



TO: Public Library Directors

FROM: Susan Hildreth *SH*
State Librarian of California

DATE: August 23, 2006

SUBJECT: ESTIMATED Allocations for the Public Library Fund (FY 2006-07)

The purpose of this message is to provide you with initial estimates of the Public Library Fund (PLF) allotments to be sent to you for FY 2006-07.

As authorized in the Governor's budget, the appropriation for PLF this year is \$21,360,000. The attached table presents the California State Library's preliminary allocation estimates for funds to be distributed for the 2006-07 fiscal year. These estimates are subject to revision because of state budgetary conditions or fluctuations attributable to jurisdictions not being able to meet the maintenance of effort requirement due to local budgetary issues. The final determination of the allocations will be made following confirmation of eligibility based on the submission of the annual certification by public libraries of their respective local appropriations.

As background, the timeline for certification and distribution of funds is included in the state budget act through which the funds are made available. The 2006-07 Budget Act states the following provisions concerning PLF:

1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for the 2006-07 fiscal year, the date on or before which the fiscal officer of each public library shall report to the State Librarian the information specified in Section 18023 of the Education Code shall be December 1, 2006.
2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for the 2006-07 fiscal year, the date on or before which the Controller shall distribute funds to the fiscal officer of each public library as specified in Section 18026 of the Education Code shall be February 15, 2007.
3. It is the intent of the Legislature that the funds appropriated in this item be allocated consistent with the provisions of Section 18025 of the Education Code.

If you have any concerns about this process, the target dates, or any other questions, please contact Sharon Gomez at (916) 653-6492 or email sgomez@library.ca.gov.

Enclosure

PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND (PLF)
FY 2006/2007 Estimates
(Payment Based on Population)

Public Library	1	2	3	4	5
	Population FY 06/07	Meets MOE Y/N	Percentage of Total Population	At 100% Funding Total Cost of PLF Program 1 x \$2.5369	Proportionally Funded Est. 1 x .574938
Alameda	74,405	Y	0.0020027	188,758	42,778
Alameda Co.	522,431	Y	0.0140621	1,325,355	300,365
Alhambra	89,326	Y	0.0024043	226,611	51,357
Alpine Co.	1,241	Y	0.0000334	3,148	713
Altadena L.D.	55,300	Y	0.0014885	140,291	31,794
Amador Co.	38,133	Y	0.0010264	96,740	21,924
Anaheim	342,410	Y	0.0092165	868,660	196,865
Arcadia	56,145	Y	0.0015112	142,434	32,280
Azusa City	48,302	Y	0.0013001	122,537	27,771
Banning Unif. S.D.	30,659	Y	0.0008252	77,779	17,627
Beaumont L.D.	44,137	Y	0.001188	111,971	25,376
Belevedere-Tiburon	10,954	Y	0.0002948	27,789	6,298
Benicia	27,319	Y	0.0007353	69,306	15,707
Berkeley	105,385	Y	0.0028366	267,351	60,590
Beverly Hills	35,813	Y	0.000964	90,854	20,590
Brawley	25,488	Y	0.000686	64,661	14,654
Buena Park L.D.	81,349	Y	0.0021896	206,374	46,771
Burbank	106,879	Y	0.0028768	271,141	61,449
Burlingame	35,632	Y	0.0009591	90,395	20,486
Butte Co.	217,209	Y	0.0058465	551,038	124,882
Calabasas	23,387	Y	0.0006295	59,330	13,446
Calaveras Co.	45,711	Y	0.0012304	115,964	26,281
Camarena (Calexico)	36,740	Y	0.0009889	93,206	21,123
Carlsbad City	98,607	Y	0.0026542	250,156	56,693
Carmel (Harrison)	4,038	Y	0.0001087	10,244	2,322
Cerritos	54,834	Y	0.0014759	139,108	31,526
Chula Vista	223,423	Y	0.0060138	566,802	128,454
Coalinga-Huron U.S.D.	27,310	Y	0.0007351	69,283	15,702
Colton	51,781	Y	0.0013938	131,363	29,771
Colusa Co.	21,512	Y	0.000579	54,574	12,368
City of Commerce	13,439	Y	0.0003617	34,093	7,727
Contra Costa Co.	925,909	Y	0.0249223	2,348,939	532,340
Corona	144,661	Y	0.0038938	366,990	83,171
Coronado	26,248	Y	0.0007065	66,589	15,091
Covina	49,378	Y	0.0013291	125,267	28,389
Daly City	104,820	Y	0.0028214	265,918	60,265
Del Norte Co.L.D.	29,196	Y	0.0007859	74,067	16,786
Dixon Public Library District	25,804	Y	0.0006946	65,462	14,836
Downey City	113,063	Y	0.0030433	286,830	65,004
El Centro	42,002	Y	0.0011305	106,555	24,149
El Dorado Co.	176,204	Y	0.0047428	447,012	101,306
El Segundo	16,965	Y	0.0004566	43,039	9,754

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Escondido	140,766	Y	0.0037889	357,109	80,932
Folsom	69,445	Y	0.0018692	176,175	39,927
Fresno Co.	872,204	Y	0.0234767	2,212,694	501,463
Fullerton	136,428	Y	0.0036722	346,104	78,438
Glendale	206,308	Y	0.0055531	523,383	118,614
Glendora	52,199	Y	0.001405	132,424	30,011
Hayward	146,398	Y	0.0039405	371,397	84,170
Hemet	69,544	Y	0.0018719	176,426	39,983
Humboldt Co.	132,526	Y	0.0035671	336,205	76,194
Huntington Beach	201,000	Y	0.0054102	509,917	115,563
Imperial	10,140	Y	0.0002729	25,724	5,830
Imperial Co.	52,215	Y	0.0014054	132,464	30,020
Inglewood	118,112	Y	0.0031792	299,638	67,907
Inyo Co.	18,515	Y	0.0004984	46,971	10,645
Irwindale	1,559	Y	0.000042	3,955	896
Kern Co.	779,869	Y	0.0209914	1,978,450	448,376
Kings Co.	147,729	Y	0.0039764	374,774	84,935
Lake Co.	64,105	Y	0.0017255	162,628	36,856
Larkspur	12,040	Y	0.0003241	30,544	6,922
Lincoln	33,589	Y	0.0009041	85,212	19,312
Livermore	81,443	Y	0.0021922	206,613	46,825
Lodi	62,817	Y	0.0016908	159,360	36,116
Lompoc	71,676	Y	0.0019293	181,835	41,209
Long Beach	490,166	Y	0.0131936	1,243,502	281,815
Los Angeles	3,976,071	Y	0.1070222	10,086,895	2,285,994
Los Angeles Co.	3,644,424	Y	0.0980954	9,245,539	2,095,318
Los Gatos	28,989	Y	0.0007803	73,542	16,667
Madera Co.	144,396	Y	0.0038866	366,318	83,019
Marin Co.	139,451	Y	0.0037535	353,773	80,176
Mariposa Co.	18,216	Y	0.0004903	46,212	10,473
Mendocino Co.	90,445	Y	0.0024345	229,450	52,000
Menlo Park	30,750	Y	0.0008277	78,010	17,679
Merced Co.	246,751	Y	0.0066417	625,983	141,867
Mill Valley	13,735	Y	0.0003697	34,844	7,897
Mission Viejo	97,997	Y	0.0026377	248,609	56,342
Modoc Co.	9,836	Y	0.0002648	24,953	5,655
Mono Co.	13,597	Y	0.000366	34,494	7,817
Monrovia	39,006	Y	0.0010499	98,954	22,426
Monterey	30,161	Y	0.0008118	76,515	17,341
Monterey Co.	226,988	Y	0.0061097	575,846	130,504
Monterey Park Buggermeyer	64,387	Y	0.0017331	163,343	37,019
Moreno Valley	174,565	Y	0.0046987	442,854	100,364

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Mountain View	71,995	Y	0.0019379	182,644	41,393
Murrieta	92,933	Y	0.0025014	235,762	53,431
Napa City-Co.	128,455	Y	0.0034576	325,877	73,854
National City	63,537	Y	0.0017102	161,187	36,530
Nevada Co.	100,066	Y	0.0026934	253,857	57,532
Newport Beach	83,361	Y	0.0022438	211,479	47,927
Oakland	431,291	Y	0.0116089	1,094,142	247,966
Oceanside	174,925	Y	0.0047084	443,767	100,571
Ontario City	171,113	Y	0.0046058	434,097	98,379
Orange	137,801	Y	0.0037091	349,587	79,227
Orange Co.	1,519,194	Y	0.0408915	3,854,043	873,442
Orland Free	14,606	Y	0.0003931	37,054	8,398
Oxnard	189,990	Y	0.0051139	481,986	109,232
Pacific Grove	15,305	Y	0.000412	38,827	8,799
Palm Springs	46,437	Y	0.0012499	117,806	26,698
Palmdale City	141,012	Y	0.0037956	357,733	81,073
Palo Alto City	62,148	Y	0.0016728	157,663	35,731
Palo Verde Valley L.D. (Blythe)	43,317	Y	0.0011659	109,891	24,905
Palos Verdes L.D.	67,200	Y	0.0018088	170,480	38,636
Pasadena	146,138	Y	0.0039335	370,737	84,020
Paso Robles	28,969	Y	0.0007797	73,491	16,655
Placentia L.D.	54,980	Y	0.0014799	139,479	31,610
Placer Co.	178,264	Y	0.0047983	452,238	102,491
Pleasanton	67,876	Y	0.001827	172,195	39,024
Plumas/Sierra Co.	24,945	Y	0.0006714	63,283	14,342
Pomona	161,850	Y	0.0043564	410,597	93,054
Porterville	45,220	Y	0.0012172	114,719	25,999
Rancho Cucamonga	170,479	Y	0.0045887	432,488	98,015
Rancho Mirage	21,537	Y	0.0005797	54,637	12,382
Redlands (A.K. Smiley)	71,086	Y	0.0019134	180,338	40,870
Redondo Beach	67,112	Y	0.0018064	170,256	38,585
Redwood City	76,087	Y	0.002048	193,025	43,745
Richmond	103,468	Y	0.002785	262,488	59,488
Riverside	287,820	Y	0.0077471	730,171	165,479
Riverside Co.	997,720	Y	0.0268552	2,531,116	573,627
Roseville	104,655	Y	0.002817	265,499	60,170
Sacramento	1,316,162	Y	0.0354266	3,338,971	756,712
Salinas	148,350	Y	0.0039931	376,349	85,292
San Anselmo	12,418	Y	0.0003343	31,503	7,140
San Benito Co.	55,901	Y	0.0015047	141,815	32,140
San Bernardino	201,823	Y	0.0054324	512,005	116,036
San Bernardino Co.	1,156,303	Y	0.0311237	2,933,425	664,803

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San Bruno	41,515	Y	0.0011174	105,319	23,869
San Diego	1,311,162	Y	0.035292	3,326,287	753,837
San Diego Co.	1,028,152	Y	0.0276743	2,608,319	591,124
San Francisco	798,680	Y	0.0214977	2,026,171	459,191
San Jose	953,679	Y	0.0256698	2,419,388	548,306
San Juan Bautista	1,726	Y	0.0000465	4,379	992
San Leandro	81,074	Y	0.0021822	205,677	46,613
San Luis Obispo City-Co.	234,273	Y	0.0063058	594,327	134,692
San Marino	13,482	Y	0.0003629	34,202	7,751
San Mateo	97,970	Y	0.002637	248,540	56,327
San Mateo Co.	275,506	Y	0.0074157	698,931	158,399
San Rafael	57,349	Y	0.0015436	145,489	32,972
Santa Ana	351,322	Y	0.0094564	891,269	201,988
Santa Barbara	231,894	Y	0.0062418	588,292	133,325
Santa Clara	110,771	Y	0.0029816	281,015	63,686
Santa Clara Co.	412,132	Y	0.0110932	1,045,538	236,950
Santa Cruz	205,155	Y	0.0055221	520,458	117,951
Santa Fe Springs	17,780	Y	0.0004786	45,106	10,222
Santa Maria	118,055	Y	0.0031776	299,494	67,874
Santa Monica	90,750	Y	0.0024427	230,224	52,176
Santa Paula (Blanchard) Dist.	29,133	Y	0.0007842	73,908	16,750
Sausalito	7,394	Y	0.000199	18,758	4,251
Shasta Co.	181,483	Y	0.0048849	460,404	104,341
Sierra Madre	11,010	Y	0.0002964	27,931	6,330
Signal Hill	11,089	Y	0.0002985	28,132	6,375
Siskiyou Co.	46,146	Y	0.0012421	117,068	26,531
Solano Co.	369,725	Y	0.0099517	937,955	212,569
Sonoma Co.	479,929	Y	0.012918	1,217,532	275,929
South Pasadena	25,674	Y	0.0006911	65,132	14,761
So. San Francisco	61,824	Y	0.0016641	156,841	35,545
St. Helena	5,989	Y	0.0001612	15,193	3,443
Stanislaus Co.	514,370	Y	0.0138451	1,304,905	295,731
Stockton-San Joaquin Co.	605,448	Y	0.0162966	1,535,961	348,095
Sunnyvale	133,544	Y	0.0035945	338,788	76,780
Susanville D.L.	18,337	Y	0.0004936	46,519	10,543
Sutter Co.	91,450	Y	0.0024615	232,000	52,578
Tehema Co.	61,533	Y	0.0016563	156,103	35,378
Thousand Oaks	127,644	Y	0.0034357	323,820	73,387
Torrance	147,108	Y	0.0039596	373,198	84,578
Trinity Co.	14,024	Y	0.0003775	35,577	8,063
Tulare	51,477	Y	0.0013856	130,592	29,596
Tulare Co.	323,922	Y	0.0087189	821,758	186,235

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Tuolumne Co.	58,231	Y	0.0015674	147,726	33,479
Upland	74,099	Y	0.0019945	187,982	42,602
Ventura Co.	470,579	Y	0.0126664	1,193,812	270,554
Vernon	95	Y	0.0000026	241	55
Victorville	95,145	Y	0.002561	241,373	54,702
Watsonville	57,196	Y	0.0015395	145,101	32,884
Whittier	86,841	Y	0.0023375	220,307	49,928
Willows	14,045	Y	0.000378	35,631	8,075
Woodland	52,972	Y	0.0014258	134,385	30,456
Yolo Co.	137,372	Y	0.0036976	348,499	78,980
Yorba Linda	66,794	Y	0.0017979	169,450	38,402
Yuba Co.	69,827	Y	0.0018795	177,144	40,146
	37,151,832		1.00000	\$94,250,480	\$21,360,000

Total Number of Public Libraries: 180

To arrive at Col. 5 percent - divide \$21,360,000 by 37,151,832 (Total Population Minus those ineligible/denied) = \$.574938

Contra Costa Mayors' Conference Letterhead
Draft 8/22/06

Resolution in support of full funding of the Public Library Foundation (PLF)

Whereas, the Governor and State Legislature established the Public Library Foundation (PLF) in 1982 to support public library baseline services with an annual revenue allocation from the general fund starting in fiscal year 1983/84; and

Whereas, the Legislature found and declared that it is in the interest of the people and of the State that there be a general diffusion of information and knowledge through the continued operation of free public libraries. Such diffusion is a matter of general concern inasmuch as it is the duty of the state to provide encouragement to the voluntary lifelong learning of the people of the State; and

Whereas, the Legislature further found that the public library is a supplement to the formal system of free public education and a source of information and inspiration to persons of all ages, cultural backgrounds, and economic statuses, and a resource for continuing education and reeducation beyond the years of formal education, and as such deserves adequate financial support from government at all levels; and

Whereas, library usage in California is at an all time high with circulation in Contra Costa County up 25% in the past 5 years; and

Whereas, these funds can be used to meet local library priorities for library services, programs and collections; and

Whereas, Public Library Foundation allocates revenue to the 180 public libraries based on population, but has never been fully funded and in fiscal year 2005/06 per capita spending on the PLF was less than it was 20 years ago; and

Whereas, between fiscal years 2000/01 and 2004/05 PLF funding was slashed by 75% ; and

Whereas, in 2005/06 funding was \$14.3 million vs. full funding which would have been \$89.5 million. The Contra Costa County Library received \$358,000 instead of \$2.2 million which it would have received with full funding and Richmond received approximately \$40,000 instead of \$251,000; and

Whereas, the Public Library Foundation was increased for the fiscal year 2006/07 to \$21.3 million ; but full funding would have been \$94.25 million; now therefore

Be it resolved that the Contra Costa County Mayors' Conference urges the Governor to make libraries a priority by fully funding the Public Library Foundation in the 2007/08 budget; and

Further requests that the Assembly Members and Senators who represent Contra Costa County support full funding for the Public Library Foundation.

Mayor's Conference Staff Report
August 29 2006
Alan Smith, CALTAC and CLA

Subject: Public Library Foundation

Recommendation

Adopt a resolution urging the Governor to make libraries a priority by fully funding the Public Library Foundation in the 2007/08 budget.

Background

The Education code provides for a Public Library Fund to provide funds to all public libraries in California on a per capita matching basis. PLF allows local governments to spend revenue according to local preferences and priorities

The State has never fully funded the PLF. In 1999, a total of \$56.8 million was provided or 81% of full funding. For 2006/07, the PLF will provide \$21 million – full funding would be \$94 million

For 2006/07, the Contra Costa County Library will receive \$532,340 in PLF and would have received \$2.3 million with full funding. The Richmond Library will receive \$43,745 and would have received \$262,448 with full funding.

A study conducted by the California Institute for County Government found that during the past two decades both funding and service levels for California public libraries have declined significantly and remain below the levels observed in the late 1970s. On average, inflation-adjusted, per-capita spending on public libraries remains 12% lower than it was in 1978.

At the same time, our needs are increasing significantly. Libraries are being used more than ever before. The circulation at the Contra Costa County Library exceeded 4 million four years ago and was at 4.9 million for 2005/06.

Public libraries are part of the public education system in the state and the state has set a clear priority to fund education. In Contra Costa County, 46% of the library usage is for school related information and children's programs and services. PLF has been very effective in fulfilling its role in assisting local libraries to provide the most basic level of service for Californians.