

CalFresh Healthy Living Newsletter

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Nutrition Incentive Hub

The Gretchen Swanson Center for Nutrition, in collaboration with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), is

proud to introduce the new Nutrition Incentive Hub. Don't miss the details on this exciting new resource!

The Nutrition Incentive Hub is a new national resource that provides training, technical assistance, reporting and evaluation for those working to launch or expand nutrition incentive programs. This includes Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) incentives as well as produce prescriptions aimed at supporting participating families to

purchase more fruits and vegetables. Click [here](#) to learn more about the Hub.



Resources for SNAP-Ed Implementing Agencies During COVID-19

[The Center for Wellness and Nutrition](#) continues to work to provide services and resources to individuals and communities in need during the COVID-19 pandemic. Our priority is the safety and health of SNAP-Ed staff, partners, clients, and community members. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the way we do business has significantly changed.

The following document is meant to be a resource for SNAP-Ed staff to continue to support the public and their programs through digital means and program support activities that are preparing for future face-to-face interactions with clients. The full resource guide may be accessed [here](#).

Resources for SNAP-Ed Implementing Agencies During COVID-19



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For USDA Food and Nutrition Service updates and how they are supporting communities during this time, visit their interactive website.

For COVID-19 transmission and prevention updates:

Please consult the [Center for Disease Control \(CDC\)](#) and the [World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#) websites. Both websites are updated daily with the latest information and advice for the public.

Check out National Farm to School Network Resources

- Child Nutrition Program
- Early Care & Education Resources
- Funding Support
- Local Producer Resources
- Native & Tribal Communities Resources
- Garden Resources
- Remote Learning Resources (for students)
- Policy & Advocacy Resources
- Media, Articles & Resource Lists
- Equity

Emergency Grants

The No Kid Hungry® campaign is providing more than \$1.2 million in emergency grants available immediately for school districts, community pantries, and food banks to support their meal delivery amid the COVID-19 outbreak. There are no requirements to apply and the use of funds is unrestricted.

[No Kid Hungry® Coronavirus Grant Request](#)



Spanish Translation of NCCOR's Youth Compendium of Physical Activities



Great news for Spanish-language childhood obesity and physical activity researchers and practitioners: National Collaborative on Childhood Obesity Research (NCCOR) Youth Compendium of Physical Activities is now available in Spanish!

The Youth Compendium of Physical Activities provides a list of 196 common activities in which youth participate and the estimated energy cost associated with each activity. The Spanish version includes activities common in Spain, Mexico, and Colombia. It can be used by a wide variety of people—from researchers and health care professionals to teachers, coaches, and fitness professionals—and in a variety of ways—including research, public health policy making, education, and interventions to encourage physical activity in youth.

This resource was translated in response to the rise of childhood obesity in Latin America and a need identified by NCCOR members and Latin American researchers for a tool to help address the growing epidemic.

Find the [Spanish-language Youth Compendium of Physical Activities](#), [fact sheet](#), and [all of NCCOR's research tools](#), on their website.

Webinars

New Additions in Purple

COVID-19 Response: Promising Practices in Health Equity **Tuesday, June 2, 2020, 12:00 am**

During this webinar, presenters will discuss the actions their cities have taken to mitigate the disproportionate impact on racial and ethnic minorities. Additionally, speakers will take these ideas a step further and examine how they can be integrated into longer-term strategies for lasting impact that strengthens future responses and advances health equity. Please feel free to share this announcement with others who might be interested. Register [here](#).

COVID-19: Innovations in Nutrition Programs to Address Food Insecurity

Thursday, June 4, 2020, 10:00 am

Among the public health challenges that accompany the devastating loss of employment for tens of millions of Americans as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic is an alarming increase in food insecurity. The USDA's most recent food security report, published in September of 2019, indicated that 37.2 million Americans were food insecure. However, Feeding America, the nation's largest domestic hunger-relief organization, estimates that the COVID-19 pandemic will force an additional 17.1 million Americans into food insecurity. In addition, the closure of schools has put children who rely on school meals at greater risk for increased food insecurity. In response to these challenges, governments are adapting their current nutrition programs and exploring innovative ways to help feed the vulnerable during the pandemic Register [here](#).



Funding Opportunities

New Additions in Purple

Emergency Food and Shelter Program

Close Date: June 5, 2020

The Los Angeles County Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP), opened the Phase 37 RFP on Friday, May 15, 2020. EFSP funds are Federal funds through the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency under the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program (EFSP). To be eligible for EFSP Phase 37 funding, organizations must provide one or more of the following services (organizations may apply for more than one funding area): Food (served meals, food vouchers, food pantries), Shelter (mass shelter, motel vouchers), or Food Bank Rental/Mortgage Assistance. Click [here](#) to apply.

Emergency Meal Distribution Equipment Grants

Close Date: Rolling deadline until all funds are awarded

School nutrition professionals across the county have stepped up to get food to kids during school closures. Districts and schools have shared the need for additional equipment to create grab-and-go curbside meal pickups at schools and other locations within the community, additional hot and cold food storage containers, grab-and-go packaging materials, and mobile distribution to families in outlying or rural communities. Working with the equipment vendor, [Hubert](#), Action for Healthy Kids will provide selected school districts with equipment credits for \$1,000-\$2,000 per site to purchase equipment. Click [here](#) to apply.

Pioneering Ideas: Exploring the Future to Build a Culture of Health

Close Date: Proposals accepted on a rolling admission

Pioneering Ideas: Exploring the Future to Build a Culture of Health seeks proposals that are primed to influence health equity in the future. RWJ Foundation is interested in ideas that address any of these four areas of focus: Future of Evidence; Future of Social Interaction; Future of Food; Future of Work. Additionally, RWJ welcomes ideas that might fall outside of these four focus areas, but which offer unique approaches to advancing health equity and our progress toward a Culture of Health. Click [here](#) to apply.

Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 5

Close Date: June 15, 2020

The Active Transportation Program was created by Senate Bill 99 to encourage increased use of active modes of transportation, such as walking and biking. Since its inception, the Active Transportation Program has funded over 800 active transportation projects across the state benefiting both urban and rural areas. More than 400 of the funded projects are Safe Routes to Schools projects and programs that encourage a healthy and active lifestyle throughout students' lives. In addition, every cycle has seen more than 85% of funds going towards projects that will benefit disadvantaged communities throughout the state. Click [here](#) to learn more. Link to apply is not yet available.



Reading Opportunities

USDA Extends Flexibilities, Paves the Way for Meals for Kids to Continue Through Summer

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue today announced the extension of three nationwide waivers, giving child nutrition program operators the flexibility they need to continue to feed children while promoting social distancing and keeping families safe during the COVID-19 pandemic. Read more [here](#).

FDA Rolls Back Food Rules for 5th Time During Pandemic

The Food and Drug Administration has temporarily loosened labeling and information rules for food manufacturers for the fifth time during the novel coronavirus pandemic. The changes are intended to ease manufacturers' supply-chain snags, but advocacy groups say they are concerned that the changes will become permanent and that they will present problems for consumers concerned about tracking the provenance of their food. Read more [here](#).

Training Resources

Title	Date / Time	Format	Info	Registration
Designing Powerful Online Meeting Experiences	Wed. 6/3 10:00 am or 1:00 pm	Online Training	Flyer	Register here
Virtual Direct Education During COVID-19 (Part 1: Planning)	Thurs. 6/4 10:00 am	Webinar	----	Register here
Virtual Direct Education During COVID-19 (Part 2: Marketing/Promotion)	Thurs. 6/11 10:00 am	Webinar	----	Register here
Prevention Institute Webinar #3. System of Prevention: Aligning Sectors and Systems towards Equitable Health and Safety Outcomes	Thurs. 6/18 10:00 am	Webinar	----	Register here
Virtual Direct Education During COVID-19 (Part 3: Implementation)	Thurs. 6/18 10:00 am	Webinar	----	Register here
2020 Healthy Snack Day Kick Off Webinar	Wed. 7/1 11:00 am	Webinar	----	Register here

Visit the CDPH Trainings and Resources page for the latest training related information and [calendar](#) of all scheduled trainings and events. Please seek approval from Project Officer and Contract Manager prior to travel.

If you would like to submit content or have any questions or comments about the CalFresh Healthy Living newsletter, please contact Tania Marquez at tmarquez@ph.lacounty.gov