

Meeting Agenda

Food Access and Security Coalition

Date: December 18, 2023

Time: 12:30-2:00 pm

Location: Virtual- Microsoft Teams

Next meeting: **January 22, 2023**

I. Welcome and Introductions

- Name/Agency
- Ice Breaker: What is one thing you're proud of this year?
- Mission, Vision, Goals
 - Increase Access to Safe and Nutritious Foods
 - Increase Nutrition Literacy
 - Reduce Food Waste
 - Food Security Assessment

II. Standard Business

- Documentation: [Recordings, agendas, minutes](#)
- Member Spotlight: [Sign up here!](#)

III. Presentation or Member Spotlight

- Presentation: Annie Goodwin, Benton-Franklin Health District on ConAgra Project
- Next Month: Kylie Pybus, Assistant Director, EFNEP Washington State University Extension acting president of the Spokane Food Policy Council on challenges and successes of the group.

IV. Collaborative Activities and Opportunities

- Food as Medicine: Produce Power-Karen Hayes, Kadlec
- Nutrition Education Subcommittee: WA Food Coalition- SWAP, Supporting Wellness at Pantries-Lizann Powers-Hammond, WA-SNAP Approved Curriculum-Kathleen Lodahl
- WIC Redemption Rates- Sheila Schweiger and awareness of grocery store produce match
- Richland Food Co-Op-Honor on meeting with co-op Steering Committee
- UW GIS Mapping Food Rescue-Daisy Parra-Padilla on a look ahead
- FResCo: Food Research Equity Collaborative-Daisy Parra-Padilla
- DSHS Mobile Outreach Unit- SNAP for college students

V. Discussion

VI. Partnership Building

- Review the updated distribution list- January
- Identification of potential partners and stakeholders not present: Send Honor potential contacts to be aware of.

VII. Updates and Announcements

- Organization round-table updates

VIII. Action Items and Next Steps

- Summary of the outcomes of the meeting, determination of next steps and action items
- Assignment of responsibilities and deadlines

IX. Adjournment

Other Information

Guests:

Resources:

State

1. [Resources for Understanding the Food System in Washington](#)
2. [Washington State Food System Assessment](#)
3. [WAFOOD Brief 15 – Washington State Food Security Surveys: Longitudinal findings across survey waves 1-4, 2020-2023](#)
4. [Feeding America: Map the Meal Gap](#)

National

1. [State of Obesity 2023: Better Policies for a Healthier America](#)
2. [National Strategy on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health](#)

General

1. Holiday Food Safety: [DOH](#), [FDA](#), [USDA](#)
2. Key Steps for Donating Food – [For Retail Food Establishments | FDA](#)

Education, Events, Training Opportunities:

- [Finding Connection Through Food: Cooking Meals Together](#)
December 19, 2023, 11:00 am – 12:30 pm
[For more information and to register](#)

Literature we're reading:

Food Security:

- [Food Pantries Act as a Lifeline for College Students as State Works to Address Food Insecurity Crisis](#)
- [Study: Almost One in Four Undergrads Experienced Food Insecurity](#)
- [Study links food insecurity to higher health care spending](#)
- [New Study Reinforces Power of SNAP to Reduce Health Care Costs](#)

Access:

- [Half those eligible for the food assistance program WIC aren't using it, new USDA study finds](#)
- [National and State Level Estimates of WIC Eligibility and Program Reach in 2021](#)
- [New USDA WIC Coverage Report Released](#)

Food as Medicine:

- [PHI Study: Participants in Food as Medicine Program Showed Clinically Significant Improvements in Managing Diabetes](#)

- [True Cost of Food: Food is Medicine Case Study](#)

Food Equity:

- [Article: Living in Food Deserts Is Associated with Shorter Life Expectancy in the US](#)
- [Blog: New Survey Highlights the Role of Health Care Providers in Food Insecurity Screening and Intervening](#)

Nutrition:

- The United States Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) has launched a new webpage to showcase innovative and creative child nutrition programs that support the nutritional security of children! These child nutrition success stories and future stories can be found [here](#).

Sign-On Documents and Opportunities for Input

Legislative Updates