

1 [Contract and Amendment - Retroactive -San Francisco-Marin Food Bank - CalFresh Stopgap  
2 Emergency Gift Card Initiative - Not to Exceed \$9,100,000]

3 **Resolution retroactively approving a Contract between the City and County of San**  
4 **Francisco, acting by and through the Human Services Agency, and the San Francisco-**  
5 **Marin Food Bank for the provision of the CalFresh Stopgap Emergency Gift Card**  
6 **Initiative, for a term of two months from October 30, 2025, through December 31, 2025,**  
7 **for a total not to exceed amount of \$9,100,000; and retroactively approving Amendment**  
8 **No. 1 adding repayment instructions, as well as revised repayment and reporting,**  
9 **effective January 30, 2026.**

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11 WHEREAS, Mayor Daniel Lurie partnered with the Board of Supervisors and the  
12 Crankstart Foundation to ensure that 82,000 San Francisco families receiving Supplemental  
13 Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, known in California as CalFresh, would  
14 receive much-needed food assistance; and

15 WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors passed an Ordinance appropriating \$9,100,000  
16 from the State and Federal Revenue Risk Reserve to the Human Services Agency for  
17 CalFresh (SNAP) Benefits Backfill in Fiscal Year 2025-2026 on November 10, 2025, under  
18 File No. 251079; and

19 WHEREAS, For the first time in 60 years, and one month into the federal government  
20 shutdown, there was an anticipated suspension of November CalFresh benefits for  
21 approximately 112,000 San Franciscans; and

22 WHEREAS, San Francisco residents and businesses were projected to lose  
23 approximately \$20,000,000 in monthly CalFresh benefits; and

24 WHEREAS, The sudden, unforeseeable, and unexpected loss in approximately \$20  
25 million in monthly CalFresh benefits was an emergency that necessitated immediate action to

1 maintain the public health and welfare of San Franciscans under Administrative Code,  
2 Section 21.15(a)(1); and

3 WHEREAS, The City, by and through its Human Services Agency, contracted with the  
4 San Francisco-Marin Food Bank to provide direct cash assistance for food purchases using  
5 GiveCard's prepaid platform to low-income San Francisco CalFresh residents; and

6 WHEREAS, The Human Services Agency utilized Administrative Code 21.15  
7 Emergency Procurement Procedures to expedite the contract for these services; and

8 WHEREAS, Administrative Code, Section 21.15(b)(4), states that when a department  
9 head contracts directly for Commodities or Services necessary to respond to an emergency,  
10 the department head, if the emergency permits, shall secure the written approval of the  
11 president of the board or commission concerned; and

12 WHEREAS, On October 29, 2025, the President of the Human Services Commission  
13 approved in writing the emergency contract between the Human Services Agency and the  
14 San Francisco-Marin Food Bank for the purposes of providing prepaid grocery cards, in  
15 partnership with GiveCard, to CalFresh recipients for the month of November 2025; and

16 WHEREAS, The contract is consistent with the Civil Service Commission approval  
17 obtained on November 3, 2025, under Personal Service Contract No. DHRPSC0005867; and

18 WHEREAS, The City, by and through its Human Services Agency, has entered into the  
19 Contract with San Francisco-Marin Food Bank; and

20 WHEREAS, The City, by and through its Human Services Agency, amended the  
21 contract agreement with San Francisco-Marin Food Bank to add repayment instructions, as  
22 well as revised repayment and reporting; and

23 WHEREAS, The City, by and through its Human Services Agency, entered into an  
24 Amendment with San Francisco-Marin Food Bank on January 30, 2026; and  
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1           WHEREAS, Administrative Code, Section 21.15(b)(4), states that for any emergency  
2 contract in excess of the minimum competitive amount, the Department must obtain the  
3 approval of the Board of Supervisors as soon as feasible; and

4           WHEREAS, The fully executed proposed Contract is contained in File No. 260211, and  
5 is conditioned upon approval of this Resolution; now, therefore, be it

6           RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby approves the Contract contained in  
7 File No. 260211.

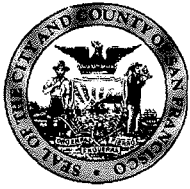
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15 Executive Director

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City and County of San Francisco

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**File Number:** 260211

**Date Passed:** April 07, 2026

Resolution retroactively approving a Contract between the City and County of San Francisco, acting by and through the Human Services Agency, and the San Francisco-Marin Food Bank for the provision of the CalFresh Stopgap Emergency Gift Card Initiative, for a term of two months from October 30, 2025, through December 31, 2025, for a total not to exceed amount of \$9,100,000; and retroactively approving Amendment No. 1 adding repayment instructions, as well as revised repayment and reporting, effective January 30, 2026.


March 25, 2026 Budget and Finance Committee - RECOMMENDED


April 07, 2026 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Mahmood, Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, Sherrill,  
Walton and Wong  
Excused: 1 - Fielder

File No. 260211

I hereby certify that the foregoing  
Resolution was ADOPTED on 4/7/2026 by  
the Board of Supervisors of the City and  
County of San Francisco.

  
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Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

  
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Daniel Lurie  
Mayor

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Date Approved