



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 5/12/2026

File #: 26-392

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor Natalie Arroyo

Agenda Section: Consent

Vote Requirement: Majority

SUBJECT:

Proclaim May 2026 as CalFresh Awareness Month in Humboldt County

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt the proclamation.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This action supports the following areas of your Board's Strategic Plan.

Area of Focus: Safe & Healthy Communities

Strategic Plan Category: 9999 - Core Services/Other

DISCUSSION:

This proclamation recognizes May 2026 as CalFresh Awareness Month and highlights the critical role the CalFresh program plays in supporting food security for Humboldt County residents.

Through the dedicated efforts of Humboldt County's Department of Health & Human Services' (DHHS) staff and community partners, CalFresh provides essential nutrition assistance to over 28,400 individuals, including children, college students and seniors, while ensuring eligible residents can access available benefits.

In addition to improving individual and household well-being, CalFresh contributes significantly to the local economy, bringing more than \$65 million in federal funds into Humboldt County in 2025. Ongoing collaboration between DHHS, community-based organizations and medical providers strengthen outreach and access, connecting vulnerable populations to vital services and supporting broader initiatives such as local agriculture, school nutrition programs and workforce development.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

General Fund

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no financial impact in presenting a proclamation.

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STAFFING IMPACT:

None

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

None

ATTACHMENTS:

CalFresh Awareness Month Proclamation

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Meeting of: N/A

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