#### **Banking made easy...**

#### What is Direct Deposit?

Direct Deposit is an <u>option</u> to those families who receive CalWORKs payments.

The monies are directly deposited into your checking or savings account instead of being loaded onto your EBT Card.



You can use the checking or savings account that you already have, or you can open a new one for direct deposit. You can use any bank that regularly offers Direct Deposit. You pick the bank you want to use.

**Note:** The payee on the bank account should match the payee on the CalWORKs case.

For more information about this option or to request a Sign-Up form, please contact your case worker.



Direct Deposit is an option. If you are <u>not</u> interested in this option, you do not need to contact your case worker.



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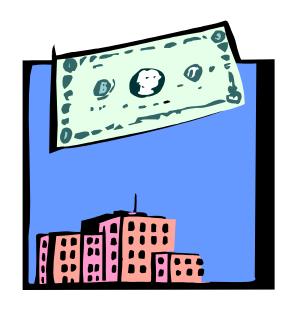
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# DIRECT DEPOSIT OPTION



# What are the benefits of Direct Deposit?

- ✓ Increased privacy
- ✓ Benefits are available on the first day of issuance
- ✓ You can access your benefits from ATM machines
- ✓ You can access your benefits at any store that accepts ATM cards



With Direct Deposit, your money goes straight to the bank for you to use right away

#### **Direct Deposit**

Direct Deposit <u>does not</u> change your CalWORKs benefits in any way.

The only thing that changes is the way you receive those benefits.

If you are interested in Direct Deposit, you must ask for it by completing a

Direct Deposit
Sign-Up Form

Return the completed form to your CalWORKs case worker

If you don't have a form, your case worker can send a form to you or you can pick one up at a Social Services office near you.

Please let us know if you need assistance filling out the Sign-Up form. We are here to help.



<u>Before</u> you decide whether you want Direct Deposit, you should know a few other things:

- You will be responsible for all bank charges and fees associated with the bank account that you use.
- You will be responsible for opening and maintaining your bank account.
- After you have signed a Direct Deposit Sign-Up Form, there can be up to a 2-month delay before Direct Deposit begins.
- Social Services is not responsible for the unauthorized use of your ATM card.
- If a deposit is made in error that exceeds the amount you are eligible to, it would need to be returned to Social Services.