,648 4,956,698 4,687,023 1,469,932 0 0	\$	0 9,935,005 5,934,509 5,340,287 937,023 0 715,641	\$	(257,659) 644,357 977,811 653,264 (532,909) 0 715,641	-100% 7% 20% 14% -36% 0% 100%
Total Revenues	\$	17,410,119	Φ	20,661,960	\$	22,862,465	\$	2,200,505	11%
Net County Cost	\$	(262,865)	\$	43,732	\$	43,732	\$	0	0%
	_	Budgeted 2003-04	_	Current 2004-05	F _	Recommended 2005-06	_	Increase/ Decrease	
Position Summary		26		26		40		14	

SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES – 5602

FUNCTION

The Department of Behavioral Health, Substance Abuse Services (SAS) division is responsible for planning, developing, and administering a countywide substance abuse prevention and treatment service delivery system. This division's mission is to support appropriate education, prevention, and treatment services to reduce or eliminate alcohol and other drug-related barriers to ongoing health, well-being, and economic independence of individuals and families. Fresno County offers a wide range of primary and secondary prevention and treatment services, which include: detoxification, short-term and long-term residential and outpatient programs; and ancillary services including sober living centers. Programs include Drug Court Partnership, Proposition 36, Parolee Services Network, Driving Under the Influence (DUI), and Penal Code 1000 programs. Substance Abuse Services administers alcohol and drug prevention and treatment services primarily through contracts with community service providers. Community service providers are secured through competitive bid processes and provide substance abuse prevention and treatment services in both rural and urban locations. Substance abuse services are also provided through collaborative agreements with other County departments. The division also functions as the point of contact for Fresno County with the State Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs for all alcohol and drug services and activities.

OVERVIEW

The FY 2005-06 Recommended Budget of \$22,906,197, reflects an increase of 11% over the current year. Net County cost is recommended at the current year level of \$43,732, as a County match for State substance abuse funding. Staffing is recommended at 40 positions, an increase of 14 positions from 2004-05 due to the planned transfer of the Perinatal Addiction, Treatment and Health Services (PATHS) program and support staff from the Department of Behavioral Health (5630).

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

The misuse of alcohol and other drugs creates barriers to successful life outcomes for a large percentage of Human Services' clients and families. Over the past year, significant program changes include relocating the majority of the division staff; increasing the number of adolescent treatment sites from three to 16, including rural areas; assuming responsibility for the operation of the Perinatal Addiction Treatment & Health Services (PATHS) program; closing of the PATHS Narcotic Therapy Program (NTP) and the transfer of 74 clients from the PATHS NTP to community-based providers; completion of major revisions to the Proposition 36 program; the restructuring and redesign of prevention services; and the continued cooperative effort with Departments of Employment & Temporary Assistance, Children & Family Services, and the Sheriff to develop outcome data to evaluate treatment effectiveness.

Goals for FY 2005-06 include increasing the number of adolescent admissions into treatment; implementation of quality management for the Drug Medi-Cal service providers; increasing the number of clients served through the PATHS program; implementation of a state-mandated information gathering system (CalOMs) designed to collect program outcome measurement data; and continuing to review funding announcements and to submit proposals for federal funding to enhance and expand existing services.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES – 5602

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

SIGNIFICANT PROGRAM CHANGES

- Transfer management and fiscal responsibility for the PATHS program and its 14 staff positions to SAS (5602). The program will be funded by Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) block grant funding, CalWORKS Substance Abuse allocation, Prop. 36; Medi-Cal Drug Abuse funding and Patient Fees with no net County cost. The program's focus in FY 2005-06 will be to strengthen the curriculum by enhancing gender-specific treatment approaches, enhancing services for family members, increasing the number of individuals served and developing the site as a training opportunity through partnerships with local colleges and universities.
- Allocate full year funding (\$218,568) to support two Utilization Review Specialist and one Program Technician positions added mid-year 2004-05. The staff provide programmatic oversight and clinical accountability of Drug Medi-Cal contract providers and will implement the new State mandated reporting system.

SALARIES AND BENEFITS

• Salaries and Benefits of \$2,494,627 represent an increase of 67% (\$1,004,780), due to the addition of 14 positions related to the PATHS program. Also included are increases in employee benefits, step increases and a COLA to be effective mid-year.

SERVICES AND SUPPLIES

- Services and Supplies of \$20,072,743 represent an increase of 7% from the prior year due primarily to increases in Data Processing Services and PeopleSoft HR Charges that reflect costs for the information system and direct timekeeping charges. Professional & Specialized Services is increasing based on actual use projections and an increased number of Drug Medi-Cal providers. The Teilman Service Center program, operated by Children & Family Services, became self-sustaining through billing of Drug Medi-Cal, enabling the funds to be allocated to other treatment services for FY 2005-06.
- Slight decreases occurred within Mobile Communications, Publications and Small Tools. Slight increases occurred within Building Maintenance, Office Expense and Postage. Rents and Leases – Buildings decreased by 51%. All changes are reflective of the move to UMC campus and resulting changes in estimated expenses.

OTHER CHARGES

• Other Charges of \$338,827 reflect a decrease of 9% for departmental overhead charges from Human Services Finance (5600).

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

- Revenues are recommended at \$22,862,465, an 11% increase from the prior year.
 - Fines, Forfeitures & Penalties Represents a 100% decrease due to the accounting method used to recognize these revenues. For FY 2005-06, these revenues are included in the Trust Fund category.
 - State Aid Represents a 7% increase due to an adjustment in the State General Fund match to Drug Medi-Cal in 2004-05, the inclusion of the PATHS program and projected expansion of Drug Medi-Cal services, particularly in adolescent outpatient services.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES – 5602

- Federal Aid Represents a 20% increase due to projected expansion of Drug Medi-Cal services, particularly in adolescent outpatient services, and an increase in the Federal portion of the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment block grant allocation.
- Charges for Services Reflects a 14% increase due to the transfer of the PATHS program, increases in the number of Drug Medi-Cal providers billing for services, and paying the county for monitoring and program oversight.
- Trust Fund Reflects a 36% decrease in usage of Substance Abuse Trust funds compared to the prior year due to anticipated increases in Federal funds.
- Intrafund Revenue Revenue included for PATHS as a share of the CalWORKs Substance Abuse allocation that partially funds that program.

PENDING FACTORS

- SB 1694, which requires an assessment of all second offender Driving Under the Influence (DUI) clients and first offender DUI clients with prior public inebriety charges could result in possible increased program costs offset with new revenues.
- Proposed federal budget changes for Federal FY 2006, particularly the recommended elimination of the Federal Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities programs, would mean the loss of funding for the Fresno Unified School District's Operation RID program.
- Possible increases in revenue and expenditures relative to the final outcome of the local planning for Proposition 63, the Mental Health Initiative.
- The Proposition 36 program is due to expire in FY 2005-06. Senator Ducheny has introduced legislation (SB-803) to continue the program indefinitely. The outcome of that legislation would impact approximately \$ 3,041,777 in local allocation.

REGULAR SALARIES

BUDGETED POSITIONS

<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	BAND/ RANGE	POS CURRENT	BITIONS RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED SALARIES	
1347	Utilization Review Specialist	2176	2	2	\$	119,184
1363	Clinical Supervisor	2356	0	2	φ	72,852
1445	Deputy Alcohol and Drug Program Administrator	2330 E	1	1		80,106
1919	Licensed Mental Health Clinician	1867	0	1		57,746
1951	Substance Abuse Specialist I	1136	0	1		31,096
1952	Substance Abuse Specialist II	1253	6	10		376,685
1953	Senior Substance Abuse Specialist	1384	3	5		217,523
2291	Staff Analyst I	1460	1	2		79,950
2293	Staff Analyst III	1872	3	3		178,340
2294	Senior Staff Analyst	F	2	2		126,152
2297	Principal Staff Analyst	E	2	2		132,054
3037	Driver	804	0	1		26,104
3070	Supervising Office Assistant II	1253	0	1		40,690
3080	Office Assistant III	938	2	4		116,264
3110	Office Assistant II	843	2	2		53,604
3160	Secretary IV	1156	1	1		37,518
3620	Program Tech I	1115	1	1		30,537
Subtotal			26	40	\$	1,776,405
	Bilingual Skill Pay					2,600
	Hazzard Duty Pay					2,400
	Less Salary Savings					(87,438)
TOTAL REGULAR SALARIES						1,693,967

BEHAVIORIAL HEALTH IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES BUDGET 6420 General Fund

	Actual 2003-04	Adopted 2004-05	Recommended 2005-06	Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY					
Appropriations					
Other Charges	\$ 24,767,786	\$ 28,584,747	\$ 33,083,142	\$ 4,498,395	16%
Total Appropriations	\$ 24,767,786	\$ 28,584,747	\$ 33,083,142	\$ 4,498,395	16%
Revenues					
State Aid Federal Aid Misc Revenues Realignment Social Services	\$0 0 5,060 12,272,507	\$0 0 28,584,747	\$ 3,183,819 4,898,183 0 25,001,140	\$ 3,183,819 4,898,183 0 (3,583,607)	100% 100% 0% -13%
Total Revenues	\$ 12,277,567	\$ 28,584,747	\$ 33,083,142	\$ 4,498,395	16%
Net County Cost	\$ 12,490,219	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH/IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES – 6420

FUNCTION

The In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program is administered through the Department of Behavioral Health and provides services to eligible older and disabled individuals who are unable to perform certain activities themselves and who cannot remain in their own homes unless such services are available. This includes the Personal Care Services Program (PCSP) which provides in-home services for Medi-Cal eligible clients. These services include domestic services, heavy cleaning, non-medical personal services, transportation, yard hazard abatement, and protective supervision. While these services are funded with established Federal/State/County cost-sharing ratios, this budget only reflects Fresno County's portion of the salary-related program costs and all of the costs associated with the health benefits for the providers.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget of \$33,083,142 is a 16% increase from the Adopted 2004-05 Budget. The County's share-of-cost is financed with Social Services Realignment revenue (\$25,001,140). The balance of \$8,082,002 represents the State and Federal share of provider health benefits.

On August 1, 2004, a Federal waiver was approved for the portion of IHSS cases that had not previously been eligible for Federal revenue offset. That represented 20% of the total caseload in Fresno County. Because of the waiver and the additional Federal revenue to offset a portion of the program costs, the County share of those costs was reduced from 20.5% to 17.5%. This allowed a shift of \$3.6 million in Social Service Realignment revenue from this program to social service programs that had been funded by County general funds.

In response to increasing cases and paid provider hours, the program instituted staff retraining and more vigorous oversight of current, as well as new cases. This effort resulted in a decrease in paid hours in Fiscal Year 2003-04 and no increase in hours in the current year. Because of this effort and resulting leveling of these caseloads, no increase is recommended in this budget.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

OTHER CHARGES

• Recommended funding of \$33,083,142 represents the estimated County, State and Federal portion of provider health benefits (\$9,796,366) and the County share-of-cost paid to the State for Fresno County clients (\$23,286,776). The total number of persons to be served is projected to decrease from the current year estimate of 12,381 to 12,100 in 2005-06. This represents a 2.3% (281) decrease in number of clients served. The number of total service hours in the recommended budget will remain at the current year estimate of 14,734,611. Due to an increase in wages and the inclusion of State and Federal funding for provider health benefits (not recognized in the current year adopted budget), the total costs included in this budget have increased 16%. The County share-of-cost portion has decreased by \$3,583,607 (13%) due primarily to the Federal waiver. This decrease is impacted by an increase in provider hourly wages from \$8.00 to \$8.15 effective July 1, 2005.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH/IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES – 6420

STAFFING

• Staffing is recommended at the 2004-05 level. Staff support is provided through the Department of Behavioral Health budget (5630) and nursing supervision is provided through the Department of Community Health budget (5620). The operation of the Public Authority is provided through a contractual arrangement and included in the Department of Behavioral Health budget (5630). Also included in the Department of Behavioral Health budget (5630). Also included in the Department of Behavioral Health budget (5630) are seven staff to provide a quality assurance component to the program. These dedicated and specialized staff are charged with ensuring program integrity, including fraud detection and prevention, in the administration of supportive services.

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

- Revenues are recommended at \$33,083,142, a 16% increase over the prior year.
 - State Revenue This revenue was not included in the prior year adopted budget but was added mid-year to recognize State participation in provider health benefits.
 - Federal Revenue Revenues were not included in the prior year adopted budget but were added mid-year to recognize Federal participation in provider health benefits.
 - State/Local Program Social Services Realignment Trust Fund Reflects an decrease from the prior year adopted budget due to the inclusion of State and Federal revenues to offset a portion of health benefits.

PENDING FACTORS

• The Governor's Budget released in January includes a reduction in planned State participation in wages and benefits to minimum wage only, currently set at \$6.75 per hour. This would be implemented in two parts. As of July 1, 2005, the State would roll-back participation to the rates that had been approved as of June 30, 2004. On October 1, 2005, the approved rate for State participation would be reduced to minimum wage. Effective July 1, 2005, Fresno County IHSS wages are scheduled to increase to \$8.15 per-hour with \$0.60 per-hour for health benefits. Should the Governor's proposal be adopted by the legislature and Fresno County elects to continue paying the wage and benefit package, there could be an increase in County participation of over \$11 million. This change would also impact the cost of the Public Authority by increasing the County share percentage to match this aid budget.

EMPLOYMENT AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE BUDGET 5610 General Fund

	_	Actual 2003-04	_	Adjusted 2004-05		Recommended 2005-06	_	Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY									
Appropriations									
Salaries & Benefits Services & Supplies Other Charges Residual Equity Transfer	\$	57,815,494 22,982,885 43,914,355 136,122	\$	64,224,401 25,577,227 46,281,564 371,800	\$	75,397,877 31,669,394 42,756,665 254,500	\$	11,173,476 6,092,167 (3,524,899) (117,300)	17% 24% -8% 0
Total Appropriations	\$	124,848,856	\$	136,454,992	\$	150,078,436	\$	13,623,444	10%
Revenues									
State Aid Federal Aid Designation for FY 04-05	\$	62,623,770 55,338,724	\$	72,205,275 58,368,360	\$	50,740,333 92,673,105	\$	(21,464,942) 34,304,745	-30% 59%
E&TA Services Misc. Revenues Realignment Social Services Intrafund Revenues		0 2,938,034 2,945,829 54,152		850,000 545,002 3,600,000 204,659		0 1,334,145 4,475,998 173,159		(850,000) 789,143 875,998 (31,500)	-100% 145% 24% -15%
Total Revenues	\$	123,900,509	\$	135,773,296	\$	149,396,740	\$	13,623,444	10%
Net County Cost	\$	948,347	\$	681,696	\$	681,696	\$	0	0%
	_	Budgeted 2003-04	_	Current 2004-05		Recommended 2005-06	_	Increase/ Decrease	
Position Summary		1,272		1,314		1,314		0	

FUNCTION

The Department of Employment and Temporary Assistance (E&TA) is responsible for the administration of public assistance programs, which include CalWORKs, Employment Services, Medi-Cal, Food Stamps, Refugee Assistance, and General Relief programs. CalWORKs (California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids) is California's version of the Federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program. E&TA is also responsible for eligibility determination and payment authorization for the Aid to Adoptions, Foster Care cash assistance, and childcare subsidies for families currently or previously receiving cash aid. Additionally, the department administers the Adolescent Family Life Program (AFLP) and Cal-Learn program, which offer support services to adolescents who are pregnant or custodial parents.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget of \$150,078,436 reflects a 10% (\$13,623,444) increase in appropriations and estimated revenues from the 2004-05 Adopted Budget primarily due to increased benefit rates, full-year funding for 36 new positions added mid-year 2004-05 for Medi-Cal eligibility services and CalWIN pre-implementation activities, and other costs associated with CalWIN pre-implementation activities. Both the net County cost of \$681,696 and staffing level of 1,314 positions remain the same as the prior year.

In July 2004, the Federal government restarted the Hmong Refugee Resettlement Program; since then, over 2,300 refugees have been relocated to Fresno County, many of whom are receiving assistance through programs administered by the department. In addition, during the prior year, overall public assistance cases increased by 16%; CalWORKs increased by 5% (1,389 cases); non-assistance Food Stamp increased by 35% (3,935 cases); General Relief increased by 14% (125 cases); and Medi-Cal increased by 14% (9,614 cases). Upward caseload trends are anticipated to continue for 2005-06. Estimated value of cash assistance issued by the department on behalf of the needy families and foster children is \$230 million. Based on the caseload growth across all programs, all categorical aid budgets reflect an increase from the prior year. Additionally, \$109 million in Food Stamp benefits and \$459 million in Medi-Cal benefits were issued during the prior year; these amounts represent value of off-budget benefits administered by the department.

A County Maintenance-of-Effort (MOE) was established with the passage of Assembly Bill 1542 (Statutes of 1997, Chapter 270) as a condition for receiving CalWORKs and State and Federal Food Stamp program funds. The County's 2005-06 MOE of \$4,022,882, which is financed with Social Services Realignment and Countywide revenues, is based on the 1997-98 share of administrative expenses for these programs. The balance of County cost (\$2,103,068) included in this budget represents administrative costs for General Relief and a percentage share-of-cost for the administration of Foster Care, Stage II Child Care, and the mandated match for the CalWIN State Automation System partially offset with the Department's share of County overhead costs (\$878,256) and Food Stamps repayment collections (\$90,000).

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

During FY 2005-06, the Department's major focus will be CalWIN pre-implementation activities. Transition to the CalWIN Automation System is the most significant challenge faced by the Department since the implementation of Welfare Reform. CalWIN will change the business practices for all Department staff, as well as have an impact on other County Departments including: Auditor-Controller/ Treasurer-Tax Collector, County Clerk, General Services, ITSD, Children and Family Services and Behavioral Health. The challenge for all staff will be providing client services efficiently, accurately and in a timely manner while concurrently learning the new CalWIN benefit issuance system and preparing for the final implementation in July 2006.

2004-05 was marked by successful partnerships that allow our department to provide enhanced access to services and improve employment opportunities for CalWORKs recipients. New community partnerships we participated in include Children's Health Initiative, Smart Model of Care and the Regional Jobs Initiative. The department remains committed to providing quality services for the poor and needy families of Fresno County and improving access to food, shelter, medical benefits and employment services which will result in greater self-sufficiency.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

SIGNIFICANT PROGRAM CHANGES

- The mandated Statewide Automated Welfare System, CalWIN, which will replace the current Welfare Case Data System and fully automate eligibility determination, will be implemented in July 2006. CalWIN implementation brings unprecedented changes to current business practices and requires a redesign in the delivery of services to approximately 256,038 clients. With the implementation date rapidly approaching, a number of activities are being undertaken to ensure successful implementation, including: application training for 1,314 department staff, database development for data warehousing, management reports, and CalWIN help-desk. The mid-year addition of 12 positions and increased database man-month support from ITSD will help ensure that the processes required for the smooth transition from the Case Data system to CalWIN are in place prior to the implementation date.
- Fresno County's FY 2004-05 Medi-Cal Administrative allocation was adjusted by the State to include increased funding for current caseloads. As a result, 20 permanent Medi-Cal positions were approved mid-year 2004-05 with no increase in County share of cost. Medi-Cal remains the only program administered by the department that on the State level allows for the cost-of-doing business increases. In March 2005, the department submitted a revised Proposed County Administrative Budget (PCAB) to the State Department of Health Services. The final Medi-Cal allocation, utilizing the PCAB request, will not be known until the State budget is passed.
- During Fiscal Year 2004-05, as a result of new mandates from the passing of Senate Bill 1104, the department implemented a significant number of program changes in CalWORKs Employment Services which included: participant universal engagement that ended the 18-24 month limitation of employment services for CalWORKs recipients; welfare-to-work plans within 90-days of receipt of aid; and requirement that CalWORKs participants engage in 20 hours of core activities out of their 32-35 hours of employment services participation. These requirements brought on additional

challenges while the department faced another year of CalWORKs funding reductions and increased caseloads. Mid-year 2004-05, the department released a request for proposal for employment services and funded 12 agreements with Community Based Organizations and other public entities. In order to mitigate funding reductions, while focusing on providing mandated services, vendor payment services and re-location services for CalWORKs recipients were eliminated.

- Effective October 1, 2004, the department implemented single warrants for CalWORKs recipients that required changing existing business practices of mailing two checks per month to mailing only one check per month to approximately 25,000 families. In order to help CalWORKs families through this change, the department partnered with Community Based Organizations to provide money management classes. Elimination of the second warrant resulted in cost savings that partially mitigated the CalWORKs Single Allocation reductions. Projected budget year savings were reduced by the increases in General Services' surcharge rate from 11.05% to 14.55% which is applied to the postage value.
- During 2004-05, the department participated in Children's Health initiative planning, which has a goal of providing health insurance access to 26,000 uninsured children in Fresno County through a single, seamless application and enrollment process for children's health coverage programs.

SALARIES AND BENEFITS

• Salaries and Benefits, recommended at \$75,397,877 represent an increase over the prior year due to full-year funding for 36 positions added mid-year and increases in health and benefit rates. Staffing is recommended at the prior year level of 1,314 positions.

Recommended funding includes:

- Full-year funding for 36 positions for the Medi-Cal Program and the CalWIN Automation System. The continuous increase of Medi-Cal cases requires additional staffing to maintain manageable caseloads and State mandated accuracy rates. Additional staffing for CalWIN is crucial to support the final phase of the CalWIN implementation and increased end-user support due to the new system.
- An increase in Extra-Help and Overtime to ensure sufficient staffing support through the CalWIN pre-conversion and training activities. It is estimated that all Eligibility, Employment Services and Office Assistant staff will require overtime during April, May and June of 2006 in order to attend weekly training on the CalWIN application while maintaining ongoing workload issues. Additionally overtime will be used during two scheduled full caseload conversion tests for the CalWIN implementation.
- An increase in Retirement, Workers' Compensation, and Health Insurance Contributions based on higher rates and actuarial studies.
- Bilingual Skill Pay for 400 employees.
- Salary Savings of 5% to accurately reflect position vacancies and recruitment timeframes.
- Negotiated salary adjustments and normal step advances.
- Staffing is recommended at 1,314 positions.

SERVICES AND SUPPLIES

• Services and Supplies, recommended at \$31,669,394, represent an increase from the prior year due to higher interdepartmental agreement costs and CalWIN deliverables.

Recommended funding includes:

- Increased charges by General Services for Janitorial Services and Building Maintenance offset with the elimination of funding for the American Disability Act remodel project on the University Medical Campus due to its completion.
- An increase in Professional and Specialized Services to reflect a transfer of interdepartmental services agreements from the HS Finance Overhead account 7868 and increases in the costs associated with charges from other County General funded departments: Auditor/Controller–Treasurer/Tax Collector, County Administrative Office, County Clerk, General Services for Security, Purchasing and Messenger Services, and the County Personnel Department. An addition of one-time funding for Domestic Violence services for the Department of Community Health is also included in this budget. These costs are offset with elimination of the Vendor Pay services agreement and the AFLP agreement with the UMC Hospital.
- An increase in Data Processing Charges due to a higher number of equipment and additional database man-month support for the CalWIN implementation.
- An increase in software direct charges due to higher deliverable and preimplementation support costs for the CalWIN system, which is offset with an additional CalWIN allocation.

OTHER CHARGES

 Other Charges, recommended at \$42,756,665, represent a decrease from FY 2004-05 due primarily to the transfer of interdepartmental services agreements to the Services and Supplies accounts.

Recommended funding includes:

- A decrease in the Human Services Finance Overhead charges based on transfer of costs to the Professional and Specialized Services account 7295.
- A decrease in Support and Care of Persons primarily related to a reduction in Stage I childcare expenditures, reduction in employment services agreements based on the mid-year competitive bid process, and the elimination of relocation services due to CalWORKs funding reductions.

RESIDUAL EQUITY TRANSFERS

 Residual Equity Transfers, recommended at \$254,500, for the CalWIN related communications and computer equipment. Communications requests includes additional telephones and data wiring at the Heritage complex, and phone equipment for the CalWIN first level Help Desk. Computer equipment request includes three check printers that will be utilized for printing of public assistance checks and server upgrades to meet the capacity needs of the CalWIN application. CalWIN revenues are included to fully offset the purchase of the requested equipment.

(3) Printers	.\$150,000	Replacement	- For p	ublic a	ssis	tance che	ecks
Servers	46,000	Replacement servers	- Up	grade	of	existing	CalWIN
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SUMMARY OF REVENUES

- Revenues are recommended at \$149,396,740 and reflect a 10% (\$13,623,444) increase from the prior year due primarily to an increase in the Medi-Cal Administration allocation and CalWIN allocation.
 - State Aid Reflects a decrease due to a change in sharing ratios for the CalWORKs Single allocation, which is now primarily funded with Federal TANF block grant funds, elimination of the State match to the Department of Labor Welfare-to-Work match funds, and the reduction in the State portion of the Stage II childcare funds offset with the increase in the Medi-cal and CalWIN project allocations.
 - Federal Aid Reflects an increase in the Medi-Cal Administrative allocation, full utilization of the CalWORKs Performance Incentive funds, and a shift in a share-of-cost in the CalWORKs Single Allocation and the Stage II childcare allocation.
 - Miscellaneous Revenues Estimated to increase due to a higher usage of the State Fraud Incentive funds; Represents reimbursement of the share-of-cost from the Coalinga Regional Center Partners and Reedley Regional Center, Fraud Incentives, Food Stamp repayments, and Express Lane Eligibility (AB 59) funds.
 - State/Local Program Social Services Realignment Trust Fund Estimated to increase; Revenues will finance a portion the County's required Maintenance-of-Effort for receipt of CalWORKs revenues.
 - Intrafund Revenues Estimated to decrease from the prior year level due to elimination of the funding for the Fair Chance program; Represents reimbursement from the Department of Behavioral Health budget (5630) for support provided to the Homeless Mentally III programs and Department of Children and Family Services (5640) for employment services support provided to the Independent Living program.

PENDING FACTORS

- The Governor's Fiscal Year 2005-06 Proposed State Budget contains a number of program changes, funding reductions, and funding shifts that would significantly impact the department. Administration funding reductions and program changes as proposed would have the following impacts:
- The Governor's budget includes a new incentive system, Pay for Performance, which bases a portion of the Counties' Single Allocation funding for administration and employment services on specific program outcomes. Pay for Performance is scheduled for full implementation in FY 2006-07. If implemented, during FY 2005-06, the State will measure County Employment Rates and Federal Work Participation Rates and base the FY 2006-07 allocations on these outcomes. Program changes in FY 2005-06 may be necessary in order to meet the standard required to retain the five percent of the CalWORKs Single Allocation funding.
- The Governor's budget includes a savings due to the implementation of quarterly reporting which equates to a \$122 million reduction in CalWORKs funding during the budget year. As the State has not funded cost-of-doing business increases for the CalWORKs program since the elimination of the PCAB process in FY 2000-01, any further reduction to this allocation would significantly impact the department's ability to administer this program. This is especially significant as the CalWORKs caseloads have steadily increased over the past year and the department is facing a transition to the new automated system.

- A number of programmatic changes impacting CalWORKs are also proposed; this would require additional programming and changes in business practices, which may be delayed due to the 18 County rollout of the CalWIN Automation project. Full impacts of the program changes are not available at this time.
- The State of California is facing a potential Federal financial sanction for failing to meet the Federal Welfare-to-Work participation rates; the total amount of the sanction or the potential impact to Counties is not known at this time.
- Federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant Reauthorization is expected during the Federal Fiscal Year 2005. Current Federal legislative proposals would significantly impact CalWORKs Employment Services, as Federal participation and employment requirements would become more stringent.

REGULAR SALARIES

BUDGETED POSITIONS

		BAND/	POS	ITIONS		
<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	RANGE	CURRENT	RECOMMENDED	SALARIES	
1901	Client Services Specialist	1324	3	3	\$ 127,818	
1904	Job Specialist II	1324	78	78	3,323,273	
1905	Job Specialist I	1202	7	7	270,905	
1907	Job Specialist III	1457	105	105	4,917,868	
1924	Social Services Program Manager	E	14	14	943,137	
1930	Social Work Supervisor	1912	4	4	245,927	
1935	Social Worker III	1503	17	17	821,584	
1940	Social Worker II	1337	8	8	343,669	
1945	Social Worker I	1214	4	4	141,568	
1951	Substance Abuse Specialist I	1136	5	5	201,369	
2212	Systems & Procedures Analyst III	1978	6	6	363,521	
2240	Senior Systems & Procedure Analyst	2215	1	1	67,828	
2246	Deputy Director	D	2	2	166,844	
2291	Staff Analyst I	1460 1872	2 14	2	77,239	
2293 2294	Staff Analyst III	1872 F	3	14 3	764,306 207,064	
2294 2297	Senior Staff Analyst Principal Staff Analyst	E	2	2	138,531	
3010	Chief Office Assistant	1405	2	2	90,419	
3031	Social Services Program Supervisor	1403	96	96	4,881,446	
3033	Eligibility Worker I	938	113	113	3,407,834	
3034	Eligibility Worker II	1035	63	63	2,099,847	
3035	Eligibility Worker III	1202	442	442	17,105,725	
3036	Social Services Appeals Specialist	1390	9	9	402,493	
3070	Supervising Office Assistant II	1253	19	19	765,201	
3080	Office Assistant III	938	158	158	4,764,936	
3080	Office Assistant III - Confidential	938	4	4	121,174	
3110	Office Assistant II	843	59	59		
3125	Office Assistant I	750			1,449,691	
					350,178	
3160	Secretary IV	1156	5 2	5	185,774	
3161	Secretary IV-Conf.	1163		2	74,906	
3166	Administrative Secretary - Conf.	1290	1	1	41,494	
3205	Account Clerk II	882	4	4	113,363	
3240	Supervising Account Clerk II	1268	3	3	122,367	
3260	Account Clerk III	991	22	22	701,061	
3620	Program Technician I	1115	8	8	236,013	
3622	Program Technician I -Conf.	1115	2	2	59,268	
3706	Information Technology Analyst III	1775	4	4	192,554	
3707	Information Technology Analyst IV	2114	1	1	69,699	
3708	Senior Information Technology Analyst	2408	2	2	158,708	
5093	Social Worker Aide II	885	3	3	82,500	
8074	Director	В	1	1	110,916	
Subtotal			1,314	1,314	\$ 50,710,018	
	Auto Allowance				6,156	
	Shift Differential				120,900	
	Bilingual Skill Pay				240,032	
	Less Salary Savings				(2,534,810)	
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TOTAL REGULAR SALARIES

\$ 48,542,296

EMPLOYMENT AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE AID TO ADOPTIONS BUDGET 6415 General Fund

	_	Actual 2003-04	_	Adopted 2004-05	F	Recommended 2005-06	 Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY								
Appropriations								
Other Charges	\$	11,175,708	\$	11,988,480	\$	14,316,600	\$ 2,328,120	19%
Total Appropriations	\$	11,175,708	\$	11,988,480	\$	14,316,600	\$ 2,328,120	19%
Revenues								
State Aid Federal Aid Misc. Revenues Realignment	\$	4,656,957 4,809,074 16,572 986,117	\$	5,200,603 5,054,343 0 1,117,627	\$	6,025,095 6,283,140 0 1,295,978	\$ 824,492 1,228,797 0 178,351	16% 24% 0% 16%
Total Revenues	\$	10,468,720	\$	11,372,573	\$	13,604,213	\$ 2,231,640	20%
Net County Cost	\$	706,988	\$	615,907	\$	712,387	\$ 96,480	16%

EMPLOYMENT AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE – AID TO ADOPTIONS – 6415

FUNCTION

The Aid to Adoptions program eligibility and payment system is administered by the Department of Employment and Temporary Assistance and provides grants to qualified parents who need financial assistance in order to adopt a child. Funds from this budget are made available to families that adopt "hard-to-place" children and are intended to ease the financial burden to adopt and support such children until they reach the age of 21. Adoptions program placements and case management services are provided by the Department of Children and Family Services.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget of \$14,316,600 reflects a 19% (2,328,120) increase in appropriations over the 2004-2005 Adopted Budget primarily due to a13% increase in the projected caseload and a 6.1% increase in the average grant per case. The County's share of cost for this program is \$2,008,365, which is funded with \$1,295,978 in Social Services Realignment revenue and net County cost of \$712,387, which represents an increase of \$96,480 from the prior year.

Recommended funding will provide for an increase of the average caseload from the projected 1,561 cases per month in FY 2004-05 to 1,757 cases per month in 2005-06 Fiscal Year. The average grant of \$679 is based on the prior year actual grant levels.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

OTHER CHARGES

- Recommended funding of \$14,316,600 will provide grants to parents who need financial assistance in order to adopt a child. Monthly grants offset food, housing, and basic needs' expenses until the child reaches the age of 21. The Aid to Adoptions caseload has shown a consistent increase over the last six years. Since FY 1999/00, the number of children receiving adoption assistance grants have increased from 678 per month to a projected 1,757 per month for FY 2005-06.
- Under Assembly Bill 1544 of 1998, family unification for children under the age of three must be completed in six months or the court can free the child for adoption. The department has implemented the requirements of this legislation through enhanced efforts to identify adoptive families.

STAFFING

 Staffing support for this program is recommended at the 2004-05 level. Staff for Aid to Adoptions to determine eligibility and process payments is provided through the Department of Employment and Temporary Assistance budget (5610). Staff for the placement of children with adoptive families and case management services are provided through the Department of Children and Family Services budget (5640).

EMPLOYMENT AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE – AID TO ADOPTIONS – 6415

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

- Revenues are recommended at \$13,604,213, an increase of 19.6% (\$2,231,640) over the prior year based on the projected number of families receiving financial adoption assistance.
 - State Aid Estimated to increase based on the State sharing-ratio of 37.5% for federally funded adoptions cases and 75% for non-federally funded adoptions cases.
 - Federal Aid Estimated to increase based on the Federal sharing-ratio of 50% for federally funded adoptions cases.
 - State/Local Program Social Services Realignment Trust Fund reflects an increase over the prior year based on available realignment revenues.

EMPLOYMENT AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE AID TO REFUGEES BUDGET 6615 General Fund

	_	Actual 2003-04	_	Adopted 2004-05	R -	ecommended 2005-06	_	Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY									
Appropriations									
Other Charges	\$	73,206	\$	102,120	\$	1,002,960	\$	900,840	882%
Total Appropriations	\$	73,206	\$	102,120	\$	1,002,960	\$	900,840	882%
Revenues									
State Aid Federal Aid Misc. Revenues Realignment	\$	0 31,999 0 0	\$	0 102,120 0 0	\$	0 1,002,960 0 0	\$	0 900,840 0 0	0% 882% 0% 0%
Total Revenues	\$	31,999	\$	102,120	\$	1,002,960	\$	900,840	882%
Net County Cost	\$	41,207	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	0%

EMPLOYMENT AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE – AID TO REFUGEES – 6615

FUNCTION

The Federal Refugee Cash Assistance program is administered by the Employment and Temporary Assistance Department and provides grant assistance directly to refugees newly admitted to the United States. This aid is intended to provide food, housing, and basic needs for individuals and childless families. Eligibility for this program is for a maximum of eight months from the date of entry into the United States. The Federal Government provides full funding for this program.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget of \$1,002,960 reflects an increase of \$900,840 from the 2004-05 Adopted Budget. The 2004-05 budget was amended in December 2004 to reflect an increase in appropriations and estimated revenues due to the ongoing Hmong Refugee Resettlement program. The recommended budget reflects an increase in caseload from the budgeted 25 cases per-month to the projected 199 cases per-month at the average grant of \$420. There is no net County cost for this program. All costs are offset with Federal funding.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

OTHER CHARGES

- Recommended funding of \$1,002,960 will provide cash assistance to qualified refugees newly admitted to the United States for meeting basic needs including food, shelter, and clothing. Qualified applicants are eligible for a maximum of eight months of benefits after their arrival. After the eight-month period, some families become eligible for the 100% County-funded General Relief program until they achieve self-sufficiency or become eligible for other programs.
- The number of refugees cases projected for Fiscal Year 2005-06, estimated at 199 cases per-month, is based on the current caseload trend and projections made from actual refugee arrival data gathered from the prior year.

STAFFING

• Staffing is recommended at the 2004-05 level. Staff support for this program is provided through the Department of Employment and Temporary Assistance budget (5610).

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

• Federal Aid – Revenues are recommended at \$1,002,960. The Aid to Refugees program is 100% federally funded; there is no net County cost to administer this program.

EMPLOYMENT AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE CALWORKS BUDGET 6310 General Fund

	Actual 2003-04	Adopted 2004-05	Recommended 2005-06	Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY					
Appropriations					
Other Charges	\$ 144,210,152	\$ 149,000,513	\$ 169,217,008	\$ 20,216,495	14%
Total Appropriations	\$ 144,210,152	\$ 149,000,513	\$ 169,217,008	\$ 20,216,495	14%
Revenues					
State Aid Federal Aid Misc. Revenues Realignment	\$ 81,188,102 59,157,906 1,668,771 1,742,058	\$ 90,012,561 54,531,689 1,835,645 2,258,542	\$ 102,297,615 62,006,467 1,511,916 2,859,384	\$ 12,285,054 7,474,778 (323,729) 600,842	14% 14% -18% <u>27%</u>
Total Revenues	\$ 143,756,837	\$ 148,638,437	\$ 168,675,382	\$ 20,036,945	13%
Net County Cost	\$ 453,315	\$ 362,076	\$ 541,626	\$ 179,550	50%

EMPLOYMENT AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE – CALWORKS – 6310

FUNCTION

The California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) program is administered by the Department of Employment and Temporary Assistance and provides cash assistance grants for Families with Dependent Children. Eligibility and grant levels are established by the California Department of Social Services. CalWORKs provides temporary cash assistance and complementing employment services to assist unemployed parents in securing employment that leads to personal responsibility, accountability, and self-sufficiency. Under CalWORKs, an adult recipient must participate in work activities from 30 to 35 hours per week. The majority of families receiving assistance through this program also qualify for Medi-Cal and Food Stamps. The State Safety Net Program, which provides cash assistance for the children of adults who have reached their 60-month CalWORKs lifetime time limit are also included in this budget unit.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget of \$169,217,008 represents a 14% (\$20,216,495) increase in appropriations and estimated revenues from the 2004-05 Adopted Budget. This increase is due to the State's approval of the July 2004 Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) and a projected 4.07% COLA effective in June 2005 that raised the average grant cost to \$557. Also included is projected 3% caseload increase based on the current trends and the arrival of an estimated 2,325 Hmong refugees from Thailand expected through September 2005. The County share of grant costs (2.5%) is offset with the County share of child support collections (\$811,916) and overpayment collections (\$17,500). The balance of the County share of cost is financed with \$2,859,384 of Social Services Realignment revenues resulting in a net County cost of \$541,626, which reflects an increase of \$179,550 from the prior year level.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

OTHER CHARGES

 Recommended appropriations of \$169,217,008 will provide monthly cash assistance for an estimated 25,212 families with dependent children. Cash assistance is provided through this budget as a temporary means of assisting the family while also providing the training and educational support needed by the aided adult to gain employment and become self-sufficient. The total caseload includes cases in the State Safety Net program, which accounts for approximately 2,500 cases. State Safety Net cases are comprised of families whose adult members have reached the lifetime time-on-aid limit of 60-months and are no longer eligible for cash aid. Safety Net services are available to children who qualify based on State eligibility standards.

STAFFING

• Staffing is recommended at the 2004-05 level. Staff support for this program is provided through the Department of Employment and Temporary Assistance budget (5610).

EMPLOYMENT AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE – CALWORKS – 6310

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

- Revenues are recommended at \$168,675,382, an increase of 13% (\$20,036,945) over the prior year based on caseload projections for 2005-06 and the inclusion of the July 2004 and June 2005 COLAs.
 - State Aid Estimated to increase based on the average State share-of-cost for CalWORKs and Safety Net cases.
 - Federal Aid Estimated to increase based on the Federal share-of-cost for the projected caseload.
 - Miscellaneous Revenues Reflects a decrease based on actual revenue recovery for overpayment collections in the prior year and the County share of child support collections.
 - State/Local Program Social Services Realignment Trust Fund Reflects an increase over the prior year based on available Realignment revenues.

PENDING FACTORS

- The Governor's 2005-06 Proposed State Budget contains a number of program changes that may impact this program:
 - A proposal to reduce the Maximum Aid Payment to CalWORKs recipients by 6.5% is included in the Governor's budget. Should this proposal be approved, the Department will return to your Board to request reductions in appropriations. This proposal would also result in General Fund savings due to a 2.5% County share-ofcost for CalWORKs grants.
 - A proposal to permanently eliminate the annual Cost of Living Adjustment effective July 1, 2005 is included in the Governor's budget. Should this proposal be approved, the department would return to your board to request a reduction in appropriations. This proposal would result in General Fund savings of approximately \$166,399 due to a 2.5% County share-of-cost for CalWORKs grants.
 - A proposal to reduce the current earned income disregard to \$200 and 40%, which would result in a higher percentage of applicant's income being countable when determining the cash aid; if implemented, this action would result in reduced grants to CalWORKs recipients. Grant savings totaling \$80.4 million is projected statewide. This program change would potentially result in General Fund savings due to a 2.5% County share-of-cost for CalWORKs grants.
 - The suspension of the October 2003 COLA (3.46%) has not yet been resolved. The court case Guillen v. Schwarzennegger, which initially resulted in retroactive approval of this COLA, is going through the appeal process. The recommended budget assumes the suspension of the COLA, which has resulted in a cost avoidance of \$5.9 million total funds and approximately \$146,373 in net County cost. Should this court case result in the retroactive approval of this COLA, the department will return to your Board to recommend adjustments to this budget.

EMPLOYMENT AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE DEPENDENT CHILDREN - FOSTER CARE BUDGET 6410 General Fund

	-	Actual 2003-04	-	Adopted 2004-05	-	Recommended 2005-06	 Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY								
Appropriations								
Other Charges	\$	56,209,712	\$	56,976,462	\$	59,941,413	\$ 2,964,951	5%
Total Appropriations	\$	56,209,712	\$	56,976,462	\$	59,941,413	\$ 2,964,951	5%
Revenues								
State Aid Federal Aid Misc. Revenues Realignment Social Services	\$	14,057,719 20,292,584 1,853,172 14,207,798	\$	13,157,790 22,623,969 1,284,147 1,857,325	\$	13,929,720 22,955,074 1,731,502 1,990,444	\$ 771,930 331,105 447,355 133,119	6% 1% 35% 7%
Total Revenues	\$	50,411,273	\$	38,923,231	\$	40,606,740	\$ 1,683,509	4%
Net County Cost	\$	5,798,439	\$	18,053,231	\$	19,334,673	\$ 1,281,442	7%

EMPLOYMENT AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE / DEPENDENT CHILDREN – FOSTER CARE – 6410

FUNCTION

The Foster Care eligibility and payment program is administered through the Department of Employment and Temporary Assistance and provides funding for food, housing, and basic needs of children placed in out-of-home care by the Department of Children and Family Services and the Probation Department. Case management for children in foster care is provided by the Department of Children and Family Services and the Probation Department.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget of \$59,941,413 represents a 5% (\$2,964,951) increase from the 2004-05 Adopted Budget based on the higher average grant for foster care placements. The recommended funding is based on a 2.4% decrease in the average number of budgeted cases per month from 3,361 in FY 04-05 to 3,279 in FY 05-06. However, the number of non-federal foster care placements has increased, while the number of federal foster care placements has decreased over the prior year, resulting in the higher county share of cost. The projected average grant for FY 05-06, which is based on the prior year actuals, is \$1,489 per case per month, which represents a 6.7% increase in the average grant from the FY 04-05 budgeted amount. The County share of cost is \$21,325,117, which is offset by \$1,990,444 in Social Services Realignment revenue with a net County cost of \$19,334,673. This represents an increase of 7% (\$1,281,442) in net County cost from the prior year.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

OTHER CHARGES

• Recommended appropriations of \$59,941,413 will provide for housing, food, and basic needs of children that are placed in out-of-home care facilities, such as foster families, foster family agencies, and group homes. The Foster Care program anticipates a total of 3,279 cases per month for FY 05-06.

STAFFING

 Staffing is recommended at the 2004-05 level. Staff support for determining eligibility and payment processing services is provided by the Department of Employment and Temporary Assistance budget (5610). Positions that support case management activities are included in the Department of Children and Family Services budget (5640) and the Probation budget (3430).

EMPLOYMENT AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE / DEPENDENT CHILDREN – FOSTER CARE – 6410

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

- Revenues are recommended at \$40,606,740, a 4% (\$1,683,509) increase over the prior year based on projected caseload and grant amounts for 2005-06.
 - State Aid (\$13,929,720) Estimated to increase based on the current State costsharing ratio of 20% for federally funded foster care cases and 40% for nonfederally funded foster care cases.
 - Federal Aid (\$22,955,074) Estimated to increase over the prior year based on the current Federal cost-sharing ratio of 50% for federally funded foster care cases and 70% for Emergency Assistance cases.
 - Miscellaneous Revenues (\$1,731,502) Estimated to increase based on actual revenue recovery of overpayment collections in the prior year and the County share of child support collections.
 - State/Local Program Social Services Realignment Trust Fund (\$1,990,444) Estimated to increase from the prior year based on available realignment revenues

PENDING FACTORS

On March 3, 2003, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeal altered the way in which federal Title IV-E eligibility is determined for foster care children in its ruling of Enedina Rosales and the California Department of Social Services v. Tommy G. Thompson. This decision, referred to as a Rosales decision, expanded Federal Foster Care eligibility for children placed with relatives who previously only qualified for CalWORKs cash aid or non-federal foster care and is retroactive to December 1997. Currently, the staff is in the process of converting all eligible Rosales cases from non-federal foster care and CalWORKs into the federal foster care cases. The impact to County general fund is not known at this time as any savings resulting from transferring non-federal foster care cases. Simultaneous to this effort, Federal legislation has been proposed to overturn the Rosales decision, which may reverse any savings or costs associated with this court decision.

EMPLOYMENT AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE GENERAL RELIEF BUDGET 6645 General Fund

	_	Actual 2003-04	_	Adopted 2004-05	F	Recommended 2005-06	 Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY								
Appropriations								
Other Charges	\$	3,613,129	\$	4,073,756	\$	4,607,271	\$ 533,515	13%
Total Appropriations	\$	3,613,129	\$	4,073,756	\$	4,607,271	\$ 533,515	13%
Revenues								
State Aid Charges for Services Misc. Revenues	\$	445,621 503,063 170,378	\$	450,000 600,000 174,848	\$	979,200 355,007 174,800	\$ 529,200 (244,993) (48)	118% -41% 0%
Total Revenues	\$	1,119,062	\$	1,224,848	\$	1,509,007	\$ 284,159	23%
Net County Cost	\$	2,494,067	\$	2,848,908	\$	3,098,264	\$ 249,356	9%

EMPLOYMENT AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE - GENERAL RELIEF – 6645

FUNCTION

The General Relief (GR) program is administered by the Department of Employment and Temporary Assistance and provides emergency assistance to needy individuals who are not eligible for other assistance programs, but meet eligibility requirements established under the provision of the General Relief Resolutions adopted by the Board of Supervisors. This program also finances the following: foster care costs for children not eligible for State and Federal funded foster care programs; interim assistance to individuals applying for the Supplemental Security Income/State Supplemental Payment (SSI/SSP) program due to a physical or medical incapacity to obtain employment; and the State Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants (CAPI), authorized under Assembly Bill 2779 (Chapter 329, Statutes of 1998). This program provides cash assistance to immigrants meeting specific eligibility criteria who are no longer eligible for other public assistance programs as a result of Federal Welfare Reform.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget of \$4,607,271 reflects a 9% (\$249,356) increase in net County cost from the prior year. This is primarily due to a 24% increase in the projected average caseload from 901 cases per month in the prior year to 1,113 cases per month in FY 2005-06. One-third of the increase in the projected average monthly caseload is due to the growth of CAPI cases and SSI/SSP interim assistance cases. The CAPI program is 100% funded by the State while the interim assistance provided to applicants of SSI/SSP are processed for repayment by the Federal government. The remainder of the increase is attributed to current caseload trends and the anticipated transfer of refugees from the Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA) program to General Relief.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

OTHER CHARGES

- Recommended at \$4,607,271. This represents 13% (\$533,515) increase from the prior year based on caseload projections.
 - Appropriations of \$3,302,652 will finance cash grants for needy individuals and foster children that are not eligible for other assistance programs.
 - Appropriations of \$200,000 for the performance of incapacitation evaluations for General Relief clients
 - Appropriations of \$115,419 to provide applicants with transportation assistance to attend employment and job training activities
 - Appropriations of \$10,000 to provide clothing to foster children who have pending foster care assistance applications.
 - Appropriations of \$979,200 for the CAPI program Staffing
- Staffing is recommended at the 2004-05 level. Staff support for determining eligibility and processing payments is provided through the Department of Employment and Temporary Assistance budget (5610). The Department of Children and Family Services budget (5640) and Probation Department budget (3430) provide staff for case management services for children placed in foster care.

EMPLOYMENT AND TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE - GENERAL RELIEF – 6645

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

- Revenues are recommended at \$1,509,007, a 23% (\$284,159) increase from the prior year based on projected caseload trends and reimbursement for the CAPI program.
 - State Aid (\$979,200) Estimated to increase based on reimbursement for services provided to clients under the State Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants.
 - Charges for Services (\$355,007) Estimated to decrease based on actual collection experience in 2004-05 for Federal repayment of interim assistance paid to clients awaiting SSI/SSP certification.
 - Miscellaneous Revenues (\$174,800) Projected to decrease from the prior year level. This funding represents reimbursement from the Department of Adult Services budget (5630) for in-kind benefits (rent and groceries) for homeless mentally ill clients (\$170,000) and reimbursement from the Department of Children and Family Services budget (5640) for emergency shelter provided to needy children (\$4,800).

VETERANS' SERVICE OFFICE BUDGET 7110 General Fund

	_	Actual 2003-04	_	Adopted 2004-05	R	ecommended 2005-06	Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY								
Appropriations								
Salaries & Benefits Services & Supplies	\$	198,077 16,972	\$	217,133 23,336	\$	223,021 60,715	\$ 5,888 37,379	3% 160%
Total Appropriations	\$	215,049	\$	240,469	\$	283,736	\$ 43,267	18%
Revenues								
State Aid Misc. Revenues Intrafund Revenue	\$	72,676 250 0	\$	74,210 750 0	\$	67,742 750 49,623	\$ (6,468) 0 49,623	-9% 0% 100%
Total Revenues	\$	72,926	\$	74,960	\$	118,115	\$ 43,155	58%
Net County Cost	\$	142,123	\$	165,509	\$	165,621	\$ 112	0%
	_	Budgeted 2003-04	_	Current 2004-05	R	ecommended 2005-06	Increase/ Decrease	
Position Summary		4		4		4		

VETERANS' SERVICE OFFICE – 7110

FUNCTION

The Veterans' Service Office assists veterans, their spouses, widows, and dependents in applying for Federal and State veterans' benefits. This Office also provides assistance and counseling in preparing applications to Military Discharge Review Boards and Boards for Correction of Military Records. The Service Officer makes field visits to nursing homes and hospitals and approves burials at the Fresno County Veterans' Liberty Cemetery.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget of \$283,736 reflects a slight increase in net County cost from the 2004-05 Adopted Budget. Staffing is recommended at the prior year level of four positions.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

During the past year, the Veterans' Service Office was transferred from the County Administrative Office to the Department of Employment and Temporary Assistance (E&TA) as an effort to improve service delivery, integrate the functions of referrals and eligibility determination, and utilize potential funding sources of E&TA. In addition to this transfer of Organization 7110, a relocation of the Veterans Service Office to a new facility of the E&TA Senior Resource Center site is scheduled to be completed by the beginning of 2005-06. All of the Veterans' Service Office staff sincerely appreciates the support that your Board has given us over the years. We will continue to provide the best services that we can to the veteran community.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

SALARIES AND BENEFITS

• Salaries and Benefits, recommended at \$223,021, reflect an increase over the prior year level due primarily to increases in Retirement Rates and Health Insurance contributions.

SERVICES AND SUPPLIES

 Services and Supplies, recommended at \$60,715, represents an increase from the prior year level due primarily to increases in Data Processing charges and annual fees for Veterans Information Management System and increases in rents due to the relocation of Veterans Services Office to the Sierra Resource Center.

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

 Revenues are recommended at \$118,115 and represent a decrease in State Aid over the prior year requested level based on State estimates, and an increase in Intrafund Revenue based on Department of Employment and Temporary Assistance estimates to offset the increases in Rents and Leases for the new location in addition to increased departmental costs.

VETERANS' SERVICE OFFICE - 7110

REGULAR SALARIES

BUDGETED POSITIONS

		BAND/	POSITI	REC	RECOMMEND		
<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	RANGE	RECOMMENDED	ADOPTED		SALARIES	
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2233	Veterans' Service Officer	G	1	1	\$	64,524	
3080	Office Assistant III	880	3	3		87,696	
TOTAL	REGULAR SALARIES		4	4	\$	152,220	
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH BUDGET 5620 General Fund

	_	Actual 2003-04	_	Adopted 2004-05	F	Recommended 2005-06	_	Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY									
Appropriations									
Salaries & Benefits Services & Supplies Other Charges Residual Equity Transfers Fixed Assets	\$	38,941,381 14,585,855 1,557,477 94,793 382,652	\$	45,315,199 19,548,492 1,318,760 32,000 0	\$	45,267,422 20,047,499 1,324,865 0 12,000	\$	(47,777) 499,007 6,105 (32,000) 12,000	0% 3% 0% -100% 100%
Total Appropriations	\$	55,562,158	\$	66,214,451	\$	66,651,786	\$	437,335	1%
Revenues									
Lic., Permits & Franchises State Aid Federal Aid Charges for Services Misc. Revenues	\$	116,730 4,344,958 10,928,863 10,440,293 454,716	\$	125,500 8,890,236 13,033,409 11,861,348 864,860	\$	120,500 7,970,814 12,198,799 12,417,108 931,276	\$	(5,000) (919,422) (834,610) 555,760 66,416	-4% -10% -6% 5% 8%
Realignment: Health Social Services Intrafund Revenues		24,382,989 594,047 2,823,221		26,628,895 600,000 2,667,709		29,168,213 750,000 1,627,779		2,539,318 150,000 (1,039,930)	10% 25% -39%
Total Revenues	\$	54,085,817	\$	64,671,957	\$	65,184,489	\$	512,532	1%
Net County Cost	\$	1,476,341	\$	1,542,494	\$	1,467,297	\$	(75,197)	-5%
	_	Budgeted 2003-04	_	Current 2004-05	F	Recommended 2005-06	_	Increase/ Decrease	
Position Summary		679		700		689		(11)	

FUNCTION

The Department of Community Health is one of the four Human Services departments and is responsible for providing essential environmental and public health preventive services. The department is organized into nine divisions: Communicable Disease, Nursing Outreach, Maternal Child and Adolescent Health, Jail Medical Services, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), Environmental Health, Education and Prevention Services, California Children's Services (CCS), and the Public Health Laboratory. This budget also funds the County Health Officer and the County's share of a joint City/County program with the Central Valley Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) to provide animal pound, quarantine services, and leash law enforcement.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget reflects a 5% decrease in net County cost from the 2004-05 Adopted Budget as a result of the elimination of service prepayments to the SPCA, which were offset by the negotiated annual increase for animal control services and unreimbursed costs for Federal inmates in Jail Medical Services. All other costs incurred in this budget are revenue and Realignment offset. Staffing is recommended at 689 positions, a decrease of 11 positions from the prior year level.

By statute, a local Maintenance-of-Effort (MOE) requirement exists to ensure that sufficient State/Local Health Realignment funds and California Healthcare for Indigents Program (CHIP) funds are spent exclusively on health programs. In order to meet this MOE, the department must incur costs for services that equal the total of the Sales Tax Realignment, the County mandated match, and Vehicle License Fees that make up County Realignment revenues. If MOE expenditure levels are not met, CHIP revenues must be returned to the State. The recommended budget maintains services at a level that maximizes available resources and allows continued funding of existing programs.

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

The Department of Community Health is committed to preserving the health and well-being of Fresno County residents. This dedication is paramount as the Central Valley is faced with a variety of new and potential public health issues. For example, the department has been instrumental in organizing a concerted effort to respond to an unprecedented nationwide influenza vaccine shortage this year. In addition, the department's Refugee Health and Tuberculosis clinics have worked closely with the California Department of Health Services and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to assure the health and safety of newly arriving Hmong refugees in Fresno County. In preparation for a surge in West Nile Virus activity, the Department has also taken the lead in establishing and chairing the Fresno County West Nile Virus Task Force. Finally, we continue to lead the region in public health preparedness and response to potential biologic, chemical and radiological terrorism.

The department is dedicated to providing essential public health programs, including public health nursing, maternal child and adolescent health, environmental health services, jail medical services, health promotion and disease prevention education, emergency medical services and health care for children with physical limitations and chronic diseases. Finally, as the administrator of the master agreement between the County of Fresno and Community Medical Centers, additional steps have been taken to enhance communication

with the Hospital and assure compliance by both parties in order to provide quality healthcare to our medically indigent population.

Despite growing demands for public health services, the constraints of diminishing Federal, State and local resources have threatened to place a significant strain on the County's ability to maintain public health capacity. This department will continue to pursue both traditional and alternative funding sources, as well as innovative private and public collaborative agreements, to assure the health and well being of Fresno County.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

SIGNIFICANT PROGRAM CHANGES

- In order to minimize cost increases and meet the Target Budget, the following actions are recommended:
 - The deletion of six vacant positions (one Clinical Supervisor, one Senior Licensed Mental Health Clinician, two Unlicensed Mental Health Clinicians, and two Medical Social Workers) assigned to the Mental Health Program of the Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health Division. This program provides home-based mental health services to participants enrolled in the nurse home visitation programs for pregnant and parenting women. The elimination of the six positions will not impact consumer services and Behavioral Health will enable the continuation of services.
 - The deletion of three vacant Substance Abuse Specialist positions, due to reduced funding from the Department of Behavioral Health. These positions were established in Fiscal Year 2000-01 when the Human Services departments created the Integrated Substance Abuse Services Program that provided a comprehensive, coordinated approach to the provision of substance abuse services. These services will continue to be provided within the Departments of Behavioral Health and Children and Family Services.
 - The deletion of one Nurse Practitioner position vacant for 19 months assigned to the Maternal Child and Adolescent Health Division (MCAH), located at the West Fresno site. This position was initially added to provide health screenings once or twice a month depending on demand. However, in November 2003 MCAH changed its focus from direct services to enhancing nurse home visitation services conducted by Public Health Nurses. As such, there will be no impact to services upon this deletion.
 - The deletion of one vacant Office Assistant position. This position provided general clerical support to the professional staff in the Administrative Support Unit, such as scheduling appointments and meetings, processing travel requests and making travel arrangements, and ordering supplies. The duties of this position were reassigned to existing staff within the department.
 - The Department of Community Health's 2005-06 Recommended Budget does not diminish the medical services to indigent persons provided by the County pursuant to the existing agreement with Community Medical Centers.

SALARIES AND BENEFITS

• Salaries and Benefits represent a decrease from the prior year. This decrease reflects the elimination of 11 positions and a 5% increase in budgeted salary savings offset by increased Retirement, Workers' Compensation, and Health Insurance rates. Negotiated salary and benefit adjustments and normal step advances are also included.

SERVICES AND SUPPLIES

 Services and Supplies represent an increase over the prior year due to higher Data Processing Services and Computer Service Software rate projections. In an effort to preserve existing staff levels and maintain service levels, this increase is partially offset by the recommended reduction in professional and specialized services, special departmental expense, transportation travel and education, and office expense accounts in an effort to match departmental revenues with projected costs.

OTHER CHARGES

• Other Charges reflects an increase due to higher estimated costs from Human Services Finance charged to this budget as overhead.

RESIDUAL EQUITY TRANSFERS/FIXED ASSETS

Fixed Assets (\$12,000)

Scanners are for the FileNet imaging project and are offset with Health Realignment revenues.

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

- Revenues are recommended at \$65,184,489 a 1% (\$512,532) increase over the prior year.
 - Licenses, Permits and Franchises Reflects a decrease based on prior year actual revenues. These revenues are derived from animal and business license fees paid to Environmental Health, and burial and disinterment fees.
 - State Aid Represents a decrease due primarily to the elimination of trauma care and domestic violence grants, and the shift of revenues of the Ryan White and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) grants from this category to Federal Aid. The decrease also reflects a change in accounting practices for the handling of California Children's Services (CCS) medical provider payments, which reduced the reimbursement forecast for CCS medical provider costs. These decreases are partially offset by increased revenues from Proposition 10 passthrough funding to Exceptional Parents Unlimited for the SMART model of care project and the additional Tuberculosis Needs award to assist with the refugee population.
 - Federal Aid Represents a decrease due primarily to lower anticipated revenues in Medi-Cal Administrative Activities based on payment history that is partially offset by the shift of Ryan White and HOPWA grant revenues to this category.
 - Charges for Services Reflects an increase due to a higher reimbursement forecast in the CCS Administration program to offset higher personnel costs associated with an expected decrease in program vacancies. The recommended increase also reflects the adoption of Environmental Health fees at 100% cost recovery. The

increases are partially offset by a forecasted decrease in Targeted Case Management revenues based on payment history.

- Miscellaneous Revenues Represents an increase based on actual trust fund revenues used to finance services and track specific funding sources. These include Vital Statistics Trust Funds utilized to offset the cost of clerical support, Child Restraint Trust Funds utilized for the purchase of infant and toddler car seats, EMS Trust Funds utilized for Emergency Medical Services administration costs, and the other miscellaneous trust funds that will be utilized to offset the increased costs of this budget.
- State/Local Program Health Realignment represents an increase over 2004-05, based on the Governor's January Budget estimates for Fiscal Year 2005-06, the utilization of one-time Realignment carryover, and to align revenues with anticipated program expenditures and to meet the Maintenance-of-Effort requirements. Due to a change in accounting practices, the increase also reflects the inclusion of funding which was previously transferred to the Probation Department for medical services provided at the Juvenile Justice Facilities.
- State/Local Program Social Services Realignment is estimated at a 25% increase over 2004-05. The recommended increase reflects reimbursements for additional costs in the California Children's Services Diagnosis, Treatment and Therapy program.
- Intrafund Revenues Estimated at a decrease due mainly to the change in accounting practices to finance medical services provided in Probation's Juvenile Hall and Elkhorn facilities directly with Health Realignment revenues. The decrease also reflects a projected lower reimbursement from Human Services Substance Abuse as a result of the elimination of the School Based Education Services and Integrated Substance Abuse Services Program. The decreases are partially offset by newly negotiated additional reimbursements from the Department of Behavioral Health for services provided by Jail Medical Services to inmates receiving Jail Psychiatric Services and from the Department of Employment and Temporary Assistance for Domestic Violence kNow More services.

PENDING FACTORS

- The Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH) Division's four-year Federal Healthy Start Grant terminated on May 31, 2005. This grant supports the Babies First program. In October 2004, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Maternal and Child Health Bureau, released Requests for Application for funding for "Eliminating Disparities in Perinatal Health." On December 7, 2004, the Board of Supervisors authorized submission of an application for these grant funds. Awards are to be announced in June 2005. If awarded, the four-year grant period will begin June 1, 2005, and end May 31, 2009. Funding of \$1,150,000 has been included within the recommended budget. Should funding not be awarded, a budget adjustment will be made.
- A classification study was completed by the Personnel Services Department Labor Relations Division in response to SEIU's request during the 2004 negotiations. Based on these studies, County Personnel will be recommending a salary adjustment to the Licensed Vocational Nurse series to equal that of the Psychiatric Technicians. If approved by your Board, the estimated costs of increase of \$211,179 will be addressed through reductions to Overtime and a selective hiring freeze.

REGULAR SALARIES

BUDGETED POSITIONS

		BAND/ <u>POSITIONS</u>			RECOMMENDED		
<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	RANGE	<u>CURRENT</u> R	RECOMMENDED	SALARIES		
0293	Assistant Director of Community Health	D	1	1	\$ 95,654		
1129	Geologist II	1994	1	1	63,856		
1303	Health Promotion Manager	E	1	1	72,722		
1305	Director of Public Health Laboratory	F	1	1	65,988		
1310	Division Manager - Community Health	E	5	5	438,074		
1311	Health Officer	А	1	1	155,870		
1313	Division Manager - Environmental Health	E	1	1	75,556		
1319	Health Education Assistant	1084	23	23	766,658		
1320	Health Educator	1552	7	7	337,987		
1321	Epidemiologist	1916	4	4	234,029		
1323	Mental Health Nurse II	2284	1	1	75,478		
1324	Health Education Specialist	1334	23	23	934,606		
1330	Senior Emergency Medical Services Specialist	1842	5	5	293,134		
1331	Public Health Chemist I	1408	4	4	175,492		
1332	Public Health Chemist II	1583	1	1	50,700		
1334	Public Health Microbiologist II	1583	2	2	94,510		
1340	Public Health Laboratory Assistant I	721	2	2	43,360		
1341	Public Health Laboratory Assistant II	851	2	2	54,548		
1345	Public Health Nurse I	1997	23	23	1,309,675		
1345	Public Health Nurse I (1/2 T)	1997	3	3	81,471		
1346	Public Health Nurse II	2284	63	63	4,528,975		
1355	Senior Public Health Microbiologist	1810	1	1	57,980		
1356	Senior Public Health Chemist	1755	1	1	56,212		
1360	Supervising Public Health Nurse	2512	14	14	1,101,022		
1363	Clinical Supervisor	2356	1	0	0		
1365	Public Health Physician	В	9	9	1,083,524		
1370	Division Manager - Emergency Medical Services	E	1	1	75,400		
1371	Dentist	В	1	1	126,334		
1380	Emergency Medical Services Specialist	1709	10	10	529,690		
1401	Communicable Disease Specialist I	1240	6	6	220,638		
1402	Communicable Disease Specialist II	1325	16	16	671,812		
1403	Supervising Communicable Disease Specialist	1472	3	3	140,898		
1427	Dental Assistant II	880	4	4	104,844		
1428	Medical Assistant I	767	5	5	118,579		
1429	Medical Assistant II	845	11	11	290,923		
1450	Licensed Vocational Nurse III	1129	30	30	1,051,908		
1451	Head Nurse	2512	4	4	325,800		
1454	Nursing Services Manager	E	1	1	82,524		
1455	Health Aide II	776	9	9	221,624		
1457	Health Aide I	624	2	2	36,894		
1493	Physician Assistant	2473	2	2	158,444		
1494	Licensed Vocational Nurse II	985	4	4	121,177		
1496	Staff Nurse II	1971	6	6	350,801		
1497	Staff Nurse III	2284	43	43	3,183,658		
1501	Admitting Interviewer I	849	5	5	134,012		
1510	Clinical Laboratory Technologist I	1531	1	1	49,114		
1514	Clinical Laboratory Technologist II	1724	1	1	55,224		
1516	Clinical Laboratory Technologist III	1887	3	3	170,776		

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH - 5620

<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	BAND/ <u>RANGE</u>		<u>TIONS</u> RECOMMENDED	OMMENDED
1555	Occupational Therapist I	1946	2	2	\$ 106,457
1557	Occupational Therapist III	2416	5	5	365,086
1564	Nurse Practitioner	2775	8	7	619,164
1580	Physical Therapist I (PT)	1946	1	1	42,055
1583	Physical Therapist III	2416	8	8	590,077
1583	Physical Therapist III (PT)	2416	1	1	61,932
1600	Rehabilitative Therapy Supervisor	2669	3	3	243,139
1610	Rehabilitative Therapy Manager	E	1	1	79,118
1635	Therapy Aide	768	2	2	49,154
1644	Radiologic Technologist II	1368	1	1	43,810
1655	Environmental Health Aide	1109	1	1	29,952
1670	Admitting Interviewer II	997	14	14	424,965
1785	Environmental Health Specialist I	1499	3	3	123,152
1787	Environmental Health Specialist II	1682	36	36	1,862,297
1789	Environmental Health Specialist III	1854	13	13	744,862
1790	Environmental Health Specialist Trainee	1308	10	10	361,920
1791	Supervising Environmental Health Specialist	2051	9	9	589,758
1917	Unlicensed Mental Health Clinician	1552	2	0	0
1919	Licensed Mental Health Clinician	1867	1	1	50,453
1920	Senior Licensed Mental Health Clinician	2005	2	1	64,272
1921	Medical Social Worker I	1442	2	0	0
1922	Medical Social Worker II	1706	3	3	160,328
1935	Social Worker III	1503	3	3	139,264
1952	Substance Abuse Specialist II	1253	3	0	0
2212	Systems and Procedures Analyst III	1978	4	4	235,655
2213	Systems and Procedures Analyst I	1383	1	1	47,803
2240	Senior Systems and Procedures Analyst	2215	1	1	70,954
2291	Staff Analyst I	1460	2	2	85,898
2293	Staff Analyst III	1872	12	12	703,731
2294	Senior Staff Analyst	F	3	3	190,086
2297	Principal Staff Analyst	E	3	3	230,620
3010	Chief Office Assistant	1405	1	1	45,006
3037	Driver	804	2	2	47,665
3070	Supervising Office Assistant II	1253	15	15	593,458
3076	Health Center Manager	1464	1	1	46,904
3078	Supervising Office Assistant I	1065	2	2	66,636
3080 3081	Office Assistant III	938 942	103	103	3,014,873
3110	Office Assistant III - Confidential	942 843	1 26	1 25	30,186
	Office Assistant II		20	25	636,957
3140 3160	Secretary III Secretary IV	1048 1156	8	8	63,134 288,459
3160	Administrative Secretary - Conf.	1290	0	0	288,459 41,340
3205	Administrative Secretary - Com. Account Clerk II	882	1	1	31,653
3205	Supervising Account Clerk II	1268	1	1	34,242
3240 3260	Account Clerk III	991	1	1	126,984
3520	Data Entry Operator II	829	4	4	26,546
3621	Program Technician II	1248	2	2	78,829
8227	Director of Community Health	B	1	1	108,056
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Subtotal			700	689	\$ 34,065,045
	Auto Allowance				6,156
	Shift Differential				269,622
	Pilingual Skill Day				107 576

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(4,848,332)

TOTAL REGULAR SALARIES

Bilingual Skill Pay

Less Salary Savings

29,620,067

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH - 5620

VACANT POSITIONS RECOMMENDED FOR DELETION

(September 30, 2005)

<u>JCN</u>	TITLE	<u>STATUS</u>	BAND/ <u>RANGE</u>	POSITION	-	ALARIES & XPENSES
1363	Clinical Supervisor	Vacant	2356	-1	\$	89,159
1564	Nurse Practitioner	Vacant	2775	-1		104,619
1917	Unlicensed Mental Health Clinician	Vacant	1552	-2		121,362
1920	Senior Licensed Mental Health Clinician	Vacant	2005	-1		76,726
1921	Medical Social Worker I	Vacant	1442	-2		113,570
1952	Substance Abuse Specialist II	Vacant	1253	-3		150,276
3110	Office Assistant II	Vacant	843	-1		35,568
	Cost of Restoring Vacant Positions			-11	\$	691,280

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CALIFORNIA HEALTHCARE FOR INDIGENTS PROGRAM BUDGET 5242 Special Revenue Fund

	 Actual 2003-04	 Adopted 2004-05	Re	ecommended 2005-06	Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY						
Appropriations						
Services & Supplies Operating Transfers Out	\$ 945,823 0	\$ 195,200 0	\$	254,152 29,278	\$ 58,952 29,278	30% 100%
Total Appropriations	\$ 945,823	\$ 195,200	\$	283,430	\$ 88,230	45%
Revenues						
Use of Money & Property State Aid	\$ 18,858 174,224	\$ 1,600 193,600	\$	8,255 275,175	\$ 6,655 81,575	416% 42%
Total Revenues	\$ 193,082	\$ 195,200	\$	283,430	\$ 88,230	45%
Use of Fund Balance	\$ 752,741	\$ 0	\$	0	\$ 0	0%

CALIFORNIA HEALTHCARE FOR INIDIGENTS PROGRAM – 5242

FUNCTION

The California Healthcare for Indigents Program (CHIP) is financed by the Tobacco Surtax Fund established by Proposition 99 of 1988. As originally established under Chapter 1331, Statutes of 1989, funds from the Hospital Services Account, Physician Services Account (PSA), and Other Health Services Account are directed to counties for use in paying private and county providers for uncompensated health care to people who cannot afford to pay for those services, and for whom payment will not be made through any private coverage or by any program funded in whole or in part by the Federal government.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget of \$283,430 represents a 45% (\$88,230) increase in appropriations and revenues over the 2004-05 Adopted Budget based on preliminary funding allocations included in the 2005-06 Proposed State Budget. Recommended funding provides for the distribution of Proposition 99 CHIP funds to non-County hospitals and physicians for uncompensated care according to formulas established in State law. Fresno County does not receive a County Hospital sub-account allocation due to the contract with Community Medical Centers for indigent healthcare services.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

SERVICES AND SUPPLIES

 Recommended Services and Supplies of \$254,152 provides for the following distributions of Proposition 99 CHIP funds:

	ALLOCATION	<u>INTEREST</u>	<u>I OTAL</u>
Hospital Services Account	\$246,750	\$7,402	\$254,152

OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT

 On February 13, 1990, the Board of Supervisors adopted a 1989-90 Health Services Plan Update and Budget Supplement which identified that one-half of the PSA be allocated to the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Fund budget (5244) for distribution to community physicians for uncompensated care for emergency, pediatric, and obstetric services. The EMS PSA was established on February 28, 1989 by Board of Supervisors action as authorized by Senate Bills 12 and 612. Based upon the 2005-06 Proposed State Budget, Operating Transfers Out reflect an allocation of \$29,278, which includes CHIP PSA funds of \$28,425 and an interest estimate of \$853.

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

- Revenues, recommended at \$283,430, represent a 45% (\$88,230) increase over the prior year based on preliminary funding allocations for 2005-06.
 - Use of Money and Property Reflects the 2005-06 estimated Proposition 99 CHIP fund interest earnings.
 - State Aid Represents the preliminary allocation of Proposition 99 CHIP funds for 2005-06 distributed among the following accounts:

CALIFORNIA HEALTHCARE FOR INIDIGENTS PROGRAM – 5242

•	Hospital Services Account	\$246,750
٠	Physician Services Account – EMS	\$ 28,425

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BUDGET 5244 Special Revenue Fund

	_	Actual 2003-04	_	Adopted 2004-05	R	ecommended 2005-06	_	Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY									
Appropriations									
Services & Supplies	\$	1,706,798	\$	2,159,512	\$	2,053,790	\$	(105,722)	-5%
Total Appropriations	\$	1,706,798	\$	2,159,512	\$	2,053,790	\$	(105,722)	-5%
Revenues									
Fines, Forf. & Penalties Use of Money & Property State Aid Miscellaneous Operating Transfers In	\$	1,334,062 41,260 49,961 19,594 0	\$	1,520,000 40,000 599,512 0 0	\$	1,380,000 45,000 599,512 0 29,278	\$	(140,000) 5,000 0 29,278	-9% 13% 0% 0% 100%
Total Revenues	\$	1,444,877	\$	2,159,512	\$	2,053,790	\$	(105,722)	-5%
Use of Fund Balance	\$	261,921	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	0%

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES – 5244

FUNCTION

The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Fund was established by the Board of Supervisors on February 28, 1989, under authority of Senate Bill 12 (1987) and Senate Bill 612 (1988) for purposes of addressing uncompensated care costs of hospitals and physicians, using penalty assessments on traffic fines. In addition, Chapter 1331, Statutes of 1989 (Assembly Bill 75) which created the California Healthcare for Indigents Program (CHIP), requires that at least 50% of the Proposition 99 Tobacco Surtax monies designated for the Physician Services Account (PSA) must be deposited into the EMS Fund. At Board discretion, all or a portion of the remaining Proposition 99 PSA funds may be directed to the EMS Fund. In 1990, Board policy directed the entire discretionary portion of PSA funds to the EMS Fund. On September 28, 2000 the Governor signed Senate Bill 2132, adding the Emergency Medical Services Appropriation (EMSA) to the EMS Fund. EMSA funds are to be used to compensate physicians for emergency medical services provided in general acute care hospitals and are Proposition 99 generated revenues designated for special distribution through CHIP.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget of \$2,053,790 represents a 5% (\$105,722) decrease in projected appropriations and revenues from the 2004-05 Adopted Budget. The new EMSA subvention was established in 2000-01 and added to the EMS Fund appropriations at the allocation level of \$599,512 plus interest and was extended through 2004-05. Approximately the same level is recommended for 2005-06, as the program is recommended for continuation in the 2005-06 Proposed State Budget. In addition, Fresno County's Senate Bill 612 Penalty Assessment revenue is projected to decrease by \$140,000 to \$1,380,000. This projected decline is based on actual 2004-05 traffic enforcement fine revenues. Recommended funding reflects Board policy that all PSA funds be transferred from the California Healthcare for Indigents budget (5242) into the EMS Fund.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

SERVICES AND SUPPLIES

- Recommended appropriations of \$2,053,790 will be available to pay physician and hospital claims for emergency care performed in a general acute care hospital, obstetric care, and pediatric care for persons who cannot afford to pay, and for whom payment will not be made through any private coverage or by any program funded in whole or in part by the Federal government.
- Seventeen percent of the designated penalty assessment revenues must be expended for EMS purposes approved by your Board.
- The CHIP and EMS Fund statutes specify the following percentage allocations of monies by funding source:

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	<u>Physicians</u>	<u>Hospitals</u>	Discretionary	Administration*
EMS Funds	58%	25%	17%	Up to 10%
Proposition 99	100%	_	_	Up to 10%
EMSA Funds	100%	_	-	Up to 10%

• *Distributions of EMS, Proposition 99, and EMSA funds to providers are calculated after allowance for administrative costs.

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

- Revenues are recommended at \$2,053,790, a 5% (\$105,722) decrease from the prior year based on estimated allocations and penalty assessment revenues for 2005-06.
 - Fines, Forfeitures and Penalties Represents the projected EMS designated penalty assessments which, by law, are divided into the following sub-accounts: Physicians, Hospitals, Discretionary, and Administration.
 - Use of Money and Property Includes estimated interest earnings on balances in each of the following sub-accounts: Senate Bill 612 Physicians, Hospitals, Discretionary, Administration, EMSA Physicians, and EMSA Administration.
 - State Aid Reflects EMSA program funds of \$599,512.
 - Operating Transfers In Reflects funds that will be transferred from the California Healthcare for Indigents Program budget (5242). These funds represent one-half of the Physician Services Account revenue plus interest which, by law, must first be deposited into the CHIP fund and are subsequently transferred into this budget according to Board policy.

COUNTY MEDICAL SERVICES BUDGET 5240 General Fund

	Actual 2003-04	Adopted 2004-05	Recommended 2005-06	Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY					
<u>Appropriations</u>					
Services & Supplies Other Charges Operating Transfers Out	\$ 16,868,844 298,000 47,436,868	\$ 17,206,229 298,000 51,158,686	\$ 17,575,032 298,000 54,034,804	\$ 368,803 0 2,876,118	2% 0% 6%
Total Appropriations	\$ 64,603,712	\$ 68,662,915	\$ 71,907,836	\$ 3,244,921	5%
Revenues					
Operating Transfers In	\$ 17,166,844	\$ 17,504,229	\$ 17,873,032	\$ 368,803	2%
Total Revenues	\$ 17,166,844	\$ 17,504,229	\$ 17,873,032	\$ 368,803	2%
<u>Net County Cost</u>	\$ 47,436,868	\$ 51,158,686	\$ 54,034,804	\$ 2,876,118	6%

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FUNCTION

This budget provides for the appropriation of the mandated County General Fund match requirements for local health and mental health services and for the California Healthcare for Indigents Program (CHIP) which supplements indigent health care services through the County's Medically Indigent Services Program (MISP). These County matching funds also satisfy requirements of State/Local Program Realignment (Assembly Bill 1288 of 1991) to deposit specified County funds into the Health and Welfare Trust Fund (H&WTF) to qualify for Realignment sales tax revenue. This budget finances the required deposit into the H&WTF of an amount equal to Vehicle License Fee (VLF) revenues received by the County General Fund under State/Local Program Realignment.

This budget also contains funding for the discretionary Emergency Medical Services (EMS) ambulance program and the County's payment to Community Medical Centers for indigent health care and specialty medical care for in-custody patients.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget of \$71,907,836 represents a 6% (\$2,876,118) increase in net County cost over the 2004-05 Adopted Budget. This net County cost increase represents a projected increase in Realignment Vehicle License Fee revenues the County will receive in 2005-06 that are passed through the General Fund to the Health and Welfare Realignment Trust Fund as required County match. Accordingly, the net cost increase in this budget is offset with a like increase of VLF Realignment revenue included in the 2005-06 Countywide Revenues budget. The net County cost in this budget is offset with County with Countywide revenues.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

SERVICES AND SUPPLIES

• Recommended funding of \$17,575,032 represents the 2005-06 estimated contract payment to Community Medical Centers for indigent health and in-custody patient care. This reflects a 2.4% inflationary cost adjustment of \$414,881, as provided for in the contract, over the actual 2004-05 contract payment. This adjustment is based on actual inflationary costs as of February 2005.

OTHER CHARGES

• Recommended funding of \$298,000 is included for the Emergency Medical Services rural ambulance contracts.

OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT

Operating Transfers Out reflect the mandated County local match to qualify Fresno County for Local Health and Welfare Realignment sales tax revenue. The local match of \$54,034,804 consists of \$10,404,113 for the Health Account; \$955,639 for the Mental Health Account; \$40,344,133 in Health (\$27,960,627) and Mental Health (\$12,383,506) matching funds equivalent to the 2005-06 estimated Realignment VLF revenues; \$727,543 in estimated 2005-06 VLF Collection Account revenues; and \$1,603,376 in estimated Social Services VLF funds. Matching funds reflect a 6% (\$2,876,118) increase in estimated VLF Realignment revenues. These funds are appropriated in this budget and transferred to the Health and Welfare Trust Fund budget (5243).

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SUMMARY OF REVENUES

• Operating Transfers In (\$17,873,032) - Represents the reimbursement to the General Fund from the State/Local Program Realignment revenues, which offset the EMS ambulance contract costs (\$298,000) and the Community Medical Centers indigent health care contract (\$17,575,032).

HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST FUND BUDGET 5243 Trust Fund

	Actual 2003-04	Adopted 2004-05	Recommended 2005-06	Increase/ Decrease	
FISCAL SUMMARY					
Appropriations					
Other Charges Interfund Transfers Out	\$ 132,342,075	\$ 0 127,867,761	\$ 0 132,125,455	\$ 0 4,257,694	0% 3%
Total Appropriations	\$ 132,342,075	\$ 127,867,761	\$ 132,125,455	\$ 4,257,694	3%
Revenues					
Sales Tax Other Financing Carryover Intrafund Revenues	\$ 70,115,222 56,016,112 7,626,911	\$ 75,065,693 51,158,686 1,643,382 0	\$ 77,590,651 54,034,804 500,000 0	\$ 2,524,958 2,876,118 (1,143,382) 0	3% 6% -70% <u>0%</u>
Total Revenues	\$ 133,758,245	\$ 127,867,761	\$ 132,125,455	\$ 4,257,694	3%
<u>To Carryover</u>	\$ (1,416,170)	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%

HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST FUND – 5243

FUNCTION

Assembly Bill 1288 of 1991 requires counties to establish a local Health and Welfare Trust Fund (H&WTF) for proceeds of sales tax designated for State/Local Program Realignment. Counties must deposit an amount equivalent to the Vehicle License Fee (VLF) revenues they receive in the County's General Fund from the Local Revenue Fund of the State for Realignment. The statute also requires counties to deposit a continuing match of local funds for health and mental health services. Realignment revenues and local matching funds are directed for deposit into three accounts within the H&WTF: Social Services Account, Health Account, and Mental Health Account.

Monies in the H&WTF may only be expended for purposes of providing realigned mental health, public health, indigent health care, social services, and juvenile justice programs previously funded under Assembly Bill 90. Former County Stabilization revenues were also replaced by Social Services Account revenues. The County is permitted to spend Stabilization funds for general county purposes rather than solely among the realigned social services programs.

OVERVIEW

The 2005-06 Recommended Budget of \$132,125,455 represents a 3% (\$4,257,694) increase in appropriations and revenues over the 2004-05 Adopted Budget based on projected Realignment Sales Tax and VLF revenues and carryover funds budgeted for 2004-05. Realignment Sales Tax and VLF revenue projections for 2005-06 reflect a 3% increase (\$2,524,958) and 6% increase (\$2,876,118) respectively over the 2004-05 Adopted Budget. Trust Fund Carryover is budgeted at a 70% (\$1,143,382) decrease over the prior year. There is no net County cost associated with this budget.

Fresno County received \$5,440,898 in 2004-05 for caseload growth payments for 2001-02 and a portion of funds owed for 2002-03. A balance of \$7,066,554 is still owed for 2003-04 and a portion of 2002-03. Of this amount, \$3,169,646 is projected to be received in 2005-06.

SUMMARY OF CAO RECOMMENDATIONS

INTERFUND TRANSFERS OUT

• Recommended funding represents the payments from the H&WTF to the various General Fund operating budgets. Transfers are projected at \$132,125,455 for 2005-06 as shown below:

	2004-05	2005-06	Increase/(Decrease)
Sales Tax	\$ 75,065,693	\$ 77,590,651	\$ 2,524,958
County Local Match	11,359,752	11,359,752	0
County VLF Match	39,798,934	42,675,052	2,876,118
Trust Fund Carryover	1,643,382	500,000	(1,143,382)
TOTAL	\$ 127,867,761	\$ 132,125,455	\$ 4,257,694

HEALTH AND WELFARE TRUST FUND – 5243

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

- Revenues are recommended at \$132,125,455, reflecting a 3% (\$4,257,694) increase over the prior year.
 - Sales Tax (\$77,590,651) Revenues are estimated at a 3% (\$2,524,958) increase over the prior year budgeted level based on the estimated actual revenue for 2004-05 and growth revenues projected for 2005-06. Of the total \$77,590,651 in estimated sales tax revenues, \$43,205,811 is earmarked by law for social services and former Juvenile Justice Assembly Bill 90 programs; \$21,801,525 for mental health programs; \$9,746,315 for health programs; and \$2,837,000 to replace former County Stabilization revenues. Included in the estimated social services revenues is \$3.1 million for caseload growth revenue, which is estimated at a level, based on the State's Proposed 2004-05 Budget projection.
 - Other Financing (\$54,034,804) Revenues are estimated at a 6% (\$2,876,118) increase over the 2004-05 budgeted level reflecting an increase in projected VLF revenues. These revenues represent payments from the General Fund, County Medical Services budget (5240), for the required County match for health services (\$38,364,740), mental health services (\$14,066,688) and social services (\$1,603,376). The local match for health, mental health, and social services includes \$42,675,052 in County funds equivalent to Realignment VLF revenue received into the General Fund, which includes mental health VLF Collection Account revenue of \$727,543.
 - Carryover (\$500,000) Realignment carryover funds of \$500,000 are recommended for 2005-06.