
Summary of County Program Aid (CPA) Certified for 2019

County Program Aid for 2019 has two components:

- I. County Need Aid
- II. County Tax Base Equalization Aid (TBEA)

2017 Law Changes

The 2017 legislative session made the following change to this year's calculation of County Program Aid:

- For the TBEA component, indexes the \$190 in the aid formula to the current year's statewide net tax capacity (NTC) per capita divided by the 2016 statewide NTC per capita. This indexed value is rounded to the nearest \$10 and cannot be lower than the previous year. As 2016 is the most recent data available for calculating the statewide NTC per capita, this change did not make an impact on the distribution amounts, but may in the future.

I. County Need Aid

A total of \$ \$103,298,641 is available for county need aid. There is a reduction of \$500,000 retained by the Department of Revenue to reimburse the Office of Management and Budget, and an addition of \$3,641 unused public defender funds, leaving a net amount of 103,298,641 distributed to counties based on need, as follows:

- \$40,119,457 distributed based on the percent share of total state households in your county that receive food stamps;
- \$40,119,456 distributed based on the percent share of population age 65 and over in your county;
- \$20,059,728 distributed based on the percent share of total state Part 1 crimes in your county; and
- For 2015 through 2024, \$3,000,000 distributed to Beltrami County to be used for out-of-home placement costs.

II. County Tax Base Equalization Aid

A total of \$130,873,444 is available for tax base equalization aid (TBEA) for calendar year 2019. A reduction of \$214,000 is made for state costs, bringing the net amount distributed to counties for tax base equalization aid to \$130,659,444.

Your county's TBEA is equal to the greater of:

- 1) The county's tax base equalization factor; or
- 2) The greater of either 0.27% of the statewide total appropriation for TBEA or 95% of your county's TBEA from the previous year.

The county's tax base equalization factor is the amount at which \$190 plus the ratio of the most recent statewide NTC per capita divided by the 2016 statewide NTC per capita, multiplied by the county's population, exceeds 9 percent of the county's NTC. The factor is adjusted for population as follows:

- If the county's population is less than 10,000, the factor is multiplied by 3;
- If the county's population is greater than 10,000, but less than 12,500, the factor is multiplied by 2; and
- If the county's population is greater than 500,000, the factor is multiplied by .25.

Once the tax base equalization factor is adjusted for population, it is compared against 0.27% of the statewide total appropriation for TBEA (which is \$352,780 for aids payable in 2019) and the amount that equals 95% of the TBEA your county received in the previous year. The greatest of these three is your county's final TBEA.

CPA Payment Dates

CPA payable in 2019 will be paid to counties on July 20, 2019 and December 26, 2019.