

Disaster CalFresh Food Benefits

Available November 2020 in Fresno, Los Angeles, Madera, Mendocino, Napa, San Bernardino, San Diego, Shasta, Siskiyou, and Sonoma Counties.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is Disaster CalFresh?

Disaster CalFresh, also known as D-CalFresh or D-SNAP, is an emergency food benefit that provides temporary food benefits to disaster victims following a flood, fire, earthquake, or any other type of natural disaster.

Why are Disaster CalFresh food benefits available?

Disaster CalFresh food benefits are available only when:

- A Presidential Declaration of Disaster with Individual Assistance has been approved in an impacted area; and
- The State of California has been approved by the federal government to operate a Disaster CalFresh program.

Who is eligible for Disaster CalFresh food benefits?

Disaster CalFresh food benefits are available to individuals and families who lived or worked in the impacted counties, including Fresno, Los Angeles, Madera, Mendocino, Napa, San Bernardino, San Diego, Shasta, Siskiyou, and Sonoma counties, during the incident/benefit period noted below:

Fire Name	County	Incident/Benefit Period
Creek	Fresno/Madera	9/4/2020 – 10/3/2020
El Dorado	San Bernardino	9/5/2020 – 10/4/2020
Valley	San Diego	9/5/2020 – 10/4/2020
Bobcat	Los Angeles	9/6/2020 – 10/5/2020
Oak	Mendocino	9/7/2020 – 10/6/2020
Slater	Siskiyou	9/8/2020 – 10/7/2020
Glass	Napa/Sonoma	9/27/2020 – 10/26/2020
Zogg	Shasta	9/27/2020 – 10/26/2020

In addition to living or working in the impacted area, eligible households must have:

- Included one or more people that do not receive regular CalFresh food benefits; and
- Spent money, during the incident/benefit period, that they won't get back because of the disaster; expenses may include, but are not limited to: losing food you already had, paying for temporary shelter, like a hotel, or other evacuation expenses, like gas, paying for new household items like toiletries or clothes, fixing damage on your home or business, paying for clean up, and more; and
- Meet income limits, as determined by the local county social services office.

How do I apply for Disaster CalFresh? When can I apply?

You can apply for Disaster CalFresh food benefits anytime between **November 16 – November 20**.

You can apply by phone by calling your local county social services office, using the phone number below:

County	Phone Number
Fresno	1-855-832-8082
Los Angeles	1-877-597-4777
Napa	1-707-253-4511
Madera	1-559-675-2300
Mendocino	1-877-327-1677
San Bernardino	1-909-335-3334
San Diego	2-1-1*
Shasta	1-877-652-0731
Siskiyou	1-530-841-2700
Sonoma	1-877-699-6868

*Simply dial 2-1-1 on your telephone and tell the operator you're interested in applying for Disaster CalFresh food benefits.

You can drop off your application at your local county social services office, or apply online*:

- If you live in **Madera, Mendocino, Napa, San Bernardino, Shasta, or Siskiyou** county, you can apply online at <https://www.c4yourself.com/c4yourself/index.jsp>.
- If you live in **Fresno, San Diego, or Sonoma** county, you can apply online at <https://www.mybenefitscalwin.org/>.

If I'm approved, when and where do I pick up my Disaster CalFresh food benefits EBT card?

If approved, you will get your Disaster CalFresh food benefits on an Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) card, which you can use like a debit card to buy food. At the end of your interview, your county will tell you when and where to pick up your EBT card.

Where can Disaster CalFresh food benefits be used?

You can use your Disaster CalFresh food benefits at any authorized EBT retailer, including most grocery store chains and farmers markets.

How can I learn more about Disaster CalFresh food benefits?

For additional information on Disaster CalFresh food benefits, please visit <https://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/calfresh/disaster-calfresh>.

*There is no method to apply online for Disaster CalFresh food benefits in Los Angeles county.

