
HR 1 Implementation and Access to SNAP/CalFresh

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Federal HR 1 Cuts: Food Assistance for Children and Families

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1. CalFresh Cuts to Families

Who will see cuts to their food assistance?

2. Impact of Losing Food Aid

How will families budget for food without (or with less) CalFresh?

3. Invest in Hunger Prevention

Will we get a State Budget that fights back against hunger?

4. Progressive Revenues

Will we get a State Budget where everyone pay their fair share?

HR 1 Cuts to CalFresh

Impact on Families with Children

Humanitarian Immigrants children and their parents/guardians will lose CalFresh. More than 1/3 humanitarian immigrants losing benefits are children.

Children in Mixed Status Families will face harm when their parents lose eligibility. Nearly 30,000 U.S. citizen & LPR children will be impacted.

Time-Limited Parents. Parents/guardians with children 14-18 will lose CalFresh in 3 months if they can't meet 20hr/week work rules.

Time-Limited Former Foster Youth. Former foster youth will lose CalFresh in 3 months if they can't meet 20hr/week work rules.

Other HR 1 CalFresh Cuts

Utility Allowance Changes

Limitations to the Standard Utility allowance, which allowed greater access to food benefits and higher benefits for those who did not get the full utility allowance.

- Eliminates Eligibility for **18,000** Californians
- Reduces benefits for **444,000** Californians

Thrifty Food Plan Changes

Limitations on how the baseline benefit “Thrifty Food Plan” is calculated will result in new benefit caps.

- Impacts **43,000** Californians in households of 9 or more with reduced benefits

Impact of Losing Food Aid:

What will Californians do without CalFresh?

CalFresh recipients are already struggling.

2025 WCLP Survey of over 600 CalFresh recipients found widespread food insecurity:

- Nearly 50% could not meet their nutritional needs
- 66% skipped meals due to lack of money
- 75% ate less to stretch food
- 75% had to choose between food and other necessities

Of these respondents,

- 63% were living in a home with children.
- 17% were elderly.

When people lose CalFresh, they will suffer.

HEALTH



Food-insecure adults spend 45% more on medical care and are more likely to skip medications and land in the emergency room.



Children face increased risk of chronic health conditions including asthma, anemia, cognitive and behavioral problems, anxiety, and depression

HOUSING



Families can't afford their rent and are pushed into homelessness.

EDUCATION



Children fall behind in school as families exhaust their monthly budgets.



As families lose CalFresh eligibility, they will lose automatic enrollment for SUN Bucks, making it harder for kids to get the nutrition they need in the summer.

CHILD WELFARE



Families can't meet basic needs and are more likely to be pushed into the child welfare system.

People will lose their lives, and their loved ones.



HR 1 Cuts to CalFresh will cause
4,000 avoidable deaths
among parents with children and
older adults in California by 2040.

A Future of Shared Prosperity

The Need for Safety Net Investments & Progressive Revenues

*California is the most prosperous state in the nation.
It's time all Californians share in that prosperity.*

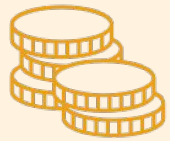


WHAT DID HR 1 ACTUALLY DO?



Destruction of our Safety Net

\$1.5 trillion in cuts to food assistance & healthcare.



Giveaways to Ultra-Rich & Corporations

\$1.5 trillion in tax giveaways to people with incomes over 500k.

Billions & Corporations Win - Working Families Lose



the top 1% will enjoy a windfall of
over 1 trillion dollars
over the next decade from HR 1.

WHAT'S NEXT? ▣ We Need a State Budget that Fights Back!



Invest in our Safety Net

Use state funds to restore food assistance & healthcare.



UnRig California's Tax Code

Adopt Progressive Revenue Solutions so everyone pays their fair share.



AB 2299 (Calderon)

Would provide State-Funded Benefits for People Losing Access to CalFresh.

Including:

- Humanitarian Immigrants
- People Cut off due to Time Limits



Budget Trailer Bill

This Year

Support \$5M Investment & Asm TBL

Next Year

Fight for \$1.75B in Benefit Funding

Fully Fund Anti-Hunger Budget Requests



Invest in CalFresh Outreach, CalFood, and County Workers

Support Assembly investments in supporting county workers, CalFresh enrollment and application assistance, and the CalFood emergency food system.



Family Supplemental Benefit

Limit Harm of H.R. 1 Time Limit Expansion for families who lose CalFresh with a state-funded emergency cash benefit of \$192 (average CalFresh benefit per person).

Progressive Revenues: A Budget that Builds a Brighter Future

Business Tax Credit Cap - Governor's Budget

\$850M in Year 1

The Governor is pursuing a permanent cap on business tax credits — we applaud this first step. But \$850M is a drop in the bucket for California's largest corporations. **We urge him to go further to ensure they pay their fair share.**

AB 1790 (Connolly) Water's Edge

\$3.5B /year

Assembly bill proposes closing the Water's Edge tax loophole, which would bring an estimated 3.5B back into California annually.

Fair Share Contribution - Senate Budget

\$5B – \$8B /year

Senate Budget proposal to protect healthcare access by requiring large corporations to contribute to Medi-Cal costs for their workers.



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Thank you.

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