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## TO COUNTY ASSESSORS:

## 2026-27 INCOME LEVELS FOR LEASED PROPERTY USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR LOW-INCOME RENTAL HOUSING

Revenue and Taxation Code<sup>1</sup> section 236 provides an exemption for low-income rental housing property that is leased for a term of 35 years or more, where the lessor does not otherwise qualify for a tax exemption pursuant to the welfare exemption of section 214. The property must be leased and operated by religious, hospital, scientific, or charitable funds, foundations, corporations, public housing authorities, public agencies, or limited partnerships in which the managing general partner has received a determination that it is a charitable organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is operating the property in accordance with its exempt purpose. Qualified organizations may receive exemption from taxation on the possessory interest or the fee interest in the property throughout the term of the lease.

Annually, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) publishes state income limits for various income categories and numbers of persons residing in the household. The income limits are provided for each county in the state and are developed based on data released by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). These limits are used to determine eligibility for the exemption of leased property used exclusively and solely<sup>2</sup> for low-income rental housing property and its related facilities. The State Board of Equalization (BOE) compiles the income limits published by HCD and provides them to County Assessors to utilize in determining exemption eligibility.

Attached is the list reflecting the various income levels of households by county to determine eligibility for exemption on leased property used exclusively for low-income rental housing for fiscal year 2026-27, which corresponds with the January 1, 2026 lien date. The income limits are from the "Low Income" category of the "State Income Limits for 2025" published by HCD on April 23, 2025.

Claimants requesting exemption from property taxes on leased property used exclusively for low-income rental housing must file BOE-236, *Exemption Of Leased Property Used Exclusively For Low-Income Housing*, annually with the County Assessor and attach BOE-236-A, *Supplemental Affidavit For BOE-236 Housing—Lower-Income Households Eligibility Based On Family Household Income (Yearly Filing)*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All statutory references are to the Revenue and Taxation Code, unless otherwise indicated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Partial exemption may be granted on the portion of the property rented to qualifying tenants and no exemption on the portion rented to non-qualifying tenants.

The Assessor should insert (preprint) the income limits for its county into the "Maximum Income" column on BOE-236-A prior to providing the claimant with the affidavit. The corresponding fiscal year for which the income limits are applicable should also be preprinted at the top of page one of the supplemental affidavit.

Claimants must provide information on the property for which the exemption is claimed and indicate what type of organization is leasing and operating said property on BOE-236. Claimants must list each qualified unit, the corresponding number of persons in each household, and the respective maximum income for the household on page two of BOE-236-A. The maximum income reported for each household on page two of the supplemental affidavit should agree with the income limit for the number of persons in the household as preprinted on page one.

If you have questions regarding the attached income levels or questions concerning the exemption described in this letter, please contact the County-Assessed Properties Division at 1-916-274-3350.

Sincerely,

/s/ David Yeung

David Yeung Deputy Director Property Tax Department

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## **Attachment A**

## LOWER INCOME HOUSEHOLD INCOME LIMITS LEASED PROPERTY USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR LOW-INCOME RENTAL HOUSING

(To be used for affidavits filed for fiscal year 2026-27)

Number of Persons in Household

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County	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Alameda	87,550	100,050	112,550	125,050	135,100	145,100	155,100	165,100
Alpine	64,650	73,850	83,100	92,300	99,700	107,100	114,500	121,850
Amador	61,550	70,350	79,150	87,900	94,950	102,000	109,000	116,050
Butte	52,600	60,100	67,600	75,100	81,150	87,150	93,150	99,150
Calaveras	56,850	65,000	73,100	81,200	87,700	94,200	100,700	107,200
Colusa	53,750	61,400	69,100	76,750	82,900	89,050	95,200	101,350
Contra Costa	87,550	100,050	112,550	125,050	135,100	145,100	155,100	165,100
Del Norte	52,600	60,100	67,600	75,100	81,150	87,150	93,150	99,150
El Dorado	72,050	82,350	92,650	102,900	111,150	119,400	127,600	135,850
Fresno	52,600	60,100	67,600	75,100	81,150	87,150	93,150	99,150
Glenn	52,600	60,100	67,600	75,100	81,150	87,150	93,150	99,150
Humboldt	52,600	60,100	67,600	75,100	81,150	87,150	93,150	99,150
Imperial	52,600	60,100	67,600	75,100	81,150	87,150	93,150	99,150
Inyo	53,750	61,400	69,100	76,750	82,900	89,050	95,200	101,350
Kern	52,600	60,100	67,600	75,100	81,150	87,150	93,150	99,150
Kings	52,600	60,100	67,600	75,100	81,150	87,150	93,150	99,150
Lake	52,600	60,100	67,600	75,100	81,150	87,150	93,150	99,150
Lassen	52,600	60,100	67,600	75,100	81,150	87,150	93,150	99,150
Los Angeles	84,850	96,950	109,050	121,150	130,850	140,550	150,250	159,950
Madera	52,600	60,100	67,600	75,100	81,150	87,150	93,150	99,150
Marin	109,700	125,350	141,000	156,650	169,200	181,750	194,250	206,800
Mariposa	52,600	60,100	67,600	75,100	81,150	87,150	93,150	99,150
Mendocino	52,600	60,100	67,600	75,100	81,150	87,150	93,150	99,150
Merced	52,600	60,100	67,600	75,100	81,150	87,150	93,150	99,150
Modoc	52,600	60,100	67,600	75,100	81,150	87,150	93,150	99,150
Mono	57,200	65,400	73,550	81,700	88,250	94,800	101,350	107,850
Monterey	81,000	92,600	104,150	115,700	125,000	134,250	143,500	152,750
Napa	89,750	102,550	115,350	128,150	138,450	148,700	158,950	169,200
Nevada	63,700	72,800	81,900	91,000	98,300	105,600	112,850	120,150
Orange	94,750	108,300	121,850	135,350	146,200	157,050	167,850	178,700
Placer	72,050	82,350	92,650	102,900	111,150	119,400	127,600	135,850
Plumas	53,400	61,000	68,650	76,250	82,350	88,450	94,550	100,650
Riverside	62,650	71,600	80,550	89,500	96,700	103,850	111,000	118,150
Sacramento	72,050	82,350	92,650	102,900	111,150	119,400	127,600	135,850
San Benito	74,900	85,600	96,300	106,950	115,550	124,100	132,650	141,200
San Bernardino	62,650	71,600	80,550	89,500	96,700	103,850	111,000	118,150
San Diego	92,700	105,950 125,350	119,200	132,400	143,000	153,600	164,200	174,800
San Francisco	109,700 58,600	,	141,000	156,650 83,700	169,200	181,750 97,100	194,250	206,800
San Joaquin San Luis Obispo	,	67,000	75,350	,	90,400		103,800	110,500 146,950
	77,950	89,050	100,200	111,300	120,250	129,150	138,050	,
San Mateo	109,700	125,350	141,000	156,650	169,200	181,750	194,250	206,800
Santa Barbara Santa Clara	98,850 111,700	113,000 127,650	127,100 143,600	141,200 159,550	152,500 172,350	163,800 185,100	175,100 197,850	186,400 210,650
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Santa Cruz Shasta	111,100 54,500	127,000 62,300	142,850 70,100	158,700 77,850	171,400 84,100	90,350	196,800 96,550	209,500
Sierra								102,800
	52,600 52,600	60,100	67,600 67,600	75,100 75,100	81,150 81,150	87,150 87,150	93,150 93,150	99,150 99,150
Siskiyou	52,600 76,050	60,100 87,950		75,100 109,900	81,150 118,700			99, 150 145,100
Solano Sonoma	76,950 84,650	87,950 96,750	98,950 108,850	109,900	130,600	127,500 140,250	136,300 149,950	145,100
Sonoma Stanislaus	55,200	96,750 63,050	70,950	78,800	85,150	91,450	97,750	104,050
Sutter	53,750	61,400	69,100	76,750	82,900	89,050	95,200	104,050
Tehama			· ·	76,750 75,100	82,900 81,150	•	•	,
	52,600 52,600	60,100	67,600 67,600			87,150 87,150	93,150 93,150	99,150
Trinity Tularo	52,600 52,600	60,100	•	75,100 75,100	81,150 81,150	87,150 87,150	,	99,150
Tulare	52,600 56,050	60,100	67,600	75,100	81,150	87,150 94,350	93,150	99,150
Tuolumne	56,950	65,050	73,200	81,300	87,850		100,850	107,350
Ventura	83,850	95,800	107,800	119,750	129,350	138,950	148,500	158,100
Yolo	70,500	80,600	90,650	100,700	108,800	116,850	124,900	132,950
Yuba	53,750	61,400	69,100	76,750	82,900	89,050	95,200	101,350