

California FY 2022 Budget & Appropriations ANTI-HUNGER PRIORITIES

- » Summer Electronic Benefit Transfer (S-EBT): \$100 million to continue current and expand Summer EBT Demonstration Projects to ensure that children have access to nutrition during the summer, building on the tremendous success of the Demonstration Projects and Pandemic EBT.
- » The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) food purchases: \$900 million to meet record, ongoing community demand and prevent a federal food cliff. \$100 million as authorized in the Farm Bill for TEFAP Storage and Distribution.
- » Commodity Supplemental Food Program: at least \$375 million, or as USDA deems necessary to support the national caseload, and an additional \$140 million from the FY 2021 enacted level for Older Americans Act Nutrition programs to support older adults at highest risk during the pandemic.
- » School Meals: Preserve the improvements made in school meals access, nutrition standards, and the overall school nutrition environment of school meals for all. Provide \$10 million for school meals direct certification grants to reduce paperwork, and \$100 million in school equipment grants to enable school districts to build their capacity to prepare healthier, more cost-effective meals on site.
- » Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women Infants and Children (WIC): \$7 billion to ensure that WIC serves anticipated caseload, and the rising costs to deliver high-quality nutrition. This should include set-asides for Breastfeeding Peer Counseling (\$90 million), infrastructure and technical assistance (\$14 million), and management information systems (\$35 million).
- » Child Care Meals: \$10 million for the Child and Adult Care Food Program's (CACFP) nutrition and wellness education and program efforts. \$12 million for Farm to School and Early Care and Education to continue expanding farm to early care and education settings.
- » 21st Century Community Learning Centers: Provide \$2.5 billion, as the largest source of funding for afterschool and summer programs.
- » WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program at \$18.5 million, and Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Programs at \$21 million to provide fresh, locally grown fruits and vegetables.
- » Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations: \$200 million for administration and food purchase, \$5 million for demonstration projects to enter into self-determination contracts to procure foods, and \$5 million for traditional foods market development.
- » **Nutrition Assistance Program** Provide funding and authorization for Puerto Rico, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to transition from NAP to full participation in SNAP. The territories should lead and approve the path towards transition.

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