

**Kids' Plates Program Report**  
 FY 2021-22 through FY 2022-23

The California legislature passed a bill in 1992 (Chapter 1316, Statutes of 1992) for the sale of Kids' Plates specialized vehicle license plates and the creation of the Child Health and Safety Fund (#0279), currently administered by the California Department of Social Services. Revenue from the sale of Kids' Plates, which contain an embossed heart, hand, star, or plus sign, goes into the Fund and is used to support three significant child health and safety issues in California: 1) *unintentional childhood injuries*; 2) child abuse; and 3) childcare licensing and inspection.

The CDPH Injury and Violence Prevention Branch (IVPB) Policy and Program Section oversees and administers an amount annually appropriated from the Child Health and Safety Fund dedicated to preventing unintentional childhood injuries. IVPB provides Kids' Plates Program funding to local entities to support and encourage the use of best practices to address this devastating public health issue.

**Appropriations, Expenditures, and Awards**

<b>Agency</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Per FY Award</b>	<b>Total Award</b>
Boys and Girls Club of the North Valley	Butte/Glenn	\$50,000	\$100,000
California Chapter 4, American Academy of Pediatrics	Orange	\$75,000	\$150,000
County of Yolo	Yolo	\$75,000	\$150,000
Ecology Action of Santa Cruz	Monterey	\$50,000	\$100,000
Los Angeles County Department of Public Health	Los Angeles	\$75,000	\$150,000
Solano Transportation Authority – Safe Routes to School Program	Solano	\$75,000	\$150,000
Tulare County	Tulare	\$75,000	\$150,000

Association of Governments			
Total for grantees		\$475,000	
Equipment to grantees		\$50,000	
Total expected to be expended		\$525,000	

**FY 2021-2022:**

- Seven grantees awarded for programmatic interventions.
- \$50,000 worth of child safety equipment provided to the seven Kids' Plates grantees.

**FY 2022-2023**

- Seven grantees will continue implementation of programmatic interventions.
- \$50,000 worth of child safety equipment will be provided to the seven Kids' Plates grantees.

<b>State Fiscal Year</b>	<b>FY 2021-22</b>	<b>FY 2022-23</b>
<b>Amount Appropriated in the Governor's Budget</b>	\$551,000*	\$551,000*
<b>Total Expenditures (expected)</b>	\$550,000	\$550,000
<b>Unspent Balance*** (expected)</b>	\$1,000	\$1,000
<b>Number of Unique Awards</b>	7	7

\* This appropriation includes a \$25,000 support appropriation to allow for administrative support of the Kids' Plates Program. The local assistance allocation is \$526,000. Appropriation from California Department of Social Services from where the Children's Health and Safety Fund is allocated, dispersed \$461,000.

\*\*\* In accordance with the Governor's Budget and pertinent Government Code requirements, annual appropriations from the Child Health and Safety Fund are only available for expenditure in the year in which the appropriation is made and there is no carryover of unexpended funds. Unspent funds revert to the Child Health and Safety Fund and can only be made available again upon legislative re-appropriation.

## How the Expenditures Have Furthered the Goals of the Program

During this grant period, CDPH IVPB made a total of 7 awards to a range of organizations throughout California to reduce or eliminate unintentional injuries in children and youth, such as:

- Community-based organizations
- Public health departments
- Child-focused coalitions

Awards focused on historical injury areas consistent with Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 18285-18285.5, which include:

- Vehicular safety;
- Bicycle safety;
- Pedestrian safety;
- Fire safety;
- Drowning prevention;
- Childhood poisoning/Poison control and safety;
- Unintentional firearm injury prevention;
- In Home safety;
- Playground safety;
- Sleep suffocation and Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS);
- Children left in parked cars and children run over by cars moving forward or backward;
- Sports-related concussions, heat stroke, and spinal injury safety.

During this grant period of the Kids' Plates Program-funded activities include:

- Dissemination of child safety equipment;
- Poisoning prevention education;
- Safe Routes to School and pedestrian safety;
- Bicycle safety training;
- Drowning prevention
- Child Passenger Technician trainings.

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