



## **INCOME SUPPORTS AVAILABLE FOR OLDER ADULTS**

CASH BENEFIT PROGRAMS FOR	
	Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
People with Disabilities	For people who are disabled, blind, or over 65 with no or limited work history. Must have low income and resources to qualify. Maximum benefit amount for 1 is \$1,133.
People with Work History	Unemployment Insurance Benefits (UIB)
	For people who are unemployed and actively looking for work. Must have sufficient earnings in the lookback period with employers who paid into EDD to qualify.
	Social Security Retirement (SS-R)
	For people at retirement age (62+) with sufficient work history paying into SSA.
	Pensions
	Many people are still entitled to pensions from former employers even when those companies move, merge, or go bankrupt.
People with Disabilities + Work History	State Disability Insurance (SDI)
	For people who cannot work due to a short-term disability. Must have sufficient work history paying into EDD to qualify.
	Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)
	For people who cannot work due to a long-term (12+ mo) disability with sufficient work history paying into SSA.
	Private disability benefits
	Some people may be eligible for short- or long-term disability benefits offered as an employment benefit.
People with Families	CalWORKs
	For low-income families with children.
	Social Security Survivor/derivative benefits
	For dependents of deceased or disabled workers with sufficient work history paying into SSA.

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Immigrants	Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants (CAPI)
	For aged, blind, or disabled non-citizens who are ineligible for SSI solely due to immigration status.
	Refugee Cash Assistance (RCA)
	Up to 12 months of cash assistance for refugees.
People with No Other Eligibility	General Assistance/General Relief (GA/GR)
	Small cash benefit for childless adults who are not eligible for any other cash benefit programs.

CASH BENEFIT PROGRAMS FOR		
	CalFresh	
Nutrition	For low-income households under 200% FPL. Can be used to purchase groceries from any retailer that accepts EBT.	

## RESOURCE

## LawHelpCA.org

- A free legal resource website run by Legal Aid Association of California. It has a directory of information and organizations people can search to find legal help.

- If a person has applied or been on benefits and experiences a negative action, LawHelpCA can help locate local legal aid organizations to contact for assistance.