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#### **California Nutrition Incentives Act**

Stakeholder's Meeting, December 18th, 2014





## Market Match Drives CalFresh Toward Small & Mid-Sized Farmers

Shoppers use their CalFresh EBT or WIC at Farmers' Markets and get their benefits matched on purchases of fresh, locally-grown fruits and vegetables.

- •69% of farmers reported that they have new shoppers
- •67% of farmers reported they earning more income



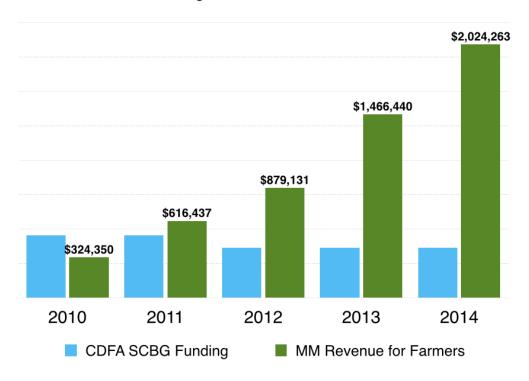


### Market Match is a Smart Investment

CDFA SCBG Funding & Market Match Revenue to Farmers

CDFA funding has been vital growth of the the Market Match Program, allowing for the leveraging of other funding sources, including \$2.5M over 5 years from First 5 Los Angeles.

Because every \$1 of SNAP spending generates \$1.79 of additional economic activity, Market Match is driving \$3.6M to California's rural economies.



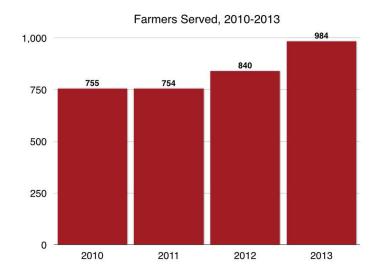




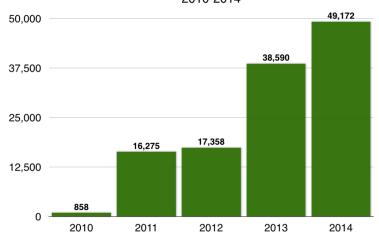
#### Demand For Market Match Outstrips Funding

Participating farmers' markets consistently report far more participants than funding allows them to serve.

Market Match consistently has new requests from farm-direct outlets that are unable to onboard due to funding limitations.











## USDA To Match \$31M in SNAP Incentive Program in 2015-2016

The 2014 Farm Bill allocated \$100 million over 5 years for programs like Market Match through the Food Insecurity Nutrition Incentive (FINI) Program.

Federal funds require a dollar-for-dollar match with non-federal funds
\$20 million per year in 2016-2017 and \$25 million in 2018





# State Matching Grant Program: A Powerful Investment for California's Economic Development

While the deadline for the first round of funding under FINI has passed, the bulk of the funding (\$65 million) is to be released in the remaining 3 years.

A State matching grant program could draw down Federal funds, build the Farm-to-Fork office, and stimulate California's small farming communities.

