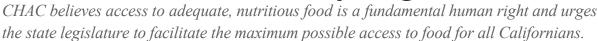
CALIFORNIA HUNGER ACTION COALITION

2020 Policy Agenda





Hunger

- + **Protect against harmful federal attacks on the safety net**. **AB 1022 (Wicks)** would provide state funded CalFresh cut as a result of the President's ABAWD time limit rule if not stopped in court.
- + Support Governor's placeholder of \$20 million for California food banks to better respond to federal attacks on the safety net and to immigrant families. With more cuts looming, more may be necessary.
- + \$32 million one-time to boost food bank resilience facing unrelenting natural & man-made disasters.
- + **Improve CalFresh for older adults and people with disabilities**: enable phone applications in every county, eliminate unnecessary reporting, and simplify verification of medical expenses.
- + Ensure successful implementation of **online EBT purchases SB 33 (Skinner)**, and continue expansion of **EBT on college campuses**.
- + Continue fighting college student hunger, including creation of the Foster Youth College Meal Plan.
- + Restore state funding for nutritious meals to low-income children in child care.
- + **Create and sustain hunger-free schools** by increasing their capacity to provide healthy school meals free of charge to all students, and protecting against student meal debt.
- + Extend food assistance to all low-income Californians regardless of immigration status.
- + **Reduce hunger among Californians who are homeless.** Remove administrative barriers to reaching 150,000 Californians who are homeless with CalFresh benefits. Increase outreach and ease of application for people without homes & end criminalization of volunteer groups feeding homeless neighbors in public.

Poverty

- + End legacy cuts to (SSI) grants and immediately restore the state COLA. Enroll all eligible SSI consumers in CalFresh, and adopt CalFresh rules in the hold harmless programs to prevent churn.
- + **Expand CalEITC to Californians working with ITINs** or work status through DACA or TPS.
- + Continue strengthening the rights of low-income workers.

Who We Are

For 27 years, CHAC has been California's premier anti-hunger coalition: a broad-based membership that unites the foremost statewide and regional anti-hunger groups dedicated to a hunger-free California.







