



## **A MESSAGE FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES ABOUT YOUR FEDERAL SNAP (CalFresh) BENEFITS**

Because of the federal government shutdown, February CalFresh benefits for most participants will be issued early, between January 16-20.

If you receive your February CalFresh benefits early, you should plan your food budget knowing that these benefits will be the only benefits provided through the end of February.

If you receive CalFresh and have a report due in January, please complete that process and approved benefits are scheduled to be issued February 1-10.

New applications continue to be accepted and processed, and expedited services are available, as usual.

The EBT system continues to be operational.

Unless the federal shutdown is resolved, benefits for March MAY NOT be available. We are waiting for federal guidance and will keep you informed.