



You may now be eligible for CalFresh!

Starting April 1, 2015, if you have a felony drug conviction, and you are complying with your probation or parole, or have completed probation or parole, you may be eligible for CalFresh!

How to Apply

As of March 1st, 2015 you can apply for CalFresh in order to receive benefits in April 2015. Here's how to apply:

If You Live In a Family with Others Who Receive CalFresh

If you have a drug-related felony conviction and live in a household with other people receiving benefits, your household may be eligible for additional CalFresh food benefits starting April 1, 2015. Contact your county worker to be added to your family's existing case.



If You Live Alone or No One in Your Family Currently Receives CalFresh

If you are complying with your probation or parole or you are no longer on probation or parole, you may now be eligible for CalFresh and should apply.

- Go into your County Human Services Agency:
 - Find a location at <http://www.myfoodstamps.org/apply.html>
- Call toll-free English: 1-877-847-3663 Spanish: 1-888-926-6432
- Apply online at www.benefitscal.org
- Apply with the help of a local application assister.

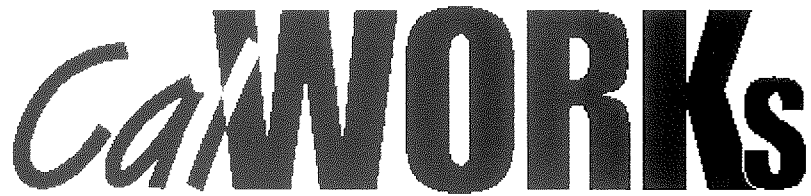
Local Assister: SFMarin Food Bank- Alexandra (415)717-7220
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If you've never applied for CalFresh or if you have been denied in the past due to your drug-related felony conviction, you should consider applying in March, 2015. If you are in compliance with or have completed probation and meet income requirements, you could benefit from CalFresh!

You may not have to wait until April to receive benefits.

Voters approved Proposition 47 in November, which allows Californians to reclassify certain drug-related felony convictions to a misdemeanor. If your felony conviction(s) is reclassified, you will no longer be banned from CalFresh and can apply immediately. For information about reclassification of a non-violent felony, we recommend: <http://www.safeandjust.org/recordchange>

For more information about CalFresh rules, go to: www.calfresh.ca.gov.



Are you a parent with a prior drug offense?

You may now be eligible for CalWORKs?

Starting April 1, 2015, California's law for CalWORKs has changed.

- If you are complying with your probation or parole, or have completed probation or parole, you will now be eligible for CalWORKs – even if you have a past drug-related felony conviction.
- Parents who have not been eligible for CalWORKs benefits or employment assistance in the past due to a drug-related conviction will now be eligible, as long as they are complying with the terms of their probation or parole or have completed probation or parole.
- Families who have received fewer CalFresh benefits because one or more adult in the household has a prior felony conviction will now be eligible for more CalFresh benefits as long as those with felony convictions are complying with the terms of their probation or parole or have completed probation or parole.
- Children who have been denied CalWORKs child care due to their parent's prior drug-related felony conviction will now be eligible to receive child care through CalWORKs Stage One, Two or Three.

If you are a parent in a CalWORKs family, you should receive information from your county worker about what you will need to do in order to be eligible for benefit under the new rules before March, 2014.

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For more information about CalWORKs rules, go to: <http://www.cdss.ca.gov/calworks/>