## CalFresh & Healthy Eating in Orange County



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### **Orange County- Cal Fresh**

- In July 2014, OC served:
   ✓ 268,709 Participants
   ✓ 117,235 Households
- CalFresh is administered by Social Services Agency (SSA). CalFresh applications can be filed:

✓ Online at <u>https://www.mybenefitscalwin.org</u>

- ✓ In person at one of the SSA offices located in Aliso Viejo, Anaheim, Cypress, Garden Grove, Laguna Hills, and Santa Ana <u>or</u> at Family Resource Centers
- $\checkmark$  By phone, mail or fax

## **Orange County - NEOP**

- Provider of SNAP Ed for over 10 years
- 3<sup>rd</sup> largest recipient of SNAP Ed funds in CA
- State Implementing Agencies: Health Care Agency Nutrition Services is the primary administrator, Catholic Charities
- Seven subcontractors 5 schools, 2 CBOs
- Direct and indirect nutrition education all throughout OC
- Implementing Policy, Systems and Environmental Changes

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### **OC - CNAP**

- Membership all USDA FNS funded
  programs
- Benefits of the CNAP
  - Increasing participation in federal food programs
  - Sharing of information at the quarterly meetings
  - Cross promotion of programs
    - SNAP at Farmers Markets



### **CNAP** Linking USDA-funded Programs in Orange County

http://cclhdn.org/county-nutrition-actionplans-cnap/



### How to Get Food Help in Orange County



County Nutrition Action Plan (CNAP) - 2014

## OC - CNAP

Program	Who	What do I get?	Contact Info
2-1-1 Orange County	All ages	Information on food assistance available through governmental, community & faith-based organizations	2-1-1 OC Dial 2-1-1 or (888) 600-4357 (toll free) 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to receive referrals from trained multilingual specialists
CalFresh (formerly known as Food Stamps)	All ages Individuals and families with low incomes. Must be a U.S. Citizen or a legal resident	Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) card that can be used like an ATM card to purchase eligible food items at stores certified as CalFresh retailers	Regional Center Offices: (714) 541- 4895 (24-hrs) Central Regional Office (714) 834-8899 North Region (714) 575-2400 West Region (714) 503-2200 East Region (714) 435-5800 South Region (949) 206-4000 www.mybenefitscalwin.org
CalFresh Outreach	All ages	Community partners can provide information and help pre-screen and/or make appointments	2-1-1 OC: Dial 2-1-1 or (888) 600-4357 (toll free) Catholic Charities of OC: (714) 347- 9601 Community Action Partnership of OC (CAPOC): (714) 897-6670, x3606 Second Harvest Food Bank: (949) 278-3422
NEOP Nutrition Education & Obesity Prevention	All ages	Local partners provide nutrition education to those receiving or eligible for CalFresh (formerly known as Network for a Healthy California)	Catholic Charities of OC: (714) 347-9611 County of Orange Health Care Agency (714) 834-7984



#### People of All Ages



#### What is CalFresh?

#### A State and Federally funded program to help low-income people buy the food they need for good health.

- Formerly known as Food Stamps
- Known as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or SNAP at federal level
- Administered by the Orange County Social Services Agency (SSA)
- Number of OC participants: 236,820 (Sept. 2013)



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## Benefits of CalFresh & NEOP Working Together

### For the eligible population

- Improved access to CalFresh
- Increased knowledge on how to stay healthy
- Improved use of CalFresh dollars
- Improvments in behavior to stay healthy

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### For the programs

- Increase in participation rates
- Better coordination
- Identify outreach opportunities for enrollment opportunities
- Cross training of staff



# **Questions?**