

# IMPORTANT!

## CalFresh Emergency Allotments are Ending!

### What are CalFresh Emergency Allotments?

CalFresh Emergency Allotments are temporary increases to regular CalFresh benefit amounts. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Congress authorized Emergency Allotments to help meet food needs. This means that since March 2020, households received an increase of at least \$95 in CalFresh benefits per month.

### What is the change?

CalFresh Emergency Allotments will end the month of February 2023. A final Emergency Allotment will be issued in March 2023.

### Why the change?

CalFresh Emergency Allotments are ending because the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 ends the issuance of CalFresh Emergency Allotments to households in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

### What happens next?

You will get less CalFresh beginning April 2023. While the regular CalFresh benefit you are eligible for is not changing, you will no longer get the additional CalFresh benefit you have been getting due to the Emergency Allotments ending. The regular CalFresh benefit you get is the CalFresh amount put onto your EBT card between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> of each month. Your regular benefit amount is based on your circumstances, including your household size, income, and deductions. As this is a required change, there are no hearing rights related to the loss of Emergency Allotment benefits. No further action is required.

### Are the additional resources available?

You can get free food from your local food bank. Visit [www.cafoodbanks.org/find-food/](http://www.cafoodbanks.org/find-food/), scan the QR code, or dial 2-1-1 to find a food bank in your area.

