



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: FAMILY & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
Date: May 24, 2016

Subject: Report from the Employment and Human Services Department on the CalFresh Program

RECOMMENDATION(S):

ACCEPT a report from the Employment and Human Services Department on the CalFresh Program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact; the report is for informational purposes.

BACKGROUND:

The CalFresh program, formerly known as Food Stamps and federally known as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), was designed to help provide assistance to hungry people, regardless of their age, gender, marital or family status. The program issues monthly electronic benefits that can be used to buy most foods at many markets and food stores.

The CalFresh Program helps to improve the health and well-being of qualified households and individuals by providing them a means to meet their nutritional needs. At the federal

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **05/24/2016** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: May 24, 2016

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Chris Heck, Deputy

Contact: Enid Mendoza, (925)
335-1039

cc:

level, the program is administered by the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service (FNS). In California, the CalFresh Program

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

is supervised at the state level by the California Department of Social Services and is administered at the local level by the Employment and Human Services Department (EHSD).

On May 9, 2016 the Family and Human Services Committee received a report on the CalFresh program and approved forwarding the attached report to the full Board for review.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

There is no consequence of a negative action. The Employment and Human Services Department provides the annual CalFresh Report to the Board of Supervisors in a public meeting to allow the public an opportunity to review and comment on the report.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

None.

ATTACHMENTS

CalFresh Report