

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

**Annual Disaster CalFresh COLA Updates**

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**Effective Date:**

11/01/2019

**Background:**

Effective 10/1/2019, San Diego County will use the FFY 2020 Disaster CalFresh Income Eligibility Standards and Allotments to determine eligibility for Disaster CalFresh. The Food Stamp Act of 1977 provides annual Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA) to allotments, certain deductions, and eligibility standards. The adjustments are effective every year on the first day of October.

**Purpose:**

To provide staff with instructions for COLA implementation.

**Policy:**

In the event of a presidential declaration of a disaster, the Disaster CalFresh Program can be implemented. As of October 1<sup>st</sup>, the Income Eligibility Standards and Allotments will have been updated to reflect the 2019-2020 FFY amounts.

**Procedure:**

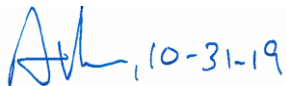
[Disaster CalFresh Desk Aid Processing Guide 506-01](#)

Updated with new COLA amounts for 10/2019-9/2020  
Process for Disaster CalFresh Income and Resource Test

**Sunset Date:**

This policy will be reviewed for continuance by 10/31/2022.

**Approval for Release**



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