

FOOD 4ALL

No Exceptions. No Exclusions.



San Mateo County Immigrant Forum

Food4All - No Exceptions. No Exclusions.

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California

Who We Are

We are a statewide policy and advocacy organization dedicated to improving the **health and wellbeing** of Californians with **low-income** by increasing their **access to food**.



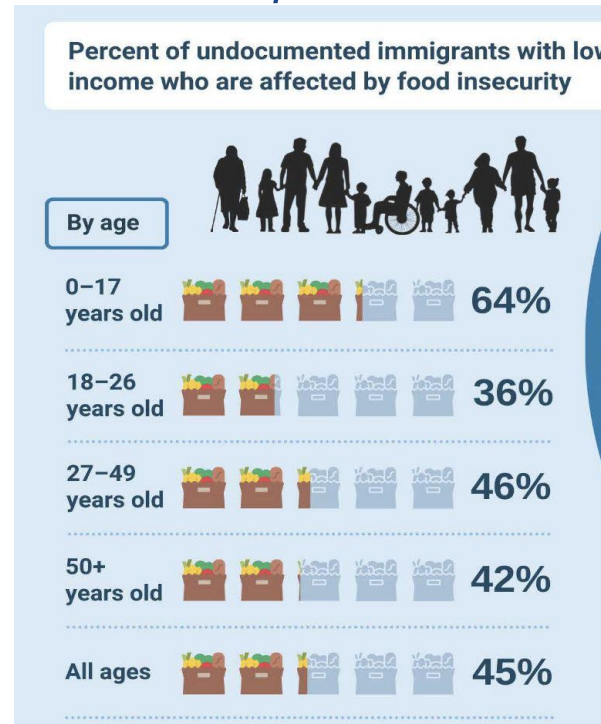
New Mission: To collaborate with diverse community partners for policy change, ensuring equitable access to food, health, and well-being for all Californians.

RESEARCH & DATA

Research Brief: *Food Insecurity Among Undocumented Immigrants in California (April 2022)*

A recent research brief in partnership with CIPC and UCLA Health Policy Research revealed that **45% of undocumented Californians** are currently experiencing food insecurity.

Young immigrants have the highest rates of food insecurity; **64% of undocumented children - nearly 2 out of every 3** - are affected by food insecurity.



You can find the research report <https://nourishca.org/food4all-briefs>

SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) is Our Most Effective Anti-Poverty Program

CalFresh = California's SNAP program

- Allows families to buy the food they need when they need it.
- Frees up household income to meet other needs (rent, bills)
- Improves health, especially for children.
- Generate economic activities and stimulate local economies.
- Reduces recidivism rates and rates of incarceration.

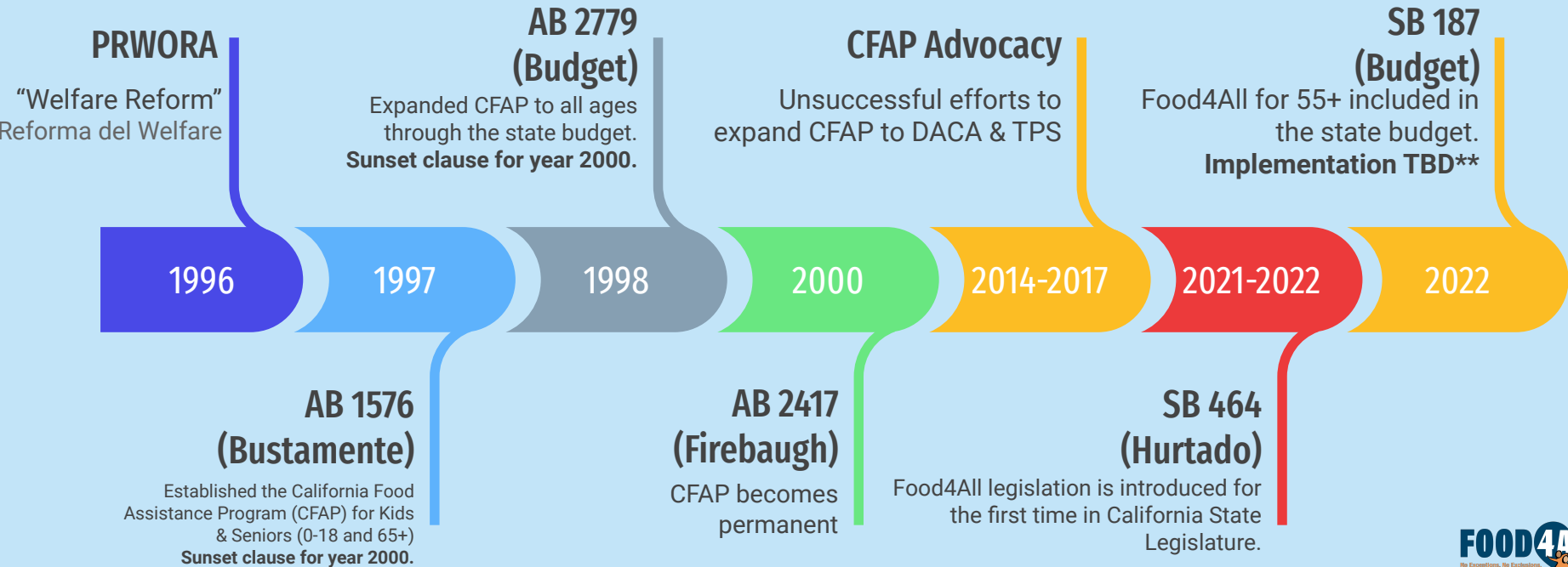


Every \$1
CalFresh Spent



California Food Assistance Program (CFAP)

- In response to welfare reform in 1996 (PRWORA), the state created the California Food Assistance Program (CFAP) to provide state-funded nutrition benefits to immigrants restricted from SNAP
- The CFAP operates in tandem with CalFresh. CFAP beneficiaries do not know they are receiving benefits under CFAP because they get the same EBT card and same services as any other CalFresh recipient
- CFAP currently serves about **35,000** people.
- Who is eligible for CFAP?
 - “Qualified” immigrants
 - Lawful temporary residents
 - Victims of trafficking
 - U visa/interim relief applicants, and U visa holders.
- CFAP still excludes many other low-income Californians, including undocumented immigrants, TPS, DACA, and other visa holders



#Health4All

Affordable Care Act
Undocumented
immigrants excluded

SB 75 (Budget)

Health4All Kids (0-18)
included in the state budget.
Implemented in 2016.

SB 104 (Budget)

Health4All Young Adults (0-25)
included in the state budget.
Implemented in January 2020.

Health4All!!!

Health4All for everyone else (26-49)
included in the state budget.
Implemented in January 2024.

2010

2014

2015

2016

2019

2021

2022

Health4All legislation

Health4All Legislation is introduced for
the first time in California State
Legislature.

Health4All Kids

Implementation begins.

AB 133 (Budget)

Health4All Older Adults (50+)
included in the state budget.
Implemented in May 2022.

Senate Bill 464 & Budget Proposal



SB 464 Author
Senator Melissa Hurtado



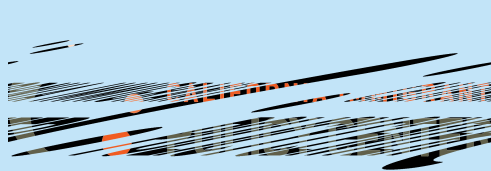
Budget Champion:
Assemblymember Santiago

Expands the California Food Assistance Program to provide state-funded nutrition benefits to all California immigrants ineligible for CalFresh due to their immigration status.

Co-sponsors: Nourish California & California Immigrant Policy Center

Food4All co-sponsors are leads of the Food4All campaign. Shared roles and responsibilities include:

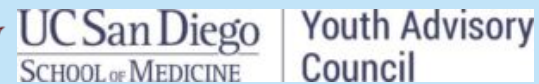
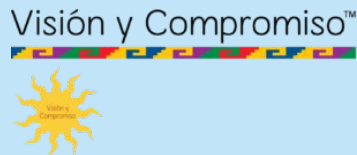
- Act as a bridge between Food4All's legislative champions and the Food4All coalition.
- We work closely with legislative champions to draft legislation, provide policy expertise, build legislative support, seek analysis from the LAO, develop talking points, and coordinate support for the bill/budget proposal (via letters of support, committee hearings)
- We jointly chair and convene the Food4All coalition, including scheduling and facilitating coalition meetings, identifying coalition member needs, providing timely policy and legislative updates and providing resources.
- Identify needs and seek funding for campaign activities





Food4All Coalition

- 150+ individual contacts in the coalition.
- 115 member organizations, including anti-hunger, anti-poverty, immigrant rights, and grassroots organizations.
- 9 mini-grant partners subgranted by Nourish California
- Monthly meetings and yearly retreat



Budget May Revision Press Conference

LA Regional Food Bank

May 20, 2022



Food4All Legislative and Budget Proposal

Food4All System Readiness 2021

System Readiness & Automation

The 2021-22 CA state budget includes **\$30 million** for CFAP automation and system readiness

The budget trailer bill also includes language to begin a targeted, age-based implementation of the expansion of CFAP.

Food4All 55+ 2022

Food4All Older Adults

In 2022, California committed to expanding CFAP (via CalFresh) to California immigrants aged 55 and older, regardless of immigration status.

This means CA will be the first in the nation provide food assistance to undocumented Californians.

Food4All 0-54 2023 and beyond

Food4All Adults

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We are currently planning for our 2023 campaign. We had a Food4All coalition retreat on September 29th to discuss our policy proposal and campaign strategies. More to share soon!

2023 Food4All Campaign

The work is not over!

- An LAO report estimated that between **690,000 to 840,000** Californians are income-eligible for CalFresh food benefits but **are excluded due to their immigration status.**
- We are currently planning for our 2023 campaign. We had a Food4All coalition retreat on September 29th to discuss our policy proposal and campaign strategies. More to share soon!
- **Join our Food4All Coalition!** Go here to sign up for campaign updates and join our coalition:

<https://nourishca.org/get-involved/state-legislative-advocacy/food4all/>

WHAT DOES FOOD4ALL MEAN FOR ME?



Great news! California will soon be the first state in the nation to provide food assistance to adults 55 and older, regardless of immigration status.

Learn more about what this means for you and your family.



WHAT IS CALFRESH? CalFresh provides benefits to buy foods you need. Once approved for CalFresh, you receive an Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) card that can be used like a debit card at participating grocery stores and farmers markets.

55+

EXPANDING CALFRESH ACCESS Recently, California included money in its state budget to provide CalFresh to California immigrants 55 and older, regardless of immigration status. This benefit is not available yet. As soon as it is available, we will inform the community. Please stay connected for information & updates. Contact: **Insert organization name here**



PUBLIC CHARGE The federal government does not consider CalFresh as part of the public charge decision. Applying for or getting CalFresh does not affect immigration status for you or your family.¹

DID YOU KNOW?

Households that include undocumented individuals can also receive CalFresh for anyone in the household with an eligible immigration status, including children. If you would like to learn if your children currently qualify, you can visit [GetCalFresh.org](https://www.getcalfresh.org)!

FOOD4ALL

FOOD4ALL Food4All is a state campaign that advocates to provide CalFresh for Californians of all ages, regardless of immigration status. Get involved in the campaign! Visit bit.ly/cafood4all to learn more.

¹ ^{*}Updates to the Public Charge Rule. California Department of Social Services. June 2021.

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¿QUÉ SIGNIFICA FOOD4ALL (COMIDA PARA TODOS) PARA MÍ?



¡Buenas Noticias! Muy pronto California será el primer estado en la nación que va a proporcionar asistencia de comida para los adultos mayores de 55 años, sin importar su estatus migratorio. Aprende lo que esto significa para usted y su familia.



¿QUÉ ES CALFRESH? CalFresh proporciona beneficios de alimento para comprar la comida que usted necesita. Cuando usted es aprobado para CalFresh, usted recibirá una tarjeta de Beneficios Electrónicos Transferidos (EBT), una tarjeta con dinero que puede usar en tiendas y mercados participantes.

55+

EXPANDIENDO EL ACCESO A CALFRESH Recientemente, California ha incluido dinero en el presupuesto del estado para proporcionar CalFresh a inmigrantes mayores de 55 años, sin importar su estatus migratorio. Este beneficio aún no está disponible. Cuando este beneficio esté disponible, nosotros vamos a informar a la comunidad. Por favor manténganse conectados para más información y nuevos detalles. Contacto: **Insert organization name here**



LA CARGA PÚBLICA El gobierno federal no considera CalFresh como parte de la decisión de la carga pública. Solicitar CalFresh no afecta su estatus migratorio o el de su familia.¹

FOOD4ALL

FOOD4ALL Food4All es una campaña estatal que aboga para promocionar CalFresh a todos los Californianos de todas las edades, sin importar su estatus migratorio. ¡Lo invitamos a formar parte de la campaña! Visite: bit.ly/cafood4all para aprender más.

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