

Approved

SAN FRANCISCO FOOD SECURITY TASK FORCE (FSTF) MINUTES

Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
25 Van Ness, Room 610; San Francisco, CA 94102

Members and Alternates present: Anne Quaintance (Meals on Wheels);Becky Gershon (SF/M Food Bank); Chester Williams (Community Living Campaign); Henry O’Connell (SFUSD); Hillary Seligman (UCSF); Karen Gruneisen (Episcopal Community Services); Linda Lau (DAAS); Michelle Kim (DCYF); Paula Jones (SFDPH); Rita Mouton-Patterson (ECS);

Also present: Steph Galinson (public); Kim Madsen (Project Open Hand); Veronica Shepard (SFDPH); Peri Weisberg (HSA); Francesca Costa (SF Marin Food Bank); Ave Lambert (public); Michelle Cooke (public) Jaime Lockwood (EatSF); Lilianna Sandoval (SFM Foodbank); Ada Lai (SFM Foodbank); Meg Davidson (SFM Foodback); Deanna Sveidlar (SFH Foodbank); Caitlin Docker (Get Cal Fresh); Monica Beas (Code for America); Lena Mixamoto (CCSF Student); Janna Cordeiro (The SF Market);Randy Mano (HSA); Sonny Pyon (TSA); Emily Leys (Public); Aimee Williams (SFSU); Ave Lambet (Family Hope); Gavin Morrow-Hall (SFDPH);

Minutes

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEM
1. Call to order	Anne Quaintance called the meeting to order at 1:33	
2. Welcome and introductions	Anne welcomed everyone and everyone introduced themselves.	None
3. Approval of minutes from April 4, 2018	Motion to approve the minutes from the April 4, 2018 meeting as amended was made by Chester Williams and seconded by Henry O’Connell. The motion passed without dissent.	Meeting minutes will be posted to the website.
4. Presentation by CalFresh on end to California’s Able Bodied Adult Without Dependents(ABAWD) waiver	Olga Stavinskaya-Velasquez and Jeimil Belamide presented on the new ABAWD policy that will go into effect in September 2018. The current regulation: If an individual is an ABAWD and are not working or excused from work, they can only receive SNAP/CalFresh for 3 months within a 36 month period. California was been exempt from compliance of the work requirement. The new policy which will affect over 10,000 San Franciscans means that all ABAWD beneficiaries will be	

Approved

	<p>screened for the exemption and will be assisted with meeting the work requirement. The work requirement consists of :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 20 hours per week or an average of 80 hours per month;• Working, including self-employment;• Going to school or training;• Doing volunteer work, community service, or in-kind work (working in exchange for goods or services instead of money); or• Going to a combination of any of the above• Participate in job search up to 9 hours per week in combination with other work activities.• Go to workfare. (This could met with as little as 3 hours per week.) <p>Exemptions form the requirements include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Part of a CalFresh household with a child under the age of 18;• Chronic Homelessness;• Physically or mentally unable to work part time, an average of 20 hours per week;• Pregnancy;• Struggling with drug or alcohol;• Going to school at least half time;• Escaping Domestic Violence;• Receiving or applying for:• Disability Benefits• Unemployment Insurance	
--	--	--

Approved

	<p>The ABAWD waiver for the first wave counties will end on August 31, 2018.</p> <p>An ABAWD who is not working or is not exempt from work, can only receive CalFresh for 3 months from September 1, 2018 to December 31, 2019.</p> <p>HAS is preparing for the change in policy by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Testing Preliminary Business Processes• Testing Forms• Testing Referral Processes• Partnering with the State and the other first wave counties to prepare• Connecting ABAWD clients to the Workforce Development Division (WDD) job placement• Staff Training <p>The Community can help by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continue to encourage applications,• Be aware of exemption rules and advise clients to share relevant information with HSA,• Promote community-based food resources to clients who may fall off of CalFresh,• Keep an eye out for a desk guide for community partners,• Organizations can serve as an Alternative Workfare site	
--	---	--

Approved

<p>5. Legislative update: Becky Gershon SFM Foodbank</p>	<p>Becky Gershon provided an overview of eight pending bills in the state legislature that relate to food security and that the FSTF may wish to support. (see attached)</p> <p>Some task force members expressed concern about supporting two bills AB 3033 and SB 1275. The Task Force decided that it would need further information about making any recommendation of support of those two bills.</p> <p>Hillary made a motion to send letters of support regarding the six other bills. Chester seconded the motion. The Task Force voted in favor of the motion with Paula Jones, Michelle Kim and Linda Lau abstaining from the vote.</p>	<p>Research AB 3033 and SB 1275. Report back to FSTF for decision to support.</p>
<p>6. Update on FSTF Budget Request, Anne Quaintance</p>	<p>Anne reviewed the funding request for FY 2018-19 and 2019-20 (see attached)</p> <p>1 Department of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) Nutrition Programs <u>\$8,920,000</u> Home-Delivered Meals \$5,270,000</p> <p>Home-Delivered Groceries \$2,300,000 Congregate Lunch Meals \$1,350,000</p> <p>#2 Dept. of Public Health (DPH) - Healthy Eating Vouchers <u>\$1,035,000</u></p> <p>#3 Human Services Agency (HSA) - SRO Food Security Initiative <u>\$710,000</u></p> <p><u>Total Request \$10,665,000</u></p> <p>Anne stated that she has met with The Mayor’s staff and has meetings planned with the Board of Supervisors in advance of the May 13th BOS hearing, and when the mayor’s budget is announced on June 1st.</p> <p>Anne noted that there are many competing priorities in this year’s budget and that Food Security is not a policy priority of this administration.</p>	

Approved

	Anne stated the way to bring food security to the fore for attention is to show up to BOS meetings. Anne also mentioned that people are excited about the pending 2018 report.	
7. Update on Sugary Beverage Task Force, Michelle Kim (DCYF)	Michelle announced that the Task Force has not met since the last meeting. The recommendations from the Task Force are before the Board of Supervisors, but the recommendations are not binding. Veronica Sheppard expressed concern about the level of community involvement and offered to assist with getting information out to community members.	
8. FSTF Report Update 9. Paula Jones (SFDPH)	Paula Jones announced that the report should be finished in June and continues to gather data for the final product.	
10. Project area updates and Public comment *	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DCYF has identified a potential new sponsor for the summer lunch program. • People are encouraged to attend BOS meetings 	
11. Items for next meetings meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food is Medicine • DAAS Needs Assessment • The Dignity Fund 	
12. Public comment	Public comment has been incorporated into the notes above	None
13. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 3:25	