AGENDA

Healthy Food for All Work Group

Lawrence Public Library, Meeting Room B, KS 66044-3701, United States

2:00pm – 3:30pm, Wednesday, July 31, 2019

| Agenda items | Notes | Action Items |
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| 1. **Introductions** | 1. Fill out agency accomplishment form 2. Share agency accomplishment pertaining to HFFA work. Include:    1. Who, what, where, when, any partners, number of participants, description | * Kelsey Fortin- Almost complete with interviews at just food. The interviews will be used to create a health coaching pilot program for clients. * Jamie Placht- New member, student at the University of Kansas in the Health Sport and Exercise Science department, thesis work is a collaboration with farm to school program and a social media campaign. * Charlotte Marthaler- Ballard center launched an older adult training program and has two participants currently enrolled in the training. This program has been instrumental in helping with the food pantry operations. * Sarah Hartsig- CDRR fund secured to continue work on food recovery in the community. Working with graduate students at KU to develop a toolkit for restaurants * Elena Johnson- New member taking over for Carey Allen as the breast feeding advocate. Looking forward to seeing how she can contribute to the group and what role she can play. * Kristi Leonard-Representing Meals on Wheels of Easter Kansas. They plan to open congregate sites in Lawrence, Eudora, and Baldwin. Looking at Babcock Place as the congregate site in Lawrence. * Christina Holt- Reported on the LiveWell coalition working to secure funding for a director position overseeing coalition and assisting with work group work. Right now funding ideas are coming from a mix of grant funds, organizational and individual donors.   \*\*Kelsey will enter accomplishments into the database once forms are completed and returned.\*\* |
| 1. **Announcements** | 1. Communications Coordinator 2. Health Department Survey: As the Health Department continues to work on fulfilling its charge to ensure health for all in Douglas County, we have put together a brief anonymous survey, if you would be interested in helping us out. Feel free to forward the link to anyone else in our community who might like to contribute as well.<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3PQT9V9> 3. Others? | * Still in need of a communications coordinator. Looking for volunteers to help with meeting minutes and communications updates. * If there is any information individuals would like to share in the August newsletter, send information to the Communications Officer George Diepenbrock at the Lawrence-Douglas County Health Department, at gdiepenbrock@ldchealth.org or (785) 856-7360. * WorkWell symposium is coming up on August 21st, at the Lied Center. They are bringing in a national speaker for the event. * Elizabeth Stephens is no longer with Just Food and will be undergoing some schedule changes that might prevent her from co-chairing the group. She will provide and update when she has more information. * Just Food is hiring for two positions currently and both are posted to the Just food facebook page. If anyone knows someone that might be interested pass along the information. |
| 1. **CHIP 2019 Additional Updates** | 1. Report on strategy updates 2. Additional updates | * Reported on updates within each strategy. See working google doc. for most recent updates. If individuals not at the meeting have additional updates, please add to the document. https://docs.google.com/document/d/16j-Z0mRC5AVIkDfvMr8eXbu8q6pAPhOENcsT2qiNgdM/edit?usp=sharing * Group discussed bringing in Bob Nugent from Lawrence transit to present and overview and ask questions about bus regulations that prevent clients from bringing groceries on the bus. \*\* Kelsey will reach out to schedule a presentation at a future meeting\*\* * Food policy council currently has a committee dedicated to exploring regional laws to reduce food waste. \*\* Kelsey will reach out to Michael Steinle to see how the work group can support\*\* * Elena Shared Haskell University has been recognized for sustainability efforts and has made big strides on campus to address food waste and recovery. \*\* Alena will reach out about potential collaboration\*\* * Sarah shared the group could help support efforts by making contact with restaurants that might be interested in participating in food recovery. \*\*Everyone- If there are any connections with local restaurants or ideas on collaborates reach out. \*\* * Charlotte shared some difficulties with meeting requirements for fuelgood pantry standards. Perhaps some changes need to be made to provide support for pantries outside of current format. * May make sense to focus most on supply of food this year as usage is hitting record highs. * Fuelgood section needs additional updates. \*\* Kelsey will reach out to Susan Johnson for any additional updates. \*\* * Conversations about how difficult WIC and SNAP application process is. Providing more opportunity for individuals to have face-to-face contact in order to help with the process of the application. \*\* Need to make sure pantries are equipped with information and applications and follow up on organizations that have positions that will come on site and assist with the application process. \*\* * Midland Care has now taken over 130 meals within Douglas county and is working on congregate sites. Currently delivering 1000 meals per day. Kristi hopes to have more updates for the group after looking over the document and connecting with colleagues before next meeting. * Student group list is completed with KU and KUMed student groups. \*\*Elena will share contact information of Judith Gibs to add to the list of Haskell Student groups. \*\* |
| 1. **2019-2020 Priority areas** | 1. Identify priority workgroup projects 2. Establish subcommittees | * \*\*Group discussed having Strategy leads. Seeking volunteers to be willing to be the point person for each strategy to help with updates and communication to keep action steps moving forward. \*\* * See below for key areas identified within each strategy area for priority areas this year. Further discussion and establishment of priorities and action steps will be added to the next meeting agenda. |
| 1. **Adjourned** |  | * Each person agreed to reach out to at least one person they thought would be a critical voice to be around the table and invite them to the next meeting. * Next meeting will be Wednesday, August 21, 1-2:30pm. The third Wednesday of the Month will be the reoccurring monthly meeting through the new year. * \*\* Kelsey will send meeting invites and secure meeting location\*\* |

**Strategies and Key areas established**

1. **Planned Strategy 1:** Ensure enhanced food access for populations facing transportation barriers through establishing a mobile food pantry, enhanced transit routes to grocery stories, food pantries, and farmers’ markets, and via pantry delivery for special populations. **EQ (action steps: 4, 10, 11)**
   1. **Collaboration to determine Mobile food pantry route. Make use of food resource map to help inform route.**
      1. **Note: That map only reports on food pantries, but doesn’t address gaps in pantries that don’t have regular fresh produce or meat products.**
   2. **Learn more about current transit routes and regulations (Guest speaker) and find ways to address restrictions impacting clients utilizing the bus to transport food.**
2. **Planned Strategy 2:** Implement food recovery practices and policies to supply safe, nourishing food to those in need **(action steps: 4, 5)**
   1. **Find ways to support the food policy council committee work.**
   2. **Identify and contact potential institutions for partnerships.**
3. **Planned Strategy 3:** Strengthen the FuelGood Healthy Pantries Initiative to promote adoption of health-promoting policies and practices, including distribution of healthy foods and fresh food items, within Douglas County food pantries**. EQ \*\* NEED ADDITIONAL UPDATES\*\***
4. **Planned Strategy 4:** Remove barriers to and strengthen utilization of public food assistance programs for families with children and seniors, including: **(action steps: 4, 5,9,12)**

·       School breakfast, dinner, and summer meal programs

·       SNAP enrollment

·       WIC enrollment

·       Double Up Food Bucks

·       CHAMPPS

      Meals on Wheels **\*\* NEED ADDITIONAL UPDATES\*\***

* 1. **Establish pantries and other service offices in need of enrollment resources**
  2. **Reach out to organizations that will bring services on site for application assistance.**
  3. **Additional application training for critical touch point agencies.**

1. **Planned Strategy 5:** Support advocacy efforts related to contexts supportive of breastfeeding, reduction of food insecurity, and improving access to healthy food **\*\* NEED ADDITIONAL UPDATES\*\* (action steps: 4)**
   1. **Work towards local businesses signing the pledge to support breast feeding and compiling a list.**
2. **Planned Strategy 6:** Extend food pantry evening/ weekend availability **\*\* NEED ADDITIONAL UPDATES\*\* (action steps: 1)**
   1. **Strategized use of Mobile food pantry to help supplement with hours needs**
3. **Planned Strategy 7:** Grow “Hunger and Health” efforts to enhance integration of social services and health care **\*\* NEED ADDITIONAL UPDATES\*\* (action steps: 1,2,3)** 
   1. **Continued work on the health coaching program pilot. Development of program curriculum and logistics.**
   2. **Further establishment of Heartland food pantry model and support for launch.**
4. **Planned Strategy 8:** Increase the number of workplaces that are actively engaged with Healthy Eating Active Living (HEAL) initiatives, supported by the development of a work site HEAL policy and guideline toolkit. (\*\*Note this is a duplication of Strategy 6 in the Healthy Built Environment section of the plan. Work will require collaboration with the Healthy Built Environment and WorkWell workgroups) **\*\* NEED ADDITIONAL UPDATES\*\***
   1. **Connect with WorkWell about potential strategies for collaboration to address action steps**