







# Expanding CalFresh Food to SSI Recipients

## What does this mean?

**SSI RECIPIENTS MAY ALSO RECEIVE CALFRESH FOOD BENEFITS ON AN EBT CARD BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2019!**

- SSI benefits will **NOT** be reduced or eliminated because of this change. CAPI benefits will increase \$10 per person per month for equity with SSI/SSP.
- **Most SSI recipients will need to apply for CalFresh** – either on the phone, on-line, or in person at their county social services office.
- **Excluded SSI members of current CalFresh households DO NOT need to apply:** SSI members will be added to existing CalFresh households at the next semi-annual or annual report after implementation; or the household can make a voluntary request to add the SSI member any time after implementation.

## SUMMARY OF CHANGES

 <p><b>Newly Eligible for CalFresh Food Benefits</b></p>	<p><b>Most SSI recipients and couples living on their own, will be newly eligible for CalFresh.</b> If approved, you will receive an EBT card with CalFresh food benefits loaded monthly. Average food benefits for a household of one is <i>estimated</i> to be \$130 per month.</p>	
 <p><b>Still Eligible for CalFresh, More Food Benefits</b></p> <p>If adding the SSI recipient <b>increases a household's CalFresh food benefits</b>, they will simply receive more CalFresh food benefits on their existing EBT card.</p>	 <p><b>Still Eligible for CalFresh, Less Food Benefits</b></p> <p>If adding the SSI recipient <b>reduces a household's CalFresh food benefits</b>, they will be eligible to receive a state-funded nutrition benefit called the <b>Supplemental Nutrition Benefit (SNB)</b> on their existing EBT card.</p>	 <p><b>Ineligible for CalFresh Food Benefits</b></p> <p>If adding the SSI recipient leads to a <b>total loss of CalFresh food benefits</b>, they will be eligible to receive a state-funded nutrition benefit called the <b>Transitional Nutrition Benefit (TNB)</b> on their existing EBT card.</p>

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