## FSTF Meeting Minutes

**Members Present:** Cissie Bonini (Vouchers4Veggies/EatSF); Anne Quaintance (Conard House); Chester Williams (Community Living Campaign); Guillermo Reece (SF African American Faith Based Coalition); Hannah Smith (SF United School District); Jeimil Belamide (San Francisco Human Services Agency); Mei Ling Hui (SF Rec and Park/Urban Agriculture); Meredith Terrell; Michelle Kim (Department of Children, Youth and Their Families); Geoffrey Grier (SF Recovery Theatre); Paula Jones (SFDPH – Food Security & Office of Anti-Racism & Equity); Priti Rane (SFDPH – Maternal Child and Adolescent Health); Raegan Sales (Children’s Council of San Francisco); Tiffany Kearney (Department of Disability and Aging Services); Meg Davidson (SF Marin Food Bank); Emily Cohen (Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing)

**Also Present:** Geoffrey Morris (Project Consultant to Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Service); Lea Troeh (UCSF); Michael Pon (UCSF); Jordan Brown (UCSF/EatSF); Kristi Friesen (Project Open Hand); Tiffany Dang (Department of Disability and Aging Services); Monica Bhagwan (Leah’s Pantry); Laura Urban (Children’s Council of San Francisco); DeJanelle Bovell (SFDPH – Office of Anti-Racism & Equity); Aarya Chidambaram (SF Marin Food Bank); Alex Maykowski (Children’s Council of San Francisco); Anthony Khalil (BVHP Community Advocates); Asha Chirackal; Austin Dalmasso (Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation; Healthy Retail); Brittany Panela (Agricultural Institute of Marin); Cheryl Jones (SFDPH – Office of Anti-Racism & Equity); Ellen Garcia (Vouchers4Veggies/EatSF); Fiona McBride (HSA Food Access); Jade Quizon (API Council); La Rhonda Reddic (SFDPH- Office of Anti-Racism & Equity); Alexis Dailey (SFDPH – Office of Anti-Racism & Equity); Marianne Szeto (SF ShapeUp Coalition); Rebeca Flores (SFDPH – Office of Anti-Racism & Equity); Tammy; Tommy McClain (SF HSA Food Access); Veronica Shepard (SFDPH – Office of Anti-Racism & Equity); Cathy Huang (SF HSA Food Access); Cindy Lin (SF HSA Food Access); Kevin Liu (Project Open Hand); Susie Smith (Human Service Agency)

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<td>2. Land Acknowledgement</td>
<td>Cissie Bonini recited the Land Acknowledgement.</td>
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<td>3. Welcome, member roll call, introductions, Cissie Bonini (Chair, EatSF/Vouchers4Veggies)</td>
<td>Cissie read the roll call, and other meeting attendees introduced themselves in the chat.</td>
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<td>4. Approval of minutes from December 7, 2022</td>
<td>Raegan Sales (Children’s Council of San Francisco) shared two corrections for the December meeting minutes that were submitted via email. Raegan Sales identified a spelling correction to be made on page 12, section 9, paragraph 3 spelling correction of word &quot;Actionable&quot;. In addition, on page 12, the paragraph about Raegan Sales’s feedback to be changed to the quotation provided below:</td>
<td>FSTF staff to upload December meeting</td>
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“I would still like to have a version of the federal and state recommendations to refer to. Children’s Council doesn't have a direct line to the Board of Supervisors for advocacy on state and federal policy. We have to go through the Mayor's Office or city departments. Since non-profits don't have a direct line to the BOS for federal advocacy, it's helpful to have that information/recommendation officially documented by the FSTF as a reference.”

Jeimil Belamidi (San Francisco Human Services Agency) made a motion to approve with the corrections Raegan Sales provided. Raegan Sales (Children’s Council of San Francisco) seconded the motion. Meg Davidson (SF Marin Food Bank) and Mei Ling Hui (SF Rec and Park/Urban Agriculture) abstained from the vote as they were not present for the meeting. The December Meeting Minutes were approved with changes.

| 5. General Public Comment | Austin Dalmasso (Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation-Healthy Retail) applied for a seat on the FSTF and shared a little about his background. Austin Dalmasso shared he has extensive work experience in the Tenderloin and has interests in public health, the sociomedical sciences, food clinics, and food pantries. Austin Dalmasso highlighted an appreciation of the FSTF structure and the ability to push for sustainable and equitable change. Austin Dalmasso works for the Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation (TNDC) as part of the Healthy Retail team, starting in August of 2022, and have since become intimately connected with the Tenderloin neighborhood and its issues. | None. |
| 6. Presentation - HSA Food Programs – Learnings from FY 21-22, Cindy Lin, Cathy Huang, Fiona McBride and Tommy McClain | Cindy Lin (SFHSA Food Access) presented the data that has been collected from HSA’s Citywide Food Access Programs in FY 21/22 HSA programs reached roughly 100,000 San Franciscans with over: 1.3 million grocery bags, 220,000 meals, and 145,000 grocery vouchers.  
Cathy Huang (SFHSA Food Access) presented the following on HSA’s Survey Results:  
- HSA conducted basic surveys with clients to help fine tune their strategies. One of the survey questions was posed to measure program impact, HSA asked clients respond to “my household and I were less hungry as a result of this program.”  
87% of respondents reported that they and their families were less hungry as a result of program participation and 65% reported participation in other food support programs like CalFresh and WIC.  
○ Cathy Huang shared that the additional survey questions/results were to measure the enjoyment of food by program type, ability of program to | FSTF staff to upload HSA Food Program Presentation to FSTF site. |
address cultural food preferences, and linkage to additional household services as a result of program participation.

- Other Survey Highlights: 100% of Glide’s Zero-Waste Food Pantry survey respondents reported eating healthier as a result of the program; 99% of Curry Senior Center’s survey respondents shared that farmers’ market vouchers increased their access to fresh fruits and vegetables; and 98% of Bayanihan Equity Center’s survey respondents indicated that the quality of services they received was good or excellent.

Tommy McClain (SF HSA Food Access) shared highlights on HSA Programs’ Accomplishments. Additional details can be found on HSA’s provided PowerPoint.

- Program Call-out: Family Meal Pack. The program transitioned into redemption card ordering with participating restaurants across the city. The program provides 8 vouchers over 2 weeks to be redeemed at people’s convenience. Data was collected from November 2021 - June 2022. The data collected showed the program has served 3,900 people across 950 households and served 58,000 nourishing restaurant meals.

- Sunsetting Programs:
  1. Excelsior Works: A biweekly food pantry in Excelsior district serving over 2,000 individuals in need of food in District 11. January 21, 2023 will be the last distribution date.
  2. Feed & Fuel: A CCDC Program provided 40,000 meals to over 600 people living in SROs in Chinatown ending January 31, 2023.
  3. Isolation/Quarantine Food Helpline: A Meals on Wheels and Market on Market program providing free food for people quarantining or isolating during the pandemic ended in August 2022. The program served over 32,000 people across 9,300 households.

- Cissie Bonini (Vouchers4Veggies/EatSF) asked: Are these FY numbers or program lifetime program numbers? Tommy McClain (SFHSA Food Access) responded: There is a mix. The bottom two numbers on slide 15 of the presentation are from the program’s lifetime.
− Monica Bhagwan (Leah’s Pantry) asked in chat: How long is the grant period? Tommy McClain (SF HSA Food Access) responded: Normally it is from July 1 – June 30 but our programs followed a Nov 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022, grant period.

Fiona McBride (SF HSA Food Access) shared conclusions on data collection & looking ahead:
− Fiona McBride congratulated the grantees for collecting data and building up their systems. HSA can now see opportunities for improvements and new ways to streamline work to ensure they are best measuring program’s impact and things we need to. The data collection will allow HSA to talk more deeply about our impact.
− Next steps: Programs will be refining their programs to see if they can better serve those in need to work towards a city where access to food does not depend on income; the Food Empowerment Market will open in D10; and grantee networks will adopt a shared database to improve data gathering capabilities and ability to understand impact and reach.

FSTF Member Comments:
Chester Williams (Community Living Campaign): I noticed a lot of community members were looking for food from restaurants. Chester Williams tried some of the food and thought it was delicious, and noticed the community was respecting the project’s purpose. Information about the program and participating restaurants has been passed around by word of mouth. He shared that it would be nice to be able to experience the food again, maybe once a year in the summer. Chester Williams extended a warm congratulations and good luck on additional funding to HSA’s team. Cindy Lin (SFHSA Food Access) responded: If anyone has feedback, we are eager to hear the community’s feedback on the food. Thank you for bringing that topic back.

Geoffrea Morris (Project Consultant to Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services) asked in chat: Do you have disaggregated data on ethnicity? Fiona McBride (SF HSA Food Access) responded in chat: We have that data on a grantee level, but in the coming year we’ll be working to combine all data so we can speak holistically about who we are reaching in terms of ethnicity, race, language and other factors.
Tiffany Kearney (Department of Disability and Aging Services) asked aloud: Did you share any demographic information? Cindy Lin (SFHSA Food Access) responded: Our team adapted this presentation from another one our team had with our grantees last month; in the PowerPoint we discussed the challenges faced in presenting demographic information. There were too many variances in how people reported their demographics from the data our grantees submitted to us. Analyzing it became incredibly difficult and didn’t paint a good picture. Fiona McBride (SFHSA Food Access) added: We did a visual share one time, there were over 100 ethnicity categories. In the future, there will be standardized categories that will come up. Tiffany Kearney (Department of Disability and Aging Services) responded: I’m curious about the ages as it’s more concrete. Fiona McBride (SFHSA Food Access) responded: Our team doesn’t want to duplicate data and misrepresent who’s receiving the services. The SFHSA Food Access team will hold off on sharing detailed demographic information.

Cindy Lin (SFHSA Food Access): Cindy’s team’s ability to organize the information is only as good as what they’ve gathered. The team gave many of their grantees some grace in the initial data set as they collected more time-consuming fuels. The team hopes the new database will be helpful for our grantees to receive information.

Cissie Bonini (Vouchers4Veggies/EatSF): With regards to sunsetting programs, is it a priority to get a handle on the rollbacks? Cindy Lin (SFHSA Food Access) responded: Cindy Lin and team is actively working to put something else in place of those sunsetting neighborhood programs. Cissie Bonini (Vouchers4Veggies/EatSF) responded: Why are those programs closing? Cindy Lin shared the programs chose to go back to their old business, so their team is looking to set up new programs and grantees in those areas.

Cissie Bonini (Vouchers4Veggies/EatSF): Is there a way to standardize the grantee’s questions regarding data collection? Cindy Lin (SFHSA Food Access): HSA spent a bulk of resources getting the database—city procurement took forever. HSA would like to engage with other agencies to see how we can streamline the data, but we haven’t gotten there yet. Fiona McBride (SFHSA Food Access) added: The purpose of the tool is to lower the administrative burden with bulk upload options instead of manual data-entry. There is an API interface to see how programs are currently storing data rather than having two separate questions.
Paula Jones (SFDPH – Food Security & Office of Anti-Racism & Equity): Thanks for this presentation. I’m making a plug to continue to collect food security data using validated questions. Prior to using validated questions, we a problem with people making up questions. Food security questions are already standardized. Can you share with the larger group what you found out? Cindy Lin (SFHSA Food Access) responded: We attempted to get our grantees to ask the Food Security two-question survey. We were only able to collect data from about 400 respondents during the 6-month interval of November 1, 2021 through June 30th, 2022. We couldn’t present the whole picture.

Raegan Sales (Children’s Council of San Francisco): Thank you for sharing the updates; it has been informative. Can you share the standardized questions for the database? Cindy Lin (SFHSA Food Access): Let’s connect offline. Paula Jones (SFDPH – Food Security & Office of Anti-Racism & Equity) added: Can this information be shared more widely for other programs measuring their impact?

Cissie Bonini (Vouchers4Veggies/EatSF): Thank you for placing emphasis on culturally appropriate and nutritious food. These programs seem to be successful in reducing hunger-- what’s the prognosis in continuing funding? Cindy Lin (SFHSA Food Access) responded: The team hasn’t been able to meet with the Mayor’s Budget Office (MBO) for an active discussion yet. We’re expecting a deficit in the city tax revenue, but we don’t have any numbers from the MBO. We’re at the beginning of the budget process for the next fiscal year.

Priti Rane (SFDPH – Maternal Child and Adolescent Health) added: Since there were some duplications, are we aware of survey fatigue? We ask the community of so much; it would be great to seek alignment to reduce that occurrence.

Anne Quaintance (Conard House) asked if there are any food programs available now for people isolating with Covid-19? Cindy Lin (SFHSA Food Access) responded: Not to our knowledge.

Public Comment:
Geoffrea Morris (Project Consultant to Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services): I have a question for HSA regarding the software and their access to their own data. When CBOs are collecting demographic information, will this new software be able to flag the CBO’s client as also a client receiving CalFresh, Medi-Cal or CalWorks? This would help let CBOs know if/when they are reaching the most impacted members. Cindy Lin (SFHSA Food Access) responded: This can be done with a match outside of the currently used database “Link to Feed”. The data referenced in this presentation is in a state housed system, but we may be able to do a match separately. Geoffrea Morris (Project Consultant to Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services) continued: Legislation states you must be receiving some type of social service to shop at the Food Empowerment Market (FEM). Is there a product that CBOs could use to run client’s names through to confirm if the person is receiving some type of social service in a yes or no format. Fiona McBride (SFHSA Food Access) responded: There is a tool, it is called the Income Verification Database; CBOs can see if someone is receiving services and eligible for their market. Shared collection systems must take it slow as clients need to be aware of how many people are seeing their data when their share with one entity. Fiona McBride to connect with Geoffrea Morris offline.

Cindy Lin (SFHSA Food Access) shared: All clients would have to give consent for something like that. Anything we buy requires a lot of different reviews. Link to Feed has passed the tests. Our team has a high degree of confidence that it is safe to collect data. Now that the city is buying it, there is an extra layer of security. HSA is asking staff to ask the question but do not decline services if they decline to answer the questions.

Veronica Shepard (SFDPH - Office of Anti-Racism & Equity) asked the following questions in chat: 1. Regarding the shared Database, with whom and what will be shared? 2. What privacy protections are in place for people who need food as you so eloquently presented yet don't feel comfortable sharing info about themselves? 3. What were your challenges? 4. Lastly, I did not see any slides on the budget. Can you please update us? Thanks for all the hard work your team does.

Veronica Shepard (SFDPH - Office of Anti-Racism & Equity) reiterated aloud: What were the challenges experienced across the board? Cindy Lin shared: One of the biggest challenges came from lacking funding from the mayor’s office. HSA would love to offer
multi-year grants, but so far, it hasn’t been possible. Last year it was close to $40 million in funding, and we are requesting funding to sustain the level, but we haven’t heard from the Mayor’s Budget Office (MBO) yet. I don’t want to provide false hope to anyone. It’s difficult to give people the type of food they want. We need the budget to sustain resources so that HSA can offer enough resources to be able to train grantees on how to recognize diversity in food.

Raegan Sales (Children’s Council of San Francisco) and Monica Bhagwan (Leah’s Pantry) asked for a list of grantees. Cindy Lin (SFHSA Food Access) responded: Our team will list them on the slides that will be posted to the FSTF website.

Geoffrea Morris (Project Consultant to Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services) asked how much of the funding is from the general fund vs NDO? Fiona McBride (SFHSA Food Access) responded: Nearly all of it is from the general fund.

Veronica Shepard (SFDPH- Office of Anti-Racism & Equity) asked in chat: Is there an HSA website with all the info you and the team shared today? HSA Food Access Team Member Responded: We won’t be publishing the list of grantees on the website as many programs are already operating at capacity and can’t accept more clients. HSA does not want to overwhelm the grantees with more people knocking at their door but are hoping to support increased capacity.

7. Food Empowerment Market update, Geoffrea Morris (Project Consultant to Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services) shared that the Food Empowerment Market hosted two community engagements in December: December 17th and 19th. The Food Empowerment Market (FEM) site location is experiencing construction delays with the weather. In response to that, the FEM team plans to start onboarding and pre-qualifying people prior to the store opening so that there is a consumer base. 125 families with minor kids (aged 0-24) or medically fragile families will receive monthly boxes for pre-qualified clients. The FEM team is working with Unite Us for the interface for the market as it is HIPAA compliant. If your organizations serve D10 residents, send Geoffrea Morris an email.

The Food Empowerment Market team will be hosting monthly community-based meetings. Our team hired Maggie Shugarman to be providing you all the updates for the Food Empowerment Market moving forward. Contact information of the D10 Food
### Empowerment Market
Empowerment Market: maggie.shugerman@bhpms.org and foodempowermentmarket@gmail.com.

### FSTF Member Comment:
Paula Jones (SFDPH – Food Security & Office of Anti-Racism & Equity) stated: I’ve connected with you with some people on the DPH San Francisco Health Network side; Paula Jones to circle back with Geoffreya Morris (Project Consultant to Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services) on the connections made.

### Public Comment:
Veronica Shepard (SFDPH - Office of Anti-Racism & Equity) asked: Is there a committee? Can community members still join the committee board? Geoffreya Morris (Project Consultant to Bayview Hunters Point Multipurpose Senior Services) responded: Yes, right now, we’re just working with stakeholders and people who have free time in the daytime.

### 8. Discussion on FSTF 2023 Recommendations, Cissie Bonini (Chair - Vouchers 4 Veggies/EatSF)
Cissie Bonini (Vouchers4Veggies/EatSF) presented an update of the calendar summary of the 2023 actionable activities update. The 2023 recommendations are in the final stages of adjustment as the final draft is now ready for the graphic designer. The week of February 22, the FSTF team will start setting up meetings with the listed stakeholders in Row A; Column 31 of the shared document. Cissie Bonini (Vouchers4Veggies/EatSF) will send a reminder email about any upcoming meetings with Supervisors.

Paula Jones (SFDPH – Food Security & Office of Anti-Racism & Equity) then shared the look & feel of the new 2023 FSTF Recommendations. The designer will give the FSTF additional backgrounds for design continuity with PowerPoint presentations.

### FSTF Member Comments:
Question: Can the FSTF help sustain the $40 million budget? Cissie Bonini (Vouchers4Veggies/EatSF) responded: The FSTF cannot recommend any specific program or budget at this point, but we can make general recommendations. The FSTF did recommend continued funding as the need is still there. Cissie added that the FSTF brings up issues to the Mayor’s Budget Office (MBO) while referencing the FSTF’s recommendations. Cissie Bonini & Paula Jones followed up to reiterate that the FSTF provided overall recommendations, but not for specific programs. For folks that are interested in joining the meetings, please let Cissie Bonini know.

FSTF staff to post the 2023 Calendar Summary of Actionable Activities to the FSTF site.
FSTF staff to add member to FSTF Listserv.
**Public Comment:**
Marianne Szeto (ShapeUp Coalition): ShapeUp has an advocacy arm through our PSEAT team and the team is trying to make sure that they are really aligned with other advocacy groups. Marianne Szeto extended an invitation to someone from the FSTF meeting to share the FSTF recommendations. The D10 security plan group, broader advocacy group, other groups to be unified at the Steering Committee meeting taking place on February 10th. Paula Jones (SFDPH – Food Security & Office of Anti-Racism & Equity) responded: Someone will be there on behalf of the FSTF; we will have a team.

Kristi Friesen (Project Open Hand) asked to be added to the email list/calendar invites for future FSTF meetings and can be reached at the following address: kfriesen@openhand.org. Paula Jones (SFDPH – Food Security & Office of Anti-Racism & Equity) confirmed that Kristi will be added.

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<td>− Caseload count as of December 2022: 73,942 Households (this includes 101,453 individuals).</td>
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<td>o The interview requirement for application and recertification continues to be waived through 3/31/2023 assuming the COVID19 Public Health Emergency declaration is in effect. CDSS has signaled that it plans to apply for an extension of the interview waiver regardless of the COVID19 PHE declaration status.</td>
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<td>o With the passing of the 2023 Consolidated Appropriations Act by the Federal government, SNAP/CalFresh will see the end of COVID 19 related benefits known as “Emergency Allotments”. The last emergency allotment will be for February 2023 and will be issued to households in March 2023. Beginning March 2023, CalFresh benefit amounts received by a household will return to being based on eligibility criteria such as, but not limited to income, household size, and expenses.</td>
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<td>o Starting in March 2020, Emergency Allotments raised a household’s CalFresh benefits to the maximum amount for their household size.</td>
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Approximately $12 million of Emergency Allotments were issued per month to CF households in San Francisco. On average a CF household in SF received an additional $160 CalFresh benefits monthly as an Emergency Allotment.

- California Department of Social Services (CDSS) plans to notify households via mass mailers and text messages to households that have opted-in to receiving communications via text from 1/7/23- 2/6/23. SF HSA will communicate this change to the public via website, social media, hotline recording, we will provide FAQs to our staff, and HSA staff will share state talking points with staff and Michelle Kim (Department of Children, Youth and Their Families).

- Cissie Bonini (Vouchers4Veggies/EatSF) asked: What percentage of folks will be impacted by the end of emergency allotments? Jeimil Belamide (San Francisco Human Services Agency) responded: It will impact everyone.

- Question from meeting member: Has there been discussion about what will happen to folks after the emergency ends? Jeimil Belamide (San Francisco Human Services Agency) responded: The HSA CalFresh team is scrambling to notify people on the referral list to reach CBOs and the food banks to connect with other resources in the city. Additional updates can be found at the following website: https://cdss.ca.gov/calfreshcovid19.

Michelle Kim: Department of Children, Youth and Their Families (DCYF) Update

- Regarding nutrition programming impacted by the end of California’s public health emergency; Summer food service program (SFSP): There is no anticipated changes to funding, but waivers provided during Covid will end prior to summer 2023. The USDA has released a final ruling on waivers for SFSP (they kept a version of some popular waivers based on public comment but are ultimately reverting to pre-Covid operation standards). DCYF is still processing how the ending of waivers will impact service/operations for future program years.

- Some examples of waivers ending or modified: non-congregate feeding not allowed (except for 1 non-perishable item), no waivers for meal pattern substitutes (we used this for when we had issues with supply-chain issues); eligibility for close-enrolled without additional paperwork may reduce access for the community at large.
As for the Child and Adult Food Care Program (CACFP at-risk), there is no update on how waivers will impact next year’s CACFP programming.

- Community Seats are open for the DCYF Committee; Applications are on website for those interested in being on the Oversite Committee to make funding recommendations are DUE January 23, 2023. Website link found here: https://www.dcyf.org/oac
- Update for the Sugary Drink Distributor Tax Committee: There will be a budget update meeting taking place on 1/18 at 5 PM.

### Tiffany Kearny: Department of Disability and Aging Services Update

- The state budget includes funding for the “modernizing the Older Californians Act” and as a result, the California Department of Aging (CDA) will soon be releasing a funding package for three years, starting with this fiscal year. The first-year funding can be used for a variety of community-based services, including nutrition services. FY 23/24 and 24/25 funding may only be used for nutrition services. There is $186M total for all program areas. The funding package has not been released yet, so I do not know how much funding DAS will receive through this modernization act. I do know that in total (so for all areas on aging), the FY 22/23 the amount is $59.3M, but again for multiple types of services, including nutrition. For FY 23/24, the amount is $86.9M and for FY 24/25, the amount is $39.8M.
- As for the ending of the state of emergency, although no official guidance has been released yet by CDA, congregate meals to-go meals will still be allowed.

### Raegan Sales: Children’s Council of San Francisco Update

- Children’s Council does not anticipate immediate impacts to programs or funding due to the end of California's Public Health Emergency. However, there are two federal waivers that will affect our program soon. The two waivers that will most impact our Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) are:
  - Area Eligibility Waiver: Allows all family child-care programs, regardless of location, to be reimbursed at the higher Tier I rate. The Area eligibility waiver is set to expire June 30, 2023.
  - Onsite Monitoring Requirements: Allows CACFP site visits to be conducted virtually. The Onsite Monitoring Requirements waiver is set to
expire 30 days after the end of the public health emergency (at the national level).
- The Children’s Council of SF program hasn’t been impacted yet, but when these waivers do sunset, the Children’s Council may see a decrease in Tier II Day Care Home Providers and experience a higher administrative burden. We're keeping a close eye on the federal updates and continue to advocate for both waivers to be made permanent policy changes.

Priti Rane: SFDPH – Maternal Child and Adolescent Health/Update
- The WIC program will be ok until April. Today, the federal government granted an extension of the COVID19 Emergency until July 2023. WIC will have 30 days from when the emergency ends to revert to pre-Covid order. WIC has been seeing more families at our clinics. There is advocacy on the federal level around protecting the ability to operate programs remotely, like telehealth services, to become permanent. Food and vegetables’ bump in financial support will continue through September of 2023; there is desire for it to continue.

Anne Quaintance: Conard House Update
- The Supportive Housing Provider Network met with DAS, HSA and HSH regarding food and housing, and the costs of current programming and other more innovative programs being done (Food Kiosk and other programs). The departments wanted to see more data on the need. There was an invitation to set up a working group. The Director of the SF Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing (HSH) came by to look at the Food Kiosk yesterday and it went well. The Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) has a contract with the Mayor’s Office of Housing and Community Development (MOHCD) to provide consultation for supportive housing providers and the group is hoping to continue working with them to support the network around food in housing. Paula Jones (SFDPH – Food Security & Office of Anti-Racism & Equity) asked: Is Enhanced Case Management and food support being discussed? Anne Quaintance (Conard House) responded: Yes, it was mentioned but there wasn’t an action item besides awareness.

10. Adjournment  
Cissie Bonini (Vouchers4Veggies/EatSF) concluded the meeting 3:22pm.