## Problem: College student hunger

- 24% of CSU students and 20% of UC students experience hunger and “very low” food security.
- Half of all community college students are struggling with housing and/or food insecurity.
- Determining eligibility for CalFresh is complex and challenging which inhibits student access to food assistance.

## Solution: Help students register for CalFresh

- Require the California Student Aid Commission to inform students of information that could help them verify their eligibility for CalFresh.
- Clarify definitions of on-campus food retailers required to participate in the CalFresh Restaurant Meals Program. Clarify education policies and language to simplify the administration of CalFresh for college students.

## AB 214 will...

- Enact legislation to reduce the incidence of hunger and homelessness among college students in California.
- Inform students about CalFresh and simplify the enrollment process.
- Establish a protocol to identify and verify all potential exemptions to the eligibility rule.
- Clarify definitions of on-campus food retailers required to participate in the CalFresh Restaurant Meals Program.
- Build upon two previous bills, AB 1747 (Weber, 2016) and AB 1930 (Skinner, 2014), that addressed food insecurity for low-income students on California’s college campuses.