

# Temporary Homeless Assistance Program (THAP)+14

## Fact Sheet

Currently, families are eligible to receive up to 16 consecutive days of CalWORKs Homeless Assistance (HA) Temporary Shelter Payments. With certain exceptions, once they exhaust this once-in-a-lifetime benefit, they cannot access the program again.

DPSS supplements the State's HA program, providing an additional 14 days of temporary homeless assistance, for families enrolled and participating in the Homeless CalWORKs Families Project (HCFP). This 14-day supplementation will be available to homeless families currently accessing the HA program, as well as to those who have already exhausted the 16-day program. The additional two weeks of assistance will enable families to stay in hotels/motels longer while they continue to seek permanent housing. All other existing HA rules remain in effect (e.g., must stay at a commercial hotel/motel, must provide receipts, etc.).

Families must:

- be receiving CalWORKs, and be enrolled in Welfare-to-Work (GAIN) or employed; or
- be in Post Time-Limited (PTL) Services or employed, if their 60-month time limit has already exhausted; or
- have a Domestic Violence Waiver; **and**
- must be enrolled and participating in HCFP.

If eligible:

- the family may receive \$65 per day for a family of four or fewer and \$15 for each additional family member up to a maximum of \$125 per day.