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SAN FRANCISCO FOOD SECURITY TASK FORCE (FSTF) MINUTES

Wednesday, August 1, 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); Chester Williams (Community Living Campaign); Cissie Bonini (UCSF/EatSF); Henry O’Connell (SFUSD); Hilary Seligman (UCSF); Karen Gruneisen (Episcopal Community Services); Linda Lau (DAAS); Mei Ling Hui (Rec and Park); Paula Jones (SFDPH); Priti Rane (SFDPH); Jeimil Belamide (Human Service Agency – CalFresh)

Also present: Becky Gershon (SFM Food Bank); Rita Mouton-Patterson (ECS); Francesca Costa (SF Marin Food Bank); Ave Lambert (Family Hope); Emily Leys (Partners in Scale); Jonathan Siekmann (Public/CCSF); Zetta Reicker (A Better Course); Leah Jennings (Eat SF); Kelsey Long (Eat SF); Jaime Lockwood (EatSF); Roni Levi (EatSF); Steph Galinson (public); Khadijah Grant (ZSFG Wellness); Allison Barcelon (SFDPH); Evonne Zheng (SFDPH); Laura Campos (SFDPH); Jennifer La (DCYF); Eli Zigas (SPUR)

Minutes

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEM
1. Call to order	Anne Quaintance called the meeting to order at 1:40	
2. Welcome and introductions	Anne welcomed everyone and everyone introduced themselves.	None
3. Approval of minutes from June 6, 2018	Motion to approve the minutes from the June 6, 2018 meeting. Hilary Seligman made the motion, and seconded by Karen Gruneisen. The motion passed without dissent.	Meeting minutes will be posted to the website.
4. CalFresh – ABAWD end of waiver	Jeimil Belamide from the Human Service Agency provided an update. All materials pertaining the the endo of waiver for Able Bodied Adults without Dependents are available on the HSA website: https://www.sfhsa.org/calfresh/keeping-calfresh-benefits/CalFresh-work-rules . The Reentry Council will do a presentation in October. Becky Gershon from the SF Marin Food Bank let the group know that SFMFB has developed a CBO staff tool letting staff know to tell their clients to be forthcoming about information for exemptions. SFMFB is also creating an internal work group around this issue. It was suggested that HSA should add a list of non profit employment programs to their website, as well as Alternative Workfare Sites and how organizations can become Alternative Work Fare sites. The task force would like a monthly update on this topic.	As noted.

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<p>5. CalFresh – SSI – Reversing Cash out</p>	<p>June 1, 2019 is the date for implementation of the new rules for SSI households. All County Letters 1890, 1891 and 1892 were issued by California Dept. of Social Services on July 31, 2018 and pertain to implementation of the new rules. In San Francisco, there are 43,000 people on SSI, and 1,700 CalFresh households with an SSI recipient. HSA will work with In Home Support Services to do in reach to 17,000 IHSS recipients on SSI. For the California Supplemental Nutrition Benefit Program, the state will issue supplements to make sure that households are not negatively impacted by the program change.</p> <p>Western Center on Law and Poverty has a calculator. Anne Quaintance suggested that we need a PR campaign. Becky Gershon suggested that it is reasonable to think that 60% of SSI recipients may be eligible for CalFresh. This is a huge priority for the SFMFB and they have established an internal work group on this issue.</p> <p>Cissie Bonini suggested that the FSTF should have a work group on this issue. Hilary Seligman added that there is an effort at the state to automatically enroll people. Rita Mouton-Patterson asked if we could involve people impacted by the change in the work group. Anne Quaintance made a motion to for a work group on SSI/CalFresh with people impacted by this change. Chester Williams seconded this motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	<p>Develop plan for SSI/CalFresh work group.</p>
<p>6. Update on FSTF Strategic Planning</p>	<p>Anne Quaintance provided an overview of the FSTF strategic planning timetable and phases of the project. The consultants will provide a presentation at the next FSTF meeting.</p>	<p>As noted.</p>
<p>7. Legislative update</p>	<p>Becky Gershon provided a legislative update. She highlighted that SB900 included \$9 million for the California Fruit and Vegetable EBT pilot. There was also \$10 million allocated for the California Nutrition Incentives Program.</p> <p>The Governor has until the end of September to sign or veto bills.</p> <p>Eli Zigas brought up the issue of a new federal proposed rule on Public Charge rule is expected to be issued next month. The SFM Food Bank is preparing a statement and a sign on letter. Once the proposed rule is public, the public can submit comments. Becky Gershon will send the letter out. CLASP and Protecting Immigrant Families are also working on this issue.</p>	<p>Put this issue on a future agenda</p>
<p>8. FSTF Reauthorization and membership.</p>	<p>Paula Jones provided an update – the FSTF has been reauthorized. New members from city departments have been appointed by their department director. The notice for members from the community will be emailed out and updated on the City website. The</p>	<p>As noted.</p>

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	task force will review the new applications and make recommendations to the Rules Committee at the October task force meeting	
9. Update on Sugar Sweetened Drink Tax Advisory Committee	<p>The website for the San Francisco Sugar Sweetened Drink Tax Advisory Committee is: https://www.sfdph.org/dph/comupg/knowlcol/SDDTAC/default.asp The meetings are monthly on the last Friday of the month.</p> <p>A state law was passed that prohibits new cities in California from passing this type of tax.</p> <p>Anne Quaintance made a motion that the Food Security Task Force request to present to the SSDTAC. Chester Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.</p>	Michelle Kim or Paula Jones will let the SSDTAC backbone know that the FSTF would like to present.
10. Report back from Food As Medicine Coalition meeting	On behalf of the FSTF, Paula Jones attended the Food As Medicine Coalition meeting organized by Rita Nguyen from SFPDH who is leading the therapeutic food pantry program. The new coalition is funded by the Hellman Fund, and focused on integrating the therapeutic food pantries in clinics.	Schedule an update from Rita Nguyen.
11. 2018 Report	Paula Jones let the group know that the report has been drafted and sent to stakeholders interviewed through the strategic planning process. Comments on this draft will be incorporated into the final report.	As noted.
12. Project area updates	<p>Priti Rane announced that 200 pregnant women have been enrolled in the WIC/EatSF program. Priti has had a summer intern who has been an incredible help with the process this year.</p> <p>SFUSD has a new Executive Director of Student Nutrition Services (Jennifer LeBarre).</p> <p>Linda Lau announced that there are significant increases in home delivered meals, home delivered groceries, and congregate meals. The planning staff is looking at the data, and the wait list information is available. Paula Jones will send to Linda the data on health for their analysis of need.</p> <p>Chester Williams commented that there is an increase in need for home delivered groceries in D10 and D11.</p>	

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	<p>Hilary Seligman let the group know that her team is going to examine the impact of SSI/Calfresh and follow 200 households to understand the difference this change has makes.</p> <p>Summer meals ends August 17th.</p> <p>Ava Lambert announced an event for Farming Home.</p>	
13. Items for next meetings meeting	As noted.	
14. Public comment	Public comment has been incorporated into the notes above	None
15. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 3:18	