

<b>DATE:</b>	September 23, 2010	<i>Food System Council Meeting CASEE Center</i>
<b>ATTENDEES:</b>	<b>S. Brown, B. Cestnik, B. Coleman, T. Cross, J. Kuppens, D. Nagy-Nero, K. Perry, A. Sidran, D. Stienbarger, J. teVelde, T. Mortell, E. Durek,</b>	
<b>Guests</b>	<b>Andrea Walker, Tammy Rodriguez, Caitlin Arnold</b>	
<b>Absent:</b>	<b>D. Hess, A. Lawrence, A. Petruolo, B Pregeluber, G. Rothrock, S. Steenbarger</b>	

ISSUES	DISCUSSION	DECISIONS	FOR ACTION
Minutes	Corrections; Theresa Cross and Ron McKnight are on the forum planning committee. Clarify in minutes that Farm to Chef was a model of a type of meeting that has happened in Portland that might be something to consider for a community forum.	Correct minutes	Minutes approved
General Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Alison Dennis no longer working for Burgerville which was a condition for her Council membership</li> <li>- Hunger Tour is being planned by the non-profit network for November. This will be a bus tour to increase awareness and support for emergency food programs.</li> <li>- Caitlin Arnold is a new AmeriCorps member working with Clark County Public Health and WSU Vancouver Extension on garden program activities. (<a href="mailto:Caitlin.arnold@clark.wa.gov">Caitlin.arnold@clark.wa.gov</a>)</li> <li>- Next month Eco Trust will be presenting on the Food Hub</li> </ul>	Question about recruitment for new members. Council would have to direct membership committee to do outside of the normal annual membership drive.	<p>There will be a need for membership committee to be very active, as all original members of the council will complete their terms in 5/2011.</p> <p>Andrea will forward more information about Hunger Tour at later date</p>
Presentation on Clark County Emergency Food Program Needs/Systems	<p>Bill Coleman did an outstanding job reviewing the history and structure of the emergency food system in Clark County.</p> <p>He also shared a fact sheet with demographic information.</p> <p>In general, demand continues to climb for emergency food and</p> <p>The Council was surprised that the emergency food system only supplies enough food for a family for about 4 days. Many programs limit participants to only 1 x a month.</p>		Tricia will forward PowerPoint to FSC

	<p>CC agencies serve about 30,000 people/monthly.</p> <p>As need has increased there has been a slight increase in amount of food available, but generally there has been a decrease in the amount provided to each individual/family.</p>		
	<p>Andrea Walker shared specific information from the pantry level.</p> <p>One Life focuses on providing a wide range of resources through;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- organic garden on-site</li> <li>- Share our Strength; 6 week nutrition education program</li> <li>- Partnering with Churches in Partnership for nutrition presentations</li> <li>- Participating in harvest share with provides fresh produce from Oregon Food Bank 1xmonth</li> <li>- Working to try and secure foods for those on dietary restrictions or who are homeless</li> <li>- Participating with Urban Abundance to accept locally harvested produce</li> <li>- Constantly thinking about how to get more local/healthy choices in the food box</li> </ul>	<p>Important to support not only the Stop Hunger Warehouse and Clark County Food Bank but local pantries.</p> <p>Food programs are also always in need of volunteers.</p>	
	<p>Tricia shared information from the WIC survey regarding grocery access and the Fruit Valley food access survey.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Most WIC participants do not find it difficult to get to the store they would like to shop at (major grocery store).</li> <li>- Small percentage do have access problems all related to lack of personal/family transportation</li> <li>- Fruit Valley most interested in; growing food, sharing resources, improving choices at corner store.</li> </ul>	<p>Workshops are being planned for October in Fruit Valley; growing food together and buying food together.</p> <p>These workshops will increase opportunities for residents to share with each other and learn from each other.</p>	
NEXT MEETING	October 28 <sup>th</sup> – Looking for a location with internet access	Members should watch for announcements about location of next meeting.	