



Maria's
10 Tips
To Put More
Money
In Your
Pocket

"WE believe in you. WE care about you. Let us connect you to money, opportunity and dreams."

Maria Shriver, First Lady of California



Cash Bonuses

- ✓ **THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT (EITC)** is the nation's largest resource for working families at the low end of the income scale. If you are eligible to claim it, it can mean a return of up to \$4,700. Get Connected: 888.369.7338
- ✓ With the **CHILD TAX CREDIT** you may be able to regain up to \$1,000 per qualifying child. Get Connected: 888.369.7338
- ✓ Remember, the EITC and Child Tax Credit provide you with the best opportunity to set aside money for the future. **OPEN UP A BANK ACCOUNT** and start saving today!
- ✓ **GOLDEN STATE ADVANTAGE CARDS** help you to buy food for your family. The average amount of benefits received per household is about \$200 per month. Get Connected: www.dss.cahwnet.gov/foodstamps

Save on your monthly bills

✓ **THE CALIFORNIA ALTERNATE RATES FOR ENERGY (CARE)** program provides a 20% discount on your monthly gas bill if you are eligible. Get Connected:
www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUC/energy/consumers/care

✓ **THE CALIFORNIA LIFELINE TELEPHONE SERVICE** program can provide your family up to a 50% percent discount on your home telephone service if you qualify. Get Connected: 866.272.0349

✓ **CALIFORNIA LOW COST AUTO INSURANCE** provides an affordable auto insurance option to qualifying low-income, good drivers. Get Connected: 866.602.8861

Education

✓ **ICANAFFORDCOLLEGE.COM** provides students and parents with information about financial aid programs and services to help pay for college.

✓ **SCHOLARSHARE** is California's official college savings plan and provides a simple, effective way to save money for college or career training. Get Connected: 800.544.5248

Job Opportunities and Training

✓ **THE EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT** is your direct link to job placement and referrals, unemployment insurance, disability insurance, employment and training, labor market information, payroll taxes and more! Get Connected: www.edd.ca.gov

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