## WE CAN HELP

You have the right to interpreter services.

Be sure to read Your Right to Interpreter Services brochure as well as the other program brochures.
These contain important information.

If you have trouble understanding them, your case manager can help.

## WHAT NONCITIZENS NEED TO KNOW

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Your children may be eligible for Cash and/or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits even if you are not.

Don't be afraid to apply for benefits for yourself or your family. Even if you are ineligible for benefits due to immigration status, we will not report you to immigration authorities unless you provide us with a final order of deportation.

If you feel you cannot give us information about your immigration status, you will be ineligible for benefits. Your family members may still be able to receive benefits. Once you tell your case manager that you cannot give us this information, your case manager will stop asking you about your status.

**BUT,** your case manager must ask you other questions about you, including where you live, your income, child support, etc. We need this information to decide benefit eligibility for your family members. Your income and assets may be counted in determining eligibility and the amount of your family's benefits.

Certain legal permanent residents (LPR) applying for SNAP benefits may be asked about their sponsor. If you are in a household with disqualified members,

the sponsor's income and assets may be used in deciding SNAP eligibility and the benefit amount. In addition, certain non-SSI disabled and elder households may continue to be subject to sponsor deeming.

REMEMBER: If you do not tell us your immigration status, your benefits may be lower than they should be.

If you have questions about your immigration status or how receipt of benefits affects your ability to adjust your status or any other questions, you can call one of the agencies listed on the <u>Noncitizens Resources</u> brochure.