



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

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			The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:	
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
BUDG-2		Favor	Jennifer Grissom	<p>Dear Supervisors,</p> <p>We are writing to express our deep disappointment over the June 22, 2026 Final Changes Budget letter, which recommends zero additional funding for Market Match, CalFresh Healthy Living, and Immigrant Food Justice - three programs our communities desperately need and have fought hard to fund.</p> <p>The CEO's own letter opens by warning that federal cuts to Medicaid and SNAP will "increase the demand for general relief, food distribution and emergency room care." And yet, in the same document, his office turns away every community request for food access funding. This contradiction is not lost on us.</p> <p>Let us be direct about what the recommendation means on the ground:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CalFresh Healthy Living: The CEO cites that the program is funded through June 30, 2027. That is less than 12 months from now. What happens on July 1, 2027 to the 17 community agencies and the tens of thousands of residents they serve? • Market Match: The CEO points to a possible \$15 million in the State Legislative Budget Plan — but acknowledges it is not final. Our communities cannot subsist on "maybe." Furthermore, \$15 million will not go far. Additional funding is needed to support the communities already dealing with inequitable access to fresh produce. • Immigrant Food Justice: The CEO dismisses the community's \$20 million request, in part because "no department has requested funding." Immigrant families who are excluded from federal nutrition programs don't have the luxury of waiting for departmental prioritization. <p>The CEO found \$27.6 million in one-time fund balance for other priorities this budget phase. The Board has the authority to redirect resources during budget deliberations. We are calling on each of you to do exactly that and to demand a sustainable funding solution for these programs before the budget is adopted.</p> <p>Our communities are watching. We urge you to make a choice that will directly benefit their daily lives.</p>

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BUDG-2		Oppose	Ariana Contreras	the \$37M for immigrant food justice, market match or calfresh healthy living that communities across LA county and food/environmental justice organizations have asked the county to prioritize has been denied. We ask that this please be reconsidered. People need access to safe, accessible, and healthy food.
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