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SAN FRANCISCO FOOD SECURITY TASK FORCE (FSTF) MINUTES

Wednesday, February 6, 2019 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); Jeimil Belamide (Human Service Agency – CalFresh); Karen Gruneisen (Episcopal Community Services); Paula Jones (SFDPH); Rita Mouton-Patterson;) Ave Lambert (Farming Hope); Meg Davidson (SF Marin Food Bank); Mei Ling HUI (Recs & Park); Priti Rane (SFDPH); Jennifer Siswandi (TNDC); Raegan Sales (Children’s Council) Tiffany Tu (DCYF); Geoffrey Grier (HSH); Linda Lau (DAAS)

Also present: Francesca Costa (SF Marin Food Bank); Katherine Wolfe (Soma Neighborhood Resident Council); Erin Franey (SFDPH); John McCormick (TNDC); Katie Ettman (SPUR); Khadijah Grant (ZSFG); Emily Lays (Partners in Scale); Judy Goddes (SF Senior Beat); Jannie Little (Harm Reduction Therapy Center) Jay Ann Leyson (Bay City Beacon); Steph Galinson; Sonny Pyon (Salvation Army); Jennifer La (DAYF); Jason Pruet (ECS); Alex Weisenberg (Leah’s Pantry); Katie Ettman (SPUR); Nallel Martinez (SFM Foodbank)

Minutes

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEM
1. Call to order	Anne Quaintance called the meeting to order at 1:38 p.m.	
2. Welcome and introductions	Anne welcomed everyone and everyone introduced themselves.	None
3. Approval of minutes from January 2, 2019	Raegan Sales and Jennifer Siswandi noted that they had also attended the January 2, 2019 meeting. With these changes, a motion was made by Karen Gruneisen to approve the minutes from the January 2, 2019. Meg Davidson seconded the motion. Motion passed without dissent.	Meeting minutes will be posted to the website.
4. Government Shutdown	The following actions followed the Federal Government Shutdown: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SFM Food Bank: Doing internal planning; being flexible with distributors; asking for additional funding from the state for foodbanks; is on Mayor’s work group to plan for future shutdowns; the SFMFB’s Food Locator has the highest traffic and many more urgent requests.• Meals on Wheels: Put information on website and making calls to other agencies. They are receiving many calls including calls wondering if they should dis-enroll from the program.	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cal Fresh: They have issued February benefits early and are advising clients to budget resources. • SFUSD: Child nutrition programs are funded through the end of March. They are having internal conversations around contingency in case the shutdown continues. • USDA is planning on issuing SNAP benefits early. • DCYF has funding through March • WIC gives out benefits in three month increments. They are funded through April. Vendors are concerned whether they will get paid. • Episcopal Community Services have posted HSA flyers • DAAS: they have contacted nutrition providers to see if they could expand their service – especially home delivered and congregate meals. • Members stated that they felt the flyers have been helpful to the community and that there has been more discussion of food insecurity in the press. <p>Public Comment – there were comments around CalFresh.</p>	
<p>5. Report Follow up</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 200 copies are being printed and should be available in March. A press packet is being developed. • We are working the Budget Legislative analyst and are looking to work with other agencies. • Meetings with Board of Supervisors will take place in March and April, and may potentially have a hearing. • Members praised the resolution of the Health Commission. • Members will receive the report at the March meeting 	
<p>6. Food Security data and development of recommendations</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was discussion on how best to provide recommendations and maintain neutrality. It was also noted the BOS appreciated the collective and coordinated voice of FSTF. • The recommendations should add meals in SROs (• The report should also better identify and expand on the needs of both high priority populations but other populations as well. 	<p>Paula will update the table based on the input from the task force.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The needs of specific populations should be identified. • It was suggested that the FSTF prioritize funding recommendations • Impact of funds should be considered, but the synergy of services has the greatest impact. No program alone is enough. • Waitlists should be considered <p>Public comment - FSTF should focus on larger systemic issues of racism, economics, and racial inequity as root causes of food insecurity. There needs to be a long term goal to go along with short term goal.</p>	
7. SSI/Cal Fresh Planning Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meg Davidson gave an overview (presentation posted to www.sfdph.org/foodsecurity) that included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Level Planning Highlights • Social Security Administration involvement • HSA Planning and mentioned that there will be an All County Operations meeting in February. Counties readiness plans are due in March 	As noted
8. Sugary Drink Distributor Task Advisory Committee	The next meeting is February 6, 2019 at 5:00	None
9. Project updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ABAWD there are rule changes that will make it more difficult to get waivers and changes work requirements. Public comment on the rule changes is open through April 2, 2019 • Parks and Recs are hosting an event at McClaren Park March 23rd • SPUR is hosting a Food is Medicine forum on February 15th. 	
12. Items for next meetings meeting	Continued discussion on funding recommendations.	
12. Public comment	None	
13. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 3:35	