

**Answer:** The NMD living in a SILP can apply for CalFresh benefits. Eligibility for CalFresh is made on a case by case basis and considers the household composition, the individual's earned and/or unearned income, including the AFDC-FC grant, assets, the amount of rent and utility expenses, student status, and other factors. The fact that the NMD is receiving a foster care payment does not, in and of itself, make the young adult ineligible. Eligibility will be based on the combined income and resources of the young adult and may include the income and resources of other persons living in the SILP who purchase and prepare meals with the NMD. If the NMD is employed, that income will factor into the eligibility decision. Additionally, if the NMD is attending college, eligibility considerations are different. NMDs living in a SILP should be encouraged to apply for CalFresh, as they may be eligible, but should be informed that a variety of factors go into the eligibility determination, so benefits are not guaranteed.