

## Regular Council Meeting

November 6, 2025

# FRESNO CITY COUNCIL



## Public Comment Packet

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### 2-C (ID 25-1539)

Actions pertaining to the suspension of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) during the Federal government shutdown:

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** IID 25-1539 SNAP Funding = Request for change in allocation to include PETS  
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The Roeding Small Dog Park Play Group stands in support of ID 25-1539 allocation to the local food bank, however, during this time of great need you must NOT forget the pets - dogs, cats, fish, hamster, etc. If this suspension of SNAP goes more than two weeks, it is anticipated local animal shelters will see an uptick in owner surrenders. Currently, a non-profit animal shelter is charging \$1,000 per surrender while others are rejecting surrenders completely leaving owners with no place to surrender their pets but to the streets.

According to Fresno County Supervisor Nathan Magsig facebook posted several days ago, he is estimating roughly 25% of Fresno County population will be effected by the suspension of SNAP. So let's do the simple math for the City of Fresno, shall we:

2024 Population - City of Fresno	550,105 population
25% of the Fresno populatio	137,527 effected by SNAP shutdown
Average household - 5	27,505 assumption of family size in City of Fresno +/-
Pet households - 45%	12,377 number of impacted animals

To ensure pets stay with their families, it starts with funding the local pet food pantry. Our local asked is the City of Fresno provide Halo Cafe (a pet food pantry) with an allocation/service contract of \$25,000-\$50,000 to provide food for those affected by the suspension of SNAP. The City of Fresno needs to see this request for allocation as short term cost saving and preventive measure for pet retention.

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