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UC CalFresh Name Badge Order 2018—Deadline: 2/7/18

The UC CalFresh State Office will be coordinating a supplemental order of the standardized name badges for the UC CalFresh Nutrition Education program. To submit a request for **name badges**, please refer to the email sent by Rolando Pinedo (rgpinedo@ucdavis.edu) at approximately 8:30am on 1/24 with the subject line "UC CalFresh Name Badge Order 2018—Requests Due February 7, 2018" for a link and directions. Responses to this survey are due by **5:00pm on Wednesday, February 7, 2018**. If you have any questions, please contact the UC CalFresh State Office at (530) 754-7794.

2/20/18 UC CalFresh Town Hall Webinar, 12:30-2:00pm

The next UC CalFresh Town Hall is scheduled for Tuesday, February 20, 2018 from 12:30-2:00pm. The title is "**Introduction to Food Waste and California's Inaugural Food Waste Prevention Week.**" UC ANR, in partnership with other California state agencies, has developed a series of inaugural Food Waste Prevention Week activities, which will take place March 5th-9th, 2018.

The Town Hall will discuss the issue of food waste, the activities of Food Waste Prevention Week, and the ways in which the efforts of all partner organizations working together at the individual, workplace, community, and policy levels can drive change. We encourage all who are interested in Food Waste Prevention to attend. Lastly, the State Office will be providing programmatic and administrative updates.

Due to limited space, pre-registration is **required**. After you register, you will be sent an email confirmation with call-in information. Please visit: <https://cc.readytalk.com/rc4ggmoozj7u1&eom> to register.

UC CalFresh Success Stories

Success stories from your FFY 2018 UC CalFresh participants can be shared through the online data entry portal: <https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=22089>.

"A 4th grade student was in my [class]room & saw we were trying beets. She said, "We did it too. I didn't think I would like them, but I loved them!" She had never tried them before. That's why I love this program!"

—Teacher, Capay School,
Glenn County

"I've learned that I really need to reconsider my eating and drinking choices. I'm consuming far too much sugar and fat and need to take care of my body. I'm going to give my mom the tips in hope that we'll make a change."

—EatFit Participant,
Fresno County

Welcome New UC CalFresh Staff!

This feature is to introduce and welcome new staff to UC CalFresh. If you have new staff, please send a brief introduction and photo to Lindsay Hamasaki at lmhamasaki@ucdavis.edu.



Cristina Luquin, Community Education Specialist 2, UCCE Central Sierra

Cristina Luquin is a University of Nevada, Reno graduate. She obtained her Bachelor of Science in Community Health Sciences in 2010. She grew up in South Lake Tahoe and has now returned to pursue her calling of service to the community. Since graduating, Cristina has worked with local agencies for 7 years in the South Lake Tahoe area to better the lives of fellow community members. She has assisted in basic needs programs, interpretations, as well as adult and children's support groups. Cristina is interested in furthering her education and receiving a Master degree in Public Health in the future. This will be a stepping stone for her big dream of traveling to other countries to serve those in need. As a new member of UC CalFresh, Cristina feels excited to continue working with the South Lake Tahoe community as a Community Education Specialist 2. Cristina can be reached at: cnluquin@ucanr.edu.



Lauren Borges, Community Education Specialist 1, UCCE Central Sierra

Lauren Borges graduated from California State University, Sacramento in 2017 where she received her B.S. in Family and Consumer Sciences with a concentration in Nutrition. From a young age, Lauren had a passion for health and physical activity. She worked as a physical therapy assistant for two years, and during that time she also obtained a certification in personal training. She always knew she loved working out and the importance of eating right, but during her time as a physical therapy assistant, she realized the number of people who did not have a basic understanding of nutrition. During this experience, she decided she wanted to share the importance of eating wholesome foods as well as keeping our bodies healthy by being physically active. She has made it a goal of hers to help change lives by focusing on preventing and reversing the obesity epidemic. Lauren joined the Calaveras County team in December of 2017, and is already making a difference. Having the chance to make a real change in the world gives her the drive to continue doing what she loves. Lauren is very passionate and thankful that she has the opportunity to change lives, just as she dreamed of doing since she was a little girl. Lauren can be reached at: laborges@ucanr.edu.

UC CalFresh Website Updates

Updated & New UC CalFresh Program Directives

* **Updated: UC CalFresh Program Directive No. 2018-01—Travel Reimbursement Policy for UC CalFresh**

We would like to note that UC CalFresh Program Directive (PD) 2018-01 has been **updated** to align with the lodging rates posted on the CalHR lodging reimbursement page. The only change is the addition of lodging rate for Marin County, which is actual expenses, up to \$110 per night, plus tax. The UC CalFresh Excess Lodging Rate Request Form has also been updated and is available on our website. [Click here](#) to review the updated UC CalFresh PD No. 2018-01.

* **UC CalFresh Program Directive No. 2018-03—Change in Mileage Reimbursement Rate for Use of Personal Vehicle**

Effective January 1, 2018, the University's mileage reimbursement rate for expenses incurred in connection with the use of a private automobile has been revised in accordance with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) standard mileage rates published in IRS Notice 2018-3. Employees may claim a mileage reimbursement rate of 54.5 cents per mile when using their personal vehicle for authorized UC CalFresh program business travel. This represents an increase from the previous year's rate. [Click here](#) to review UC CalFresh PD No. 2018-03.

* **UC CalFresh Program Directive No. 2018-04—Use of Updated Mileage Logs in UC Davis AggieTravel System, Electronic Signatures and Ad Hoc Routing**

This PD is being issued to provide guidance on the use of mileage logs in the UC Davis AggieTravel system and to provide clarification on routing travel expense reports for approval and electronic signatures. [Click here](#) to review UC CalFresh PD No. 2018-04.

Administrative Documents & Information on the UC CalFresh Website

* **New Program Administration Page**

The UC CalFresh State Office has re-organized the "Administrative" tab on the UC CalFresh website. A new "Program Administration" tab has been created to house the following information and documents: SNAP-Ed Information; Program Directives; Theft-Sensitive Equipment; Branded Materials and Templates; and UC CalFresh Travel and Lodging Resources/Forms. [Click here](#) to visit the new Program Administration page!

UC CalFresh PEARS Resources

* **January 2018 PEARS Program Activity and Direct Education Survey Webinar Resources Available**

The [PowerPoint](#) slides and [Recording](#) from the two UC CalFresh PEARS Program Activity and Direct Education Surveys webinars held in January (1/16 and 1/18) are now available on the website. This webinar focused on reporting FFY 2018 program activities in PEARS including guidelines for entering program activity data, tip sheets/forms/resources available, as well as live Q & A with county programs.

We also reviewed the process for entering program activity survey data into PEARS. Staff that enter and/or review program activity data in PEARS should watch this recorded training. Please contact [Jennifer Quigley](mailto:jaquigley@ucdavis.edu) (jaquigley@ucdavis.edu) for questions related to PEARS Program Activities and [Barbara Mknelly](mailto:bmknelly@ucdavis.edu) (bmknelly@ucdavis.edu) or [Angie Keihner](mailto:akeihner@ucdavis.edu) (akeihner@ucdavis.edu) for questions related to the PEARS PSE Module or entering survey data in PEARS.

The Smarter Lunchrooms Movement of California

The UC CalFresh State Office would like to see how the Smarter Lunchroom Movement of California has been implemented in your county! Please share your success stories and photos with MaryAnn Mills via e-mail: mamills@ucdavis.edu.



The Smarter Lunchrooms Movement of California Monthly Nudge

The Smarter Lunchrooms Movement of California *Monthly Nudge* is a monthly newsletter which provides updates on how the Smarter Lunchrooms Movement is moving throughout California and is brought to you by the SLM of CA Collaborative. The newsletter provides updates, upcoming trainings and events, and more! If you are interested in signing up to receive the *Monthly Nudge*, please [click here!](#)

SLM 201: Technical Advising Professionals Workshop, February 26, 2018, 10:00am-1:30pm, Davis, CA

The Smarter Lunchrooms Movement Technical Advising Professionals Workshop provides participants with the knowledge and necessary skills to guide food service staff through the entire SLM process including assessment, implementation and evaluation. This training:

- * Provides hands-on training for providing technical advising to food service staff
- * Provides resources and tools for implementation and evaluation of SLM
- * Includes a guided site visit where TAPs will perform a lunchroom observation and provide feedback to food service staff at a school site

The workshop will take place at North Davis Elementary School (555 E 14th Street, Davis, CA 95616) on February 26, 2018 from 10:00am-1:30pm. Please contact [MaryAnn Mills](mailto:mamills@ucdavis.edu) (mamills@ucdavis.edu) for more information on registration.

UC CalFresh in Action!

Public Health Institute (PHI) Center for Wellness and Nutrition (CWN) Awards Funding for SNAP-Ed Pilot Projects

This announcement was originally posted in the [1/29/2018 edition of the PHI CWN Wellness Matters! Newsletter](#).

CWN is pleased to announce that they have awarded five (5) sub awardees through the [California Department of Social Services \(CDSS\) Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education \(SNAP-Ed\)](#) contract for pilot projects. The purpose of the pilots are to expand the reach and capacity of organizations in California to address healthy food access in under-served communities, specifically agencies focused on Tribal/Native American populations, at-risk youth, early childhood, Latino populations, and rural and frontier counties. The following agencies were awarded:

- * [California Indian Museum and Cultural Center](#) (Sonoma Youth-led Participatory Action Research (YPAR) project)
- * [Institute for Local Government—Summer Meals Coalition](#) (Early Childhood)
- * UC Riverside Cooperative Extension/[Torres Martinez Tribe](#) (YPAR Project)
- * [Latino Coalition for a Healthy California](#)
- * [Population Health Innovation Lab \(PHIL\)](#) (Rural Webinar Series)

Over the course of the next several months, each of the projects will be highlighted in upcoming PHI CWN Wellness Matters! Newsletters.

Nutrition and Food Questions Web Page

Do your participants ask questions about nutrition or needs that you find difficult to respond to? Check the [Nutrition and Food Questions](#) web page for a response. If your question is not answered there you can submit a new question. You can find the link on the UC CalFresh website under [Resources > Resources for Educators](#). Please contact [Lyn Brock \(rlbrock@ucanr.edu\)](mailto:rlbrock@ucanr.edu) if you have any questions.

Upcoming UC CalFresh Trainings

Save the Date: CATCH Early Childhood (Pre/K) Training Academy, April 3-5, 2018

It is time to save the dates for the next CATCH Early Childhood (Pre/K) Training Academy: April 3-5, 2018. Please also note that this training will be located in [Riverside](#). During this training, you will get active and learn practical skills necessary to implement physical activity into the UC CalFresh Nutrition Education Program using the CATCH Early Childhood Program. Please see below for more details. *Registration is coming soon!*

Date	Time	Location
April 3-5, 2018	8:00am-4:00pm	Alvord Unified School District — Child Nutrition Services 7377 Jurupa Ave. Riverside, CA 92504

We encourage any staff, including program supervisors and advisors, who have NOT been certified as CATCH ECE Trainers to register. **Space will be limited to 2 staff members per county/county cluster for the 3-day academy.**

The UC CalFresh State Office encourages UC CalFresh county programs to use their travel funds to attend this conference. If you anticipate that you will not have sufficient funds to cover travel costs to attend this training, please contact [Lindsay Hamasaki \(lmhamasaki@ucdavis.edu\)](mailto:lmhamasaki@ucdavis.edu) and copy [Michele Byrnes \(mnbyrnes@ucdavis.edu\)](mailto:mnbyrnes@ucdavis.edu).

Additional staff will be added to a waitlist upon request. Please email additional questions to [Michele Byrnes](mailto:mnbyrnes@ucdavis.edu) at mnbyrnes@ucdavis.edu.

Articles & Research

How SNAP Benefits Seniors—and Health Care’s Bottom Line

SNAP benefits go far beyond a healthy meal. We now know that they can be a critical link to lower health care costs and better health for millions of seniors. A new study suggests—for the first time—that accessing SNAP benefits helps keep low-income seniors [out of nursing homes](#) and [reduces hospital admissions](#). The RWJF-supported study was a cross-sector research partnership between [Benefits Data Trust](#), [Johns Hopkins School of Nursing](#), and the Hilltop [Institute at the University of Maryland Baltimore County](#). It looked at the impact of access to food and energy assistance on health care utilization among 77,678 older adults in Maryland who received both Medicare and Medicaid, and found compelling evidence linking SNAP to reduced health care utilization, health care costs savings and improved health status. The research found that Maryland seniors on Medicaid who were enrolled in SNAP were 23 percent less likely to enter a nursing home and 14 percent less likely to be hospitalized in the following year. Furthermore, SNAP participation reduced the likelihood of each additional day in the hospital by 10 percent and reduced the likelihood of each additional day in the nursing home by 8 percent. Researchers concluded that 42 percent of the study population were eligible but not enrolled in SNAP, meaning many who could take advantage of this benefit weren't. [Read full article.](#)

Sleepy U.S. Teens Are Running on Empty

Most American teenagers are plagued by too little sleep, which can hurt their health and their school performance, federal health officials said Thursday. Nearly 58 percent of middle school students in nine states and almost 73 percent of high school students across the country don't get the recommended amount of nightly shut-eye, according to a report from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. "Children and adolescents who don't get enough sleep are at increased risk for obesity, diabetes, injuries, poor mental health, and attention and behavior problems, which can affect them academically," said report author Anne Wheaton, a CDC epidemiologist. According to the American Academy of Sleep Medicine, children aged 6 to 12 need nine to 10 hours of sleep a night, while teenagers aged 13 to 18 should get at least eight hours per night, she said. Parents can help their children practice good sleep habits. "These are things like having consistent bedtime and rise time, and that includes not just during the week, but on the weekends," Wheaton said. "That's good for everybody—the adults, too." Studies have shown that teens who have bedtimes set by their parents get more sleep than those who don't. Parents can also consider a media curfew or removing technology from the bedroom, she added. The report was published Jan. 26 in the CDC's *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report*. [Read full article.](#)

Education & Resources

Training Opportunities for SNAP-Ed Local Implementing Agencies

On behalf of the California Department of Social Services, the California Department of Public Health Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention Branch, UC CalFresh, California Department of Aging, and Catholic Charities of California, we are pleased to announce upcoming SNAP-Ed trainings available to appropriate staff from SNAP-Ed state and local implementing agencies in California. Please visit the [Training and Events Calendar](#) for additional information and opportunities.

Web StoreFront & Public Web StoreFront Closure, February 5-February 12, 2018

The California Department of Public Health will close the Web StoreFront (WSF) and Public Web StoreFront (PWSF) on Monday, February 5th for their bi-annual physical inventory of educational materials. The WSF and the PWSF sites will re-open on Monday, February 12, 2018 at 8:00am. Please feel free to contact NEOPBCustomerCare@cdph.ca.gov with any questions.

CDC DNPAO Teleconference: Childhood Obesity Research Demonstration (CORD) Project: Implementing Evidence Based Interventions to Prevent and Manage Childhood Obesity, February 8, 2018, 10:30am PT

In 2011, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Obesity (DNPAO) funded 3 grantees and 1 evaluation center under the Childhood Obesity Research Demonstration (CORD) Project. The aim of CORD was to improve weight and healthy growth among low-income children by improving obesity-related behaviors, including diet, physical activity, screen time, and sleep. Grantees engaged with community coalitions and organizations to deliver evidence-based interventions in the places where families live, learn, and seek health care. Please contact your state DNPAO teleconference proctor for additional information and handout materials. Below is a list of state teleconference proctors. Phone and webinar information will be sent to them to be shared:

- * Bree Kaminskas, Bree.Kaminskas@cdph.ca.gov, (916) 449-5369
- * Michelle Fussner, Michelle.Fussner@cdph.ca.gov, (916) 449-5388

For additional information on the CORD Project, please visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/obesity/strategies/healthcare/cord1.html>.

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ToP Accelerated Action Planning Trainings, Various Dates

These regional trainings were referenced briefly in the January 2018 Statewide LIA Training Flyer sent last week (from CASNAP-EdTraining email address). This training is open to any SNAP-Ed local leaders, program managers and team leaders, and aims to provide tools to lead small groups to create effective organization plans. Enrollment is limited and the time frame is approaching soon! Please see the attached flyer for more information. ***UC CalFresh educators should consult with their Advisor, Manager, and/or Supervisor before registering.***

February 13	February 14	February 21	March 7	March 13	March 14	March 21
UC Center Fresno Fresno, CA	San Joaquin Co. Ag Center Stockton, CA	Riverside Univ. Health System Riverside, CA	San Luis Obispo Co. Gov. Center San Luis Obispo, CA	Silicon Valley Community Foundation Mountain View, CA	Ventura County Public Health Oxnard, CA	National University Redding, CA

[Click here](#) to register through the [CA SNAP-Ed Training & Events Calendar](#). If you have any questions, please contact **Lyn Brock** at (rlbrock@ucanr.edu).

Free Webinar: Walking Together: The What, Why, and How of Walking Organizations, February 14, 2018, 11:00am PT

Walking programs are a great way to improve individual health, strengthen relationships, and explore new parts of your community. One of the biggest requests at America Walks is how to get a walking program or organization started and what resources are available to do so. Join America Walks on February 14th at 11am Pacific for “Walking Together: The What, Why, and How of Walking Organizations” to get the answers. To register for this webinar, please visit: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5630463093772352771>.

Webinar Opportunity: Healthy CalFresh Guide, February 15, 2018, 9:00-10:00am

The California Department of Social Services, CalFresh Nutrition Education Unit is hosting a free webinar on February 15, 2018. In an effort to support the county human services agencies and their partners with the implementation of nutrition education interventions for their clients, CDSS is hosting an informational webinar to introduce the *Access to Healthy Food Field Guide for County Human Services Agencies*. The webinar will focus on the benefits of implementing the Field Guide and special projects funding opportunities. CDSS encourages you share this information with colleagues and partners who may benefit from this important information. Registration links are accessible/clickable through the attached PDF document or by visiting <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3020335739795998721>.

Register Now! Three Steps to Wellness Policy Implementation Success Workshop, Various Dates

Implementation of Local School Wellness Policies (LSWP) is most effective when aligned with district priorities and broader community needs. The Three Steps to Wellness Policy Implementation Success Workshop—brought to you by the California Local School Wellness Policy Collaborative—provides participants with key strategies for updating and implementing LSWP, and provides guidance for complying with assessment and administrative review processes. Attendees will learn key responsibilities and approaches to engage stakeholders at the district, school and community levels to achieve successful LSWP implementation. Workshop attendees will also take away tools and resources needed to measure success, and identify opportunities that support a whole child approach.

February 14	February 28	March 6	March 14	March 20	March 21	April 11
Sierra Health Foundation 1321 Garden Hwy Sacramento, CA 95833	McConnell Foundation 800 Shasta View Drive Redding, CA 96003	The California Endowment— Oakland Conference Center—Laurel Room 200 Franklin Street Oakland, CA 94612	UC California Fresno Center 550 E. Shaw Ave. Fresno, CA 93710	Riverside University Health System—Public Health 4210 Riverwalk Parkway, Suite 400 (1st Floor) Riverside, CA 92505	Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) 9300 Imperial Highway Downey, CA 90242	Orange County Department of Education 200 Kalmus Drive, Conference Center: Building D, Room 1002- 1003 Costa Mesa, CA 92626

[Click here](#) to register. For additional information about these workshops, please visit the [CA SNAP-Ed Trainings & Events Calendar](#) or contact Chris Bilbrey at Christine.Bilbrey@cdph.ca.gov or Maegan Jorgensen at Maegan.Jorgensen@cdph.ca.gov.

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Webinar: Introduction to the Nutrition Pantry Program, February 22, 2018, 11:00-11:45am (PST)

Join Leah's Pantry for a webinar **February 22, 11:00-11:45am (PST)** on how to implement client-centered, PSE work in the food pantry setting through the Nutrition Pantry Program. Leah's Pantry will share how this program can be used to set goals, measure progress, implement changes, and celebrate accomplishments in six different focus areas. Special guests from the Food Pantry at Catholic Charities, Diocese of Fresno will share their experiences working within the NPP framework for changes to their site. Expect to come away with a lot of ideas on how this flexible program can be incorporated into your unique food distribution settings. [Click here](#) to register or visit the [CA SNAP-Ed Trainings & Events Calendar](#) or [UC CalFresh Training Calendar](#) for additional information.

Free Webinar: From the Ground Up: Built Environment Strategies and Support for Walkable Communities, February 27, 2018, 12pm PT

The purpose of this webinar is to discuss how built environment strategies such as land development plans, policies, and zoning code reforms can support walkable communities—and the importance of collaboration between planners, transportation, and public health practitioners. Join America Walks on February 27th, 2018 at 12pm Pacific for the webinar, "From the Ground Up: Built Environment Strategies and Support for Walkable Communities." To register for this webinar, please visit: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/2602601585836801794>.

Webinar: Introducing Events-In-A-Box, February 28, 2018, 10:30am

The following information was originally shared at the 2018 SNAP-Ed LIA Forum. [Click here](#) to view the flyer with additional information.

Events-In-A-Box is an easy and simple way to create a statewide day of action in your local community. An "Event-In-A-Box" is an optional resource to create an easy and successful event. On the same day, across California, local organizations have the ability to execute an event to promote healthy living across the entire state of California. The event-in-a-box includes everything needed for community based organizations to host and promote a successful event in their local community. In addition to event materials such as posters, handouts, displays, and press outreach materials, each toolkit will include a data collection tool that allows for measuring and evaluating event participation. There are currently two statewide days of action to look forward to:

- * **May 16, 2018, Rethink Your Drink Day:** *A local effort to drink more water, less sugar sweetened beverages*
- * **Fall 2018: Healthy Back to School Snack Day:** *A local effort to encourage healthy snacking for parents and their children*

Local Implementing Agencies (LIAs) can promote the event-in-a-box opportunity to their local community based organizations (dentist offices, local schools, churches, etc.). All organizations who are interested in executing an event will receive an application to complete for this opportunity. [Click here](#) to view the flyer with additional information. To register for this webinar, please visit: <https://attendee.gototraining.com/r/5134920900537419009>.

Resources to Support National Nutrition Month®, Go Further with Food, March 2018

This year's National Nutrition Month® theme, *Go Further with Food*, reminds us to achieve the numerous benefits healthy eating habits offer and also urges us to find ways to reduce food waste. To help communicate this message to patients and clients, the Academy has prepared a number of free resources including [Nutrition Tip Sheets](#), [Activity Handouts](#) and [Games](#). [Click here](#) to learn more about the National Nutrition Month® campaign!

Funding Opportunity: CA-Grown Fresh School Meals Grant, Deadline: March 1, 2018, 5:00pm

The California Department of Education has posted the request for applications (RFA) for the CA-Grown Fresh School Meals Grant. The grant applications are due by 5pm on Thursday, March 1, 2018. These grants are a great opportunity to expand your farm to school program—they provide up to \$125,000 per school site to encourage schools to purchase California-grown food and to expand the number of freshly prepared school meals that use California-grown ingredients. Awardees may use grant funds to purchase California-grown foods, purchase equipment necessary to provide school meals to students, provide nutrition education to students, and provide professional development for relevant food service employees regarding the implementation of fresh and healthy school meals. Please visit: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/fg/fo/r9/cgfsm17rfa.asp> for additional information.

Funding Opportunity: Meet Me at the Park Play Space Grants Now Available, Deadline: March 2, 2018

Meet Me at the Park is a collaboration between the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) and The Walt Disney Company to bring the magic of parks and recreation to children and families across the United States. Through *Meet Me at the Park*, NRPA in collaboration with The Walt Disney Company understand the need to improve access to outdoor play. Thanks to a grant from Disney, NRPA is excited to continue the *Meet Me at the Park* program in 2018 to provide additional communities with increased access to inclusive play spaces in local parks for children and families. As part of this program, park and recreation agencies in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. Territories are invited to share their best ideas on increasing access to inclusive play spaces for children and families in underserved communities. Agencies with the most innovative, scalable and impactful project ideas will receive grants to build their projects. Applications are due by 11:59pm ET on Thursday, March 1, 2018. [Click here](#) for more information.

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Webinar: Walking Towards Justice—Stop Street Harassment: Making Public Places Safe and Welcoming for Women, April 4, 2018, 11:00am-12:00pm

To provide an open platform for discussion and aid in identifying potential solutions to improve walkability for ALL, America Walks has launched a new social equity-inspired online discussion series titled: Walking Towards Justice. Walking Towards Justice is a webinar series that integrates literature into a discussion regarding the intersectionality of mobility, race, class, gender, and politics. The third discussion will explore the text, “Stop Street Harassment: Making Public Places Safe and Welcoming for Women.” To register for this webinar, please visit: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5489247318523318019>.

Attention Rural Counties: Drinking Water for Schools Grant Assistance Available—Deadline Approaching

The following announcement was originally shared in the 1/17/2018 LHD News Bulletin.

The California State Water Resources Control Board is offering grant funds to schools across CA to increase access to water and improve the drinking water quality in public schools via the Drinking Water for Schools Grant Program. The program is available to schools and school entities serving grades K-12 are eligible to apply, inclusive of preschools and child day care facilities located on public school property.

Priority funding will go to small, disadvantaged communities through June 30, 2018. This means a municipality is eligible with a population of 20,000 persons or less, or a reasonably isolated and divisible segment of a larger municipality encompassing 20,000 persons or less, and below 80 percent of the median-income level. A single school is eligible to receive \$25,000 to \$100,000.

The Rural Assistance Community Corporation (RACC) is contracted to provide extensive technical assistance to help secure the grant for these schools. If you have any questions or would like more information about the program, please contact Stephanie Villegas, Program Manager at svillegas@rcac.org or 916.447.9832, Ext. 1051.

If you would like to request technical assistance, please download and fill out the technical assistance request form at the link below: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/proposition1/docs/ta_request_form.pdf. Email the completed form to DFA-TArequest@waterboards.ca.gov.

If you would like to receive updates about the Drinking Water for Schools grant progress, please sign up at the link below: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/resources/email_subscriptions/swrcb_subscribe.html.

UC CalFresh, UC ANR & Partner Employment Opportunities

Director, UC CalFresh Nutrition Education Program State Office

This director position reports directly to the Dean or dean's designate in the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences at UC Davis, while maintaining close collaboration with leadership in UC Agriculture and Natural Resources (ANR). This position supervises 15-20 state-level staff and indirectly provides guidance to approximately 120 county-based educators. Responsibilities include to direct, manage, and coordinate the UC CalFresh/SNAP-Ed nutrition education program at the state level to achieve the state level goals and objectives, while assuring compliance with Federal and State guidelines and augmenting the impact of ANR Nutrition, Family, and Consumer Science (NFCS) Programs. The last day to apply is: **February 20, 2018**. For additional information, or to apply, please visit: www.employment.ucdavis.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=78740.

We want to hear from you!

The UC CalFresh State Office would love to hear from you! Please email Lindsay Hamasaki at lmhamasaki@ucdavis.edu to share your comments, stories, photos or other items you would like to see featured in future Weekly Updates.

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