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Behavioral Health Leadership Collaborative:

The Stanislaus County Community Services Agency (CSA) has notified that CalFresh benefits will not be issued beginning November 1, 2025, as the Federal Government shutdown continues. CalFresh is California's version of the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), which provides monthly electronic benefits to help eligible low-income individuals and families purchase groceries.

What's Changing:

CalFresh benefits will cease beginning November 1, 2025, and will remain paused until the Federal Government shutdown is resolved. Not all recipients will be impacted at once. Changes will roll out gradually over the coming weeks based on each individual's benefit issuance date. Other assistance programs, including CalWORKs (cash aid for families), General Assistance (cash aid for adults without children), and Medi-Cal, are *not impacted* at this time.

Implications for BHRS Members:

Many of our members rely on CalFresh benefits to maintain stability, health, and progress in their treatment and recovery. The temporary loss or delay of these benefits may directly affect their well-being and access to basic needs.

BHRS Staff and Contracted Provider Treatment Team Actions:

To ensure we are responsive to member needs:

- Review your caseloads to identify members who may be affected by these changes.
- Work with your supervisor or program manager to address any immediate or emerging impacts on treatment plans and supports.
- Communicate any challenges with your supervisor or agency leadership. BHRS leadership will remain in close contact with contracted provider organizations to continually assess the impact on treatment services and adjust our collective response as needed.
- Direct members and their families to the local food and support resources listed below. Please note that some members may require additional case management support to successfully access and navigate these services.

Community Food Resources:

CSA has asked that County departments and contracted providers help refer community members to the following resources as applicable:

- [English 2025 – Food Resource Guide](#)
- [Spanish 2025 – Food Resource Guide](#)
- [Find Food – California Association of Food Banks](#)
- [211 Stanislaus County](#)
- [Health Services Agency Family Resource Directory](#)

BHRS will monitor this situation closely and provide regular updates as more information becomes available.