

I am not eligible for CalFresh because I don't have a job.

- **A job is not required to get CalFresh.**
- **Even if the ABAWD time limit applies, the household may be eligible for at least 3 months of CalFresh.**

It's not worth it to apply for CalFresh for just three months of benefits.

- **A household may be eligible for more than 3 months if they meet an exemption or work requirement.**

I already got CalFresh for 3 months and I am no longer eligible.

- **Households can regain eligibility if they become exempt, meet the work requirement, or move to an area under the waiver.**

I am 30 and live in San Francisco but I come to Oakland to work and take care of my mom who is sick. I don't think I qualify for CalFresh in San Francisco, could I apply for CalFresh in Oakland because I work here?

- **Should apply in the county in which they live.**
- **Exempt under work registration exemption: caring for an incapacitated person.**

I am a full-time student and commute from San Mateo. I was awarded work study but I don't have a job. Am I eligible?

- **Not subject to the ABAWD time limit because they are a student.**
- **Work study award exempts them from the student rules.**
- **Can get CalFresh if they meet other eligibility requirements.**
- **Should apply in county in which they live.**

I tried applying before but the county wanted me to bring a note that I have depression. I couldn't make it into the doctor's office so I am not eligible.

- **If applying in San Francisco, San Mateo or Santa Clara the eligibility worker should help attain verification.**
- **If applying anywhere else in the state, not subject to ABAWD time limit, verification is not required.**

I heard in the news that you have to work at least 20 hours a week to get CalFresh but I only work 15 hours so I am not eligible.

- **If subject to the ABAWD time limit, may be eligible if they meet an exemption, or volunteer 5 hours per week.**
- **ABAWD time limit rules only apply in San Francisco, San Mateo and Santa Clara.**

I am pregnant but I don't think I can get CalFresh until my baby is born.

- **Households without children are eligible.**
- **ABAWD time limit does not apply to people who are pregnant.**

I am not eligible because I don't work 40 hours a week.

- **If subject to the ABAWD time limit, may be eligible if they meet an exemption, or work/ volunteer or do other work activities 20 hours per week.**
- **ABAWD time limit rules only apply in San Francisco, San Mateo and Santa Clara.**
- **If not currently working or meeting an exemption, can still be eligible for at least 3 months of CalFresh**

ABAWD

- **Able-bodied adult without dependents**
- **CalFresh-only case (does not receive CalWORKs)**
- **Age 18-49**
- **Able-bodied**
- **Without dependent children**

Countable month

- **A full month of CalFresh benefits received by someone subject to the ABAWD time limit when not meeting the work requirement or exempt.**
- **People subject to the ABAWD time limit can get three months of CalFresh benefits every 36 month period.**

Good cause

- **Term used to excuse a person when they were unable to meet the work requirement for a reason/situation outside of their control.**

<p>Statewide clock</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- This refers to the three year time period or 36 month clock. The current time period is from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2019.
<p>Workfare</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- When a CalFresh recipient performs unpaid or volunteer work to receive CalFresh.
<p>Work registration and exemptions from work registration</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Determination and exemption takes place at time of application and recertification- There are NO forms or other things that the clients have to do, the county documents this automatically.- These exemptions also make someone exempt from the ABAWD time limit.

<p>Unable to work due to chronic homeless</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Indicator that someone might be exempt from ABAWD time limit due to being physically or mentally unable to work
<p>Responsible for the care of an incapacitated person</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Work registration exemption that also exempts a person from the ABAWD time limit
<p>Unable to work due to drug or alcohol usage</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Indicator that someone might be exempt from ABAWD time limit due to being physically or mentally unable to work

Applied for OR receiving unemployment insurance benefits

- **Work registration exemption that also exempts a person from the ABAWD time limit**

- I can't get CalFresh because I don't have children.

- **You don't have to have children to qualify for CalFresh.**
- **Even if the ABAWD time limit applies, a household can still get at least 3 months of CalFresh if they qualify.**