

Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants - Fact Sheet

The Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants (CAPI), a State-funded program, was implemented on November 1, 1998, as a result of Assembly Bill 2279. It is designed to provide monthly cash benefits to aged, blind and disabled non-citizens who are ineligible for Supplemental Security Income/State Supplemental Payment (SSI/SSP) solely due to their immigration status. CAPI participants may be eligible for CalFresh, Medi-Cal, In-Home Supportive Services, and other public assistance. They must separately file for each benefit.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for CAPI, a person must complete the CAPI application process and meet all of the following conditions:

- Non-citizen, meeting appropriate immigration status;
 - Age 65 or over, blind and disabled as defined for SSI/SSP purposes;
 - Resident of California (No period of residency is required);
 - Resources are below the allowable limits;
 - \$2,000 for an individual
 - \$3,000 for a couple
 - Income is less than the CAPI Payment Standard, which is less than SSI/SSP Payment Standard; and
 - Ineligible for SSI/SSP solely due to his/her immigration status.
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INELIGIBILITY REASONS

A person is not eligible for CAPI if they are:

- A U. S. Citizen;
- A resident of public institution for at least 30 consecutive days;
- A fleeing felon/Parole violator; or
- Outside of California for at least 30 consecutive days.



APPLICATION PROCESS

Although CAPI applications may be filed at any DPSS district office, it is recommended that these applications be filed at:

Metro North District Office #38
(CAPI Centralized Office)
2601 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90057
(213) 639 - 5407

Additionally, CAPI applicants may call Customer Service Center at (866) 613 – 3777 to apply via telephone or request an application by mail.

