

IMPORTANT NOTICE ALAMEDA 4/94

1. You have the right to a conference with representatives of the county Social Services Agency to talk about this intended action. At the conference you may speak for yourself or be represented by a lawyer, friend or other spokesman. If you want a conference, contact your county worker within 10 days of the date of the Notice of Action.

2. Whether you request a conference or not, you also have the right to request a Fair Hearing and decision by the Alameda County Social Services Agency. Your request may be written or oral and must state that you want a hearing and why you are dissatisfied. Your request for hearing must be made *within 90 days* of the date of this notice of Action letter or before the effective date of action, whichever is later.

If you ask for a Fair Hearing on or before the effective date of action, your aid may be continued until the Fair Hearing has been completed. The Hearing Officer will make a decision at the close of the hearing as to whether your aid should continue until the Fair Hearing decision has been rendered.

If any portion of General Assistance provided to you while awaiting the hearing decision is determined to be an overpayment, the county has the right to repayment.

Check on of the boxes below by indication whether or not you request a continuation of benefits pending the hearing decision.

I want my General Assistance benefits terminated or reduced to the new amount determined by the county until the hearing decision. If the hearing decision is in my favor, the county will make up the aid I lose as a result of checking this box.

I want my General Assistance benefits to continue pending the hearing decision. If the hearing decision is not in my favor, I understand I will be required to repay this aid to the county.

3. Your county worker will help you ask for a Fair Hearing.

4. At a Fair Hearing you have the right to be represented by an attorney or any other person (friend, relative, or other spokesman) of your choice. If you need an interpreter we will provide one for you. You may obtain free legal advice and the services of a lawyer by contacting:

Bay Area Legal Aid
1735 Telegraph Ave
Oakland, CA 94612

OR

East Bay Community Law Center
2921 Adeline St
Berkeley, CA 94703
Telephone: 510-548-4040

510-663-4744 or Toll Free 1-877-346-4LAW

5. County regulations governing Fair Hearings are available at this office of the county Social Services Agency.

Send request Fair Hearings to:

Appeals Unit
Fair Hearing Request
7751 Edgewater Dr
Oakland, CA 94621

THIS FORM TO REQUEST A HEARING IS FOR GENERAL ASSISTANCE **ONLY**. IF YOU ALSO WANT TO REQUEST A HEARING ON AN ACTION TAKEN ON YOUR FOOD STAMPS, YOU MUST USE THE BACK OF THE FOOD STAMP NOTICE.

DO NOT CUT OR TEAR – SEND THIS ENTIRE PAGE

Name _____ Case # _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Birthdate: _____ Social Security # _____

I hereby request a fair hearing before the County of Alameda regarding application for or receipt of General Assistance. The reason(s) for my request for a fair hearing are as follows:

Signature _____ Date _____