

# OCC Cares E-Newsletter

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## OCC Cares - June E-Newsletter

### **Pirates, we care about your well-being and success!**

Every month, OCC Cares will be sharing with you helpful resources and events through a monthly E-Newsletter. If you have any questions about any of the resources listed in this email, please contact us at [occcares@occ.cccd.edu](mailto:occcares@occ.cccd.edu).

Additionally, follow the [Pirates' Cove \(@piratecoveocc\)](#) and [Student Equity \(@occstudentequity\)](#) on Instagram to keep up to date with even more resources.



### **Are you interested in learning more about CalFresh?**

Please attend the virtual CalFresh workshop  
hosted by OCC Cares and Student Equity

**Friday, June 19, 2020  
12:00 pm- 1:00 pm**

To RSVP for this workshop please use the  
following link:

<https://tinyurl.com/seCALFRESH2020>

Did you know about [CalFresh](#)? CalFresh is California's food stamps (SNAP) program. Apply to get up to **\$194 a month per household member** on an EBT card.

Attend a virtual workshop led by one of our OCC Cares Specialists on **Friday, June 19 @ 12pm-1pm** to learn more about CalFresh and see if you might be eligible to apply!

To receive the Zoom link for this workshop, please RSVP at:

[tinyurl.com/seCALFRESH2020](https://tinyurl.com/seCALFRESH2020)

Many of our jobs have been impacted by COVID-19. You may be eligible for [Unemployment Insurance!](#)

Attend a virtual workshop led by one of our OCC Cares Specialists on **Friday, June 26 @ 12pm-1pm** to learn more about Unemployment Insurance and get tips on applying! DACA recipients may be

eligible as well!

To receive the Zoom link for this workshop, please RSVP at:

Are you interested in learning more about Unemployment Insurance?

Please attend OCC Cares & Student Equity's online

## Unemployment Insurance Workshop



Friday, June 26, 2020  
12:00 pm- 1:00 pm

To RSVP for this workshop please use the following link:

<https://tinyurl.com/studentequityUnemployment2020>

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## BENEFITS INFORMATIONAL SESSIONS

The County of Orange Social Services Agency (SSA) offers many benefits programs that can help residents obtain food, employment, healthcare, and more.

To better understand these benefits, we invite you to attend a FREE informational Zoom session presented by the SSA and Orange County United Way, featuring SSA benefits experts Yolanda De Avila, Hugo Melendez, Phong Nguyen, Amber Nowak, Kenny Rodriguez, and Nancy Thai.



### Session Dates & Times

Session 1: English \*  
Tuesday, June 16, 2020  
11 am - 12 pm

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Session 2: Vietnamese \*  
Thursday, June 18, 2020  
11 am - 12 pm

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Session 3: Spanish \*  
Tuesday, June 23, 2020  
11 am - 12 pm

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Session 4: General Session \*\*  
Thursday, June 25, 2020  
11 am - 12 pm

[REGISTER HERE](#)

If you have any questions regarding the session, please contact:  
[EconomicOpportunity@UnitedWayOC.org](mailto:EconomicOpportunity@UnitedWayOC.org)

Social Services Agency

United Way  
Orange County United Way

6/16/2020

Join us as we break down what these benefits provide, who is eligible, and how to enroll. We will also debunk common myths and answer questions you may have.

We will explore the following benefits programs:

- **CalWORKS** – provides temporary financial assistance and employment-related services to families with minor children.
- **CalFresh** (formerly known as Food Stamps) – established to improve the nutrition of people in low-income households by increasing their food-buying power so they can purchase nutritious food, such as fruits, vegetables, and other healthy foods, for the members of their household.
- **Emergency Child Care** – Children of essential workers may be eligible to enroll in subsidized emergency child care during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- **General Relief** – a County-funded program that provides temporary cash aid to eligible indigent adult lawful residents who are ineligible for Federal or State programs.
- **Medi-Cal** – provides health coverage to those families with very low income, as well as pregnant women and the blind, among others.

\* Intended to be for individuals who may be eligible for these benefits

\*\* General information session for anyone who would like to learn more about these resources and eligibility

Did you know that the [County of Orange Social Services Agency \(SSA\)](#) offers many benefits programs that can help residents obtain food, employment, healthcare, and more?

Join SSA for virtual Benefits Informational Sessions in your language! They are offering sessions in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese. Click on the poster to the left or click [here](#) to learn more about upcoming virtual sessions!

Do you have symptoms of COVID-19 like fevers, coughs, or shortness of breath? Do you work in an essential job? Worried about not being able to get COVID-19 testing because of lack of insurance?

There are many **FREE** resources available in Orange County for COVID-19 testing! [Click here for a list of Orange County locations that offer FREE testing for residents!](#)

# FREE COVID-19 Testing in Orange County

[https://coronavirus.egovoc.com/  
covid-19-testing](https://coronavirus.egovoc.com/covid-19-testing)



[Click here to visit the OC Health Care Agency website](#) and read on who they recommend should get tested for COVID-19!

Pirates, are you taking a summer course? Need a laptop for a summer course? Need to purchase summer textbooks? Need a list of local food pantries?

We can help with:

- Technology Loans
- Summer Textbooks
- Basic & Essential Needs referrals

If so, fill out the **OCC Cares COVID-19 Resource Request Form** for Summer 2020 at: [bit.ly/occcaressummer2020](https://bit.ly/occcaressummer2020). To ensure that you are eligible for our first round of textbook accounts, please apply by **Wednesday, June 17**.

Please make sure to also take a look at the [OCC Cares landing page](#) for a list of commonly requested resources and our referrals!

Please note that we do not have an emergency fund available for summer 2020.

## OCC Cares COVID-19 Resource Request Form

SUMMER 2020

We know that due to COVID-19, many of our students now face heightened financial, physical, emotional, and academic challenges. OCC cares about our students' success and well-being during these difficult times. We are here to help!

Fill out the Intake Form:  
[bit.ly/occcaressummer2020](https://bit.ly/occcaressummer2020)



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