

**County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA)
CalFresh Program Guide**

Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservation

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01/24/2020

Background:

Customers living on Indian Reservations or tribal members living off the reservation may choose to receive food from the Food Distribution Program instead of receiving CalFresh. Food received from the Food Distribution Program is called commodities. Customers cannot receive CalFresh and commodities in the same month. Customers can transfer from one program to the other, with timely notice. This revision updates the section to the new format. There are no changes due to state legislation.

Purpose:

This section describes the regulations about CalFresh and commodities.

Policy:

63-166.1 Dual Participation:

Dual participation means customers are getting both CalFresh and commodities in the same month. During the intake process, it is important to ask customers if they are receiving commodities. Asking this question will help to avoid dual participation and any overissuance (OI) for the customer.

Procedure:

63-166.2 CalFresh Program Specialist Responsibilities:

In San Diego County, the Food Distribution Program is run by Southern California Tribal Chairman's Association (SDCTA). Each month SDCTA notifies the CalFresh Program Specialist of customers who are receiving food commodities. The CalFresh Program Specialist is responsible for determining if these customers are receiving CalFresh benefits. Customers who received CalFresh and commodities in the same month will have an OI. The CalFresh Program Specialist and SDCTA will determine if the county or SDCTA is responsible for the OI.

63-166.3 Overissuances:

Receiving CalFresh and commodities in the same month will result in an OI. Instructions will be sent to the Family Resource Center (FRC) to set up the OI as an Inadvertent Household Error (IHE).

Other Program Impacts

None

References:

MPP 63-402.7

CFR 253.1

Sunset Date:

This policy will be reviewed for continuance on or by 01/31/2023

Approval for Release:



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