

# Budgetary Pressures and Impacts

Update on Federal  
Government Shutdown

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**Shutdown began on October 1<sup>st</sup> after Congress failed to pass the Continuing Resolution bill that would have kept the government open through November 21<sup>st</sup>.**



### Latest Updates

- Congress continues to fail to pass a Continuing Resolution.
- Democrats remain committed to extending expiring health insurance subsidies.
- Senate considering "minibus" legislation and conference.

### Advocacy Updates

- Sacramento
- Washington, D.C.

## Timing of Federal Funding Lapses

	October	November	December
<b>CalFresh</b> (DPSS)	Cash benefits to recipients \$320M Per Month	<p><b>Approximately \$432M in lost benefits &amp; \$48M in lost County revenue each month during November and December.</b></p>	
	County administrative costs \$48M Per Month		
<b>CalWORKs</b> (DPSS)	Cash benefits for recipients \$112M Per Month		
	County administrative costs \$39M Per Month		
<b>Section 8 Housing</b> (LACDA)	Rental and housing assistance for residents \$50M Per Month		
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## Need By the Numbers

Approximately 980,000 LA County households rely on CalFresh

Approximately 115,000 households rely on CalWORKs

## Food Banks—600+ partners across 940 sites

### Other available resources:

- DPSS Food Distribution Services
- AD Meals for Seniors
- LACOE/LAUSD Universal School Meal Program
- DPH LA County Food Redistribution Project
- DPH CalFresh Healthy Living
- DCBA Foreclosure Prevention and Eviction Defense
- 211LA
- Animal Care and Control's Donated Pet Food
- DHS Food Distribution Services at Olive View UCLA Medical Center
- LACDA Housing Operations Programs



### The County's action plan:

- **Increase Capacity for Food Banks** – potential additional funding (approximately \$10M) to increase capacity and serve up to 3,500 residents at each site
- **Expand Food Donation Sites** – encourage early holiday-driven food donation campaigns and food drives
- **Stretch County Supports** – potential for additional supports for particularly vulnerable populations
- **Advocate for Additional Philanthropic Funding** – Center for Strategic Partnerships notified philanthropic partners of the increased need and encouraged additional support

### If shutdown continues into 2026:

- Increase Capacity for LA County Food Redistribution Project
- Expand COVID and Fire Relief Administered Grocery Voucher Program
- EBT Vendor Grants
- Expand the Emergency Rent Relief Program (Board-directed review pending January 2026)



**We are already reaching out to those in need and those who can help support.**

**DPSS Outreach Campaign** – DPSS developed a text and email campaign to notify all CalFresh recipients.

**Social Media and Outreach Campaign** – Developing a social media campaign to reach recipients and potential donors.

**EBT Business Outreach Campaign** – CEO working with DPSS, DCBA, and DEO to leverage the network of EBT grocers to amplify messaging.



Thank you.

Questions?