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San Francisco Food Security Task Force (FSTF) Minutes

January 12, 2022

Members present: Ave Lambert; Paula Jones (DPH Food Security); Geoffrey Grier (SF Recovery Theatre); Cissie Bonini (EatSF/UCSF); Tiffany Kearney (DAS); Priti Rane (DPH-MCAH); Meg Davidson (SF Marin Food Bank); Michelle Kim (DCYF); Raegan Sales (Children’s Council); Mei Ling Hui (SF Recreation and Parks); Jeimil Belamide (Human Service Agency/CalFresh); Jennifer LeBarre (SFUSD); Chester Williams (Community Living Campaign); Guillermo Reece (San Francisco African American Faith Based Coalition); Meredith Terrell (Meals on Wheels of SF); Anne Quaintance (Conard House); Rita Mouton-Patterson (Hospitality House); Emily Cohen (SF Homeless and Supportive Housing)

Also present: Lea Troeh (EatSF/UCSF); Michael Pon (EatSF/UCSF); John McCormick (TNDC); Veronica Shepard (SFDPH); Tommy McClain (HSA/Food Coordination Group); Anthony Khalil—Bayview Hunters Point Community Advocates (Bayview Community Co-op); Maya Bonner (Bayview-Hunters Point Community Advocates); Sara Draper (SF Market); Cathy Huang (HSA/Covid Food Coordination Group); Jason Pruett (ECS); Richard Santos (Food Justice Leader); George Gundry (GLIDE); Cindy Lin (HSA/Covid Food Coordination Group); Anthony Macaulay (Meals on Wheels SF); Kathleen da Silva; Emily Pham (Homeless Prenatal); Shawne O’Connell (Kimochi); Lauren Small (Leah’s Pantry); Tammy Wong (TNDC food justice leader); Kelly Gaherty (SF Environment); Fiona McBride (HSA/Covid Food Coordination Group)

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEM
1. Call to order	Cissie called the meeting to order at 1:32 pm	None
2. Welcome, member roll call, introductions, Cissie Bonini (Chair)	Cissie welcomed everyone and called member roll. Members of the public introduced themselves in the chat.	None
3. Approval of minutes from December 1, 2021	Chester Williams made a motion to approve the minutes. Rita Mouton-Patterson seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.	Post approved meeting minutes.
4. General Public Comment	Ave Lambert will be leaving the Food Security Task Force to take a position with FEAST in Los Angeles. Ave expressed their gratitude to have been a member of the FSTF. The group congratulated Ave on their new position, and expressed how much the group will miss their leadership.	None
5. Collective reflections for 2022	Paula Jones asked the group to share responses to two questions in the chat:	None

	<p>What change would you like to see in 2022?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Freedom; Less COVID; End to the pandemic; More funding for communities for basic needs; permanent home for the Taskforce; Economic justice & sovereignty for all; more homes; Positive everything!; more funding for food overall; more opportunities; food secure SF; empowerment; A Better food system; new voices; decentralizing power across more leaders citywide; More funding flexibility; analysis of all food programming throughout S.F.; the end of covid; More reliable supply chain; More Hope...; Cooperative economics <p>What inspires you in this work?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I'm inspired by communities supporting each other; People we are providing services to; Seeing the impact of positive changes; making change; employees; change for the better; Happy children; working in community, being part of a larger team; the impact; community & community services; community inspires!; People; Advocacy; Tenderloin residents :); open-mindedness; the community we serve; A happy community...; helping folks; The ones that came before us....the Ancestors; Betterment of Community Empowerment due to healthy diets!; Inspired by more people realizing that communities are hungry and need food; The experience of inequity; Food is essential to everyone, everywhere so being a part of the system that brings food to people is incredibly inspiring; Caring and sharing; I'm inspired by the success stories; seeing real change and hope from wonderful humans; Community feedback!!; everyone here; Supporting community; Everyone here is so inspiring!; serving community 	
<p>6. FSTF Recommendations – Part 2 of survey results</p>	<p>Cissie Bonini presented a summary of the results of the FSTF survey for the question: How Can the FSTF Support Community Efforts in Addressing Food Security in SF. The slides documented results under the following themes: More Funding/Advocate for Funding; Fund Services & Infrastructure; Better quality, more culturally relevant, and better awareness of food programs; Community/Community Input; Support Neighborhood Stakeholders; Collaboration; Coordination; Transparency/Accountability; Evaluation/Research/Reporting</p> <p>Task Force Comments:</p>	<p>Post presentation to website</p>

	<p>-Meredith Terrell: This is great, What can we do?. Chester Williams suggested that we can have task force meetings in different parts of the city. Anne Quintance asked if there are new programs during Covid-19 we want to keep and do we want to better know if we can continue. Also, regarding the concept of food sovereignty we should push ourselves to understand what this looks like.</p> <p>Public comment: We want to work more on food sovereignty. There's a learning curve. We need to work on this; we must look through the lens of the most vulnerable – through a racial equity lens</p>	
<p>7. FSTF Recommendations – local/state/federal policy</p>	<p>Cissie Bonini reviewed the draft local recommendations under the following themes: •Food Policy Coordination and Accountability • Funding/Resources • Services</p> <p>Some questions posed include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do we want to be more specific re: DPH support, like 1 FTE? Some were concerned about how long it takes to hire in DPH. We need to stress how critical the need is. - On the funding slide what is long-term funding? are we talking 3 years, 5 years. What are your thoughts about on-going funding instead? Suggested minimum of 3 years. - Don't see enough cultural foods. We should consider a marketing campaign. - We're missing measurement data. - How is this group addressing all the data extraction being requested for ppl to receive food? It's dehumanizing. We need to reduce the data burden. - Community members working on the ground need to be included in all of the Food Security discussions that impact their communities. Especially those working with our highest risk populations. - Many of these orgs on the ground don't have paid grant writers to apply for all the RFP's coming out. It would be helpful to coordinate all these RFP's as I just heard and then also work with agencies like OEWD put out real funding for that infrastructure. support. - We should turn these into smart objectives - Prop C is homeless services - We should add: increase interventions to support economic stability like direct cash support / basic income. - 	<p>Post presentation to the website</p>

8. HSA Food Coordination Group update	<p>Cindy Lin let the group know that they are currently working on an RFP for the Food Empowerment Market. Additionally, RFP 977 has been published for Community Kitchen Access. There will be multiple grantees under this RFP. Cindy also said that they are funding 18 organizations through 3 RFPs – funded through June 30, 2022. They hope to be able to continue funding these programs and they are awaiting direction from the Mayor’s Office. They would also like to continue supporting programs initiated through the pandemic like popup pantries.</p>	None
9. Food Security Task Force member updates	<p>Michelle Kim let the group know that at the next Sugary Drink Distributor Tax Advisory meeting (Jan 19th 5pm) they will be voting on budget recommendations.</p> <p>Jeimil Belamide updated on CalFresh: the administrative waiver that was set to expire on 12/31/21 has been extended to March 31. The interview waiver has been extended too. The emergency allotment is being approved on a month-to-month basis. December was approved. The current case load is ~68,5000 cases.</p> <p>Jennifer LeBarre – the USDA increased the reimbursement rate for breakfast and lunch by \$.25. State funding for California Meals4All still needs to be approved.</p> <p>Anne Quaintance said that the supportive housing provider network is having a collaborative meeting on food security. She will bring this issue back to the FSTF.</p> <p>Public comment: Healthy Corner Store Coalition is hiring for a program supervisor: https://tndc.csod.com/ux/ats/careersite/5/home/requisition/1667?c=tndc</p>	
10. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm	