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San Francisco Food Security Task Force

Minutes September 4, 2013

1:30 pm - 3:30 pm, City Hall, Room 278

In Attendance:

Task Force Members: Leo O'Farrell (CalFresh), Paula Jones (SFDPH – Food Systems), Magdalene Louis (SFDPH – WIC), Heather Tufts (DCYF), Mei Ling Hui (SF Environment), Linda Lau (DAAS)

Public: Teri Olle (SF and Marin Food Bank), Hilary Seligman (UCSF/SFGH), Bruce McKinney (Glide), Simon Pitchford (Project Open Hand), Caitlin Pugh (St. Anthony Foundation), Phil Clark (St. Anthony Foundation), Rebecca Eisman (Urban Sprouts), Deloris McGee (Community Living Campaign)

Agenda Topic	Discussion	Action Item
1. Call to Order	Called by Mr. O'Farrell at 1:35 p.m.	
2. Welcome and Introductions	Introductions.	Attendance noted.
3. Approval of Minutes August 7, 2013	Changes noted: Title on #5 Ms. Hui made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Tufts seconded the motion. The motion was approved.	Ms. Jones will make the change and post minutes.
4. Presentation and discussion: San Francisco and Marin Food Bank Pantry Enrollment System	<p>Ms. Ling Liang, Associate Director of Programs for the San Francisco and Marin Food Banks, gave an update on the food bank's pantry enrollment system. The reasons for the new system in the pantries were growing wait lists and long lines, as well as some duplication of clients. The food bank now utilizes a centralized data management system to coordinate pantry enrollment. The system was created by pantry coordinators. Enrollment occurs through a one-time enrollment form. The form asks clients for the name, address, and number of people in the household. In the future, the goal is to be able to accommodate larger households so that they will receive enough food for their household. The system was piloted in 94112 OMI in May of 2012. This pilot involved 5 pantries which collectively served 1,600 clients (some of which may have been visiting multiple pantries). When the enrollment began in this pilot, the pantries collectively signed up 1,200 people, freeing up 400 spaces. The pantries have added another 390 new households.</p> <p>They have now rolled out the enrollment system to 44 pantry sites. Collectively these pantries served 11,000 clients (some of which may have been visiting multiple pantries). When they rolled out the enrollment system to these pantries, they initially signed up 8,000 clients. They are now up to 10,000 clients and still have space for an additional 1,295 households.</p> <p>Ms. Liang noted that people may have been visiting multiple pantries because the food offered at the pantries was often different. The food bank is now trying to make the menu for all pantries more uniform and include protein, staples, and vegetables for each pantry client. The enrollment has allowed</p>	As stated.

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	<p>the food bank to have a better reporting system that allows them to send the amount of food needed at each pantry. Some of the pantries have also implemented time slots for clients to minimize wait times and long lines.</p> <p>The new pantry enrollment system is being rolled out to the 80-85 open pantries that choose to participate. Although the pantries do not have to participate, around 75 will be participating (Open pantries are open to the public. These do not include closed pantries like schools, public housing, etc.). The food bank will finish rolling out the system by September 2014.</p>	
5. Discussion of food security hearing	<p>Ms. Jones updated the task force about the hearing on food security. The hearing planning committee will be meeting weekly until the hearing and are scheduling a meeting with Supervisor Mar's office to get input and guidance on the hearing. Possible requests from the task force are for the city to collect on an annual basis food security data. Ms. Olle suggested a dashboard similar to the Hunger Free Minnesota model. Another request is for the creation of EatSF which is an incentive program that assists low income San Franciscans to purchase healthy fruits and vegetables and possibly other healthy food. These and other interventions to improve food security could be part of a Hunger Free San Francisco initiative. Dr. Seligman will join the hearing planning committee.</p>	<p>Ms. Olle will present further information on the dashboard concept and Hunger Free Minnesota</p>
6. Health Commission update	<p>Ms. Jones updated the task force on her presentation to the Health Commission. She presented the work of the task force as well as provided an overview of the task force report. The Health Commission is also interested in the issue of food security among residents of SROs. A draft resolution supporting a Health Impact Assessment to improve the health of SRO residents was presented to the Health Commission. The resolution will be revised and presented to the Health Commission at their next meeting.</p> <p>The task force and public expressed significant interested in this HIA and would like additional information on how the task force can participate in the process. The FSTF has an active workgroup meeting monthly to work collectively to improve the food security among SRO residents, seniors and adults with disabilities, and many of the workgroup members would like additional information about the DPH initiative. Ms. Jones will schedule a presentation of the project at a future FSTF meeting (October or November).</p>	<p>As stated.</p>

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7. Project updates	<p>FSTF report: The report is with the graphic designer. Ms. Jones is also working with the DPH IT staff to reorganize the FSTF webpage and to add the report to the task force information.</p> <p>CalFresh: Mr. O'Farrell updated the group on the CalFresh program – There are over 50,000 individuals on CalFresh, 40,000 cases including 30,000 non assistance cases. The first round of individuals moving to 6 month reporting is being implementing which is anticipated to reduce the number of clients dropping off the program due to paperwork issues. October 1st will begin the pre-enrollment for healthcare reform. The CalFresh office will begin Saturday hours 8 am – 6 pm.</p> <p>Children and Families: Ms. Olle, Ms. Tufts and Ms. Jones along with representatives of SFUSD met with Children's Empowerment Inc. to discuss opportunities and challenges to expanding After School Meals in San Francisco.</p>	As stated.
8. Nomination status	Ms. Jones informed the task force nominees that the hearing to consider the nominations at the Rules Committee will hopefully take place on September 19 th .	As noted.
9. Legislative update	<p>Ms. Louie updated the group on SB 402 Supporting Baby Friendly Hospitals. The bill requires all perinatal hospitals in California to implement all Ten Steps to Successful Breastfeeding as adopted by Baby Friendly USA per the Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative. The legislation is on the Governor's desk awaiting his signature. She passed out information on the bill to the group informing them of the bill.</p> <p>Mr. Clark distributed the California Hunger Legislation Tracking Form managed by Ms. Colleen Rivecca from St. Anthony Foundation.</p>	None
10. Items for future meetings	Food Security Hearing, Hunger Free Minnesota HIA in SROs	No action.
11. Public Comment	Incorporated above.	None
12. Adjournment	3:10 pm.	3:30 p.m.