IMPROVING CALIFORNIA’S HEALTH THROUGH SNAP-ED

**County Statement:**

CalFresh Healthy Living, UCCE of Los Angeles (CFHL, UCCE) aims to reach children, families and individuals eligible for SNAP-Ed through evidence-based nutrition, physical activity and garden-enhanced nutrition education along with Policy, Systems and Environmental approaches.

**Building Partnerships**

- Coordinated with other CFHL Local Implementing Agencies and community organizations to identify gaps where programming would benefit CFHL eligible individuals, families and communities.
- Partnered with Los Angeles Unified School District Wellness Programs Department, Kaiser Permanente and Alliance for a Healthier Generation to develop a newsletter that provided information about healthy eating and active living, as well as community resources available to families throughout the district.

**Serving Individuals and Communities**

- Coordinated with 200 Los Angeles Unified School District schools to disseminate the *Blueprint for Wellness News* monthly newsletter.
- Reached approximately 400 students per school and their families during FY22.

**Providing Education**

- Identified nutrition, physical activity and garden-enhanced education curriculum for use with in-school and after-school programming for youth and their families. Curriculum includes lessons that will expose students to new fruits and vegetables, encourage water consumption and promote daily quality physical activity.
- Developed newsletter content on healthy eating and active living that aligned with nutrition and physical activity messaging.

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