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San Francisco Food Security Task Force (FSTF) Minutes

June 3, 2020

Members present: Anne Quaintance; Priti Rane (SFDPH Maternal Child and Adolescent Health); Sarah Chan (DAS); Paula Jones (SFDPH); Mei Ling Hui (SF Recreation and Park); Jennifer LeBarre (SFUSD); Meg Davidson (SF Marin Food Bank); Kim Madsen (Project Open Hand); Rita Mouton-Patterson (Hospitality House); Ave Lambert; Geoffrey Grier (SF Recovery Theatre); Chester Williams (Community Living Campaign)

Also present: Lenore Estrada (SF New Deal); Tiffany Kearny (DAS); Linda Murley (Food Runners); Emily Leys; Jason Pruett (ECS); Meredith Terrell (MOWSF); John McCormick (TNDC); Katie Ettman (SPUR); Erin Franey (SFDPH); Sanjana Marpadga (UCSF/EatSF); Emma Steinberg (Kaiser Permanente); Cheryl Shanks (TL Food Justice Leader); Julila Middleton (Children’s Council)

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEM
1. Call to order	Anne Quaintance called the meeting to order at 1:31 pm	None
2. Welcome, roll call, introductions	Anne welcomed everyone and everyone introduced themselves.	None
3. Approval of March 4 th meeting minutes	Mei Ling made a motion to approve the minutes; Chester seconded the motion. The motion was approved.	Post approved minutes to the website
4. Updates during Covid-19 from SFUSD	Jennifer LeBarre, Executive Director of SFUSD’s Student Nutrition Services (SNS) provided an update on their meal program during Shelter In Place. As of 5/21/20, SNS distributed over 1.2 million meals through 18 Grab & Go sites at schools across San Francisco and 7 sites hosted by CBO partners, Door to Door delivery for students with disabilities or special dietary needs. Employees are also picking up meals at school sites and delivering them to families requesting delivery. They also have infrastructure support for 12 SF Marin Food Bank Pop Up pantries. The Grab & Go sites are open to all children throughout the summer. Revolution Foods is providing food. Jennifer also updated the group on P-EBT.	Post SFUSD slides to the website
5. Update from the EOC Feeding Unit	Paula Jones provided an update on the activities of the EOC Feeding Unit. The unit was established to establish and operate an I/Q (isolation / quarantine) food program to support San Franciscans needing to isolate or quarantine due to being Covid19 positive or a close contact with someone that is positive for Covid19. Additionally, the EOC Feeding Unit established	Schedule monthly update from the EOC.

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	citywide feeding support resource website (https://sf.gov/get-food-resources) and call center (311). The unit has also supported community food programs' resource requests. The unit is staffed by city employees from many departments. The unit also tracks data on food efforts across San Francisco and holds calls twice weekly with food providers.	
6. Update from SF Food Providers	Cissie Bonini provided an update on the SF Food Providers network. This group started with eight organizations that had previously worked together to develop a disaster feeding plan and emergency communications plan with the Department of Emergency Management. On March 7, Cissie activated the group to coordinate activities and provide mutual aid. The group holds conference calls, and Cissie coordinates with the EOC Feeding Unit on behalf of the group. The group is operationally focused. All food providers have seen an increase in costs due to the loss of volunteers, and an increase in the cost for staff and food.	None.
7. Update from other departments and agencies	<p><u>SF Marin Food Bank – Meg Davidson.</u> One third of regular pantries closed at the beginning of the pandemic. In response, SFMFB implemented 20 pop up pantries in San Francisco and 5 in Marin. They also expanded Home Delivered Groceries from 3,000 pre-Covid19 to 12,000 households now. The program is called Pantry at Home. This program is being provided to seniors that were previously enrolled in a pantry. Overall, the SFMFB is serving 30,000 more households than pre-Covid. They are getting 9-10 times increase in call volume to their CalFresh hotline. They are also partnering with Human Service Agency and SFUSD to promote P-EBT. They are receiving many volunteers from Team Rubicon, and the City is also providing many Disaster Service Workers to support the popup pantries and the call center. They are also hiring new staff. The Pantry at Home program is working with CalVolunteers to develop a plan for the future.</p> <p><u>Department of Aging and Disability Services (DAS) – Tiffany Kearny.</u> DAS congregate meal programs transitioned to pick up or delivery. Each location operates differently and DAS checks in twice weekly with each site. Congregate meals nearly doubled. Prior to the pandemic, collectively sites served 87,000 meals; in April they served 160,000 meals. In May, they added an additional 10% to approximately 175,000 meals. Home delivered</p>	

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	meals also increased 12-15%. Prior to Covid19, each month 151,000 meals were delivered, and now 170,000 meals are being delivered.	
8. Membership transitions	Paula let the group know that there have been some membership transitions. Hilary Seligman has resigned due to a conflict. We also have new applications that we will review in July.	As stated.
9. Public comment	No further public comment.	
10. Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 3:35pm	