



CONSUMER FRIENDLY HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2008-09 GOVERNOR'S BUDGET

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES



- Total budget will go up from \$4.452 to \$4.505 billion.
- Number of consumers served by regional centers will go up from 221,655 to 232,125.



- Number of consumers living in state developmental centers will go down from 2,620 to 2,449.



- There will be more money for mental health services for consumers.



- Amount of money paid to many providers of services will not change.
- Supported employment services providers will get less money.



- No new money to start-up services except for the Community Placement Plan.



- Number of consumers served by a regional center service coordinators will go up.

- More families will pay for part of camping, respite and day care services.



- Less money for clients' right advocacy services.
- A limit on the number of consumers who can live at Porterville Developmental Center in the Secure Treatment Program.



- Less police officers at Porterville Developmental Center.
- Fewer people working in the Regional Resource Development Projects (RRDP).



- Less money to run regional centers and state developmental centers.



- Agnews Developmental Center to close by June 30, 2008.



- Less people and money to run the Department of Developmental Services.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME (SSI/SSP)



- No state cost-of-living increases in June 2008 and June 2009. Federal cost-of-living increases will still be given.

IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES (IHSS)



- Less hours to help consumers with making meals, clean-up, laundry, food shopping and errands.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES

MEDI-CAL



- Less money paid to doctors and others for medical care to consumers.



- Medi-cal will not pay for some services such as adult dental, optometry, speech therapy, psychology, and others.