

Eligibility Professionals Recognition Month

WHEREAS, the month of August has been designated as Eligibility Professionals Recognition Month to honor the efforts of County of Orange employees who support the eligibility determination of residents to crucial County-administered programs; and

WHEREAS, Eligibility Professionals, representing the Social Services Agency, Health Care Agency and OC Community Resources, serve the needs of more than one in four Orange County residents; and

WHEREAS, Eligibility Professionals include Eligibility Technicians, Employment and Eligibility Specialists, Social Workers, Veterans Claims Representatives, Housing Specialists and Staff Specialists as well as all levels of office, supervision and management support for these roles; and

WHEREAS, Eligibility Professionals provide a high level of service to applicants and recipients of CalFresh, Medi-Cal, General Relief, Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants, California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids, Foster Care, In-Home Supportive Services, Refugee Cash Assistance, Medical Safety Net, Adoptions, California Children's Services, Housing Assistance Programs and Veterans benefits; and

WHEREAS, Eligibility Professionals uphold principles of fairness and integrity in ensuring access to benefits and services that support the health, safety and well-being of Orange County residents; and

WHEREAS, Eligibility Professionals exercise tremendous compassion, dedication and expertise in their collaborative efforts to create a resilient, thriving and well-informed community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Orange County Board of Supervisors does hereby declare the Month of August 2026 to be "Eligibility Professionals Month" in Orange County and commend this dedicated group of employees for exemplifying excellence in public service and for making positive and lasting contributions to the lives of Orange County residents.