

Federal Policy Agenda 2018



Opportunity

Now is the time for California to lead the fight against hunger and poverty. In a land of such great abundance and opportunity, no family should go hungry, without shelter, or without health care. In the face of harmful proposals that seek to divide and force us backward, we will continue to work together to lead the way forward.



We call on all members of the California Congressional Delegation to speak out in defense of the most vulnerable Californians; act to advance our country's values of human rights, justice, and equity.

Federal Policy Priorities

- Protect SNAP (CalFresh) from structural changes, benefit cuts, or eligibility restrictions in the Farm Bill, federal budget, and any other legislation.
- Defend our state's gains in health coverage for moderate- and low-income Californians by protecting and strengthening the Affordable Care Act (ACA).
- Maintain funding for programs that help millions of Californians meet their basic needs, escape poverty, and climb the economic ladder, including: the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), Supplemental Security Insurance (SSI), Medicaid, and college financial aid.
- Ensure that all Californians, regardless of immigration status, can safely maintain access to all rights, programs and services to which they are entitled.
- Protect the gains made in access and improved nutrition standards in child nutrition programs including the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, and the Child and Adult Care Food Program.

California can lead the way to a future free from poverty and hunger. We must speak out and take action together to reaffirm our shared national values of diversity, inclusion, respect, and justice for all.