California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Statement on May Revise of Governor’s 2012-13 Budget

(Sacramento) – Today Governor Brown released his May Revision of the proposed 2012-13 budget which contains reductions in programs and services counties provide to 38 million Californians.

“Governor Brown demonstrated once again his commitment to counties by staying true to his vow to sustain funding for realignment,” said Mike McGowan, CSAC President and Yolo County Supervisor. “Our partnership with this administration remains strong and together we will work to right this ship of state.”

“As the Governor said today, government is not an abstract,” said Paul McIntosh, CSAC Executive Director. “For counties, it’s a nurse visiting an elderly shut-in, a probation officer monitoring a violent offender, or a social worker ensuring a child is safe in foster care. The cuts the Governor proposes are going to have a measurable impact to our citizens. Only a balanced approach -- cuts and revenues along with constitutional protections -- can begin to bring stability to counties and ensure they can continue to provide the vital services 38 million Californians depend on.”

CSAC will have an analysis of the 2012-13 May Revision and its impact on counties before the end of today.

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