



# COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 5/12/2026

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**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:**

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